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The motorcade taking Sheriff Cox to the funeral home.

Sheriff Cox Remembered

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County Sheriff Charles Cox Jr. will be remembered for "instilling honesty and integrity in all of us," his Chief Deputy Dave Duchak said following the sheriff's death Nov.

Cox, sheriff for nearly 28 years, died at age 71 earlier that day at Ohio's Hospice of Dayton after battling heath issues the past couple of years.

Services will be held Nov. 22 at the Ginghamsburg United Methodist Church.

Cox announced last year he would retire at the end of his term on Dec. 31, 2016. Duchak was elected as the county's new sheriff two days before the death.

Duchak said Cox taught his employees to, "Always do right. Follow the law and do what people expect you to do. We have."

The Ohio Revised Code permits the county commission to appoint a person to the elected office in an acting role until the county central committee of the



Cox

party of the elected official appoints someone to fill the vacancy. Cox was a Republican. The commission was expected to make an appointment this week.

The sheriff was brought past the courthouse in the back of a hearse on the way from Dayton to the Jamison and Yannucci Funeral Home later in the morning Nov. 10.

Word of the drive by spread quickly and people gathered along the streets by the Courthouse and Safety Building.

The crowd grew quiet

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Owens Overcomes Obstacles to Create Artwork —

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Miami County is home to an eclectic and bourgeoning community of artists with a wide array of backgrounds and inspiration. There is only one painter, however, who is specifically known for using his head instead of his hands as the purveyor of his gift.

Kristiferlee Owens was almost aborted as an unborn child. His grandmother was given the choice between his life or that of his mother, Kathy's. The difficult decision was met with resignation that "What will be, will be." As a result, both mother and son survived but have endured numerous compli-

Kathy was in a coma for three months following the birth of her son. Although he was alive and healthy, as a young child Kris "could not do anything but lay on the floor," he said. Physicians discovered early in his development that he had cerebral palsy. They did not think he would live past the age of 7. Having just celebrated his 26th birthday on November 16, Kris is living proof of his indefatigable determination in the face of daunting odds. He is now a part of the community at Riverside Developmental Disabilities and accomplishes tasks one could not have imagined after his diagnosis. He moves and functions, splits wood and rakes leaves, in addition to painting. Despite the many challenges, he continues to aspire to a life that is not only normal but extraordinary.



Kristiferlee Owens

Kris began painting several years ago and attempted to use his hands. Although he has some control, he discovered that he was more successful when he used his head. The axiom is appropriate both figuratively and literally for Kris. According to Melissa Nichols of Riverside, "His mental capacity is as sharp as anyone else's." Kris began using a headband with a paintbrush attached to communicate the desired images on canvas. His first work was the head of a bull. Over the time and development of his craft, he has painted everything from barns to horses.

Nichols said that Kris does commissioned paintings and artwork for his friends. He has been paid to and is always looking for new opportunities to use his gift. The likenesses he captures are remarkable. The community at Riverside has been proud to claim him as one of their own as he grows in his skill and indepen-

Although Kris has dreams of owning his own farm someday, he currently lives on a farm in Miami County with caregivers, Tess and Shane Higgins. Kathy and Jason, Kris' mother and stepfather have worked to find him the best care. Formerly residents of Montgomery County, they had attempted to advocate for a better wheelchair and other devices that could make him more independent. Upon their move to Miami County several years ago, however, breakthrough occurred.

According to Kris, what they were told in Montgomery County was going to take 5 years took 3

months with the advocacy of his case manager Rebecca Holly through Riverside Developmental Disabilities. Kris said, "They're on stuff." He is currently awaiting a new device that will help him to better communicate. He is also in the process of working to get his own apartment. He begins a job at Edison soon through Capabilities Community Club where he is looking forward to studying art among other disciplines in which he has

Although he has overcome significant challenges to perform even daily tasks, let alone create colorful works of art, Kris sees his future as vivid and full of opportunities. When asked how he continues to live, paint, and pursue his dreams, Kris said, "By the grace of God."

Troy Library Dedicates -Veterans Memoria

By Nancy Bowman

A memorial designed to honor veterans of yesterday, today and tomorrow was dedicated Nov. 14 outside the Troy Miami County Public Library.

The memorial featuring landscaping, flagpole, granite bench, logos representing each branch of the military set in concrete was a true community effort, said Rachelle Miller, library director.

"It is a beautiful memorial to veterans in this area ... We want this memorial to be an inspiration to all veterans. We want them to come here and reflect on their experiences in the military," said Mitch Fogle, director of the Miami Valley

Veterans Museum located a couple of blocks away along Main Street.

Fogle helped designed the memorial after being approached this summer by

Troy Mayor Mike Beamish said the project was "a demonstration of what community spirit is all about" and a "lasting tribute" to all veterans.

Tristan Weis, a veteran and president of the veterans' museum board, said the library was a perfect location for the memorial. "This is somewhere where people already come for education and learning. Having a memorial here reinforces that," he said.

Also participating in the dedication were Rachael

Boezi, a library board member who sang the National Anthem; Abby Smith, a Troy High School senior who played Taps; and Glenn Devers of Piqua, who gave the invocation. Devers founded the local Mission: Veterans to D.C. organization that honored more than 350 area veterans with a trip to their memorials in Washington.

"We remember ... the men and the women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy," Devers said.

organiza-Individuals, tions and businesses combined efforts to make the library's veterans memorial a reality.

"It was truly a grassroots,

community effort," Miller said. "Not only are we honoring those who have served but we want those who are currently serving and those who will protect our freedoms in the future—to receive the recognition they deserve."

Flags were donated in memory of Bobby Houser. Those recognized as memorial supporters were: The Troy Foundation; Jeff Schlarman; Shook Construction; Ernst Concrete; Hageman Trucking; Martin Marietta Materials; Greentech Lawn & Irrigation; Howard Cheney; Rich Egbert, Mitch Fogle; Lora Larck; Stephen Larck; Patty Rose; Miami Valley Veterans Museum; and Snyder Brick and Block.

Baker Pleads Guilty to Rape

By Nancy Bowman

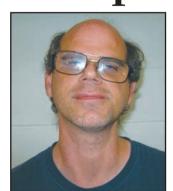
A Piqua man faces up to life in prison for the rape of a

five-year-old boy. William T. Baker, 44, formerly of Troy, will be sentenced Dec. 27 after pleading guilty Nov. 10 to two felony counts of rape of a child in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Baker was accused in September of raping the child while he lived in Troy last summer. Troy police said Baker at first told them the initial contact with the child was "accidental" but that later incidents were not.

Baker initially was charged with 10 felony counts of rape.

As part of a plea deal outlined Nov. 10 in court, Baker agreed to plead guilty and prosecutors agreed not to seek additional charges from the incidents that led to Baker's arrest.



Baker

Baker waived a grand jury's consideration of allegations against him and made the guilty pleas before Judge Christopher Gee.

Gee explained to Baker he could be sentenced to 10 years to life on each of the charges. If the sentences are run consecutively, Baker could receive 20 years to life in prison. Gee said the sen-

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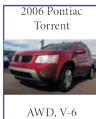


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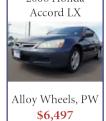


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Miami County Sheriff Reports

Monday 11/7

10:19 p.m. - Traffic stop in the 3100 block of N. County Rd. 25A. The driver was cited for driving under suspension.

Tuesday 11/8

11:05 a.m. - Several residents of Seneca Dr. and Marby Dr. called to report a man urinating in his yard. He was reported to be in an open area where he was easily seen by others. A neighbor confronted the subject and he became confrontational and cursed at the neighbor. The deputy tried to make contact with the subject at his home, but no one answered. The deputy called his cell phone and identified himself. The subject immediately hung up the phone. The deputy tried several times and the same thing happened. A few minutes later the subject walked out of his house with his arms raised and still cursing at the deputy. He was warned for public indecency and disorderly contact. The subject said that he had not done anything wrong. He was advised that this would be his only warning.

8:39 p.m. - Traffic stop on Eldean Rd. at 25A. The driver was cited for possession of marijuana and an inoperative license plate light.

Wednesday 11/9

1:18 p.m. - To Twin Arch Park to assist Medics. A woman had overdosed. After investigation, a male subject was arrested for possession of methamphetamines.

1:40 p.m. - To McKaig Ave. to serve a protection order. A pocket knife was confiscated per the order.

Friday 11/11

9:41 a.m. - A deputy saw two men dressed in camo and carrying bows leaving the wooded area across from Farrington Reserve. Both were charged with criminal trespassing.

12:13 p.m. - To the Miami **County Board of Elections**

office. An employee stated that around noon he received a call from a disgruntled man asking if the Board of Elections was going to protest Donald Trump's victory. He said he advised the man that the board does not do that. The man then asked if the Board was going to impeach Trump, and he said that the board did not do that, either. He said the man became more angry and stated, "I'll just get my gun and shoot him, then." He said the caller repeated several times that he was done talking and hung up the phone. The deputy tried to call the number back and it went right to voice mail. The case has been referred to the FBI.

12:34 p.m. - A Tipp City woman called to report that she had given two men money to do repair work on her house, but the work was never done. She said they were at a friend's home on Horseshoe Bend Rd. trying to do the same thing. The deputy confronted the men and discussed the situation. One of them called a friend who was able to bring the money that they owed for services not completed. The woman got her money

8:13 p.m. - Traffic stop on W. Main at Plum. The driver was cited for driving under suspension and marked lanes. A passenger was arrested for an outstanding warrant.

Saturday 11/12

9:40 a.m. - To Maple St. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that someone stole a tablet computer from her home. There are no suspects.

Sunday 11/13

10:01 a.m. - A man came to the Sheriff's Office to turn in a wallet that he found in the middle of the road on 25A at Monroe-Concord Rd. He said it was sitting in the middle of the road and likely fell off of a vehicle. There was identification that led deputies to the owner and his wallet was

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Troy Police Reports

Monday 11/7

7:56 a.m. - To Stonyridge and Heritage for a report of a found bicycle. The officer found the bike lying on the sidewalk. It was a red boys' 20" West Coast Chopper bike in poor condition. It was not reported stolen, so it was submitted into property.

12:08 p.m. - A man came into the Police Station with a bicycle. He said he found it and wanted to know if he could keep it. The man left before the officer arrived. The bike was submitted into

6:06 p.m. - To Fairview Ct. for a report of a missing person. A woman reported that to go to a meeting at an employment agency. She said that she soon got a call from him stating that he was going with others to get a drug test. She had not heard from him since. The officer checked with dispatch to contact UVMC to see if he was there. He wasn't. The officer cruised the UVMC lot and the parking lot of his employer but could not find his vehicle. The woman informed the officer of her husband's medical issues which he relayed to dispatch. Dispatch replied that the medical issues were not life threatening, so his carrier would not ping his cell phone. The officer informed the woman of his findings. At 8:19 p.m. officers were dispatched to a crash with possible injury. The vehicle had just driven into a yard. The driver was the missing man, and he was intoxicated. An open container of vodka was found in the vehicle. The man was incarcerated.

10:48 p.m. – To Wal-Mart for a report of a

reported that a man parked beside her in the lot, exposed himself and pleasured himself in his vehicle. The subject had left before the officer arrived. She got 11:52 p.m. - An officer his license number, but the suspect's registered address was a vacant house that was for sale. He was contacted by phone and said that he thought the victim was someone he knew and it would have been a joke. The victim said that the suspect left when her husband arrived. The officer went to the subject's address where he again apologized. He was charged with public indecency.

Tuesday 11/8

her husband left at 1:00 5:40 a.m. - Traffic stop on W. Market at Grant. The driver had a suspended license but said that she was unaware of it. She was cited for driving under suspension.

> 12:21 p.m. - To Stonyridge Ave. to assist a Juvenile Probation officer. The Probation Officer requested that a female be taken to JDC. She said all of the paperwork had been done. The juvenile was transported to JDC.

4:08 p.m. - To S. Ridge Ave. for a report of a theft. A man reported that multiple power tools were stolen from his garage over the past few weeks. He said a power washer, leaf blower, chain saw, pole saw, multiple hand tools and two electric blowers are missing. He said he had already reported that someone entered his vehicle and took about \$30 from it. The officer checked the system and found similar items that have been pawned, but he could not be sure if they were from this theft.

sex offense. A woman 8:21 p.m. - To Imperial Court for a report of a disturbance. A man was arrested and charged with domestic violence and assault.

> saw a vehicle westbound on Staunton Rd. and clocked it at 68 MPH in a 35 MPH zone. He followed the vehicle to an address on Maplecrest Dr. The driver got out of the vehicle and the officer told him to stay where he was. The driver then went into the house and closed the door. The officer knocked on the door and the driver answered with a newly opened bottle of whiskey and yelled at the officer for knocking on his door. The officer explained why he was contacting him, and the man yelled at the officer to go away and that he was drunk, then slammed the door in the officer's face. The officer ran the vehicle's registration and found the owner was the driver. The officer completed a citation for speed and knocked on the door. The driver answered the door, still holding his bottle of whiskey, and accepted the citation.

Thursday 11/10

3:53 p.m. - Traffic stop in the Wal-Mart parking lot. The driver was cited for expired registration.

4:35 p.m. - To Mystic Lane South to assist a squad. A woman was charged with endangering children and abusing harmful intoxicants.

4:55 p.m. - Traffic stop 1:09 a.m. - Traffic stop in the Wendy's parking lot. The driver had a suspended license and she said she was aware of it. She was cited.

5:09 p.m. - Traffic stop on Plum at Terrace. The driver had not stopped at the stop sign at Plum and Race. The driver said he did not see the sign. He was cited.

5:16 p.m. - Traffic stop on Adams St. The vehicle was clocked at 47 MPH in a 25 MPH zone. The driver said she was not from the area and was unaware of the speed limit. She was cited for speed and advised to pay more attention to the signs.

7:18 p.m. - To Virginia Ave. for a report of a theft. A woman reported that a bicycle was stolen from her home.

8:48 p.m. - To W. Main St. and Troy Towne Rd. for a report of a vehicle fire. The officer arrived to find a 1997 Buick Park Avenue with flames coming from the bottom of the engine compartment. The officer got his fire extinguisher and emptied it in an attempt to extinguish the fire, but was unsuccessful. As the Fire Department arrived, flames started coming out of the hood. The fire was extinguished quickly and the vehicle was towed. The cause of the fire is unknown.

8:56 p.m. - Traffic stop on W. Main at Westbrook on a vehicle with expired tags. The driver said that she remembered being stopped in the past for expired tags, but thought that her boyfriend had renewed them. She was cited for expired tags.

Friday 11/11

on Market at Staunton. The vehicle's registration had expired. The driver said she forgot to renew it because she never received anything in the mail about it. She was cited for expired

Spangenberger Pleads Guilty

By Nancy Bowman

A Troy woman accused of possessing drugs and solicitation following a Troy police investigation pleaded guilty to a felony drug charge and misdemeanor solicitation during a hearing in Miami County Common Pleas Court

on Nov. 9. Kellee Spangenberger, 28, was among two women charged in September as part of the investigation of an solicitation ad placed on a website. She was accepted for participation in an intervention in lieu of

conviction program that will include treatment. If she completes the program, the charges will be dismissed.

Police Capt. Jeff Kunkleman said the women were charged after police posing as a potential customer made arrangements with a woman to meet her at a local hotel for services of a sexual nature. The negotiations included an agreed to price of \$120 an hour, he said.

When the woman arrived at the hotel, she was met by police.

Kunkleman said Span-

genberger also was the driver of an out of control car that hit the Wendy's restaurant on Archer Drive the previous week. She has pleaded to charges of driving in violation of license restrictions, failure to control and no child restraints from that incident in county Municipal Court and will be sentenced Nov. 30.

As part of a plea deal in the solicitation investigation, Spangenberger pleaded to the two charges after prosecutors agreed to not file charges associated with an alleged food stamp

The guilty pleas were accepted by Judge Jeannine Pratt, who accepted the intervention in lieu of conviction request.

The second woman arrested in the police investigation was Kimberly Moore, 36, of Christiansburg. She was accused of driving Spangenberger to the hotel and felony drug abuse and possession of drug abuse instruments. She pleaded guilty in Common Pleas Court in October to possession of drugs. She will be sentenced Dec. 5.

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tences are mandatory time, meaning Baker would not qualify for any type of early release.

was convicted Baker previously of sex offenses involving a 10-year-old. He served four years in prison on those charges before release in 2005.

Baker will be classified a Tier III sex offender.

Gee explained to Baker he would have to register

his address with the sheriff's office in the county where he lives every 90 days following prison release for the remainder of his life. Gee said the registration only would be required if Baker was some day released from prison.

A presentence investigation was ordered. Baker's bail was continued and he was returned to the county jail pending sentencing.







Commissioners Approve Improvement Projects

By Nancy Bowman

The village of Fletcher covered bridge roof replacement project is the beneficiary of \$3,244 from village residents who chose to donate the money owed on a loan approved through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) for demolition of a property.

William and Dolores Shively were recipients in 2010 of a \$12,487 loan through the NSP grant administered locally by the Miami County Building and

Zoning Department.

The Shivelys approached the county about donating the remaining money owed on the loan to the village project instead of paying the county, which would have to return the money to the

"This is a good project for reinvestment in the community," Dan Suerdieck, county planning and zoning manager, told the county commissioners before their Nov. 8 vote to approve the agreement and a release of mortgage on the loan.

also finalized the principal amount for \$5,175,000 in general obligation bonds approved earlier for county projects. County Auditor Matt Gearhardt said the bonds were priced Nov. 10. The average interest rate for the 20-year bonds would be 2.79 percent, he said.

The bonds will pay for installing the new HVAC system for the Safety Building and Courthouse, making improvements plumbing to the Safety Building and building improvements to

the Transfer Station including an unattended drop off and new scales.

The commissioners also accepted the resignation due to retirement of Mike Gray, maintenance technician for the county facilities and operations department. The resignation is effective

"I wish him all the best in his retirement. He has been a good employee and he certainly will be missed," Commissioner Jack Evans said.

Commissioner John "Bud" O'Brien said Gray grounds at county buildings "in good weather, bad weather and fair weather." He, too, thanked Gray for his service.

The commission also voted to:

- Authorize county Engineer Paul Huelskamp to contract and pay for added snow removal equipment, if needed, during the upcoming winter season. Huelskamp explained the commission is asked each year to approve the added equipment for use only if needed.

- Approved the purchase by the Board of Elections of a back up ballot on demand printer from MNJ Technologies. The cost was not to exceed \$3,361.

Signed the contract with Milcon Concrete Inc. of Troy for the Phoneton water line extension project. The contract is for \$1,832,646.

- OK'd the purchase of three light transit vehicles from Whitworth Bus Sales in Miamisburg for the county transit system at a total cost of \$191,820.

Unofficial Vote Totals Released

By Nancy Bowman

More than 73 percent of Miami County's registered voters participated in the Nov. 8 presidential election in which Dave Duchak was elected Miami County sheriff and Concord Township voters again rejected the county commission rezoning of the Trafalgar land.

Unofficial votes were released by the elections office in Troy around 10:20 p.m. while the counting of write in ballots continued into the evening before unofficial totals were submitted to the Ohio Secretary of State's Of-

Few problems were reported on Election Day across the county, the board was told during its election evening meeting.

More than 1,100 provisional ballots were cast during early voting and Election Day. Those ballots will be reviewed and ballots accepted added to totals during the official election

Duchak, the sheriff's office chief deputy the past few years, won the race for sheriff against challenger Joe Mahan, a former chief dep-

Unofficial totals showed Duchak with 33,547 votes, or 70.84 percent, to 13,811, or 29.16 percent, for Mahan.

"I want to thank all the votes of Miami County for putting their faith in me. We have a great sheriff's office. We want to continue that tradition of excellence," Duchak said election night after stopping at a Republican gathering in Troy. He and supporters then were out picking up election signs.

Duchak commended Mahan for running a good campaign and said he wished him the best.

Sheriff Charles Cox, who had announced he would not seek re-election this year and leave office at year's end, endorsed Duchak. Sheriff Cox died Nov. 10.

Duchak said election night the sheriff would leave "big shoes to fill ... I will strive to do my best."

Mahan, who left the sher-

iff's office in 2006, ran unsuccessfully in 2008.

'We fought a good fight as far as we are concerned. We thought we had a good campaign," Mahan said election night. "We have nothing to be ashamed of."

Mahan said he ran as an independent to give voters a choice in the general elec-

Duchak ran as the Republican nominee after defeating three other Republicans in the March primary.

Voters in Troy were expected to vote on a proposed 2.01-mill, 10-year levy for recreation facility construction and improvements. However, the request was withdrawn the night before the election by the Troy City Council due to an error in a decimal point in the ballot language that would have had the levy generate much less than the \$1 million the city wanted to raise annually.

A voter discovered the error Nov. 2. Supporters said they planned to return with the recreation request at a future election.

Also on the ballot - for the 17th time - was a referendum of the Miami County commission's rezoning of 50 acres off Monroe-Concord Road in Concord Twp. from agricultural to residential use.

The commission has approved the request for the Trafalgar property repeatedly since 1995 only to have area residents work to overturn the vote to rezone. The unofficial vote was 2,000, or 64.91 percent, supporting the referendum and 1,081, or 35.09 percent, against.

Voters in Concord Township approve a renewal of the township's 3.7-mill, fiveyear fire levy. The unofficial vote was 2,428, or 76.69 percent, for and 738, or 23.31 percent, against.

There was one countywide issue, the renewal of the 0.6-mill Tri-County Board of Recovery and Mental Health Services levy for Miami, Shelby and Darke counties. The levy was approved with the vote in Miami County of 33,945 for and 16,561 against, or 67.21 percent to 32.79 percent.

Trib Briefs

By Nancy Bowman

Motion dropped in drug case

A motion to suppress evidence by a Tipp City man accused of participating in a drug ring investigators said brought large amounts of heroin and methamphetamines into the area was withdrawn Nov. 10 in Miami County Common Pleas

Dayton lawyer Jon Paul Rion said he would drop the motion to suppress for now for Eric Segura, 24. Rion indicated he was talking with prosecutors about a possible plea agreement.

Segura, who attended a brief hearing before Judge Jeannine Pratt. also agreed to waive his right to a speedy trial.

He was among eight indicted by a county grand jury and among three arrested Aug. 31 on the indictments. A fourth defendant was arrested Sept. 1. The others remain at large.

The indictments accused Segura and others with engaging in a pattern of corrupt activity, conspiracy to engage in corrupt activity, aggravated funding of drug trafficking and aggravated money laundering along with possession of drugs (heroin, cocaine, meth, marijuana) and one count of carrying a concealed weapon.

Erick Segura pleaded not guilty.

In a motion to suppress, Rion argued a December 2013 arrest of Segura was illegal and searches conducted were improper. Among other arguments, Rion claimed investigators had no reason to stop Segura's vehicle on Dec. 11, 2013, and that Segura was not properly read his **Planning commission OKs requests**

The Troy Planning Commission approved applications for properties in the city's historic district during its Nov. 9 meeting.

The commission approved a sign application for REU Juicery and Organic Kitchen in the Troy Community Works building at 3 E. Main St. on the Public Square.

The commission also approved a request for exterior renovations at 222 W. Frankin St. The applicant, Jeffrey Martin, sought permission to remove and replace a back porch and steps with new patio and steps made of pavers.

In other business, the commission continued its review of proposed updates to chapters of the city's comprehensive

Council hears Troy Rec update

A representative of the Troy Rec thanked the city for its continued support during an update on the downtown venue during City Council's Nov. meeting.

Snyder told Kelly council the Rec is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year and houses a variety of activities such as a daycare, indoor soccer, a homework helper program and the Rec program for students in grades six through 12. An average 65 to 80 students come to the facility each afternoon, she said.

The biggest request heard from youth is for dances, Snyder said.

The facility also is rented for a number of activities.

The Rec receives its funding from several sources.

Burgbacher Addresses Rotary

To say that the Troy High School varsity football team has had a good season would be, to many in town, a gross understatement. Just ask head coach Matt Burgbacher, Trov Rotarians had many questions for the man in the red jersey as he recapped the successful regular season during the club's November 8th meeting. Now finishing up his

second year as the team's leader, "Coach B" came to the school after several seasons at Fort Loramie. Finishing 2-8 in 2015 did not make the players, or Coach B, happy. The 2016 season has been a different story with the Trojans

finishing atop the GWOC North Division after they successfully hosted Anderson at Troy Memorial Stadium on November 4th, winning the matchup 41-35. Their next opponent is Miamisburg, the only team to defeat Troy in the regular season this year. What a difference a year has made for the team and its coaching staff.

Rotarians wanted to know how Coach B and the players made such a dramatic turnaround? Burgbacher shared that he'd incorporated a focus on leadership that was not part of the 2015 playbook. Ît's a three-prong philosophy of hard work, a belief

in yourself, and trust in your teammates, and it has been a key factor that propelled the Trojans into the Regional Finals. This philosophy has influenced the team all year long, as evidenced by their 10-1 (5-0) conference record. Coach B and the Trojans take this focus into their next game against Northmont High School on Friday, November 11. For more information, visit www.troy.k12. oh.us/Athletics.

Troy Rotarians and the Troy Rotary Foundation support several community projects annually. During the 2015-16 Rotary year, over \$23,000 in scholarships and community aid

was distributed from the fund, including support for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program, Rotary's annual Shoe Project, academic and community service scholarships, and sponsorships to summer camps at Brukner Nature Center and WACO Air Museum. The Troy Rotary Club is a member-in volved, 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.

Baird to Hold Reflections Program

Baird Funeral Home will hold its annual Reflections for the Holiday program 3:00PM on Sunday, November 20, 2016 at the funeral home. For reservations or further information contact Baird Funeral Home at 339-2602.

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as the hearse, escorted by dozens of law enforcement vehicles from across the county, approached and moved by slowly. Judge, lawyers, deputies, county employees and employees of the sheriff's office located nearby were among those paying respects.

Cox was remembered as a mentor and a dedicated public servant who "defended the safety of every citizen" of the county.

County Prosecutor Tony Kendell said he first met Cox in the 1990s.

"He was a mentor and very dear friend," Kendell said.

Cox lived in Casstown with wife, Lynn. They had four grown children.

A native of Piqua, Cox graduated from Piqua High School and served in the Army. He worked with the Troy Police Department before running for sheriff. He was elected on first try in 1988 and every four years after.

Robert Sweitzer worked with Cox when Cox was a Troy police detective and later as sheriff. "He wanted things done by the book. He was a good guy to work for," he said, calling Cox a "cop's cop."

Former deputy Billie Ray said he first met Cox when Ray was a police cadet and Cox a Troy police officer in the late 1960s.

"He has always been loyal to the citizens of Miami

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County and a great servant. He will be greatly missed," Ray said. "He cared about his family and the citizens of Miami County."

The Miami County Republican Party issued a statement saying thoughts and prayers were with the Cox family and friends.

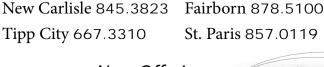
"The sheriff was a longtime loyal Republican office holder who defended the safety of every citizen of Miami County with dedication, strength and valor," the statement said. "Now is a time to reflect on his many accomplishments as our sheriff over his 28 years of service to Miami County and pray for his family's strength while dealing with their loss."

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Hayden Jackson looks for yardage for the



Sam Jackson and Shane Shoop look to bring down the Miamisburg runner last week.

Troy Falls To Miamisburg, Ends 10-2

By Jim Dabbelt

The turnaround was undeniable for the Troy Trojans football team.

Heading into this season, the Trojans had won ten games combined over the past four years, and when the season began, coach Matt Burgbacher knew it would be an improved team.

The Trojans lived up to the expectations.

Friday night, the Trojans saw their special season come to an end, as they lost to Miamisburg 28-21 in the second round of the

Division Two OHSAA state football playoffs. The Trojans finished the season 10-2, equaling the number of wins they had the previous four years, and saw their only losses on this season come at the hands of Miamisburg,

Troy couldn't capitalize on their first opportunity of the game, as Jacob Anderson recovered a Vikings fumbled on the second play of their opening drive giving the ball to the Trojans around midfield.

Both punters saw plenty of action in the opening period, leading up to the

games' first score from the Vikings. Tony Clark found the endzone with two minutes gone in the second period to break a scoreless tie, and give the Vikings a 7-0 lead.

Troy answered when they put together a six play, 60 yard drive to tie the game. Hayden Hotwica hit Hayden Jackson on a 13-yard pass play to set the Trojans up inside Vikings territory, and when Kotwica connected with Spencer Klopfenstein from 10 yards out with 8:26 left in the first half, the game was tied at

Miamisburg couldn't capitalize on a big play on their next drive, which was aided by a personal foul against the Trojans, and they were forced to punt.

The Vikings regained the lead with 2:29 left in the half after taking the ball deep inside the Trojans territory after Troy was forced to punt from their own endzone.

A pass from Tate Vongsy to Quinn Keuhnle from 17 yards out gave the Vikings the lead, giving the Trojans one final shot to tie the

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Trojans Look For Scoring This Season

By Jim Dabbelt

The Troy hockey is will have a tremendously different look to them as they look to take the ice this winter.

Not only will they be in a different division of the Southwest Ohio Hockey League, they will also have a lot of new faces lining up on the ice this season, as the Trojans have a home scrimmage on Saturday at 4:15 at Hobart Arena.

'We are playing in the upper division of the SWOHL, and we moved up from last season after winning the

gold division," said Troy coach Phill Noll. "Winning that division mandated us to move up. This division can be won by any of the teams, I don't think there is one team head and shoulders above the rest."

"My philosophy is you don't have to win every game, just improve every game. I told the boys all along that to be over .500 this season is a goal. Looking for a championship is something we haven't talked about it. It's one game at a time, and improve after every game."

One of the biggest things

prove on is how they will replace the scoring they lost to graduation last year.

the Trojans will have to im-

"We have four seniors gone and a goalie who moved," Noll said. "All four seniors were scorers and put up a lot of points. We will struggle to fill those shoes. We will also see who will step up and try to help as much as possible."

Noll be looking for several kids to step up and produce if they are going to be

"We try not to have a soloist, we try to be a choir," he said. "There are five kids and a goalie on the ice at any time, it takes all of them at one time to be successful. We want to have a lot of passing and participating from the kids on each shift."

Returning to lead the way for the Trojans is senior Prestyn Hoefler, who will man the first-line center. "We are looking for him to do good things for us both passing and shooting," Noll said. "He plays well defensively and offensively."

Also back is Caleb Sala-

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Local Athletes Honored by GWOC

Both Troy and Tippecanoe had several fall sports athletes that were honored by the coaches in the Greater Western Ohio Conference, as the all-league teams were released.

In football, Troy's Hayden Kotwica was honored as the GWOC North Athlete of the Year, while Trojans' firstyear coach Matt Burgbacher was selected as the Coach of

Joining Kotwica on the first-team from Troy were kicker Jacob Anderson, running back Josh Browder, offensive lineman Travis Hall, defensive back Sam Jackson and defensive lineman Joah Schricker. Tippecanoe was also represented on the firstteam by defensive back Cade Rogers, linebacker Austin Subler and defensive back Quenten Williams.

Troy players on the second-team were Will Brumfield, Michael Murray, Christian Nation, Dylan Sedam, Zion Taylor and John Wehrkamp. From Tippecanoe it was Nyles Anderson, Cole Barhorst and Grant Carlson. Special Mention players from Troy include Zach Boyer and Derek McDonagh, and for the Red Devils the honored players were Ryan Bolton, Matt Garber, Isaac Haas and Aaron Hughes.

*In volleyball, the first-

from the league championship Troy team were Katie Demeo, Camryn Moeller and Miranda Silcott, with Demeo named the Player of the Year, and Michelle Owen honored as the Coach of the

Tippecanoe also placed Taylor Prall and Emily Shuk on the first-team, while Isabel Crow was second-team from the Red Devils. Troy's Katie Jackson and Gabbi Johnson were both named second-team, while Tipp's Abby Hughes was honored on the special mention team.

*Tippecanoe senior Zach Bonifas leads the way in on the boys' soccer all-conference team, as he was named the American North Player of the Year, with coach Scott Downing honored as the Coach of the Year.

Joining Bonifas from the Red Devils on first-team was Mitch Colvin, Andrew Debrosse, Adam Grieshop and Wade Timmer. Second-team members include Nathan Hamberg, Miles McClurg and Alex Taylor. Earning special mention was Jacob Franke.

From Troy, the firstteam players include Tony Breisch, Grant Holland and Henry Shaneyfelt, while on the second-team was Peyton Hampton, Collin Hubbell and Reece Sherman. Connor Hubbell and Luke Johnson were both selected as special

*On the girls' soccer side, Tippecanoe's Brandon Baker was honored as the Coach of the Year, as both of Tipp' soccer teams won their respective GWOC titles. On the first-team from Tippecanoe was Lauren Lester, Alexa Spiller and Lauren Weimer, while second-team players include Claire Hinkle, Sidney Ignet and Lexi Polansky. Three Red Devils earned special mention including Katei Kramer, Amanda Sauls and Allie Wasson.

Troy also had three players honored on the firstteam, including Kenzie Evans, Arianna Garcia and Ciena Miller. On the second-team was Bailey Hess and Molly Miller, while special mention players included Josalyn Abrams and Lily Clouser.

*Both Troy and Tippecanoe placed several tennis players on the all-conference team, including Troy's Hannah Essick, Maggie Hennessy, Katie Sherrick and Hailey Taylor who were all named on the first-team. The Trojans' Ashley Bruns, Jackie Fulker and Emma Kazmaier were all selected to the second-team.

Tipp's Ladia Coning, Alyssa Steward and Kennedy Reeder were all voted onto the first-team, while on the second-team was Sophia McDowell and Jordan Jones was named as a special men-

*Troy placed four golfers on the first-team as Ryan McClurg, Keaton Pfeiffer, Holden Scribner and Nate Uhlenbrock were honored, Austin Rank was second team, and on special mention was Jack Johnston.

For Tipp, named to the second team was Bradley Calhoun, Sam Weatherley and Sam Fairbanks, while on special mention was Noah Blake.

*Cross Country also saw several local athletes honored. First-teamers from Troy included Mike Griffith and Andy Smith, while Tipp placed Keenan Fraylick, Ben Jans and Michael Stearns on the first-team.

On second-team from Troy was Adam Falknor and Logan Huth, while from Tipp it was Ethan Heitkamp, Ethan Sinning and Brennan Larned.

On the girls' side, Troy who finished second as a team at the state meet, saw seven athletes named to the first-team, including Emma Bryant, Morgan Gigandet, Megan Myers, Kate Pence, Emma Shigley, Olivia Tyre and Jenna Zimmerman. Tippecanoe also placed at state, and had three runners on first-team with Mckenzie Dietz, Katie Tayloe and Kaili Titley. On the second-team was Jillian Brown, Laura Fink, Katie Reeder and Bekah Shininger.

District Nine All-Stars Named

By Jim Dabbelt

Several area volleyball players have been selected to the District Nine all-star team last week, as voted on by the area District Nine coaches. Troy, Tecumseh, Tippecanoe, Greenon and Northwestern all have players who have been named to the teams.

In Division One, Troy's Katie Demeo, Miranda Silcott and Camryn Moeller were all named to the Division One first-team which consisted of eight players, while Tecumseh's Kirsten Nartker and Lucy Eier were also named first-team.

The remaining three players honored to the first-team were Piqua's Ashley Brading and Kelsey Magoteaux.

On the second-team was Tecumseh's Zoey Dysinger and Jillian Willams, along with Troy's Katie Jackson. They were joined by Taylor Rice of Fairborn, Ashley Ho from Piqua and Carrie Nuss from Sidney.

The Division One Player of the Year was Demeo, while the Trojans' coach Michelle Owen.

From Division Two, Tippecanoe's Taylor Prall and Emily Shuk were both named to the first-team by the coaches as was Amanda Remmetter from Greenon. They were joined by Hunter Rogan from Urbana, Carly Carafa from Graham, Ben Logan's Bri Frazier and Coreen Crosby, Maddie Sanders from Kenton Ridge,

and Gabrielle Barnes from Shawnee and Dakota White from Kenton Ridge.

The second-team consisted of Isabel Crow of Tippecanoe, along with Mikala Morris from Kenton Ridge, McKenzie Smith of Bellefontaine, Molly Hamilton of Graham, Scarlet Koetsch of Shawnee, Olivia Dunham from Urbana, Kaitlin Trace of Graham, Claudia Spitzer from Shawnee, Stanleigh Archer of Ben Logan and Lexee Trainer of Kenton Ridge.

Rogan from Urbana was the Player of the Year.

In Division Three, Northwestern's Haley Houseman was named to the first-team, and was joined by Krista Gehret from Anna, Jonni Parker of Miami East, Lauren Craig from Milton Union, Makenzie Grimm of Northeastern, Danielle Winner of Versailles, Elizabeth Ording of Versailles, Kyndall Hellyer of Miami East, Olivia Ames from West Liberty Salem and Madison Dolby of Triad.

On the second-team includes Northwestern senior Rachel Martin, along with Emma Meyer of Anna, Shai Robinson of Arcanum, Ellen Peters from Versailles, Stevie Johnting of Arcanum, Jillian Wesco of Miami East, Bri Stone of Milton Union, Taylor Noel of Northeastern, Alex Burton of West Liberty Salem and Kami McEldowney of Versailles. Parker was named the Division Three Player of the Year.

Troy Christian Athletes Honored By MBC

By Jim Dabbelt

It was another successful fall sports season for several of the athletes at Troy Christian, as the Metro Buckeye Conference coaches have selected the all-conference players for the each respective sport that just finished up their season.

On the volleyball court, a pair of Eagles players were named to the first-team including Kathryn Lee and Jenna Grady. They were joined on the first-team with Pamela Howarah of Legacy Christian, Miranda Jordan and Sydney McClain of Emmanuel Christian, Elizabeth Smith, Kasey Linkhart and Tyler Linkhart of Yellow Springs.

Earning a spot on the second-team were Brittany Swart and Allison Winger of Troy Christian, while the Sportsmanship Award went to A'maria Carter.

The Eagles boys' soccer team also had a successful season with three of their players named to the firstteam. Jon Slone graduates from Troy Christian as the all-time career leader in goals scored and lands on the firstteam, as does Seth Wynne and Andrew Strait.

They are joined by Noah Alexander (Dayton Christian), Jake Erlandson (Dayton Christian), Carter Haak (Miami Valley), Augie Knemeyer (Yellow Springs), Joey McCaskey (Legacy Christian), Hayden Orme (Yellow Springs), Joe Plumer (Yellow Springs), Alex Reid (Dayton Christian), Jack Smalley (Miami Valley School) and John Socha (Dayton Christian).

Three more Eagles were

honored on the second-team including Jackson Kremer, Jared Trimbach and Jacob Wynne. Riley Hall was named the Sportsmanship Award winner from Troy Christian.

For the Eagles girls' soccer team, they saw three players named to the first-team including Olivia Glaser, Cara Salazar and Riley Spoltman. Those three were joined by Elizabeth Bush (Miami Valley), Anna Crawford (Middletown Christian), Cailyn Erlandson (Legacy), Voctoria Howarah (Legacy), Kiana Klein (Dayton Christian), Maddy Monto (Miami Valley), Morgan Orme (Dayton Christian), Julia Schindler (Dayton Christian), Lauren Simmons (Legacy) and Ashley Sledge (Dayton Chris-

tian). Landing on the second-team from the Eagles were Lauren Moritz, Haley Peters and Lexi Salazar. Gracie Glaser earned the Sports-

manship Award. The cross country allleague team for the boys' was highlighted by Nick Pratt and Carter Ritchie, while four Eagles runners were listed on the second-team: Levi Brown, Zach Davidson, Isaac Flora and Robert Ventura. Noah Davidson also earned

the sportsmanship award. Rachel Plummer was the lone Eagles runner to earn all-conference as she was named to the second-team the Sportsmanship Award winner.

For the boys' golf allleague team, Troy Christian's Brandon Kreger was named to the second-team, while Ben Schenk was named Sportsmanship Award.





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CBC Testing for Zika Virus

Follows FDA call for Zika Screening at Blood Centers

Community Blood Center is now testing blood donations for the Zika virus in compliance with recommendations issued by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to protect the blood

In August the FDA recommended universal testing of all donated whole blood and blood components for the Zika virus in the U.S. and its territories. Ohio and Indiana are among the states that were scheduled to begin testing by Nov. 18, 2016 or sooner. CBC began testing Monday, Nov. 14, 2016.

Beginning Nov. 14, 2016 CBC is no longer deferring donors for travel to Zika endemic areas.

The new Zika testing system is investigational and all donations submitted for testing are part of a research study. By consenting to give blood donors are agreeing to participate in the research study. The results from the study will help develop better testing systems to protect the blood supply.

CBC will notify the donor if results are positive. Donors with a test result that indicates a Zika infection should discuss the results with their primary care physician. CBC will defer donor with positive test result for 120 days from the date of the test or the resolution of symptoms, whichever timeframe is longer.

CBC reminds donors that non-Zika related travel restrictions still apply. They can impact the available blood supply by limiting the number of people able to donate. CBC encourages eligible donors to schedule appointments and donate when able.

Learn more at www.GivingBlood.org

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John L. Gillfillan

John L. Gillfillan, age 88, of Conover, passed away on Thursday, November 10, 2016 at Brookdale of Troy after battling diabetes for several years. He was born on January 23, 1928 in Storms Station, Ross County, OH to the late Walter and Frankie Grace (Purdum) Gillfillan. On October 29, 1950, he married Norma J. Barnes. After 66 years of marriage, she survives.



In addition to his wife, John is survived by two sons: John Norwood (Debby Brown) Gillfillan of Urbana and Keith Alan (Stephanie Pettey) Gillfillan of Newport Beach, CA; one daughter: JoLynn (Dean) Caven of Fletcher; two brothers: James Gordon (Shirley) Gillfillan of Chillicothe and Tom (Kathy) Gillfillan of Jackson; grandson: Weston (Wendy) Gillfillan of Long Beach, CA and their son: Bradley Thomas Gillfillan; granddaughters: Tara Lynn Gillfillan of New York, NY and Anisa Elizabeth Gillfillan of Valley Village, CA and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister and brother-in-law: Marceil and Charles Fout; one brother and sister-in-law: Richard and Maxine Gillfillan; sister-in-law and brothers-in-law: Mickey and Bill Easterday, Edward and Virginia Barnes, David E. Barnes and Herbert Ray Barnes, Jr.; mother-in-law and father-in-law: Herbert Ray Barnes and Mildred Rittinger Barnes Hardman; and step father-in-law: Earl Hardman.

John attended Harrison School and rode the same school bus as his future wife, Norma. He was a graduate of Southeastern School at Richmondale. After high school, John served with the Marine Corps for three years. He then attended The Ohio State University, where he lived in the Buckeye Club in the OSU Stadium. John was called back into the Marines and served during the Korean War. After his second term of service, he returned to The Ohio State University, where he graduated in 1954. He and Norma moved to Miami County on November 19, 1954. He farmed for many years, then was a supervisor for Miami County Soil and Water Conservation District. He later was an employee with the MCSWC for many years. John was a member of Cove Springs Grange and the American Legion Post 184 in Piqua. He was also a member of Miami County Farm Bureau and Miami County Farm Bureau Agri-Business Council. John was a member of Casstown United Methodist Church.

Services will be held at 12:00 Noon on Saturday, November 19, 2016 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy with Rev. David Ramming and Rev. Maggie Sykes co-officiating. Burial will follow in Casstown Cemetery, Casstown with Veterans Honor Guard service. Friends may call from 10:00 - 11:30 AM on Saturday at the funeral home. Grange service will be held at 11:45 AM on Saturday at the

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Miami County, P.O. Box 502, Troy, OH 45373, Bethany Center, P. O. Box 224, Piqua, OH 45356, A B Graham Center, 8025 East State Route 36, Conover, OH 45317, Casstown United Methodist Church, P. O. Box 203, Casstown, OH 45312 or Charity of Donor's Choice. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www. bairdfuneralhome.com.

Renowned Children's Author Coming to Forest and Kyle

On November 17, students at Forest and Kyle Schools will be meeting renowned author / illustrator, Peter Catalanotto. During his visit he will share the creative process behind his books--from his initial inspiration all the way through to the finished paintings. In addition to discussing where he gets his ideas and how he develops them, he will also sketch in each program, showing basic drawing tech-

niques that make drawing more approachable. Students will leave his program inspired and empowered to write and draw. When illustrating someone else's text, Mr. Catalanotto hopes to extend the words by adding new ideas into the art. "My pictures stray from the words, but not from the story." He has illustrated for such renowned authors as Cynthia Rylant, George Ella Lyon, Joanne Ryder, Megan McDonald, and Mary Pope Osborne. With over 45 children's books to his credit, 17 are books he has also written including *Dylan's Day Out, Mr.* Mumble, The Newbies, Ivan the Terrier, Matthew ABC, Monkey & Robot, and Emily's Art, which in a starred review School Library Journal wrote: "Whether viewed from afar or up close this creative and heartfelt book is a masterpiece." His book,

The Painter, was featured on

PBS's Storytime. In 2008 he was commissioned by First Lady Laura Bush to illustrate the White House holiday booklet. He currently teaches the first children's book writing course offered by Columbia University and Pratt Institute. Since 1990, Peter has visited over 1500 elementary schools in 40 states sharing with his creative process from inspiration to final book with students of all ages.

What To Do in Troy

Health Trekkers November 17, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Lost Creek Reserve The Miami County Park District will hold its Health Trekkers program on November 17 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Creek Reserve, 2385 E. State Route 41 east of Troy. Take a hike for health and join park district health and wellness specialist, registered nurse Marion for this weekly low impact walk held each Thursday morning. Relevant topics such as heart health, diet and nutrition, diabetes prevention, stress relief and many others will be discussed during this six week walking series. Remember to wear weathappropriate gear and walking shoes for Registration comfort. not required but highly recommended. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing

Family Discovery Hike "Birds"

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(937) 335-6273, Ext.

November 19, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Charleston Falls Preserve The Miami County Park District will hold

its Family Discovery Hike "Birds" on November 19 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district

naturalist Accipiter Amalee to learn all about birds. This guided hike is designed for children with autism and their families, but all are welcome. Each hike will include 1-2 different social skills to practice along with several fun activities. Class minimum four families, maximum 10 families. Register for the program by going to the program calendar

com, e-mailing register@ miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 109.

at MiamiCountyParks.

Preschool in the Park "Turkey Time" November 19, 11:00 a.m. – Noon **Charleston Falls** Preserve

The Miami County

Park District will hold its Preschool in the Park "Turkey Time" program on November 19 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Gecko Jody and learn about wild turkeys. There will be story time and a short tot sized hike and a craft. Make sure to dress for the weather. There is a \$3 class fee due at the time of registration. Class size limited to 12, class minimum is four. Must be registered to 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.

Dog Social "Bark in the Park" November 20, 1:00-3:00 p.m. **Charleston Falls** Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Dog Social "Bark in the Park" on November 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. If your dog is nice and plays well with others, bring them to the park to take part in the "Bark in the Park" program. Don't miss this fun event! Remember owners are responsible for their dogs - please clean up after your pet. Meet at the park entrance. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273. Ext 109.

Create a Northern **Cardinal Painting** November 20, 1:00-4:00 p.m. **Brukner Nature** Center

Cost is just \$35 per person, ages 13 – adult Cost includes refreshments and all materials.

Deadline for registration: Saturday, Novem-

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Can I change my Plan?

One of the most common questions I get as a health insurance broker is, "Can I change my plan?". Unfortunately, the answer isn't as simple as the question because it depends on what type of insurance you have.

For example, this week I got a call from a gentleman who lives in Piqua that wanted to change his Medicare Supplement. He got a rate increase of about \$20 per month and he thought that he could change plans because we're in the Annual Enrollment Period. Unfortunately, he couldn't because the new insurance company would make him answer health questions and he has preexisting medical conditions. The Annual Enrollment Period is only for certain types of plans.

So what are the rules for

During the Annual Enrollment Period you can either change your prescription or Medicare Advantage Plan. You can also move from a Medicare Supplement or Original Medicare into a Medicare Advantage plan.

The only time an insurance company cannot decline you for a Medicare supplement is during your Initial Election Period. The Initial Election Period happens when you first become eligible for Medicare. There are also Special Enrollment Periods for people in unique situations.

If you have questions about your specific situation feel free to reach out to my

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Columns & Opinion

Gardening Commentary

By Meadow View Growers

Get 2017's Weed **Under Control** This Fall

It is necessary to mention one thing before we get into the "weeds". It is VERY DRY and it is critically important that we keep watering our landscape plants, especially newly planted trees and shrubs. Regularly watering during dry periods, like we are experiencing now, will help avoid winter damage. Remember, a good soaking once a week until the ground freezes. Older trees need water too.

One of the most daunting



garden chores in the garden, landscape plantings and turf is keeping weeds under control. Some of the weeds we deal with are perennial in nature and survive our winters. Then there are weeds that are annuals but some of these, like Chick Weed, will survive our winters. Right NOW is one of the best times of the year to get a jump on controlling weeds for next year. Yes, I know you

want to quit the gardening tasks for the season and just kick back and watch some good football or relax. It's ok if you want to do that but you will have the same annoying job of trying to get ahead of the weeds next season. Remember, they got ahead of you and the rest is history. It is hard to keep up when it is just too hot to work outside.

So let's think about how easy it can be to get a jump on the weeds for next year. First, take a look around and see where the dandelions and other broadleaved weeds have already sprouted and are growing. Some of them will be in the lawn and others will be in your landscape beds. We

don't want these guys to flower and go to seed, which a few can do this time of the year. Most of us don't think much about weeds growing now but they continue to be very efficient at moving food to their root system for storage. They will be ready to really pop and grow early in the spring when everything needs attention. If we apply a broadleaf weed control to our lawns by spot spraying just the weeds vs. applying a spray or a weed and feed application when there are only a few dandelions we will save \$ and also protect the environment. We want to be responsible when using chemicals so spot spraying may be the way to go if there are only a few weeds.

When it comes to weed growth in the fall the uptake of weed killers is very efficient and the kill is thorough. When the weeds are in flower beds it is best to use a product like Round-Up (see December photo) that is deactivated when it comes in contact with the soil. Due to the cool weather at this time of the vear these contact week killers work more slowly and may not appear to be working. Be patient and just make your applications according to the label and watch how effective applying weed killers at this time of the year can be.

Next apply a preemergence herbicide now as soon as you have all the weeds removed from your plantings. Preen is one product that works well when you follow the label instructions.

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At Home

By Connie Moore

Continuing Kitchen Experiments

After salt rising bread, corn cob jelly was the next experiment. Three lovely jars sit on the shelf, waiting for winter toast. Sometimes success can go to one's head and the notion that more food adventures will come just as easily to fruition takes over common

Nine years ago we attempted to grow morel mushrooms out back. We followed the kit's instructions to what we thought was a reasonable degree. I confess it did call for digging in kitchen compost on an almost daily basis and we slacked off after the fourth day of saving food scrapes and coffee grounds, only to have neighbor cats dig it up at night.

Earlier in October, a gift of a Back To The Roots Oyster mushroom kit was an obvious upgrade. All we had to do was cut open the plastic sleeve, soak the growing block for eight hours and set it up to take in light and air and voila! Mushrooms in about ten days. After that many days a tiny, tiny, little worm made an appearance. Nothing in the

instructions or on the website mentioned living, crawling creatures, although they are natural in the outdoor setting, so we emailed the company for help. Who knew, maybe the worm ate the mushrooms.

After explaining about how the kit might have been on the store shelf too long, Emily, the Community Happyness Guru (what we used to call a Customer Rep) gave us the go-ahead to throw the kit out or put it in the compost. She readily indicated a fresh replacement kit was on

They were true to their word, the kit being shipped priority. The second one soaked and setting in the light of day produced mushrooms in ten days. Lovely, velvety oyster mushrooms. And all the while, kit number one was deciding it too would grow mushrooms. After twenty-one days its bag and box were crowded with mushrooms. So success was again taking its turn in the Moore kitchen.

Apparently that is a goal of the company called Back To The Roots, based in Oakland, CA. Started by two young men, Alejandro and Nikhil, fresh out of college, they turned down corporate job offers to farm mushrooms.



Urban farming on a very small scale, but in time their business became a passion to reconnect families with food where it comes from. They now have a number of ready to grow foods plus ready to eat products. The biggest success is their ability to connect with classrooms across the country, drawing on student's curiosity and providing the kits needed to teach science, growing fresh food and healthy eating. As their website states: "We believe in a future where all food comes from the kitchen, not a lab. ... we work to Undo Food and connect back to where it comes from."

One of our favorite ways to connect back to where food comes from is visiting local farmers markets. For twenty-one weeks this summer we enjoyed reporting on the Enon farmers market. We were able to avail ourselves of all manner of fresh vegetables. Some were new for us such as the gray griller summer squash, the sweet dumpling winter squash and kale. Others were old-fashioned tried and true standbys such as yellow pear tomatoes, bi-color sweet corn, beets, blue lake green beans and spaghetti squash. Market closed the last week of October and with it



came sweet heads of cabbage to make sauerkraut.

Hence, our latest experiment. My parents made sauerkraut by the ten gallon crock. I can remember it sitting in the basement, working away, a sour yet tantalizing smell across the top where a plate and a brick kept it all under salted water. It worked until Mom deemed it ready for canning. We always begged to eat some of the fresh, raw fermented mass of green.

Today our sights are much smaller when it comes to amounts of food stored or eaten so we had to find a way to make one head of cabbage into the kraut. As usual, Google provided a number of recipes. We used a couple as guidelines and now have three pints of sauerkraut waiting for winter meals of pork ribs and kraut. Dad always wanted mashed potatoes with his pork/kraut meals so we'll go with that too. He used a pork roast but we like the spareribs

Pork Spareribs with Kraut

- 6 lbs. spareribs
- Salt and pepper
- Water

Fresh or canned sauer-

- Caraway seeds, optional Six pounds of ribs will make about six servings. Place ribs in roasting pan, cutting between ribs so as to have six portions if desired. Season to taste but remember the kraut will provide a good amount of salt. Add a small amount of water in bottom of pan. Cover tightly and bake at 350 degrees for about 45 minutes or until meat is tender. Layer sauerkraut and juice on top of ribs. Caraway seeds are a traditional addition to sauerkraut so put them in now if you like them. Cover and bake for about 30 minutes. Uncover and continue to bake

Sweet Sauerkraut

w/ Spareribs - 1 quart sauerkraut

until meat falls off bones.

- ¼ cup brown sugar
- 4-6 pounds pork spare-
 - ½ cup water

Lightly grease a large baking dish. Place sauerkraut over bottom of dish. Sprinkle with brown sugar. Using broiler unit in oven, brown spareribs on both sides. Season with pepper. Place ribs on top of sauerkraut. Add water. Cover tightly and bake at 350 degrees for an hour. Serves 6.

Contact Connie at mooredcr@Juno.com or Box 61, Medway Ohio 45341

Tip of the Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO TIPP CITY POLICE RETIRED

My Philosophy on Being a Police Officer

I was not aware of it in high school, but I was training to be a warrior in my adult life. Being a warrior is not just about training with weapons and learning to fight. It is also about training the mind to be a warrior. The most talented athlete in the world is no good without the proper attitude to accept a loss in a battle but continue on to win the war.

In high school I played for a football team that won 4 of the

40 games I played in. Going up against teams that had first, second and third string units on both defense and offense our first string who played both ways with few replacement players taught me to do battle with fresh troops for the whole game. We won some skirmishes but lost most, only to come back the next play and give it my best once again.

There was no attitude of giving up. Once I graduated college with my degree in Law Enforcement, I realized sometimes the battle is not won through intellectual ability alone. There has to be a warrior inside to live to fight a battle another day.

So I continued in the martial arts. I trained in Judo, Karate and learned the art of shooting weapons. Eventually obtaining my black belt in Aikido, the art of Bushido or the Way of the Warrior was engrained in me both physically and mentally.

The police profession enabled me to learn from excellent range officers in the art of shooting. I have shot tens of thousands of rounds of ammunition from handguns, shotguns and rifles. Learning when to use my words and when to resort to a night stick, chemical spray, non-lethal incapacitating weapons or even deadly force and when not to use them has to be instinctive.

The mind also has to be trained just as much, even more than the physical arts. That's why we have Verbal Judo, hostage negotiation, crisis intervention and even the ability to calm a tense and dangerous situation. My Aikido Sensei was always shaking her head, telling me "JJ, you need to learn to watch the rocks grow." By the way she was twice my

age and a third my size. My favorite warrior quote came from a War Chief at the Battle of Little Big Horn. When preparing for battle with General George Custer, Chief Crazy Horse rallied his warriors with the cry, "It is a great day to die!" Most people do not understand this quote and look at me as if I am crazy. But my brothers in blue and any military soldier will understand.

With all this crazy talk, I will let you in on a little peek

at my way of thinking. I found this years ago and it is written by a police officer who is much more talented at expressing in word than I just how a police officer, soldier, warrior must prepare.

One Warriors Creed Steven R Watt

If today is to be THE DAY. so be it. If you seek to do battle with me this day you will receive the best that I am capable

It may not be enough, but it will be everything that I have to give and it will be impressive for I have constantly prepared myself for this day. I have trained, drilled, and rehearsed my actions so that I might have the best chance of defeating

I have kept myself in peak

physical condition, schooled myself in the martial skills and have become proficient in the application of combat tactics. You may defeat me, but you will pay a severe price and will be lucky to escape with your

You may kill me, but I am willing to die if necessary. I do not fear Death, for I have been close enough to it on enough occasions that it no longer con-

But I do fear the loss of my Honor and would rather die fighting than to have it said that I was without Courage.

So I WILL FIGHT YOU, no matter how insurmountable it may seem, and to the death if need be, in order that it may never be said of me that I was not a Warrior.

Financial Focus

Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

Money Tips for Job Seekers

Losing your job is tough. Rebounding and finding new employment is even harder.

While uncertainty and doubt may overwhelm you, job loss can be an opportunity to reevaluate your career, take control of your situation, and most importantly regain your self-confidence.

However, while building a resume and making connections to find a new job are a priority, the first issue most people should address is mon-

The following checklist from Thrivent Financial, a notfor-profit financial services organization, provides some immediate tips to stay financially afloat after a job loss.

 Draft a survival budget – Anticipate that you'll be out of work for at least six months. It's impossible to predict how long your unemployment will last, of course. But you can control what you spend and save. Tips on increasing your cash flow are also available on www. thrivent.com/jobchange.

• Make sure you and your dependents have health insurance coverage – It may be least expensive to join your spouse's plan, if that's an option. If not, look into COBRA coverage through your former employer. Additional details on CO-BRA are available on the US Department of Labor website.

• Examine credit card debt Contact your credit card company about lowering your interest rate. If you have credit card debt, you may need to make just the minimum payments until you get back to work. If your debt is significant or you are having trouble making even the minimum payments, try to negotiate a payment plan with your creditors.

· File for unemployment benefits - You have a right to receive benefits you've paid for. Rules may vary by state.

· Maintain your life insurance coverage - It may be tempting to save cash over the short-term by canceling your life insurance contract. But if you try to resume coverage on a lapsed contract at a later date, you'll pay more and you may have to prove insurability with a medical exam.

· Avoid drawing upon retirement funds - Resist the urge to dip into retirement savings except as an absolute last resort. Receiving that money now could mean early withdrawal penalties and taxes you hadn't anticipated. Plus, you'll lose the potential earning power of that money for your eventual retirement.

These tips are part a series of job transition resources available on Thrivent Financial's website at www.thrivent. com/jobchange. You'll find job interview tips, information on job boards and networking, sample resumes and more, including money tips for after you land a job-because you will get one.

"Regaining financial security is a critical part of dealing with job loss," said Laura Dierke, manager of financial education programs for Thrivent Financial. "Working in partnership with your family to discuss these money topics can

be extremely beneficial." The road to a successful

job transition will come with many twists and turns. But taking ownership of the situation, moving forward with confidence and taking advantage of the tools available will help you get back into the job market.

Thrivent Financial is represented in the local area by Matt Buehrer. He has offices at 29 West Main Street in Tipp City and can also be reached at 937-667-8270.

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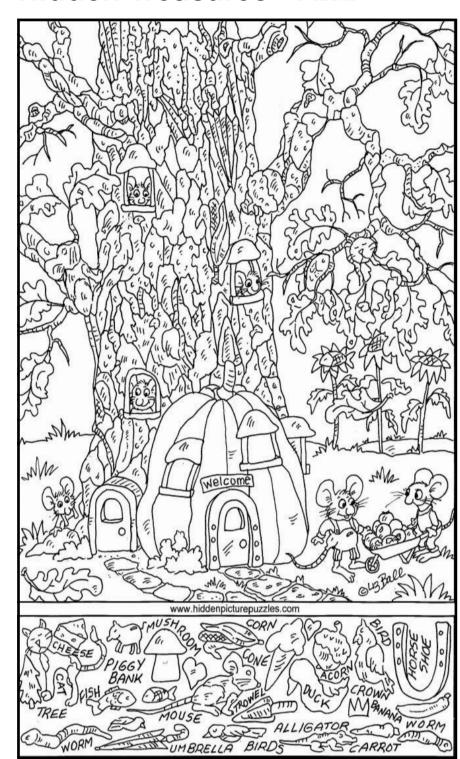
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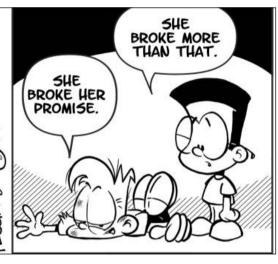
Hidden Treasures



Cooper BY LARRY WARREN







Crossword Puzzle

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1. Taunt

4. Top limit

7. Certain hockey shot 11. Voice vote

12. It's extracted

13. Too little too ___

14. Fast no more

15. Chess pieces

16. Conviction

17. Chimera

19. Josh 21. Accusation response

23. Route

26. Three oceans touch it 29. Welcome

30. Second to __

31. Contradict

32. Conditional word 33. Doesn't go on 34. Lair

> 35. Bee performance 37. $_{--}$ the question

38. Contents of some urns

42. Ford model

45. "___ no use"

47. Barkeep's supply

48. Hilariously funny thing 49. After expenses

50. Specifying article

51. Combines

52. Jabber 53. George Jr. to George Sr. DOWN

1. Regarded

2. Clothing

3. Picket fence entrance 4. One is here, in this clue

5. "We ___ the Champions" (Queen hit)

6. Scout's accessory 7. Glided

8. Sonny

9. Packed away

10. Pod dweller 18. "Love Will Find __

20. Item talked about

22. Sending by FedEx 23. Was victorious 24. "Then what happened?"

25. 'For sure!' 26. Supplement

27. Call at the poker table

28. Tourist stop

30. Clears after taxes 35. The way I said

36. Keeps

37. Vets' concerns

39. Wallops

40. Come back 41. Perceived

42. Time in history 43. Completed

bread....

44. Word on all U.S. coins 46. Drink with jam and

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Trivia Challenge =

SNL Characters Trivia Quiz

1.) Licensed Joyologist, Helen

Jane Curtin

Molly Shannon b. Ellen Cleghorn

Gilda Radner

2.) Lenny the Lion

Mark McKinney

Colin Quinn

Dana Carvey

Chevy Chase

3.) Simon

Chris Rock Dana Carvey

Joe Piscopo

Mike Myers

4.) Irwin Mainway

Robert Downey, Jr.

Jimmy Fallon Dan Aykroyd

Norm MacDonald 5.) Bennett Brauer

Bill Hader David Koechner

Chris Farley

Tom Hanks

6.) Evelyn Quince, Host of Tales

Of Ribaldry John Lovitz Tim Kazurinsky

Garrett Morris

Dana Carvey

7.) A Grumpy Old Man Dana Carvey

Tim Meadows **Garrett Morris Eddie Murphey**

8.) Jaret from Jaret's Room

Colin Quinn

A. Whitney Brown Jimmy Fallon

d. Will Farrell

9.) Wong and Owens, Ex-Porn Stars

Chris Farley and David Spade Jim Bruer and Tracy Morgan Gilda Radner and Laraine

Newman Martin

d. Chevy Chase and Steve

10.) Cass Van Rye and Tom

Wilkins, Hosts of Morning Latte Cheri Oteri and Will Farrell Gilda Radner and Dan Aykroyd

c. Jane Curtain and Dan Aykroyd Victoria Jackson and Adam

11.) Roseanne Roseannadanna

Kate McKinnon

Gilda Radner Rachel Dratch Cheri Oteri

12.) Herb Welch Rob Riggle

Jason Sudeikis

Andy Samberg Bill Hader

13.) Operaman Robert Smigel Tim Meadows

Norm Macdonald Adam Sandler

14.) The Samurai John Belushi

Jim Belushi

Peter Aykroyd

Jim Breuer

15.) Stuart Smalley - Host of Daily Affirmations

Al Franken

Chris Elliott

c. Will Forte d. Chris Farley

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zer, who is a second year defender who attends Trov Christian. Noll said he is a big kid who skates well.

Another four year senior is Caleb Mangas, while several juniors look to compete for the Trojans.

Nate Uhlenbrock is back on defense, and he continues a long line of hockey players.

"He is a good defender,

and has a lot of good hockey sense and comes from family of hockey players," Noll said. "Zach is a younger brother as a freshman and will see a lot of time, from wing to center based on what line he

Also Enrique Alejandre will be switching from defender to keeper, and has played some keeper in the past. Noll said he is improving daily.

Also Graham Harvey is a two-year letterwinner, and will be an offensive player along with junior John Wehrkamp, who is coming off of a great football season and will be a key offensive player for the Trojans.

The remainder of the squad includes Trojans

Tristan Meek, Kaleb Nelson, Grant Gariety, Scott Reidle, Dominic Wenrick, Brendan Benge, Jack McGuirk, Austin Strong, Charlie Ryan, Michael Hess, and Carson

Troy will compete with the likes of Centerville, Elder, St. Xavier and Talawanda in the Red Division of their league.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CLARK COUNTY, OHIO

Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") Plaintiff,

VS.

Cheryl Roe, as Possible Heir, et al. Defendants.

Case No. 16CV0658 Judge Douglas M. Rastatter

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Parcel number(s): 3400700034412021 Property address: 126 East Grand Avenue, Springfield, OH 45505

The defendants named above are required to answer the Complaint within twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication of this legal notice. This legal notice will be published once a week for three successive weeks.

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game before the half.

Kotwica hit Jackson with a 20 yard pass in the final minute to the Vikings 16 yard line set up the Trojans in prime scoring position, but Kotwica was picked off on their next play, and the Vikings held onto their seven point lead at the half.

After turning the ball over to open the third quarter, the Trojans fought back using their defense in the third period.

Troy turned the ball over after touching a punt which then became a live ball recovered by Miamisburg in Trojans territory. Sam Jackson then tied the game when he picked off a pass for the Trojans and returned it 51 yards for the

tying touchdown with 5:29 left in the third.

The Trojans then caught a break when the kickoff was fumbled away by the Vikings, giving Troy possession at the Vikings 45. Kotwica capped off the short drive with a 22 yard touchdown run and with just over three minutes left in the third period, Troy had a 21-14 lead.

Unfortunately the Trojans offense couldn't find the endzone again, and when the Vikings blocked a Troy punt with five minutes left, they would capitalize. With the game tied at 21, a long touchdown run sent the Vikings up 28-21, and ended the Trojans season at

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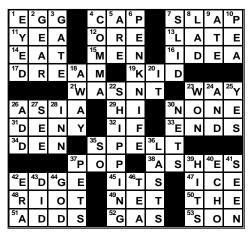
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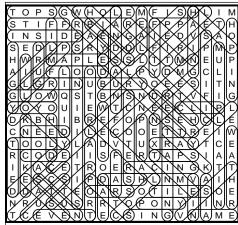
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Trivia

1.) Molly Shannon - One of Molly's many zany reoccurring characters. 2.) Colin Quinn - Lenny usually appeared on 'Weekend Update'. 3.) Mike Myers - Simon was English, and liked to Horatio Sanz. do drawings in the tub. 4.) 9.) Jim Bruer and Tracy Dan Aykroyd - Mainway Morgan - Wong and manufactured dangerous Owens had trouble kids' toys. 5.) Chris Farley - Bennett of porn. was 'awkward'. He wasn't camera friendly and frightened young children.

6.) John Lovitz - Tom

these skits. 7.) Dana Carvey - Grumpy 12.) Bill Hader - Herb is Old Man LIKED IT THAT 8.) Jimmy Fallon - Jaret's co-host was played by adjusting to life outside 10.) Cheri Oteri and Will Farrell - The teleprompter 15.) Al Franken - I'm broke and all hell broke

loose.

11.) Gilda Radner -

Hanks appeared in one of Roseanne often appeared

on 'Weekend Update'. a oddball who's been on the air as a newsman for many decades 13.) Adam Sandler Operaman was a key figure on SNL during the nineties. 14.) John Belushi - Belushi once accidentally slashed host Buck Henry's forehead with his sword. good enough, I'm smart enough, and doggone it, people like me!

Veterans Day at Heywood



Police Officer Nick Freisthier spent time on Veterans Day reading with students at Heywood School.

Veteran Details Final Days in Saigon

More than 40 years have passed but the final days in South Vietnam for the United States, and local resident Dave Norman, remain vivid to many.

Norman, now a lieutenant with the Miami County Sheriff's Department, shared his recollections of events in Saigon in 1975 as part of veterans' week activities at Upper Valley Medical Center.

A Marine Corps security guard assigned to the American Embassy in Saigon, Norman was among the last Marines rescued from the embassy rooftop as the United States evacuated at the war's end.

Norman signed up for the Marines and service in the infantry after his draft number was drawn near the top while he was a senior at Fairborn Park Hills High School in 1972. After graduation, he completed training, including being first in his infantry school class, before being assigned to Vietnam in 1973.

After a one year tour of duty, Norman completed Marine Security Guard School before returning to Southeast Asia and the embassy duty.



Lt. Dave Norman talks about his days in Vietnam during UVMC veterans week activity.

He described the chaotic times in the country as the North Vietnamese moved south and the end of the war neared. In the final days, ways to leave the country via a river, roads and the airport were cut off, leaving only helicopters to help evacuate the last Americans and as many South Vietnamese as possible

through the embassy. Norman described harrowing duty and hours of uncertainty after all but a handful of Marines had been evacuated, and the helicopters had been ordered not to return. Eventually, they did,

and Norman and others were evacuated from the embassy rooftop out to a ship. He was 21 at the time.

The return to the United States was not as harrowing, but still challenging. The returning soldiers were told to change from their military uniforms into civilian clothing before they went through the airport due to the negative attitude of many Americans toward military members coming home.

"Basically, I had to sneak back into my own country after serving a year in Vietnam," Norman said.

The attitude in America today toward veterans and those who serve. thankfully, has changed, he said.

"The welcomes (for military personnel) now are important. People who serve need that knowledge," Norman

"Freedom is not cheap by any stretch of the imagination. I have been in a lot of countries ... and this is the best country in the world. This is the best country because we fight to keep this country safe," he said. "If you see a veteran, thank them."



Congressional Medal of Honor.

Library Displays 1812 Medal of Honor

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

In recognition of Veteran's Day, preceding the opening and dedication of their Veterans Memorial, the Troy-Miami County Public Library hosted guest speaker Brock Heath in conjunction with their one-night display of an 1812 Congressional Medal of Honor on November 9. The historic medal was awarded to Corporal George Green of Company H, Eleventh Ohio Infantry under General Turshin during the Civil War.

The past and present collided as former Marine and Troy City Councilman Heath shared a unique vantage point concerning the plight of veterans as they reintegrate into civilian communities. His talk addressed the challenges facing veterans as they enter the workforce, how they interact socially and relationally, and their need for positive mental and spiritual conditioning. Heath's Life and leadership Coaching business with Gauntlet Development uniquely qualified him to take on the topics. His book, "How to Succeed in the Civilian World" is a comprehensive plan for military men and women as they engage their new lifestyles on American soil as productive members of society.

"Veterans are a motivated group. When they get an order, if you tell them to do something, they're on it," Heath said. "But they need to feel purpose, like they're doing something worthwhile?

One of the greatest obstacles military service men and women encounter upon returning from active duty to civilian life is the integration into a workforce where the work ethic in fellow-employees differs from that of the veteran. Heath spoke to his own experiences working at a bank.

"When a fellow employee calls off work because they have a cold, you're thinking "What? Are you kidding me?" Heath said. "Especially if you're in charge of people, it's easy to struggle with compassion. You want to tell them what real work looks like."

Heath specifically addressed the needs of fathers and husbands who have come home from battlefields to learn what it is to be the gentleman role model their daughters and wives deserve. According to Heath, psychological disorders are endemic among servicemen. Often, their wives and children are unconsciously expected to be their counselors as they work through experiences from active duty. "This isn't the way it's supposed to be," Heath said. "We need to be able to be there for our families, not just physically but in every other way rather than burdening them with things they don't understand."

His charge and encouragement to veterans was to see the greater purpose behind their new civilian lives. According to Heath, he's found that purpose in his faith and his family. His charge to families, employers, and friends of returning veterans was to be patient, consistent, and straight-forward as we work together to grow the communities our veterans have fought to pro-

"We live in a country that is a light to rest of the world," Heath said. "We did nothing to deserve it. You can't earn what we've been blessed with here but we can offer our time and energy to bless and create a better future for others because of the gift we've been given."



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Upper Valley Career Center Students Experience Edison

Nearly 350 Upper Valley Career Center students were on Edison State Community College's Piqua Campus Friday, October 28 for the third annual Experience Edison event. The junior and senior classes of Upper Valley CC toured the campus and engaged in breakout sessions, which highlighted the College's various fields of study.

"It was clear that the students enjoyed their time on campus," said Stacey Bean, Enrollment Manager at Edison State. "This event provides a great opportunity for students to meet with faculty to learn about the direct pathways and articulation agreements held



Machining Technology students from Upper Valley Career Center listen to Bobby Gilbert, Coordinator/ Trainer of Industrial Programs, as he outlines Edison State's Advanced Manufacturing Systems program.

between Upper Valley Career Center and Edison State," added Bean.

While on campus, students participated in hand-on activities with Edison State instructors, which paralleled their field of study at Upper Valley CC. Breakout sessions included such career program areas as Engineering, Computer Information Technology, Early Childhood Education, Physical Therapy, Business, Office Systems and Administration, Nursing, Phlebotomy, and Medical Laboratory Technician.

Enrollment managers also highlighted the unique pathways that have been developed specifically for Upper Valley CC students. opportunities provide students with a direct pathway from Upper Valley CC to Edison State, allowing them to make optimal use of their time and

"By choosing Edison State, these students have the potential to earn college credit while still in high school and save a lot of money in the process."

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Becky Rice, UVMC president and CEO, left, with Pam

Wilson named **UVMC** Employee of the Year

Pam Wilson was recognized as the UVMC Employee of the Year for 2016 during the annual Employee Recognition Banquet held recently.

A licensed social worker, Wilson was selected as UVMC Employee of the Month for November 2015. She works in the integrated care management department and began her UVMC employment in 1989 at Piqua Hospital. She worked in the social services departments at both Piqua and Stouder Memorial Hospital.

"Pam Wilson is so deserving of this recognition with her countless hours of putting her patients and their families' needs before her own. She stays until the job is done," a co-worker said in nominating Wilson. "Pam is consistently helpful and a model employee day in and day out."

Wilson, a Sidney resident, was recognized by Becky Rice, UVMC President and

CEO, and fellow employees. Also recognized during the banquet were employees

with 45 years of service: Irene

Huntzinger, Sally Mote, and Judy Taynor. Those with 40 years of service were Jennifer Blythe, Debra Brandt, Ronald Copen, Deborah Holthaus, Jeannie Hurst, Mary Shay, Evelyn Smith, Connie Suerd-

Other long-time employees recognized included:

35 years: Hyacinth Amin Townsend, Nora Jane Hershberger, Deborah Kappers, Lori Kirk, Danetta Meyer, Kathleen Scarbrough, Ann Timmerman, Christine Watercutter, Virginia Wilt

30 years: Patricia Chappie, Cheri Clayton, Patricia Colby, Tarlesa Delcamp, Pamela Deloye, Jenna Geuy, Lori Jessee, John Jones, Betty Platfoot, Mark Riegel, Elizabeth Schwartz, Beth Simons

25 years: Lynn Altstaetter, Ana Brush, Dennis Butchko, Marck Carter, Julia Edelen, Louise Forror, Bonnie Garber, Diana Goettemoeller, Beth Mitchell, Andrew Neves, Barbara Patton, Patti Prenger, Denise Ressler, Jean Schmidt, Alfred Seibert, Jennifer Sluterbeck, Fidela Spicer, Jane Urlage, and Karen Weaver.

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The Miami County Park District will hold its Trailing Moms & Tots program on November

21 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. This program is for expectant mothers, mothers and tots 0 to five years of age. Participants can socialize, play and exercise during this walk. There may even be craft time. Be sure to dress for the weather. Register for the program by sending an email to register@miamicountyparks.com, going to the program calendar www.MiamiCountyParks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext.

Preschool in the Park "Turkey Time"

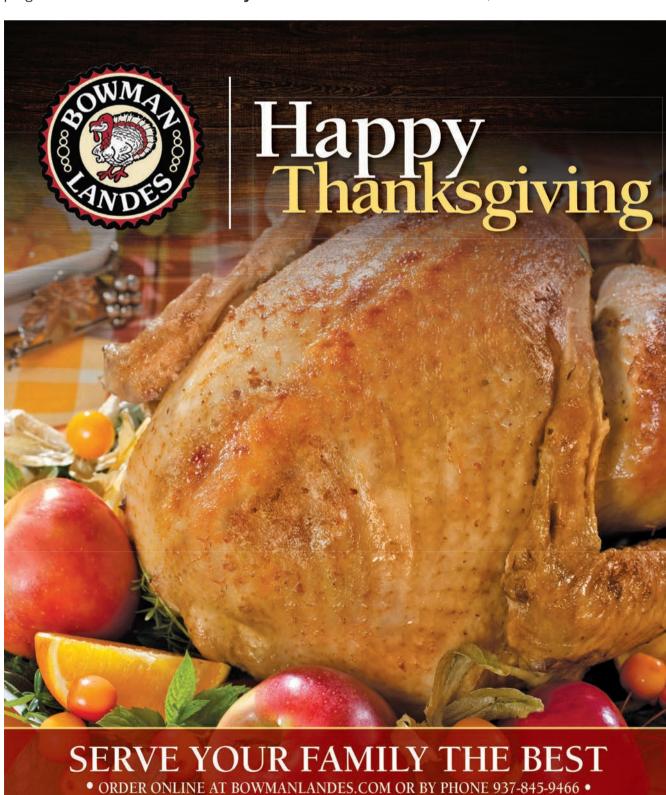
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November 22, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon **Charleston Falls**

Preserve The Miami County Park District will hold its Preschool in the "Turkey Time" Park program on November 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Gecko Jody and learn about wild turkeys. There will be story time and a short tot sized hike and a craft. Make sure to dress for the weather. There is a \$3 class fee due at the time of registration. Class size limited to 12,

accepted online at time of registration. To promote your nonprofit club or organization's events, email the information to editor@ troytrib.com. You can also mail it to Troy Tribune, P.O. Box 281, New

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