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A Winans coffee cup trick-or-treats at Winans.



The Rich family won the "family" category with their rendering of the characters from the movie "Inside Out."

CORRECTION
Last week's Troy Tribune featured a story on Dr. Sebastian Gorka. The story did not acknowledge that it was written by Brittany Arlene Jackson.

Recreation Levy Goes on Ballot

By Nancy Bowman

The Operation Recreation Committee is asking Troy voters to support the 2.01-mill, 10-year tax levy to raise \$10 million for recreation projects at Paul G. Duke Park, the Miami Shores Golf Course and the Troy Senior Citizens Center. Troy City Council placed the levy on the Nov. 8 ballot this summer, at the request of the Operation Recreation Committee. The group of several community organizations offering recreation activities pledged to raise another \$4 million from the private sector to help pay for the proposed projects.

Those projects include:

- Duke Park improvements: \$11.2 million for nine baseball fields plus infrastructure, three full size soccer fields plus infrastructure and a maintenance building
- Senior Citizens Center improvements: \$100,000 for projects such as roof replacement, exterior siding, foundation drainage, interior renovations and parking lot improvements.
- Miami Shores Golf Course, \$1.5 million for projects of clubhouse and land renovations and a driving range.

Bobby Phillips, who is leading the Operation Recreation Committee, said the cooperation of the organizations makes sense as opposed to each group trying

to raise money for individual projects.

The levy would cost the owner of a home with a \$100,000 value, \$70.35 a year, according to the Miami County Auditor's Office.

"Everybody knocks on the same doors for private money so if you do it at one time, it makes it a lot more palatable for folks to see the long-range vision," he said.

Those organizations are: Troy Junior Baseball, Midwest Ohio Baseball, Troy Christian High School, Troy High School Softball, Troy Post 43 and Troy TL Boosters Inc., Troy Soccer Club, Troy Senior Citizens Center, Miami Shores Golf Course and Junior Trojans Baseball.

Some of the projects have been on the back burner for a number of years, Phillips said, using the proposed renovations at the golf course clubhouse as an example.

The Operation Recreation proposal was sparked by the need for Troy Junior Baseball to find a new location for its fields due to repeated flooding of fields and facilities at the Knoop Complex off County Road 25A and Eldean Road.

The proposed site for the baseball fields is the former Huelskamp Farm property located north of Duke Park. The property was bought by the city last year to accommodate park expansion.

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Hometown Halloween Draws Large Crowd

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

The 2016 Hometown Halloween Parade and Costume Contest was a highlight of the season for local families. The event gathered an audience together at Prouty Plaza on October 22 for a ceremony awarding first, second and third place trophies to costume-wearing contestants. Hosted and organized by the Troy Noon Optimist Club, the event attracted

approximately 350 children and their parents, in addition to the ongoing march of trick-or-treaters on the square for the hours following the parade.

Judging for the costume contest took place at the government building prior to the march. Judges were looking for originality, uniqueness, and complexity while also taking into account the personality of the costume wearers. Some of this year's

categories were difficult to judge according to Tom Funderburg, an Optimist and the Director of Human Resources for the city of Troy. With a wide array of colorful characters, children and their families were not merely on the march for candy; bragging rights and trophies were also much-coveted prizes. Pets and coordinating family costumes were also judged.

The youngest category only had one contestant

this year. A little pumpkin took home a trophy for the 0-to-11-month old category. In the following categories, bears, pirates, zombies, superheroes, and princesses took the stage. Names were often also endearing. A one-year-old girl was introduced as "Sophi-stein," eliciting a chuckle and coos by audience members. Some of the more complicated costumes

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Sheriff Candidates Present Their Cases

By Nancy Bowman

The race for Miami County sheriff features two familiar faces. Both Dave Duchak and Joe Mahan have worked for the department a number of years and both served as chief deputy for retiring Sheriff Charles Cox.

Duchak is the current chief deputy while Mahan was chief deputy before leaving the department in 2006. He ran unsuccessfully against Cox in 2008. Mahan is the commander of the Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy at Edison State Community College.

Duchak is the Republican candidate after winning a four-way primary in March. Mahan filed as an independent candidate.

Mahan said he thinks "things have deteriorated within the agency" leaving it "rudderless" the past few years. He said he would bring "fresh eyes" to the department after being gone for 10 years.

Duchak said the department is not "rudderless," pointing to "the good work by the men and women



Dave Duchak, speaking at the Candidates Night on Thursday.

of the sheriff's office." He said there have been immense changes" in law enforcement and the sheriff's office during the past decade, adding he is "ready to hit the ground running from day one."

CANDIDATES:

Dave Duchak

Age: 51

Residence: Troy

Education: Tippecanoe High School; 3.5 years at University of Dayton; numerous law enforcement schools



Joe Mahan, speaking at the Candidates Night on Thursday.

Previous political experience: None

Family: Wife Sheri, daughter Casie and son Kyle

More information on campaign: www.electduchakforsheriff.com

Joseph A. Mahan

Age: 62

Residence: Troy

Education: Associate's degree, criminal justice, Sinclair Community College; bachelor's degree, criminal justice, Tiffin University;

attended Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command

Previous political experience: Ran for sheriff in 2008

Family: Four adult children; six grandchildren

More information on campaign: www.ElectMahanSheriff.com

WHY ARE YOU SEEKING THIS OFFICE? Mahan:

"I decided to run for sheriff after being asked by countless people to run in 2012. At that time, under the stipulations of the ORC (Ohio Revised Code), I was not eligible to run. After speaking with the sheriff of Mahoning County and members of his staff while I was at the 2015 Ohio Police and Fire Games' event, I found the law had changed and I was eligible to run," he said.

"After much consideration, and a lot of support from friends and colleagues, I decided to go forward - choosing to run as an independent

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CKD Kitchen Design

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

The city of Troy has had the good fortune to offer almost "everything but the kitchen sink" in terms of retail variety. In recent months, however, a new kitchen design company finally covers this important detail. CKD Kitchen Design opened its showroom to the public on March 1 after having performed contract work out of its location at 800 West Main Street for several years.

Mark Gausel has been a cabinet designer in the Miami Valley for 20 years and a resident of Troy for the last 6 years. It was only in recent days that he considered a return to kitchen design after a respite. In the meantime, he had opportunities to

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Miami County Sheriff Reports

Monday 10/17 deputy.

4:32 p.m. – To Laurel Creek Dr. Dublin, Ohio Police requested that the deputy contact the resident and inform him that his wife was involved in an auto accident and that she would be in the hospital for a while. The deputy could see that the man may need help taking care of himself. The man said his wife helps him and that he does need help, but is not totally dependent upon someone else. Troy EMS checked him and his vitals were fine. He did not want to go to the hospital. Adult Protective Services was notified to follow up. A neighbor stopped by and said he could check on the man this evening and tomorrow morning, but he would not be able to care for the man long-term.

7:21 p.m. – To the Dollar General in Pleasant Hill for a report of a suspicious vehicle. When the deputy arrived, he saw the vehicle leave and head east on Rt. 718, then turn right on Dorset Rd. He initiated a traffic stop at the Shell station. The driver was found to be under suspension and the passenger had a warrant from Champaign County. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and called for a valid driver to take control of the vehicle. The passenger was transported to the county line on Rt. 36 and turned over to a Champaign County

7:43 p.m. – To S. County Rd. 25A for a report of an abandoned vehicle. A man reported that a male subject had left his vehicle on his property, and it has been there for over 30 days. The owner was contacted and said that he would have it moved tomorrow evening. He was advised that if the homeowner signs a statement regarding the amount of time the vehicle was parked there, it can be towed.

Tuesday 10/18

12:11 a.m. – Traffic stop on Experiment Farm Rd. at Eldean Rd. The driver was cited for driving under suspension.

1:02 a.m. – Traffic stop on County Rd. 25A near Eldean Rd. The vehicle had no working license plate light. The driver said he knew it was out and said the vehicle belongs to his girlfriend. He produced a title that was partially filled out and said the plates belong to her. He was cited for fictitious plates and given a warning for the equipment violation.

11:22 a.m. – To Upper Valley Medical Center for a report of a 15-year-old male causing problems in the Emergency Room.

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Sheriff’s Office Conducts County-Wide Verification of Sex Offender Addresses

By Seth Gecko

The Miami County Sheriff’s Office, along with other law enforcement agencies, conducted a sweep of the county to verify the addresses of convicted sex offenders. The operation started at 6:00 Monday morning and ended at noon. A total of 158 addresses were checked. Of those, 110 were verified, at 44 addresses door hangers were left and re-checks were needed because no one was home and four investigations will be started for non-compliance. “The Miami County Sheriff’s Office would like to thank the partner law enforcement agencies and the 25 officers who participated in the operation,” said Chief

Deputy Dave Duchak. “The sweep went smoothly due to the professionalism and cooperation of all agencies and their respective officers. United States Marshal Peter Tobin added, “Today, The Miami County Sheriff’s Office and their law-enforcement partners have gone the extra mile in protecting their citizens from sexual predators. The US Marshals Service has been happy to assist. Assisting the Sheriff’s office were the Police Departments of Piqua, Troy, Covington, West Milton and Tipp City, the Ohio State Highway Patrol, Ohio Adult Parole Authority, United States Marshals service and the Miami County 911 Communications Center.

Troy Police Reports

Monday 10/17

8:50 a.m. – A woman came into the police station to report that her vehicle was struck in the Heywood School lot on Oct 14. There was a black mark on the driver’s side rear quarter panel that was consistent with a tire touching the metal. She said she waited four days to report it because she wanted to check with the Principal to see if he knew who owned the vehicle. She got a license number of the vehicle that was parked next to her. The officer called the owner who didn’t know anything about an accident.

1:49 p.m. – To Pearson Ct. to pick up a warrant suspect. While the suspect was explaining to her mother what was happening, dispatch contacted the officer and advised him that the Sheriff’s office wanted the suspect summonsed into court the next morning. A summons was issued.

7:04 p.m. – To Kent Lane for a report of unruly juveniles. Several juveniles were found damaging a fence. None could be charged criminally because of their age. Their parents were notified and informed that they would be liable for the damage done. The juveniles were released to their parents.

11:58 p.m. – Traffic stop on S. Market at Clay. The driver was cited for no operator’s license and an in-operative headlight.

Tuesday 10/18

8:40 a.m. – To Duke Park for a report of breaking and entering. A parks employee said that someone had broken into the baseball concession stand. He contacted a representative from the baseball team and verified that there was no money in the building, and about \$50 worth of candy and pop was taken. There are no suspects.

4:22 p.m. – While standing at the corner of Skylark and Mayfield on another case, the officer saw a black car southbound on Skylark approach the intersection, look at the officer and go through the 4-way stop with-

out stopping. The officer pointed at the driver and he stopped. He said he was watching the officer and did not see the stop sign. He was cited and released.

4:40 p.m. – To W. Main St. for a report of a theft. A store employee reported that three female suspects stole numerous electronics items and possibly some clothes. Over \$3000 in stolen merchandise could be identified by surveillance video.

5:04 p.m. – To N. Market St. for a report of an unruly juvenile. One juvenile was charged with being unruly and one adult female was charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

9:26 p.m. – To Staunton Commons Dr. for a report of a missing juvenile.

Wednesday 10/19

12:25 a.m. – Traffic stop on Main St. near Cherry. A driver had run the red light, but stopped on the other side of the intersection for pedestrians who were legally crossing the street. The driver was cited for a red light violation.

8:40 a.m. – To the area of Kyle School for a report of an accident. A driver was backing into a parking space and struck a vehicle already parked behind him. He was cited for improper backing.

2:37 p.m. – To W. Main St. for a report of a theft. The suspect fled before the officer arrived. He was reviewing video to try to identify the suspect. The case remains open.

3:40 p.m. – To W. Main St. for a report of a theft. A store employee reported that a female suspect stole several electronics items valued at \$540 earlier in the day. The items were located at a Pawn Shop in Middletown. The suspect also appears to be the same person who was involved in a theft in Lebanon, Ohio.

7:39 p.m. – An officer saw a red Jeep run a red light on Main at Walnut. He tried to stop the vehicle on Market near

Water, but the jeep continued to travel north. It finally stopped in the left turn lane of Market at Staunton. The driver appeared intoxicated. The officer tried to administer field sobriety tests but had little cooperation. He was taken into custody and taken to the Police Station for a breath test. He was still uncooperative. He was then taken to the Miami County Jail and charged with a red light violation, OVI, open container and carrying a concealed weapon.

9:55 p.m. – To Cloverleaf Dr. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that she was at the hospital all day, and when she returned home she believed that some items were missing. She was nervous and jittery. She said that a trash bag had been moved, a rug had been dirtied and a “Mental health Renewal” sign was taken. She said she was also missing a shirt. She seemed to be very concerned about the dirty rug. She was advised to wash the rug. The case was suspended as suspicious in nature.

Thursday 10/20

1:26 a.m. – An officer ran the plate of a vehicle parked in front of the Mayflower and learned that the registration expired on June 25. The owner was contacted and said she was aware that the tags had expired but had not had a chance to renew them. She was cited for expired plates.

5:49 a.m. – Traffic stop in the 1800 block of W. Main St. The vehicle’s registration expired on Sept 28. The driver said he knew the tags were expired and was saving money to renew them. He was cited for expired plates.

8:37 a.m. – To W. Main St. for a report of a theft. A store employee reported that a driver pumped \$31 worth of gas into his vehicle and left without paying for it. The suspect was identified as a white male in his 20’s.

10:26 a.m. – To Archer Dr. for a report of a theft. A man reported that a leaf blower was taken from the back of his flatbed

trailer while he was servicing a lawn. He said that he had just bought it for \$560 and had marked the blower with black permanent marker. The officer learned that there were other thefts had occurred in the Merrimont area off of Peters Ave. Some of the stolen property was located at a pawn shop in Dayton. The person who brought the items in was identified, and he drives a small black Honda with a front donut spare tire.

3:27 p.m. – To The Rec for a report of a theft. A boy said that someone stole his bike from the bike rack. He said that one of his friends saw a white male about 12-14 years old ride off on the bike. It was a Rockstar freestyle, black with red frame. The boy said his parents did not yet know that he was filing a report. The deputy called his mother, but she did not know the serial number to the bike. She said that she would pick up her son.

4:14 p.m. – A Lincoln Ave. resident came to the Police Station to turn in a Mastercard that he found on the street in front of his home. The owner was identified and the officer went to her home. The owner said that she lost her card while babysitting in the Lincoln Ave. area. Her card was returned.

5:22 p.m. – Traffic stop on S. Ridge near Main. The vehicle’s registration expired Sept 14. The driver said he did not know the registration expired. He was cited.

11:57 p.m. – Traffic stop on Franklin at Mulberry. The driver appeared to be texting while he was driving. He said that he was not texting, but was watching a video. The officer learned that the vehicle’s registration expired March 14. The driver was adamant that he had renewed his registration in Indiana. He was cited for expired registration.

Friday 10/21

10:30 a.m. – To Peters Ave. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that her medication is missing. She said she was giving

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Local Property Transfers

Property Address	Transfer Date	Price	Seller	Buyer
718 Branford Rd	10/4	\$109,900.00	Morris Rachael A	Lavender Ron L
2085 Piqua Troy Rd	10/4	\$1,017,300.00	Halifax Land Company Llc	Ttf Brown Llc
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518 S Mulberry St	10/4	\$27,000.00	Bergman Michael & @ (4)	Chandler Cynthia J
1389 Mckaig Ave	10/5	\$214,500.00	Deisher Samuel R & Taylor G	Bowman Joshua A & Michele L
922 Arrow Dr	10/5	\$318,572.00	Brasher Kevin P & Kathryn A	Scott Investments Of Troy Llc
850 Westlake Dr	10/5	\$160,000.00	Carlson Christopher S	Brasher Kevin P
1306 Golden Eagle Dr	10/5	\$244,000.00	Murphy Donald L Ii & Kellie A	George Jason M
1009 S Mulberry St	10/5	\$0.00	Koble Douglas H	Federal National Mortgage Association
1014 S Walker St	10/5	\$0.00	Jester Mahlon M	Jester Mahlon & Rosella
2734 Fieldbrook Ct	10/6	\$166,000.00	Reynolds Frank L & Dapho Ann	Swallow Reta A (Tod) @ (4)
703 W Franklin St	10/7	\$0.00	Frazier Paula G	Frazier Agnes E
207 Morehead St	10/7	\$0.00	Secretary Of Veterans Affairs	Colonial Savings F A
18 N Walnut St	10/7	\$70,000.00	Weiss Joy L	Weiss Samuel E
2305 Larkspur Dr	10/7	\$56,900.00	Fletcher Michael	Denlinger & Sons Builders Inc
755 Westlake Dr	10/7	\$208,000.00	Gellatly Steven J & Loretta J	Moore Earl W & Cynthia M
801 Maplecrest Dr	10/11	\$0.00	Burgei Gary L & Bridget E	Carfora Darlene M & @ (3)
2480 Thornhill Dr	10/11	\$0.00	Wieland Steven L & Jennifer A	Wieland Steven L
55 Colony Park Dr	10/11	\$0.00	Orljian Klimberly J Trustee	Harbaugh Philip W & Rita M
1581 Surrey Rd	10/11	\$0.00	Fullerton Brett A Trustee	Imler Robert A & Jane K Moore
918 Walker St	10/11	\$0.00	Browning Shelly L	Browning Bobby G
474 W Mayfield Sq	10/11	\$75,500.00	Chiasson David	Metcalf Clark R & Rory Rebecca
1990 Stanfield Rd	10/11	\$465,000.00	R & E Llc	First Choice Management Group Ltd
Olympic Dr	10/11	\$465,000.00	R & E Llc	First Choice Management Group Ltd
611 Indiana Ave	10/11	\$35,000.00	Steineman Richard	Robinson Gertrude
225 S Union St	10/11	\$27,700.00	Degroat Donald B	Wrcl Llc
311 S Ridge Ave	10/11	\$150,000.00	Samela Anna Danielle	Lyons Michael E & Pamela M
610 E Franklin St	10/11	\$125,000.00	Metro Frank S & Cristol B	Griffitheth Gina B
618 Locust Ln	10/11	\$134,000.00	Bidle Edward E & Tonya L	Crumrine Ben
55 Heather Dr	10/12	\$0.00	Klatte Kevin C	Klatte Kevin C & Joseph C
1483 Sussex Rd	10/12	\$0.00	Federal National Mortgage Association	Mapes Victoria
563 N Market St	10/12	\$53,000.00	Cusac William G & T C A Properties Llc	Cusac William G & Mary Ann
563 N Market St	10/12	\$53,000.00	T C A Properties Llc	Cusac William G & T C A Properties Llc
3309 Heatherstone Dr	10/12	\$276,265.00	Reyes-Torres Ezra & Claudia Frias-Villa	Nvr Inc
733 Grant St	10/13	\$47,000.00	Barth David	Wilson Esther Helen
1247 Keller Dr	10/14	\$120,000.00	Phillips Teresa M	Hatfield Betty M
419 Lincoln Ave	10/14	\$70,000.00	Miller Tara Lynn	Jp Morgan Chase Bank
518 Forrest Ln	10/14	\$112,000.00	Sano Sarah R	Barker Derek D
117 Williams St	10/14	\$15,000.00	All Ohio Home Buying Llc	Bergemeier Bruce A & Lorna J
574 Meadow Ln	10/14	\$77,500.00	Mangen Richard	Lemmon Bernard J Jr
743 S Grant St	10/17	\$0.00	Grevenkamp Rosemary	Grevenkamp Rosemary & Ralph C
743 S Grant St	10/17	\$0.00	Grevenkamp Realty Llc	Grevenkamp Rosemary
2520 Glenmore Ct	10/17	\$0.00	Secretary Of Housing & Urban Development	Bank Of America Na
329 Summit Ave	10/17	\$134,000.00	Murph Lenora S	Givler Nina Sue
1755 Saratoga Dr	10/17	\$167,500.00	Sweeney Angela C	Sweeney Mary L Trustee
992 Linwood Dr	10/17	\$66,000.00	Deutsche Bank	Tilton Jack A & Mickie M
1077 Windmill Ct	10/18	\$535,000.00	Riddle James A & Tina M	Raysun Investments Llc

Concord Township Brush Pickup Done for 2016

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the October 18, 2016 meeting of the Concord Township Trustees, Trustee Tom Mercer reported that because of the warm weather township residents have still been placing a significant amount of brush out for pickup. The township discontin-

ued the brush pickup service at the end of September. Road Superintendent Neil Rhoades added, “We have converted the truck to leaf pickup and will not be able to accommodate the brush.”

The trustees agreed to send an email notification to residents that the township would not pick up the brush

and to remove the brush from the curb because it will interfere with plowing when the snow falls.”

Mercer suggested, “The residents can take the brush to the transfer station. It will cost them a small fee, but they can get rid of it there.”

Rhoades also notified the trustees that a resident report-

ed a tree with several dead limbs at 2990 Peebles. He called Stillwater. It will cost \$150 to remove the limbs.

Fiscal Officer Pat Quillen submitted a grant application to the Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority (OTARMA) for \$500. Two hundred dollars will go toward the Ohio Township

Conference that the trustees attend in January. The remaining grant will be used to purchase new coats for the road crew.

Trustee Bill Whidden agreed to represent the township at the Meet the Candidates Forum to discuss the Fire/EMS levy on the November 8, 2016 ballot. He also

told Troy Fire Chief Matthew Simmons, “We would like to thank you and your staff for all of the services you provide to the township. It is deeply appreciated.”

The next Concord Township meeting is scheduled for Tuesday November 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Concord Township Building.

Trib Briefs

By Nancy Bowman

Man sentenced in pursuit, crash

A Dayton man convicted of failing to stop for pursuing police and striking a car along East Main Street was sentenced to 30 months in prison and restitution of more than \$12,000.

Laramie D. Lawson, 30, was arrested July 31 after the pursuit that began when a Miami County sheriff's deputy tried to stop his vehicle after allegedly seeing Lawson driving down a street the wrong way.

The deputy initiated a pursuit after Lawson failed to stop, hitting a park car along East Main Street and forcing into the Christian Electric Service building. Lawson's vehicle continued on until it was stopped in Clark County when tire spikes were placed on the road.

He pleaded guilty in September in county Common Pleas Court to felony failure to comply with the order or signal of a police office.

Judge Jeannine Pratt sentenced Lawson to 30 months in prison, a three-year driver's license suspension and \$12,451 restitution.

Charges dismissed in pursuit

Miami County prosecutors have dismissed charges against a Franklin woman who led police on a chase along several roads and fields near Troy following a finding of insanity.

Lovena Harp, 45, had pleaded not guilty in Miami County Common Pleas Court. The charges were dismissed after an evaluation found the plea was supported and Harp could not be rehabilitated. Prosecutor Tony Kendell said.

Harp was indicted on charges of felony failure to comply, assault on a police officer and criminal damaging.

Troy police said they attempted to stop Harp on April 3 after being asked to remove her from a church. Harp was accused of failing to stop for police and driving circles in a field near town before the pursuit ended after tire deflating devices were used and windows of her vehicle were broken by officers.

Victim volunteers sought

The Miami County Vic-

tim Witness Program is looking for volunteers to assist victim advocates with victims of crime.

Volunteers must be 18 years old, have no criminal history and have a valid driver's license and car insurance.

A volunteer training program is being held Nov. 2 and 3 from 6-8 p.m. each day at the county Safety Building in Troy.

Anyone interested in the training is asked to contact Carmen Barhorst at 937-440-3540 or email cbarhorst@miamicountyohio.gov.

Bird club holding fund raiser

The Miami Valley Bird Club and Rescue is holding a fund raiser selling Mehaffie's Pies.

Pies are \$10 each. The pies available are apple, Dutch apple, cherry, peach, blueberry, chocolate, coconut cream, lemon and pecan.

Those who would like to donate a pie to St. Pat's food bank in Troy can do so with each pie also \$10. Orders with payment are due by Nov. 5. Delivery will be Nov. 19. To place an order or for questions, contact Kim at 937-440-0016 or kseit263@frontier.com.

Mine hearing Thursday

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 at 7 p.m. in the Troy Junior High School Cafeteria.

The application by Piqua Materials was filed in late September with the Miami County Planning and Zoning Department. 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 operation. Phil Neal and Tom Hartzell expressed concerns such as added traffic on roads used by farm equipment and potential impact on ground water.

Since then, a citizens group has formed to oppose the project. The group lists added truck traffic, potential health impacts and potential water table reduction among its concerns.

Folks Addresses Rotary on Human Trafficking

Even in 2016, there are people across Miami County, the state of Ohio, and the nation who are victims of fraud, force and coercion that leave them trapped in situations where they are “trafficked” for labor, slavery. sex and other activities. Tonya Folks, of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, discussed the growing problem of human trafficking in the Miami Valley during Troy Rotary Club's October 18th meeting.

With the Sheriff's Office since January 2016, Folks is the Human Trafficking Liaison. She was hired to coordinate the County's law enforcement activities related to this pervasive, growing problem in the Dayton and Miami Valley area. Part of her role is to train law enforcement in what to look for in terms of who might be a victim and how to address victims' advocacy. She offers

a free, hour-long training in which first responders, firefighters, law enforcement and citizens in general can learn how to look for “tells” to indicate someone is a victim. There are many factors, such as cultural and life circumstances like domestic violence and sexual abuse, that are primary indicators for a child being vulnerable to being trafficked. Other risks include physical abuse, neglect, witnessing violence, and exposure to drugs. In 2015, in just 32 percent of the state of Ohio, there were over 8,400 children at high risk of being a victim, based on these vulnerabilities. Many victims range in age from 11-17 but some may be as young as eight years old.

Human trafficking is a broadly used term to define any activity that is coerced, including sex, servitude, slavery, labor, and so forth. Folks

shared that Miami County has done a lot of good work in advocating for human trafficking victims' rights. While children in the United States are at risk, many victims come from four countries: Mexico, Thailand, India, and Philippines. Nail salons in Ohio are notorious for harboring traffickers and victims. Sex trafficking is a part of human trafficking as well. In addition to the human trafficking definition of fraud, force and coercion, anyone in the sex trade who is under 18 years old is automatically classified as a sex trafficking victim. The average age for girls getting into prostitution is 12-14 years old; for boys, it's 11-13. Sadly, sex trafficking is financially lucrative and subindustries have formed, including brothels, massage parlors, and other illicit businesses. Street prostitution makes up only five percent of the trade

while 95 percent are “escorts” providing a “girlfriend experience,” and other classifications of trafficking.

Traffickers are either home grown and stay local or are travelers who move from event to event and location to location. Folks tracks pimp activities throughout the state and across state lines. She works with other law enforcement agencies, including the FBI, to coordinate stings to catch this activity. She and the Sheriff's Office monitor all social media platforms where recruiting techniques are used to entice young children into trafficking. Folks encourages “See something, say something” if you notice suspicious activity involving children who may be flashing a lot of cash, show signs of physical abuse, or an adult who is unable to leave

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acquire his MBA and work as a project manager, installing all the interiors for Stein Mart, Famous Footwear, and other large chains. Following graduation, he went to work in Piqua and began receiving requests from builders and other contacts for design and install work once again.

“I can't say this was completely unexpected but I wasn't sure what was going to be next,” Gausel said. “The stars just aligned for this and the contracts really came in at a time when I was needing to make decisions.”

Gausel and his wife are in partnership with CKD Kitchen Design. The showroom boasts the largest all-Legacy Cabinet display. Indicators were given that a new, high-end line by Mouser Cabinetry out of Kentucky is going to be added in coming months. Although there has not yet been an official grand opening and additions are still being made, Gausel has been enjoying the process of watching the new business unfold.

“When people go to Lowes and Home Depot, they come back here very quickly

and buy,” Gausel said. “Everything is value priced, 30% less than craft-made and almost identical cabinets. We also offer things larger retailers like that don't offer.”

It is a point of some pride for Gausel that his business is meticulous about customer service. “The way I see it, we're a counterpart in this process,” Gausel said. “You don't just bring us dimensions and take what we offer. We come out. We measure. We consult all at no charge and then we come back and draw the kitchen, for the

most part. Then we sit with the customer and, within 45 minutes to an hour, we work on a design until we know they will be happy.”

State-of-the-art kitchen designer software enables CKD to input the dimensions of a customer's kitchen and provide a layout schematic on big screen TVs at the back of the showroom. “I'm really proud of what we've been able to do here so far,” Gausel said. “We're looking forward to serving people and giving them kitchens they will enjoy for many years to come.”

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12:17 p.m. – While in the break room at the Miami County Safety Building, a deputy heard a woman screaming. The screams became louder and more frantic as he went down the hallway. He then found a woman leaning over a paper shredder in the hallway. As he got closer, he saw that the shredder had stopped and the woman was stuck. He unplugged the shredder. The woman said that she had leaned over to pack down the shredded paper and her hair became stuck in the shredder. It had pulled about 10” of her hair into the mechanism which caused it to jam. Maintenance was called and cut her hair free

from the machine. She said she needed no medical attention.

2:04 p.m. – To Swailes Rd. for a report of junk vehicles. A Concord Twp. Trustee reported several junk vehicles at this location. The deputy saw two vehicles that fit the Township Resolution, but was unable to make contact with the homeowner. He left a business card and a warning to have the vehicles fixed or removed within 24 hours or they will be cited.

9:00 p.m. – To Countryside Dr. N. for a report of a theft. An unknown individual had entered an open garage door and stole several items.

Wednesday 10/19

12:41 p.m. – To Walnut Ridge Dr. for a report of a theft. A chain saw, leaf blower and gas can were stolen from the residence. The suspects drove a black Honda with a spare tire on the front of the car.

6:07 p.m. – To Red Oak Circle for a report of a theft. A woman reported that a motorized scooter was stolen from her open garage sometime between 9:00 and 11:00. The only suspicious activity noticed lately was a black Honda with a spare tire on the front. Several other neighbors reported thefts in the area. The case is

pending.

Thursday 10/20

2:39 p.m. – To Troy Sidney Rd. and Woodhaven Lane for a report of an injury accident with a possible intoxicated driver.

Friday 10/21

7:28 a.m. – A man called to report that on two separate occasions this morning, Trump signs were taken from his residence and from his mother's residence across the street. He said that a white truck with an extended bed and Illinois tags was the possible suspect vehicle.

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The committee chose to delay its effort to raise the private dollars until voters weighed in on the tax levy Nov. 8.

Some donors approached before that decision said they wanted to see the election

outcome before making a pledge, Phillips said.

If the levy passes and the private fund drive falls short, the committee has submitted to the city a proposed list of priorities for the available dollars. The ball fields tops

that list followed by the soccer fields, the golf course work and the seniors center improvements.

If the levy does not pass, nothing happens, Phillips said.

Phillips said community

support of the project is important to recreation and the economic development that goes along with offerings including the ability to attract visitors for tournaments and other events.

“It is a no-brainer to me,”

Phillips said of the levy proposal. “We have a very philanthropic community that has given and given and given to the point that we as residents need to take ownership and contribute back also and not expect these philan-

thropic friends to continue to fund all of our needs.”

More information on the tax proposal is available on the city website at www.troyohio.gov or by contacting Phillips at 418-5276 or bobby.phillips@troyohio.gov.



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Eagles Likely Land In Playoffs With Big Win

By Jim Dabbelt

The city of Troy has had plenty of things to get excited about this football season. Not only is Troy High School headed to the playoffs with an 8-1 record, but across town on Dorsett, the Troy Christian football squad made a huge statement Friday night.

The Eagles broke open a tie game at the half by scoring 20 straight points in the second half, and they used a solid all-around performance for a 41-21 win over Miami East on the road in Casstown, running their record to 8-1 on the season.

With the win, the experts on such things have stated the Eagles have clinched a playoff game in week 11, and likely a home game. Troy Christian ends the regular season on Friday against winless Mississinawa Valley.

The Eagles started off fast, scoring on their initial possession of the game. Four consecutive first-down runs quickly moved the ball inside the Vikings 30 yard line, where Hayden Hartman connected with Jacob Brown on a 12-yard pass with 9:39 left in the first quarter, giving Troy Christian a quick 7-0 lead.

After Brown intercepted the Vikings, the Eagles could not capitalize allowing the Vikings to deliver on their next drive.

The Vikings moved the ball into the Eagles territory where Levi Adducchio

scored from four yards out with 4:33 left in the quarter, tying the game at seven.

That is how the first half would go. Both teams exchanged opportunities, and both teams battled. The Eagles went to work on their next drive late in the first quarter when they moved the ball again with several first downs, capped with a Hartman run inside the two yard line. On third down, the quarterback kept the ball again and Hartman put the Eagles up 14-5 with 1:37 left in the quarter.

Miami East again got inside the 10 with another drive and Adducchio scored from four yards out, again trying the game at 14.

A huge return from Brown set up another Troy Christian score. Jacob Calvert found the endzone from two yards out after Hartman converted on a big third down in the drive, and with 5:21 left in the half, the Eagles again led by seven, 21-14.

With 1:03 left in the half, the Vikings answered to send the game into the half at 21-21.

The second half belonged to the Eagles.

Calvert scored from three yards out with 2:57 left in the third to put them up 28-21, then Hartman hit Brown on a 57 yard strike to make it 34-21. The final score came in the final three minutes, when Calvert scored to close out the scoring, and gave the Eagles the impressive win.



Ethan Smith works on one of the rafts at Smith Fly.

Smith Fly Looking To Secure Fly Fishing Market In Troy

By Jim Dabbelt

For Ethan Smith, his love of fly fishing and the outdoors shines as you walk into his business.

Smith Fly Designs, located at 210 E. Water St. makes fly fishing equipment for fly fishermen, along with several other items

The 1996 Troy graduate is back home after several years in Columbus looking to provide the area fly fisherman an option for their general needs, including equipment.

"It started out as a modular kit if parts such as packs and bags to help people carry their gear on the water and it has branched out from there," Smith said. As he has previously been located across the street from his current estab-

lishment.

"I was a designer before and I like to make things in general and I was doing that as a hobby. I was designing things for other people, and most of our clients were big retail companies from all across the country."

Smith moved to Troy after moving to Columbus, and he became much more active with fishing which led him to this business.

"I got more into it and had a concept for the modular parts, but I took the idea and applied it to fly fishing tackle bags," Smith added.

He spend a few years of his house before moving into a retail location two years ago.

"I made the leap here across the street into more of

a manufacturing facility because of some of the boats I was building," he said, adding that he builds inflatable rafts and paddle boats for customers.

The front end of the new store will be a showroom for customers who want to purchase their fishing equipment, while Smith has a large area in back where he will assemble the larger items. A variety of rafts, paddle boards and kayaks will be on display.

"When I started to open a location, I knew that I had a lot of great contacts in the industry, and was able to fill in the store with various things," Smith said.

He also noted that some of the bigger and best-selling items that he will offer, in addition to the fly's will be the

kayaks and paddle boards.

"Those are the two biggest things for the local market. It's kind of unique, that not many places sell a lot of variety," Smith said. "We will also be doing more personal flotation devices, life vests. With the location close to the river, Troy is a good paddling destination."

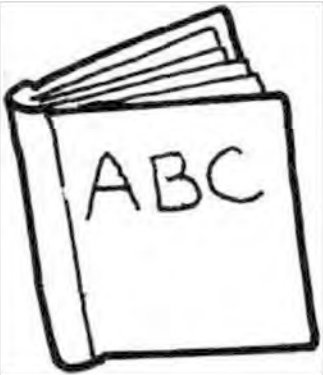
He also sells jackets and t-shirts for customers.

Long term, he wants to grow the business into a national brand.

"I have made a huge dent in the fly fishing business," he said. "I want to make sure I keep growing"

Smith Fly is open Monday through Friday 9a-5p and 9a-noon on Saturday, and may change the hours a bit during the winter.

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Several Teams To Send Runners To Regionals

By Jim Dabbelt

As the weather become more like fall, the area cross country runners are gearing up for a tournament run, as the regional championships take place this weekend in Troy.

Many runners from the area have advanced to the regionals, after placing in the top eight as a team, or top 32 individuals last weekend in the district race at Cedarville University.

Troy's top boys' runner in the Division One boys' race was Mike Griffith, who places 43rd overall with a time of 17:31.70 with the team finishing 13th overall. Also in the Division One race, Tecumseh placed 19th overall with their top finisher being Ethan Adams with a time of 17:43.67.

The Trojans girls' team however won the district championship with a total of 49 points, defeating runner-up Beavercreek by 15 points and will advance to the regionals in Troy on Saturday. All of the top five runners for

the Trojans finished in the top 20.

Leading the way for the Trojans was Emma Shigley who placed second overall with a time of 18:41.33, followed by Olivia Tyre 19:12.98, Megan Myers 19:35.46, Kate Pence 19:41.70 and Jenna Zimmerman 20:05.03.

Tecumseh finished 12th overall in the Division One girls' race, with their top runner Gena Diller placing 51st with a time of 21:40.48.

In the Division Two races, the boys' from Tippecanoe finished fourth with 170 points. Ethan Fraylick ran 16:51.17 to place him ninth overall, followed by Bryce Conley 16:53.23, Ban Jans 18:02.71, Ethan Heitkamp 18:08.78 and Brenan Larned 18:12.38.

Northwestern finished eighth as a team, and look to advance to the regionals. Their top times include Ryan Cleland with a 15th place finish of 16:59.62, followed by Justin Prack 17:12.38, Liam Randall 17:18.92, Jacob Boop 18:56.27 and Peyton Phillips

19:04.78.

Greenon placed 12th as a team, but will have Max Pettit advance to the regionals with a time of 16:41.48, placing him fifth overall in the race.

The Tippecanoe girls' team won the Division Two girls' race with 49 team points. All five of their top runners placed in the top 25.

Katie Taylor led the way with a third place finish (19:11.40), while Kaili Titley was fourth at 19:24.33. Also for the Red Devils, MaKenzie Dietz 20:00.50, Abbi Halsey 20:14.08 and Jillian Brown 20:45.69.

Neither Northwestern nor Greenon qualified as a team for regionals, but Northwestern will send a runner who placed top 32 as an individual. Cassidy Carpenter finished 18th overall with a time of 20:43.74 to advance. Sierra Potter was the top runner for the Knights with a 23:17.45, placing her 89th overall.

In the Division Three boys' race, it was Korri Hamlin shining for the Bethel Bees, as the junior cruised to the

district championship with a 16:26.15, and will advance to the regionals this weekend. Hamlin won the race by 12 seconds.

Troy Christian just missed advancing to the regionals as they finished ninth as a team. They will send freshman Carter Ritchey to the regionals in Troy, as he finished 24th overall with a time of 17:29.27.

Bethel also saw Kaitlyn Balkcom lead the way in the girls' race for Bethel as she finished 69th overall with a time of 22:58.24.

*The regional race will be held for all of the above mentioned runners this Saturday throughout the day in Troy. The times that have been set by the OHSAA for each race are as follows, along with what school will have runners in that specific race: 11:00- Division 3 boys race (Bethel, Troy Christian), 11:45- Division 2 boys (Tipp, Northwestern, Greenon), 12:30- Division 1 boys (none), 1:30- Division 3 girls (none), 2:15- Division 2 girls (Tipp, Northwestern), 3:00- Division 1 girls (Troy).

Troy Notes: Trojans, Eagles Send Teams To Sectional Finals

The Troy boys' soccer team opened their tournament season with a 4-0 shutout against GWOC foe Fairborn last week.

Henry Shaneyfelt scored first for the Trojans with eight minutes left in the first half to give the Trojans a 1-0 lead over the Skyhawks.

Right before the half, the Trojans added to their lead when Kasheen Purdue found the net, giving Troy the 2-0 lead at the break.

Early in the second half, the Trojans scored again when Brandon Lewis scored, and they capped the scoring when Grant Holland scored.

*The Trojans defeated Fairmont on Saturday afternoon 2-1 to advance to the sectional finals after dead-

line against Springboro.

Girls Soccer - Troy held a slim one goal lead at the half and survived for a 2-0 victory over Edgewood in their Division One sectional tournament opener.

Kenzie Evans gave the Trojans the early lead with a goal in the first half, and Molly Miller gave the Trojans an insurance goal to help them advance.

*The Trojans advanced to the sectional finals with a 5-2 win over Butler High School on Saturday night, and played last night for a trip to districts.

Troy Volleyball - It was an easy opener for the Trojans volleyball team last week, as they swept three games from Franklin 25-8, 25-8, 25-13 in the Division

One sectional tournament at Vandalia Butler High School.

The Trojans came back in the second round and knocked off Butler in four games 25-13, 25-17, 23-25, 25-22.

Troy lost to Springboro in the third round of the tournament on Saturday, falling 25-16, 25-21, 26-28, 25-20.

Troy Christian Girls Soccer - The Eagles defeated Brookville last week in their sectional tournament opener 2-1 in a game held at Troy Christian High School.

Scoring both goals for the Eagles was Lexi Salazar, as she scored the deciding goal in the second half after the game was 1-1 at the half.

Dishing out both assists was Ariana Shoemaker, and senior Hailey Peters had nine saves in goal.

*On Saturday, the Eagles were shutout by Preble Shawnee 4-0 to end their season in the tournament.

Troy Christian Boys Soccer - The Eagles defeated Lehman 5-1 on Saturday to advance to the sectional finals.

Troy Football - It was business as usual for the Trojans on Friday night, as they cruised past Greenville 42-21, to run their record to 8-1 overall and remains unbeaten in the GWOC American North. On Friday night, they will travel to Piqua for the league championship as both teams are unbeaten in the league.

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2016 Leaf Collection Schedule – Round Two

On Monday, October 31, the City of Troy street crews will commence round two of the annual leaf collection program. City crews plan to make a total of three leaf collection rounds through the City. As in the past, the leaf pick-up will be by zones. A Leaf Collection Map is posted on the City website www.troyohio.gov which shows the zones and an anticipated collection schedule. A description of the zones and anticipated collection schedule is provided below.

To help provide efficient collection, residents are asked to assist by:

- * Keep leaf piles free of routine yard waste, tree limbs, trash, rocks, etc. These items can damage collection equipment and delaying the collection process. See Yard Waste Collection for appropriate disposal of routine yard waste other than leaves.

- * Rake leaves to the street one (1) foot out

from the curb. Leaving this space between the curb and the leaves will allow for drainage of the street when it rains.

- * Do not block catch basins with piles of leaves. This can plug up/reduce the flow of rainwater, causing flooding issues.

- * Do not place leaf piles around or between parked cars. Leaf piles between or around parked cars will not be collected.

Residents can take their leaves to the Dye Mill Road facility in lieu of placing them in the street. The facility remains open through December 3. Residents can also place leaves in the City of Troy Yard Waste Bags (T-bags). Yard Waste Bags can be disposed of two ways - collected weekly on the regular trash collection day at the resident's curb, or taken to the Dye Mill Road Compost Facility.

This schedule is to be considered tentative, subject to weather and equip-

ment delays. If there are questions on the leaf collection schedule, please call the City of Troy Central Service & Maintenance Facility at 335-1914 between the hours of 7:00 am – 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

ZONE 1: The area bound on the east by the Corporation line and Ridge Avenue, on the north and west by the Corporation line and on the south by West Main Street, south on I-75 and the Corporation line. Pick-up scheduled for Monday, Oct. 31 through Thursday, Nov. 3.

ZONE 2: Area bound by Ridge Ave. and Peters Road on the East, to include Pleasant View and Premwood; to the South Corporation line and West Corporation line to include Willowcreek. Pick-up scheduled for Friday, Nov. 4 through Wednesday, Nov. 9.

ZONE 3: Area between Ridge Ave. on the West,

Peters Road on the South, South Market Street, Canal Street, Monroe Street and Miami River on the East and the Corporation line on the north. Also, the area between South Market and CSX Railroad, south of Canal Street to include Southview. Pick-up scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 10 through Tuesday, Nov. 15.

ZONE 4: Remainder of East end of town, from CSX Railroad east. Pick-up scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 16 through Monday, Nov 21.

ZONE 5: Sherwood area and Culbertson Heights area. Also, the remaining sections of Northeast Troy-Meadow Lawn, Heritage Hills, Gaslight Village, Northbrook and up on the hill. Pick-up scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 22 through Monday, Nov. 28

DOWNTOWN AREA: Leaves in this area will be picked up intermittently as time permits.

Frigidaire and Dayton at War (1940–1945)

On Thursday night, October 27th, Gailard “Red” Ketchem will give a lecture entitled “Frigidaire and Dayton at War 1940-1945.” Red Ketchem served in World War II as a ball turret gunner on a B-17 and may have fired one of the very guns his father, who worked on the production line at Frigidaire, had put his fingerprints on while building 50 caliber machine guns at the Frigidaire plant in Dayton (1942-1945).

While on military leave, Red took a tour of Frigidaire to view the production of these machine guns. Upon his return from the war, he also became an employee of Frigidaire and spent over 35 years in the service depart-

ment. He now resides at Bethany Village Retirement Center in Centerville, OH and serves as a volunteer at the Grimes Airport, Champaign Aviation Museum, helping to build the B-17 flying fortress called The Champaign Lady.

The Aviation Lecture Series is sponsored in part by Dayton Power and Light Corporation. Parking and admission are free and open to the public. The lecture is scheduled to last one hour with a time for questions to follow. It will be held in the Willis Wing of the WACO Air Museum at 1865 South County Road 25A in Troy, OH. For questions, please call 937-335-9226 or visit www.wacoairmuseum.org.

Cookson PTO to Hold Holiday Bazaar

Get a jump on your holiday shopping at the Cookson PTO Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, November 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the school, 921 Mystic Lane.

There will be more than 50 crafters/artisans, your favorite direct sales businesses, lunch, sweet treats for all ages. All this is under just one roof!

Crafters/Artisans featuring: handcrafted jewelry, key chains, bibs, wreaths, hair accessories, scarves, holiday/Christmas décor, wood crafts, canvas home decor, bags, soaps, dish towels, vinyl lettering, handmade fishing lures, handmade yard art, handmade baby items, baked goods and so much more.

Direct sales favorites and other home businesses: Tastefully Simple, Avon, Stampin’ Up, Beauti Control, Mary Kay, Thirty One,

do Terra Essential Oils, Premier Design, Pampered Chef, Tupperware, Laughing Dog Honey, Lula Roe, Sunflower Creations, Magnolia and Vine, Plexus, Perfectly Posh, Younique, Young Living, Gold Canyon Candle, Misty River Knits, Our Hearts Desire, Paparazzi Jewelry, A Danc-ing Needle, The Mystic Owl Apothecary, Cuddles of Love, US Bourne Books, Origami Owl, Scentsy, GL Crochet Boutique, Little Leigh Designs and more.....

Cookson students will be offering a variety of items to raise money for their 6th grade educational trip to Washington D.C.

Need lunch? The PTO sells shredded chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, chips, water and pop. They will also have baked goods, caramels and more throughout the bazaar.

What To Do in Troy

Health Trekkers

October 27, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Hobart Urban Nature Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on October 27 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 walkig 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.

Antiques Seminar

October 27, 7:30 p.m. Troy-Hayner Cultural Center “Collecting Ephemera” is the topic of an Antiques Seminar on Thursday, October 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 West Main Street, Troy. The program is free and open to the public. Local Auctioneer Jerry Stichter will present the program about the paper items of value that may be hiding in people's homes or collections. Most people are aware of autographs and first edition books, but Stichter offers insight into other items that may be overlooked. Advertising, letterhead stationary, trade cards and true photo postcards are just a few items of ephemera that will be discussed.

Ghost Tours of Troy

October 28, 7:00-9:00 p.m. October 29, 6:00-9:00 p.m. Downtown Troy Take a ghostly tour of downtown Troy with costumed storytellers. Learn some of the haunted history inside your favorite downtown shops and restaurants.

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Girl Scout Badge “Junior – Geocacher Badge” Program October 29, 12:00 p.m. Stillwater Prairie Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Girl Scout “Junior – Geocacher Badge” program on October 29 at 12 p.m. at Stillwater Prairie Reserve, 9750 St. Rt. 185 in Covington. Participants will explore the woods and work towards obtaining their “Junior – Geocacher 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.

Nature Play Date “What’s Under That Log?” October 29, 2:00 p.m. Stillwater Prairie Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its new Nature Play Date “What’s Under That Log?”

program on October 29 at 2 p.m. at Stillwater Prairie Reserve, 9750 St. Rt. 185 in Covington. Bring your elementary school age child to the natural play area for fun and games with park district naturalist Accipiter Amalee. Participants will enjoy the adventure while discovering the amazing things found under logs. 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.

Corn Maze at Lost Creek Reserve October 29, 4:00-9:00 p.m. Lost Creek Reserve

Miami County Park District's Corn Maze will be open to the public as part of the Halloween Happening on October 29 from 4 to 9 p.m. at Lost Creek Reserve, 2385 E. St. Rt. 41 east of Troy. Experience the adventure as you navigate

the twists and turns of this six-acre corn maze. Don't forget to bring a flashlight! Admission is \$5 donation for adults ages 12 and up, \$3 fee for children ages 5 to 11 and kids under 4 are free.

Brukner Nature Center Haunted Woods October 29 & 30, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Brukner Nature Center

Kid-friendly event featuring live nocturnal creatures! Learn about Ohio's nocturnal creepy, crawly, feathery and furred creatures during this special program.

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Admission is just \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members and includes refreshments, stargazing, games, crafts and face painting! For more information visit www.bruknernaturecenter.com or call 937-698-6493.

Rocky Horror Picture Show October 29, 8:00-11:30 p.m. Mayflower Arts Center

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Tickets on sale now – \$39.50, \$34.50, \$24.50, \$19.50

Halloween Happening featuring VIP Jack-O'-Lantern Hike & Trunk or Treat October 29, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Lost Creek Reserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Halloween Happening which includes a Jack-O'-Lantern Hike sponsored by the Park District VIPs and Trunk or Treat on October 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Lost Creek Reserve, 2385 E. St. Rt. 41 east of Troy. Guests of all ages are invited to drop by and experience a crisp, fall night hike around the historic Knoop homestead aglow with jack-o'-lanterns. Be sure to stop by the barn at the end of the hike to enjoy a fall treat compliments of the VIPs. The corn maze will also be open from 4 to 9 p.m. Make sure to bring a flashlight. Drop-ins are welcome. Register for the program by visiting miamicountyparks.com, e-mailing to register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

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their current job. To learn more, visit www.mc Cohio.org/sheriff/human_trafficking.cfm. To schedule a training session, send a request to folkst@mc Cohiosheriff.org.

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 an-

nual Shoe Project, academic and community service scholarships, and sponsorships to summer camps at Brukner Nature Center and WACO Air Museum. The Troy Rotary Club is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio/economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally. Follow their activities on Facebook at Troy Rotary Club. To learn more about Rotary and membership, please visit www.troyohiorotary.org.

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Library Holds “Spooky” Programs

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

The Troy-Miami County Public Library highlighted the paranormal, frightening, and fantastic at their immersive experience “Spooky Ohio” on Wednesday, October 19. The event featured the reading and story-telling talents of librarian Brian Ganger from Pleasant Hill, Ohio. Using various stories from local haunts, Ganger compelled his adult audience to read and appreciate the histo-

ry surrounding locations where ghosts are still presumed to lurk. A multi-media presentation accompanied Ganger’s reading as his audience enjoyed the chilling thrill of frightening tales and were encouraged to take yet another opportunity to borrow a book from the library’s vast array of spooky literature. Erin Scott is the adult services manager at the Troy-Miami County Public Library. She said that the interest of people

during this season leans heavily toward thrill novels or books like that of the “Haunted Ohio” series. “A ton of Stephen King and other thrillers have been checked out,” Scott said. “Our goal is to get people interested in taking advantage of the resource and education they can receive here.” According to Scott, the program with Ganger helped to accomplish that goal. Another recent popular experience offered by the

library included a Big Foot Program by Ohio Night Stalkers in the month of October. This group literally hunts Big Foot, presenting foot castings, video, and sound from their research. Scott said it was one of their best-attended adult events of 2016. Throughout the year, approximately 13 programs like this are offered for free to the public. On November 9, the Troy-Miami County Public Library will be hosting guest speaker, Troy City

Councilman and former Marine Corps Infantry Veteran, Brock Heath. The event will seek to honor veterans and celebrate the service of men and women in uniform from as long ago as the 1860s. A Civil War Era Congressional Medal of Honor will be present under the supervision of a police escort, according to Scott. The medal was given to Ohio man George Green as a commendation for bravery in the Battle of Missionary Ridge in Chat-

tanooga, Tennessee on November 25, 1863. His house was at 328 South Market Street, built after the war in 1878. He was also a Miami County Recorder for a time. “It’s a big deal,” Scott said. “This will be the first time we’ve done anything quite like this at the library.” For more on upcoming events and programs offered by the Troy-Miami County Public Library, please see their schedule of events at www.troypubliclibrary.org

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor,
I have had the pleasure of serving as your Miami County Sheriff for seven terms. I will be retiring in January and would like to express my sincere appreciation to those who have supported me over the past twenty-eight years. I feel I will be leaving behind a great department that is staffed with some of the finest men and women

that are dedicated to serving this community. As you know, my health has given me some recent challenges and during those times the responsibility of running the daily operations fell upon my Chief Deputy, Dave Duchak. Chief Deputy Dave Duchak has distinguished himself as a competent and professional leader. His service to me and this community has been inval-

uable. Chief Deputy Duchak is on the ballot seeking election as your next Miami County Sheriff as the Republican party nominee after winning the March primary election. I have worked closely with both Dave Duchak and his opponent. I am endorsing Dave Duchak and I am asking that you join with me in casting your vote to elect

him the next Miami County Sheriff. He embodies the values and professionalism you have come to expect from my office. I have enjoyed serving this community and will always value the opportunities your continued support has given me over the years. I humbly urge you to support Dave Duchak for Sheriff.
*Sheriff Charles A. Cox
Miami County Sheriff*

Community Group Raises Concerns Over Strip Mine Proposal

A limestone quarry strip mine being proposed at the intersection of Farrington and Experiment Farm roads west of County Road 25A will be the topic of a public hearing scheduled by the Miami County Board of Zoning Appeals Thursday, Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. at Troy Junior High School, 556 Adams St., Troy. The strip mine project is being proposed for development by Piqua Materials, Inc., a subsidiary of Cincinnati-based

Jurgensen Companies. A local concerned citizens group organized under the Ohio Citizen Action Education Fund has voiced strong opposition to the proposed strip mine evidenced by more than 700 “Stop the Pit” yard signs displayed throughout Miami County. The group has issued communications claiming the strip mining operation would pose community health risks, environmental hazards, and po-

tential “negative impact on the economic welfare of the entire community.” Among the community health risks claimed by the group are:
- potential exposure to airborne crystalline silica, which is a known human carcinogen, created by blasting and limestone mining,
- significant increase in large truck traffic (up to 200 per day) posing increased potential for traffic accidents and

interference with ambulance access to the hospital located approximately 1,500 yards from the site, and
- potential seismic interference with highly calibrated hospital medical equipment. The “Stop the PIT” citizens group also has claimed in its literature such threats as water table reduction due to strip mining, eroding of property values, and “detriment to future commercial development.”

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dent candidate to give all voters in Miami County the opportunity to elect their next Sheriff. “I have always felt that this position should be a non-partisan position. Sadly, there are people who will just vote an ‘R’ or a ‘D’ because their party tells them to, instead of actually looking at the qualifications of the individual candidate. I would like to encourage voters to take a look at those qualifications –not only mine, but those of my opponent as well,” Mahan said. **Duchak:** “I have dedicated my entire adult life to law enforcement in Miami County and am in my 29th year of service. I thoroughly enjoy working in law enforcement and serving my fellow residents and feel I still have much to offer. I have been blessed to work in one of the finest sheriff’s offices in the state and with some of the finest men and women in law enforcement,” Duchak said. “I want to continue the tradition of excellence in law enforcement services that Sheriff Cox brought to the office and from whom I have learned so much. I have invaluable experience, training and contacts that are of great importance in running a professional sheriff’s office. The state of your sheriff’s office is very strong and I will keep it that way should I have the privilege of being elected, Duchak added. **WHAT ARE THE TOP ISSUES THIS OFFICE FACES AND HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS THEM?** **Duchak:** “The top issue bar none

is the heroin scourge. We, in partnership with other law enforcement agencies, are practicing stringent enforcement efforts on all fronts to fight this epidemic. That alone is not going to be enough ... That is why we have partnered with Tri-County Mental Health and with them have developed an assessment process for those heroin/opiate addicts incarcerated in our jail who would benefit from medication that would reduce the cravings for heroin and possibly assist with overcoming their addiction ... Additionally, we are part of a recently formed heroin coalition in Miami County,” he said. A second issue, Duchak said, is being able to keep adequate jail space available to incarcerate those who should be in jail. “We have worked very closely with our jail staff who within the past year agreed to transition to a 12-hour shift from an 8.5-hour shift. Transitioning to a 12-hour shift has afforded the opportunity to open a third 60 person pod at the Incarceration Facility with an increased staffing level of 4 corrections officers instead of 8,” Duchak said. “This is a savings in personnel costs of approximately \$209,000 per year. In working closely with the county commissioners they have budgeted and approved the hiring of the 4 corrections officers, which will enable us to open the 3rd pod, hopefully before the end of the year.” **Mahan:** “First, regarding the jail, a serious assessment of the current facility would need to be done, with comprehensive figures as to the cost

of adding on to the Incarceration Facility (CR25A), versus refurbishing the downtown jail — determine which of the two facilities should the taxpayers’ money be spent on to maintain and/or refurbish to establish an initial point of arrest facility.” Mahan said he would work to change the morale and philosophy of the office. This he said would begin “with reminding the fine men and women who work there that they have taken an oath to serve and protect the citizens of Miami County. The Sheriff’s Office has a lot of very talented people whose talents are under-utilized. I plan to streamline operations, and determine the best use of personnel,” he said. “One area involving personnel is my plan to develop and enact the Community Resource Officer position to improve the involvement of Sheriff’s Office personnel with the citizens they serve. Remember, a law enforcement agency is only effective as the community allows it to be; meaning, no one of us is as smart as all of us collectively put together. We need to have the public’s support and involvement.” **DO YOU THINK THERE IS A NEED FOR ANY SPECIAL PROGRAMS FOR EMPLOYEES TO DEAL WITH STRESS IN TODAY’S WORLD, PARTICULARLY WITHIN A LAW ENFORCEMENT ENVIRONMENT? WHAT, IF ANYTHING, WOULD YOU SUGGEST?** **Mahan:** “OPOTA (Ohio Peace Officer Training Academy) added “Critical Incident

Stress Awareness” to the Basic Peace Officer Academy curriculum a couple of years ago, and I teach this block of instruction for my academy. Officers often find themselves in a hyper vigilant mode and need to de-stress. This can be done through a number of ways including debriefing, exercise and other programs. For the past 23 or so academies over the past 11 years, I have been presenting a Stress Awareness program that I chose to add to my academy program. My thesis for my bachelor’s degree was on this topic, and I am glad to see agencies are finally taking it seriously.” **Duchak:** “Mental health for law enforcement officers is just as important as physical well-being. Law enforcement officers see the worst of the worst and over time that can take a toll. That is why we have had a licensed psychologist address both deputies and corrections officers two times during in-service trainings over the past two years. The psychologist not only addressed healthy ways to deal with stress but also let staff know it is O.K. to reach out for help. “We also encourage our staff to attend crisis debriefings after traumatic events on the job. The State Fraternal Order of Police offers crisis assistance for those who are struggling from events they have witnessed on the job. Sheriff Cox, in the past, has also made counseling available to those who have been involved in a traumatic event and offered time off to recover. That is something I would continue.”

Premier Health Hospitals Earn Healthgrades Distinctions

Premier Health hospitals achieved dozens of awards for the quality of their care, Healthgrades announced today. “Our hospitals are known and respected for the quality of their care, and this impressive showing across the board is the latest evidence that demonstrates why,” said Mary Boosalis, president of Premier Health. Upper Valley Medical Center (UVMC) received a five-star award for its treatment of stroke. The hospital also was a five-star recipient for its treatment of heart failure (three consecutive years) and sepsis (two consecutive years). “I would like to congratulate the UVMC medical staff and employees for their combined efforts in obtaining and sustaining these tremendous results,” said Becky Rice, UVMC president and CEO. Miami Valley Hospital garnered “America’s 100 Best Hospitals” awards in five specialties: critical care (six consecutive years); cardiac care (four consecutive years); stroke care and pulmonary care (three consecutive years); and gastrointestinal care (two consecutive years). The hospital also was the recipient of an “Excellence Award” for pulmonary care and critical care (nine consecutive years); cardiac care (four consecutive years); and neuroscience and gastrointestinal care (three consecutive years). Good Samaritan Hospital achieved an “America’s 100 Best Hospitals” award for cardiac care (two consecutive years) and for coronary intervention. It received an “Excellence Award” for cardiac care (two consecutive years); critical care and stroke care. Atrium Medical Center earned an “America’s 100 Best Hospitals” award for critical care (three consecutive years), and an “Excellence Award” for stroke care and critical care (four consecutive years) and for patient safety (two straight years). Excellence Awards are given to hospitals that score in the top 10 percent among their peers in various specialty areas based on a combination of mortality and complication rates.



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Becky Rice, UVMC president and CEO, talks about the state of the hospital during the Miami County Chambers of Commerce program at UVMC.

UVMC Leaders Outline State of Hospital for Community

The busy and continually changing state of health care including the impact of the heroin epidemic and addition of local services such as a wound care center and an expanded Emergency Department were outlined by Upper Valley Medical Center leaders during a health care update Oct. 6.

The program of the Miami County Chambers of Commerce featured presentations by Becky Rice, UVMC president and CEO; Diane Pleiman, UVMC vice presi-

dent, operations; and Jennifer Hauler, DO, chief medical officer.

“One of the major contributors to our increased volumes and increased need to provide services is, unfortunately, the heroin epidemic,” Dr. Hauler said.

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ment related visits related to drug use grew from around 200 in 2010 to more than 800 in 2015, Dr. Hauler said.

Rice said the challenges facing health care are many including competition for highly qualified talent that meets the demands of today’s work requirements as well as increasing diversity among employees; rapid changes in how hospitals are paid for services; an escalation in regulatory and accreditation requirements; less access to providers; and dealing with

turnover.

She also pointed to “exciting things going on” including the first anniversary of the UVMC wound care center and upcoming addition of a second MRI unit and an Electronic-ICU project. The ICU project will connect the local ICU to a caregiver network that will include monitoring and care of patients in conjunction with onsite ICU staff and physicians. The Electronic-ICU system, Rice said, will be “a second layer of safety for our ICU patients.”

Pleiman talked briefly about UVMC’s affiliation with the MD Anderson Cancer Network. She also reported clinical staff is scheduled to move into the Emergency Department’s expansion area in mid-December followed by renovation of the current ED space next year.

The ED is a busy place and is on target for more than 52,000 patient visits this year, Pleiman said. “It is very exciting. We are moving into this great space for this community.”

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her daughter some medicine and noticed that it was almost empty. She said she called the doctor’s office and found that it is not due to be refilled for a couple of weeks. She got suspicious and checked her medicine and found many of her pills missing. She said that about 70 Percocet, 24 OxyContin and 24 Adderal were missing. Her doctor’s office advised her to file a police report. She said her daughter’s friend has been helping with remodeling and that he is a past drug addict and suspects him, but has no proof. She asked that he be trespass from her property. The officer called his number and left a message.

5:20 p.m. – To Washington St. for a report of menacing. A woman claimed a juvenile threatened her and wants him to leave her alone. The officer spoke with the juvenile’s parent who will handle the situation.

8:19 p.m. – Traffic stop on Adams St. just south of Water St. The vehicle was clocked at 39 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. The driver said that she was late picking up her son. She was cited for speed.

8:31 p.m. – An officer saw a red Ford truck speed through the light at Main

St. and Experiment Farm Rd. as it turned red. He initiated a traffic stop in the Steak & Shake lot. The driver was cited.

8:57 p.m. – To S. Plum St. for a report of a disturbance. A woman, her daughter and son-in-law were involved in an argument over who was going to do the dishes. The mother was taken to UVMC for a panic attack and the daughter went for a pre-existing medical issue. No charges were filed.

9:03 p.m. – To the 1800 block of W. Main St. for a report of a theft. A female subject was arrested for theft and on an outstanding warrant.

Saturday 10/22

12:11 a.m. – Traffic stop on Main at Dorset. The vehicle’s registration had expired on Sept 2. The driver said she forgot to renew the registration on her birthday. She was cited for expired plates.

12:17 p.m. – Traffic stop on McKaig at Commerce Center. The vehicle had only one working brake light and the registration expired on Sept 13. The driver said that he was unaware of both violations. He was cited for expired registration.

6:40 p.m. – Traffic stop on Stanfield near Main. The vehicle had turned right on red without stopping. The driver said he yielded, and was advised that he had to stop. He was cited for a red light violation and still maintained that he only needed to yield. He refused to sign the citation and made commented that the city must be hurting for money.

7:52 p.m. – To the area of the W. Market St. overpass for a report of an abandoned vehicle. It was towed.

9:04 p.m. – Traffic stop on Experiment Farm Rd. A tan Honda was clocked at 49 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. The driver said he didn’t know how fast he was going because his exhaust was loud. He also said that he didn’t know the speed limit, even though he had just passed a speed limit sign. While the officer was writing the citation, a white SUV pulled over and the driver advised that the Honda was driving recklessly and at a high rate of speed in the Kohl’s parking lot and flipping people off as he drove through. The officer asked the Honda driver about that statement, and he again said he didn’t know how fast he was going because his exhaust was loud and denied any hand gestures.

He was cited for speed.

9:22 p.m. – Traffic stop in the McDonald’s lot. The driver had sped up and gone through a red light at Main and Dorset. The driver said he was unaware of the violation and was on his way to pick up some friends. He was cited for the red light violation.

10:19 p.m. – To Duke Park for a report of unruly juveniles. A juvenile got into an adult’s face and made threats. The adult did not wish to press charges. The officer spoke with the juvenile and his mother, and they advised that it will not happen again.

Sunday 10/23

2:09 a.m. – Traffic stop on Main at Monroe. The vehicle was clocked at 53 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. The driver said that her grandfather was having a heart attack and she was on her way to his house. She was unable to give his address or name. She finally admitted that she was on her way to a friend’s home. She was cited for speed.

2:43 a.m. – To the area of Canal and Ellis for a report of a reckless driver. The officer saw a traffic accident, and after speaking with witnesses found the

suspect vehicle in a driveway on Franklin St. The driver fled the scene on foot. He is being charged with leaving the scene of an accident, driving under suspension and operation without reasonable control.

8:59 a.m. – To the 1100 block of Race Dr. for a report of found property. A man reported that he found a bicycle at the edge of his property and doesn’t believe it belongs to anyone in the neighborhood. The bike was not reported stolen and was submitted into property.

11:06 a.m. – An officer saw two vehicles take off from the red light at Market and Dorset, one of them squealing its tires. He saw the same thing again at the light at Market and I-75. He initiated a traffic stop on the suspect vehicle just west of Barnhart Rd. The driver said that he was the one squealing his tires and that the other driver was his cousin. He was cited for squealing his tires.

2:05 p.m. – Traffic stop on Adams St. just south of the bridge. The vehicle was clocked at 43 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. The driver said her speedometer said 40 MPH. She was cited for speed.

4:03 p.m. – Traffic stop on S. Ridge Ave. The vehicle was clocked at 40 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. The driver was cited for speed and advised to slow down.

4:37 p.m. – To Fieldstone Ct. for a report of a theft. A man reported that a leaf blower and weed eater were missing from his garage. A neighbor mentioned that a silver Jeep with a line down the side was seen in the area sometime today, but was unsure if it was involved.

11:37 p.m. – Traffic stop on Commerce Center Blvd. near Stanfield Rd. The driver exited his vehicle and bent over acting like he was vomiting. He said that he did not need a squad. He also said that he had no license. He was cited for no operator’s license and the owner was contacted and warned about wrongful entrustment.

Monday 10/24

6:15 a.m. – An officer saw a vehicle eastbound on Main St. approach the light at Troy Town Dr. The light turned red and the driver was about 3-4 car lengths away and ran the light. The driver was cited for a red light violation.

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Tips for Early Medicare

Last week I met with a gentleman at my office in Troy who had been confined to a wheelchair for the last 10 years. He was in a motorcycle accident more than a decade ago and hadn't worked since then. He was 59 years old but qualified for Medicare because he was on Social Security Disability for more than two years. He had Medicare Part A and B and was paying for a Part D plan that was about \$57 per month.

I got more information about his situation and eventually signed him up for a Medicare Advantage plan with \$0 premium that covered his medications and worked with his doctors at Upper Valley Medical Center.

This gentleman, like many people, didn't understand the rules for people who got early Medicare. He knew that he had to have a Part D plan but he didn't realize that many Medicare plans include a prescription plan for no cost.

When someone is under the age 65 and eligible for Medicare they are limited to certain plans. They can either buy a stand-alone Part D Prescription plan or a Medicare Advantage plan with Part D coverage. I usually recommend signing up for a Medicare Advantage plan because it protects them against something catastrophic.

The good news is that someone who has early Medicare can change plans or sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan during the Annual Enrollment Period between October 15 and December 7. It's also important to know that someone with early Medicare can buy a Medicare Supplement when he or she turns 65.

If you have questions about your specific situation or know someone who gets early Medicare, please call my office.

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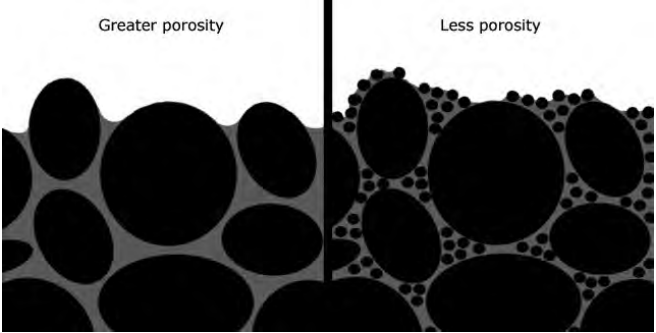
Gardening Commentary

By Meadow View Growers

Poor Drainage Kills Plants

Did you know that there are 2 conditions that kill more plants than all the bugs put together that attack our plants? We talk more about these two situations with customers than any other plant problems. Are you ready for this? One situation is too much water (poor drainage) and the other is too little water (drought conditions). I know this sounds like double talk but this all boils down to stress, and I mean severe stress, on the plants' system. When we understand this it really isn't difficult to take care of the situation so let me try and explain this here in as few words as possible so that you get the drift.

If you have heavy clay soils in your yard, and who



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doesn't here in the Miami Valley, you need to do a simple test of the soil's drainage where you are going to plant, especially if it is a plant that requires really good drainage, or in other words, can't sit in water for more than an hour. Most of the good plants that we would like to have for several years fall into this category. If you will

notice you don't see many happy rhododendrons, azaleas or andromeda and some desirable trees in this area and one of the reasons is that we have heavy clay soils.

The simple test for drainage consists of digging a hole about 6" X 6" by 12" deep. Fill this hole with water and let it drain away. As soon as the water has soaked

into the soil fill the hole the second time, this time the water should soak into the ground within an hour. If this doesn't occur your soil does not drain adequately to support growing plants that require well drained soils. What happens during rainy periods is that the air pores in the soil fill up with water and remain saturated for extended periods. When the roots are deprived of air they begin to deteriorate and rot. When several cycles of saturated soils occur in a relatively short period of time, for a few weeks or even months, the plant declines because the roots system is shutting down due to a lack of air to the roots. Here is a schematic that shows this.

The other stress that affects plants is the lack of moisture and this occurs primarily when plants are

newly planted and the roots are still in the original root ball. Another time this situation is critical is during extended drought periods. Remember that newly planted plants need frequent watering for up to 2 years when the plants finally have adequate time to get their new roots far enough out into the soil where they are growing.

So it can be too much or too little water that causes the majority of life threatening situations for plants. Hopefully this info will help to keep this in the forefront of your mind when you are working with your plants.

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At Home

By Connie Moore

U.S. Government Printing Office on Food

A black and white cover shows two hands carving a turkey. The title of the 33-page, government issued booklet is Poultry Cooking. Issued in the year 1941, it cost ten cents and could be acquired through one's local congressman's office.

It is a Farmers' Bulletin, number 1888 and was part of the year's printings released from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington D. C. through the Government Printing Office.

Today this office is known as U.S. Government Publishing Office. Their direction is different and mostly digital.

Back before internet and computers, information from government agencies on everything from apples to zucchini, agriculture to hydroponic gardening, azaleas to zinnias and homecare to healthcare was published in small booklets, numbered and released to the public



through the mail and public servant offices.

Besides the poultry booklet, we have number 125 bulletin on Fruits in Family Meals, number 77 bulletin Family Food Stockpile for Survival and number 1 bulletin Family Fare-Food Management and Recipes. But it is the poultry cooking that holds the most interesting text.

There are two rules given for cooking poultry. It's that simple. No. 1 is cook at a moderate heat so meat will be juicy, tender and evenly done to the bone. No.2 is vary the cooking method according to the age and fatness of bird. Very old birds need long, slow

cooking in water or steam to tenderize them. Young birds, on the other hand, if fat, can tolerate broiling, frying and generally any roasting procedures. If the young bird is lean a covered roaster or covered casserole is better.

One telling piece of advice certainly dates this booklet. Dressed weight back in 1941 meant that the head and feet were still attached to the bird. Today we don't see feet or heads of any type of poultry except out on the farm.

French-fried chicken and fried turkey steaks were popular meals back then. Six recipes for stuffing allude to the popularity of filling poultry with bread, cornbread or rice to stretch the meals.

In all the advice contained therein, it is the paragraphs for Grooming the Bird that give way to chuckles. "Once the bird is selected (age determined beforehand) see that it is drawn and well-groomed all over so as to appear at its best when cooked. Scrub the bird with a wet cloth and cornmeal or mild soap. Rinse

thoroughly and dry bird."

While recipes are included for basic cooking methods, there are more than double that amount for what to do with leftover poultry. Our favorite is the Creamed Chicken.

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**Creamed Chicken**  
• 4 tablespoon butter  
• 1 cup chopped celery  
• 1 tablespoon chopped onion  
• ¼ green pepper, chopped, optional  
• ½ cup all-purpose flour  
• 3 cups chicken broth  
• ½ to 1 cup cream  
• 3 cups diced cooked chicken, white and dark meat

*In large non-stick skillet, melt butter. Add celery, onion and pepper. Cook for a few minutes. Add the flour, stirring constantly. Stir in broth. Cook until sauce is smooth and thickened, stirring constantly. Over simmering heat, stir in cream. Salt and pepper made be added to taste. Add chicken and simmer until meat is hot. Serve over mashed potatoes, rice or noodles. Also good over buttered toast, biscuits or as a basis for tetrazzini. Peas and carrots may be added to the sauce and the whole thing put into pie pastry with pastry top for a chicken pie. There are untold possibilities.*

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Chicken Loaf

- 4 ½ tablespoons butter
- ½ cup flour
- 1 cup chicken broth
- ½ cup milk
- 1 tablespoon chopped or minced onion
- 3 tablespoons chopped green pepper
- 3 cups soft bread crumbs
- 1 quart chopped cooked chicken (4 cups)
- Salt, pepper or other favorite seasonings

Make a thick sauce by melting butter in saucepan and adding onion and green peppers, cooking only until soft. Add flour, blend well, add broth and milk, cooking over simmer until thick and free of lumps. In large bowl, mix sauce, meat and bread crumbs (soft bread pulled apart with fingers). Season to taste, mix well. Have ready a greased bread pan. Pack mixture into pan, pushing into corners and leveling top. Bake at 350 degrees until loaf is well-browned, about an hour. Check after 45 minutes. When done, turn loaf out onto hot platter. Serve with mashed potatoes and gravy. Some old-timers even slice the loaf cold for sandwiches!

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# Tip of the Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO  
TIPP CITY POLICE RETIRED

### Uniformed Officers

Recently I was asked about an arrest/traffic citation by an off duty officer. Asking for more information the facts were that an off duty officer observed this person driving a car and a few hours later arrived at his home in uniform and issued a citation for driving under suspension.

Before explaining that it is allowed, I asked if the police officer stops being a police officer when going off duty. Does the officer's oath to enforce the law

stops when the uniform comes off? The questioner answered, "Well, no. I guess not." Indeed a police officer is on duty 24 hours per day for his whole career. That is why a badge, ID, handcuffs and a weapon are carried even when off duty.

Would you want a police officer to witness a man in the grocery beating on a woman and not make an arrest? No, of course not, the officer would be expected to step in, make an arrest and turn the man over to an on duty officer when one arrives.

I will describe an incident in which I stepped in while off duty. Coming back from

a movie in Piqua with my wife and another couple, I saw a vehicle approaching my six at a very high rate of speed and traveling without headlights. I pulled to the berm and saw the car rear end another car, go off the road and become stuck in mud.

After checking the other driver who assured me she was not injured, I sent the wife to the rest area to call for the Ohio State Patrol. Awaiting the arrival of the Trooper, other drivers had stopped and were watching the passenger throwing beer cans from inside the vehicle while the driver tried to get the car out of the mud.

Although he was spinning the tires like he was on ice, the

car fishtailed and moved very slowly until he started making it up the slope but was about to reenter the Interstate going the wrong way. I did not question if I was on duty or not, I was observing a drunken kid about to create a horrible collision.

I ran up to the driver's door and pulled him out the window, applied the handcuffs and held on to him until the Trooper arrived. The passenger tried to intimidate me and threaten me but I told him to shut up and sit quietly. He did.

It turned out the two underage boys, being only 18 years old were highly intoxicated. The Trooper charged the driver with OVI, Attempted Leaving the Scene of an accident, underage consumption

and the ACD of the woman's car. The guy plead guilty as charged.

As for the uniform, yes the law states the officer must wear the uniform of the day if the officers "Exclusive or main purpose of enforcing motor vehicle or traffic laws of this state, provided the offense is punishable as a misdemeanor, shall wear a distinctive uniform.

This is why Detectives, off duty officers and those not driving a marked patrol vehicle can still make an arrest for misdemeanor crimes. I have made DUS arrests while off duty when I saw people drive into gas stations for cigarettes. All cases of this type were handled at a later time when I was on duty but the cases still went

through the courts successfully.

Following is the Ohio Revised Code dealing with uniformed officers.

4549.15  
**Distinctive uniform for traffic officers.**

Every member of the state highway patrol and every other peace officer, while such officer is on duty for the exclusive or main purpose of enforcing motor vehicle or traffic laws of this state, provided the offense is punishable as a misdemeanor, shall wear a distinctive uniform. The superintendent of the patrol shall specify what constitutes such a distinctive uniform for the state highway patrol.

Effective Date: 10-25-1979

# Financial Focus

Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

## Money Talk: Financial jargon demystified

With plenty of technical jargon, an array of innovative and new financial products to tailor to your specific situation and an evolving industry, it can be hard to keep up with all the financial terms out there. Thrivent Financial knows finances aren't everyone's favorite topic, so we've compiled a short list of some of the most common finance terms trans-

lated into plain English.

### INVESTING WORDS

**Asset:** Something you own that has value. In the case of personal finances, something that has either a monetary or an exchange value, such as cash or the home you own.

**Capital gain:** The profit from selling an asset for more money than you originally paid for it. If you sell

it for less, you have a capital loss. Since capital gains and losses can affect how much you pay in taxes, these two terms may be important to discuss with your tax advisor come tax season. Let's say you've invested \$10,000 in a stock that grew over the years to a value of \$25,000. Your capital gain would be \$15,000. If you sell that stock, you'll pay taxes on that gain.

**Compounding:** The act of taking interest earned on an investment and putting it back into the investment to earn still more interest. Ever marvel at how some old savings bond worth a few hundred bucks when you received it as a kid magically blossomed into thousands of

dollars years later? You can thank compounding.

**Dividend:** When talking about a publicly traded company, dividends refer to the portion of a company's profits paid out to shareholders. One of the other places profits can go is back into the company. When talking about a mutual fund, dividends are generally made up of the dividends received from the stocks held by the fund or the interest received for the bond holdings of the fund. Typically, dividends are paid each quarter or twice a year.

**Diversified portfolio:** An investment strategy that spreads your assets over a variety of stocks, bonds and other investments. This is

fancier way of saying "don't put all your eggs in one basket." This can also be referred to as "asset allocation" and your financial representative may talk about "looking at your asset allocation." It simply means to think about how much money you're putting into what type of investment. Asset allocation affects both the risk and the return you can expect from your financial assets.

**Dollar cost averaging:** Investing smaller, fixed amounts at regular intervals, like \$100 per month.

**Load:** A fee charged by certain mutual funds. These fees can be charged when you purchase a fund (front-end load) or when you sell a fund (back-end load).

**Retirement plan distribution:** A payout of funds from a retirement plan. These funds can come from a company-sponsored 401(k) or an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). Different retirement plans will have different options as to when and under what circumstances you can take your money from the plan. You'll typically want to wait until you are at least 59 1/2 years old before taking money out of your qualified retirement plan to avoid early-withdrawal penalties.

**Retirement plan rollover:** Transferring funds from one retirement plan account (e.g. 401(k), IRA,



# James Henry Archie

James H. Archie, age 73 of Troy, passed away Saturday, October 15, 2016 at his residence. He was born September 12, 1943 in Troy to the late Edward E. and Thelma M. (Ross) Archie.

James is survived by daughter and son-in-law Audra “Joey” and Douglas Taylor of Troy; four grandchildren: Isaiah, Shanelle, Sierra, and Dylan; three brothers and sister-in-law: Alvin Moton of Troy, Billy Moton of Troy, and Freddie and Virginia Archie of Piqua; five sisters and brothers-in-law: Katie Baker of Troy, Virginia and Sonny May of Troy, Sharon Moton of Troy, Shannon Moton of Troy, and Lillian and Fred Hudgins of Piqua; two half-sisters: Mata Strateon of Troy, and Elizabeth Clay Brown of California.

He was preceded in death by three brothers: George Archie, David Archie, and Bobby Moton; and three sisters: Betty Jean Archie, Mary Harris, and Beverly Ann Smith.

James attended Transformed Life Church in Piqua. He loved riding motorcycles, dancing, oldies music, and spending time with his family and friends. He retired as a Machinist from A.O. Smith in Tipp City after 30 years of service.

A memorial service will be held 6PM Thursday, October 27, 2016 at Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy with Pastor Brian Hamilton officiating. Visitation will be from 5PM-6PM at the funeral home prior to the service. Arrangements entrusted to Fisher-Cheney Funeral Home, Troy.



# Brandon Thomas Bark

Brandon Thomas Bark, age 20, of Troy, passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 as a result of an automobile accident. He was born on August 4, 1996 in Sidney to Donald and Robin (Thomas) Bark of Troy.

In addition to his parents, Brandon is survived by one brother: Derrick Bark of Troy; paternal grandmother: Mary Lou Bark of North Olmsted, OH; and maternal grandfather: Jim Thomas of Alpha, OH; many loving aunts, uncles and cousins; and so many friends that will miss him. He was preceded in death by paternal grandfather: Bruce Bark; and maternal grandmother: Faye Thomas.

Brandon was a 2015 graduate of Troy High School. He was a member of Anytime Fitness. Brandon enjoyed body building, hockey, soccer, outdoor activities, golf and concerts. He loved life. Brandon had plans to join the US Marine Corp.

A Celebration of Life was held at 6:00 PM on Monday, October 24, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Rev. Jason Egbert officiating. Friends called from 2:00 – 5:00 PM on Monday at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, P. O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).



# Larry K. Leffel

Larry K. Leffel, age 70, of Troy, passed away on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at his residence. He was born in Troy on February 21, 1946 to the late Detmer and Elizabeth (Knoop) Leffel. Larry is survived by his wife of 42 years, Karen (Gaier) Leffel.

Larry is also survived by three children: Joshua Leffel of Troy, Sarah (Joshua) Terebinski of McCordsville, IN and Rebecca (James) Reynolds of Piqua; one sister: Mary Lee Polhamus of Troy; one brother Thomas Leffel of Casstown; two grandchildren: Anna Terebinski and Jack Terebinski, both of McCordsville, IN. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother-in-law: James Polhamus.

Larry was a 1964 graduate of Miami East High School. He received his Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree from Bowling Green State University and additional graduate certification from The Ohio State University and the University of Dayton. He was a high school educator for 37 years at Versailles, New Albany, Fairview Park, Northwestern and Ft. Loramie High Schools. He coached basketball in each of these schools and then dedicated 17 years to coaching men’s basketball and serving as the Athletic Director at Edison State Community College. Larry was recognized as the OCCAC Athletic Director of the Year in 1994-1995, the first year Edison State Community College played a home game at the Convocation Center that Larry was instrumental in establishing. Larry was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Troy. He was an avid golfer and helped to organize the senior golf league at Miami Shores. He was recently inducted into the 2016 Miami East Alumni Hall of Fame. In his later years, Larry taught math at Edison State Community College, worked in real estate and coached girls’ basketball at Miami East Junior High School with his daughter, Rebecca. Larry’s legacy will continue to positively influence young people for generations to come.

Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 AM on Monday, October 24, 2016 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Troy with Rev. Fr. James Duell as Celebrant. Private burial will be held at a later date at Casstown Cemetery in Casstown.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Miami County, P.O. Box 502 Troy, Ohio 45373 or American Cancer Society, Southwest Regional Office, 2808 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45206. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).



# Carl William “Bill” Phillips

Carl William (Bill) Phillips, age 86, of Troy, OH passed away on Thursday, October 20, 2016. Bill was born on June 1, 1930 in Troy, Ohio to the late Otis E. and Nina E. (Huffman) Phillips.

Bill was married to his high school sweetheart, Phyllis Irene Markley Phillips, for 50 years and she preceded him in death on July 13, 2001.

Bill is survived by his children and their families; Elizabeth Ann and the late Thomas Kmiecinski of Rochester, NY and Scott and Jamie Phillips of Milford, OH; six grandchildren: Abigail, Hannah and Jeffrey Kmiecinski; Christopher and Lisa Phillips, Stephanie and Charles N. Nettle, Angela Phillips and his great-grandchildren; Andrew and Jenna Phillips and Noah Nettle; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, his wife, and his son-in-law, Bill was preceded in death by sisters: Virginia Phillips, Gladys Roeth, Ruth Roeth, Eileen Hart, and brother Elwood Phillips.

Bill was a 1948 graduate of Lostcreek Schools and served in the Army during the Korean War. He received BS and MS degrees in Education from Ohio University. He began his long career in education as a high school teacher and coach and transitioned into education administration primarily at the state level. Bill and Phyllis resided in Columbus for many years until his retirement when they settled back in Troy.

An active member of the Casstown United Methodist Church, Bill also enjoyed many years of involvement with the Ohio Retired Teachers Association at both the local and state levels. Most important to him were his family and friends. He enjoyed sharing their experiences, caring for, and loving them all.

All are welcome to attend a Celebration of Life which will be held 11am on Saturday, October 29, 2016 at the Casstown United Methodist Church, Casstown, OH. Interment will take place in Casstown Cemetery at 10am preceding the service. The family will receive friends from 4-7pm on Friday, October 28th at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy, OH. Memorial contributions may be made to the Casstown United Methodist Church/After School Ministry or a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be expressed to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).



# OBITS

# Martha Lewis (Durnell)

Martha Lewis, age 88, of Troy, OH passed away on Monday, October 17, 2016 at the Heartland of Centerville. Martha was born on August 6, 1928 in Troy, OH to the late Harry and Marie (Edminson) Durnell. Martha was married to Robert Franklin Lewis on August 31, 1957 and he preceded her in death on January 1, 2005.

Martha is survived by her son and daughter-in-law: Gary Lee and Sheryl (Price) Lewis of Troy; daughter and son-in-law: Tina Marie and Tom Dupont of Oak Harbor, OH; two grandchildren: Robert Lewis Dupont and Lydia Marie Dupont; one sister: Ida Belle (Bud) Ganger of Troy; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Martha was preceded in death by: sister: Mildred Meek and brother: Dyer Durnell.

Martha was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Troy and the Day Bethel Baptist Church in Rockford, MI. She enjoyed sewing for many years.

Funeral services were held at 10:30AM on Saturday, October 22, 2016 at the Baird Funeral Home, Troy, OH with the Rev. Tom Dupont officiating. Interment followed in the Miami Memorial Park in Covington, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer’s Association, 31 West Whipp Road, Dayton, OH 45459. Condolences may be expressed to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).

# Josephine M. Wallace (Brown)

Josephine M. (Brown) Wallace, age 90, of Troy, OH passed away on Monday, October 17, 2016 at the Caldwell House in Troy. She was born on October 9, 1926 in Troy, OH to the late Howard and Mildred (McGalliard) Brown. She was married to Charles William “Bill” Wallace and he preceded her in death on December 29, 2004.

Josephine is survived by: her daughter and son-in-law: Krista and Mel Black of Richmond, IN; four grandchildren: Thomas and Dawn Wallace of Casstown; Betsy and Mark Staley of Casstown; Sally and Jake Oakley of Morrow; and Kara Black of Indiana; six great-grandchildren: Katelynn Wallace, Kendal Staley, Thomas Wallace, Caleb Staley, Jake Oakley II and Jadyn Oakley. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by: son and daughter-in-law: Richard W. and Suzanne (Hartzell) Wallace; brothers: Robert H. Brown and Thomas Brown and sister: Rosemary Trissel.

Josephine was a member of Cove Spring Church, Cove Springs Grange and Miami County Farm Bureau. She was also a longtime volunteer with the American Cancer Society and Miami East Alumni Association. She was a graduate of Elizabeth Schools and retired from Riverside School after 18 years of service.

Graveside Service was held at 2:00 PM on Friday, October 21, 2016 at Casstown Cemetery with Pastor Greg Morrow officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cove Spring Church, 5705 Walnut Grove-Clark County Road, Troy, OH 45373 or Hospice of Miami County, P. O. Box 502, Troy, OH 45373. Condolences may be expressed to the family through [www.bairdfuneralhome.com](http://www.bairdfuneralhome.com).



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etc.) to another retirement plan account. The funds are not subject to tax or penalties, and continue the tax deferred growth.

### INSURANCE WORDS

**Cash surrender value:** The amount of money you’d receive if you decided to cancel your permanent life insurance contract, before it becomes payable upon death or maturity.

**Cash value:** The money you can access from tapping the accumulated value of a permanent life insurance contract. Contracts vary from insurer to insurer, though, so be sure to talk with your financial representative to make sure you understand your life insurance contract.

**Elimination period:** The amount of time you’ll have to wait until insurance benefits are paid. In general, the shorter the elimination period the more expensive the

contract and vice versa.

**Exclusion ratio:** A ratio applied to each annuity payment to find the portion of the payment that is subject to income tax and the portion, which is considered to be an income tax free return of your investment in the annuity contract. Say you invested \$10,000 per year in an annuity for 30 years, for a total investment of \$300,000. Because of compounding, this amount might appreciate to \$1,010,700 by the time you begin withdrawals—\$710,700 more than your original investment. You’ll pay taxes on that \$710,700 but not on the original \$300,000, which means in this scenario you’ll receive about one-third of your withdrawals tax-free.

**Living withdrawal benefit:** As applied to an annuity contract, a living withdrawal benefit usually guarantees the annuity payments and/

or guarantees a minimum income over a specified period to the annuitant and/or beneficiary of the contract.

**Rider:** Special coverage added to insurance contracts to cover additional items or provide extra benefits. With life insurance, one popular rider is a “waiver of premium” allowing you to keep your coverage without paying if you become ill or disabled. These add-ons cost extra but can help you customize your insurance so you’re covered for special circumstances.

**Preferred risk:** Insurance companies reward positive decisions and lifestyle choices by offering reduced insurance rates. Or if a doctor’s checkup shows a clean bill of health, it can help to lower your health or life insurance premiums.

**Special risk:** If your lifestyle or circumstances suggest that the odds are better

than average that you’ll collect on your insurance, you’ll be deemed “special risk” and pay a higher price for the coverage.

**Standard risk:** When you buy any type of insurance, the standard price you pay for that insurance will depend on your age, health, lifestyle and other factors affecting the odds that you’ll collect on that insurance. If you meet the company’s standards’ you’re entitled to purchase insurance without special restrictions or extra fees.

Financial terms aren’t always easy to understand. A first step in selecting a financial advisor is making sure you’re working with someone who is speaking a language you understand and never be afraid to ask for clarification about a term you don’t recognize or understand

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PUZZLES

Word Search

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



- Acids  
Acre  
Acts  
Africa  
Annoy  
Arab  
Asia  
Beam  
Bedroom  
Bulk  
Caps  
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Cups  
Defend  
Disappointment  
Draw  
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BY LIZ BALL



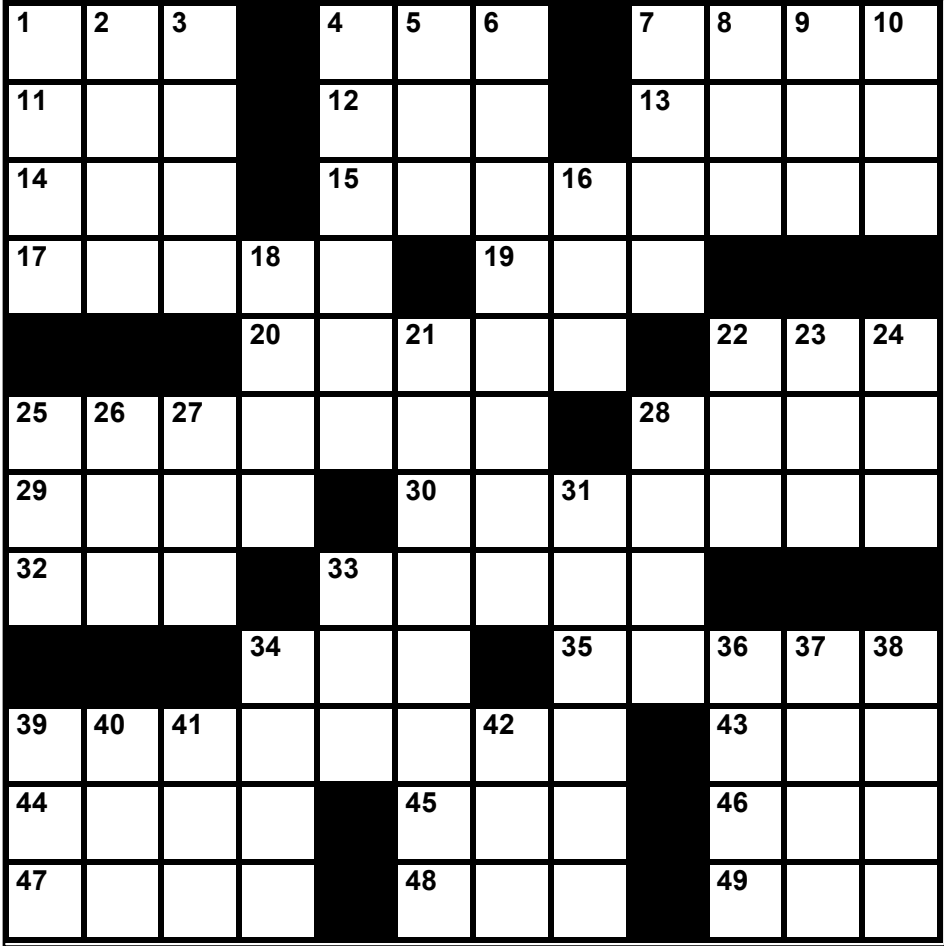
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BY LARRY WARREN



Crossword Puzzle

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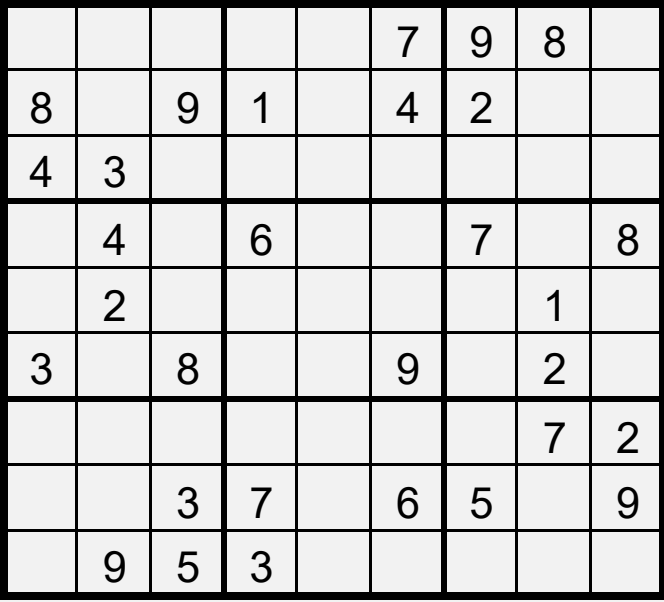


- ACROSS
1. Boundary line  
4. Unloyal sort  
7. Charge far too much  
11. Supporting vote  
12. Paleontologist's estimate  
13. Word game component, sometimes  
14. Refuel, in a way  
15. For the most part  
17. Be scared of  
19. Spring month  
20. Bird of spring  
22. "Crime doesn't \_\_\_\_"  
25. Letter experts  
28. Inevitability  
29. Some till fill
30. Government selections  
32. Friend needing feeding  
33. Leather features that are awl done  
34. Stream obstruction  
35. Country album?  
39. Bank receipts  
43. Bit of a circle  
44. Club on the links  
45. Hoops dangler  
46. Wet expanse  
47. Garden swinger  
48. Laughing matter?  
49. Cover a lot of ground?
- DOWN
1. Didn't let out of one's sight  
2. Approaching  
3. Ball escort, e.g.  
4. With no apparent pattern  
5. Of old  
6. Bus depot  
7. Judicial reprieve  
8. Stuff in a drum  
9. Exclusively  
10. Speck in the ocean  
16. Word with "overboard"  
18. Word with fine or black  
21. Decorous  
22. Camera movement
23. Breakfasted  
24. Despite which  
25. Some Top 40 music  
26. The loneliest number  
27. Stage backdrop  
28. Punch deliverer  
31. Burden bearers  
33. Selects for dinner  
34. Cooked sufficiently  
36. Have legs  
37. Word with "dining" or "restricted"  
38. Emotional reminder  
39. Snide remark  
40. Big Band for example  
41. Lobster catcher  
42. Alternative to coffee

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.



Trivia Challenge

Collective Terms Trivia Quiz

- 1.)What is a group of bears called?  
a. Sleuth  
b. Clan  
c. Peck  
d. Triage
- 2.)What the collective term for Turkeys?  
a. Drift  
b. Rafter  
c. Parliament  
d. Congress
- 3.)A group of which of these animals is called a charm?  
a. Baboons  
b. Teal  
c. Hummingbirds  
d. Ibex
- 4.)All three of these animals, Auks, Ants, and Badgers, share the same collective term. What is the term?  
a. Ambush  
b. Swarm  
c. Fortress  
d. Colony
- 5.)A crash is the collective term of which of these animals?  
a. Rhinos  
b. Dogs  
c. Elephants  
d. Hippos
- 6.)The collective term for Foxes is which of the following?  
a. Knot  
b. Gang  
c. Skulk  
d. Army
- 7.)Which animal does not share the collective term herd?  
a. Buffalo  
b. Walruses  
c. Bats  
d. Boars
- 8.)The collective term for tigers is?  
a. Dart  
b. Spring  
c. Ambush  
d. Spinster
- 9.)An Ostentation is the collective term for these animals.  
a. Vipers  
b. Penguins  
c. Peacocks  
d. Ferrets
- 10.)A clowder is the collective term for which group of animals?  
a. Zebras  
b. Cats  
c. Horses  
d. Apes
- 11.)What is a group of Zebras called?  
a. Company  
b. Pod  
c. Pod  
d. Zeal
- 12.)Which of the following animals uses the collective noun host?  
a. Snakes  
b. Pelicans  
c. Ravens  
d. Sparrows



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**DYNAMIC ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT** needed to organize, manage and oversee office procedures for small downtown church. St. John’s UCC, Troy, is seeking part-time, experienced administrative assistant/bookkeeper to handle office duties M-F, 9-1. Salary negotiable. Send résumé to St. John’s United Church of Christ, 130 S. Walnut St., Troy OH 45373, attn: Pat Robinson or email to Pat Robinson, [probinson1@woh.rr.com](mailto:probinson1@woh.rr.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW** W. Enon Church of God, 4800 Snider Rd. (Behind UDF) Sat. Nov 5, 9-4. Shop for holiday gifts and home decor. Quilting, Baked goods, Wood crafts, stained glass, jewelry, crochet, sewing, photography, seasonal cards and more. Proceeds go toward purchasing community Thanksgiving dinners through Greenon School District.

**WE BUY CARS** Wrecked or running. Don’t junk it. Recycle with Michael. Call 937-903-5351

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### Word Search

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### Sudoku

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### Trivia

- 1.) Sleuth - Sloth is also an acceptable collective term for bears! Did you know that bears have color vision?

2.) Rafter - A gang is also an acceptable collective term for Turkeys! Turkeys can fly up to 55 mph!

3.) Hummingbirds - There are over 325 different species of hummingbirds! Only 8-12 species are found in the U.S.

4.) Colony - Rabbits and Prairie Dogs also fall into the colony group.

5.) Rhinos - White Rhinos can weigh over 7700 pounds!

6.) Skulk - Leash is also an acceptable collective noun to describe a group of
- Fox-es.

7.) Bats - The collective term for bats is a cloud!

8.) Ambush - Did you know that tigers live to be about 15 years old in the wild?

9.) Peacocks - Another name for a group of peacocks is a party! A peacock’s tail can be up to 5 feet long!

10.) Cats - Some other terms for cats include Cludder, Clutter, Kettle or Kindle.

11.) Zeal - A group of zebras can also be called a cohort or herd.

12.) Sparrows - A group of sparrows can also be called a meemie or tribe.



# 2016 Hometown Halloween Parade



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came out in the 3-year-old boy category. The winning pirate carried his own ship, as did “Jackson, the biplane pilot,” and a little forklift and driver.

Guests of the event also found Dory and Waldo even as their hearts were warmed by children dressed up as personality-filled cups of Winans and Starbucks coffee. A buffet of foodie costumes included hotdogs, cotton candy, and cupcakes.

According to emcee Tom Kendall, the family category boasted more participants than the event has had on stage in the past. The family award went to Michael and Jennifer Rich and their

three children, Lily, Kate, and Evan for dressing up as the cast of Pixar’s Inside Out. The family was very much in character, except for Jennifer who, despite being the character “Sadness” could not stop smiling. “We really like the movie and there are five of us, so it just made sense,” Jennifer said.

Everyone who attended the parade and contest could not help but call out their favorites. Kendall, as the emcee, did not have the opportunity to participate in judging but still had an appreciation for the creativity of parents in the 3-year-old boys category. “I liked the biplane. I thought it was really

well done,” Kendall said.

Children and families who did not win a trophy at the contest still acquired an abundance of sweet treats with trick-or-treating on the square. Local businesses support the event every year by handing out candy in a safe, friendly, daytime adventure prior to Halloween Night.

In addition to the organization efforts of Optimist Tim Davis and his volunteer team, Hometown Halloween was supported by sponsors like Alvetro Orthodontics, Mauk Dental Group, United National Bank, Troy Main Street, City of Troy, the Troy Foundation, and businesses on the square.



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