
January 9, 2023

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The Honorable Jacky Werman St. John
The Honorable Michael Williams
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

*Re: In the Matter of the Application of The Dayton Power and Light Company
d/b/a AES Ohio for Approval of Proposed Reliability Standards, Case No. 21-
956-EL-ESS*

Dear Attorney Examiners:

The Dayton Power and Light Company d/b/a AES Ohio gives notice of its compliance with Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-10-10(B)(6)(e) and the November 4, 2022 Entry in the above-referenced matter regarding publication of legal notice of the evidentiary hearing scheduled for January 10, 2023 in a newspaper of general circulation in each county in its service territory. Please see the attached Affidavit Proof of Publication.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher C. Hollon

Christopher C. Hollon
Senior Counsel, AES Ohio

c. Counsel of Record

Affidavit Proof of Publication

I, Walt Dozier, do hereby attest that the AES Corp Legal Notices did appear in the following newspaper(s) as ordered:

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Walt Dozier 12/1/22
Walt Dozier Date

State of Ohio
County of Franklin

On this day, the 1 day of December 2022 before me, Chana L Powell, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared Walt Dozier, proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name was subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed it.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Chana L Powell
Notary Public



CHANA L POWELL
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
November 25, 2023

Prince William focuses U.S. trip on climate amid Harry row

LONDON (AP) — Prince William and the Princess of Wales will be looking to focus attention on their Earthshot Prize for environmental innovators when they make their first visit to the United States in eight years this week, a trip clouded by tensions with William's brother, Prince Harry, and his wife, Meghan, who have criticized Britain's royal family in the American media.

William and his wife, Catherine, will travel to Boston on Wednesday for three days of public engagements before announcing the prize winners on Friday in a ceremony headlined by pop star Billie Eilish.

Boston, birthplace of John F. Kennedy, was chosen to host the second annual prize ceremony

because the late president's 1962 "moonshot" speech — setting the challenge for Americans to reach the moon by the end of the decade — inspired the prince and his partners to set a similar goal for finding solutions to climate change and other environmental problems by 2030. The first Earthshot Prizes were awarded last year in London just before the U.K. hosted the COP26 climate conference.

But as much as the royals try to focus on the prize, William is likely to face questions about Harry and Meghan, who have criticized the royal family for racism and insensitive treatment in interviews with Oprah Winfrey and other U.S. media. The Netflix series "The Crown" has also resurrected some

of the more troubled times of the House of Windsor just as the royal family tries to show that it remains relevant in modern, multicultural Britain following the death of Queen Elizabeth II.

"You could say that the royal family, particularly as far as America is concerned, have had a bit of a bumpy ride of late," said Joe Little, the managing editor of Majesty Magazine. "They've come in for huge amounts of criticism on the back of 'The Crown' and also the Oprah Winfrey interview, which has not particularly reflected well on the House of Windsor, so I think it's a good opportunity whilst they're in the U.S. ... to sort of redress the balance if at all possible."

Whatever those efforts are, they will take place in and around Boston, where

William and Kate will remain for their entire visit.

The royal couple will keep the focus on environmental issues, meeting with local organizations responding to rising sea levels in Boston and visiting Greentown Labs in Somerville, Massachusetts, an incubator hub where local entrepreneurs are working on projects to combat climate change.

But they will also address broader issues, using their star power to highlight the work of Roca Inc., which tries to improve the lives of young people by addressing issues such as racism, poverty and incarceration. They will also visit Harvard University's Center on the Developing Child, a leader on research into the long-term impact of early childhood experiences.

■ OBITUARIES

Barbara Jo Dixon

Barbara Jo Dixon, 68 of Huntsville passed away Saturday, November 26, 2022 at St. Rita's Medical Center.

Barb was born August 16, 1954 in Bellefontaine to the late Donald and Margaret (Scullin) Kauffman. On December 21, 1989, in Bellefontaine she married the love of her life Al Dixon, who survives.

Barb loved gardening, hiking, camping and the great outdoors in general. She also loved to craft and sew. Most important to Barb though was her loving family. She enjoyed spending as much time as possible with her loved ones. Barb was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her loving husband of 32 years, Al Dixon; children, Krista (Mark) Jackson and Shane (Zuzana) Lewis; grandchildren, Tanisha Lewis, Desmond Jackson and Julian Jackson; siblings, Allan (Eileen) Kauffman, Roxanne Fisher and John Kauffman; several nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Jeff Kauffman and Francine Kauffman.

A Graveside service will take place Thursday, December 1, at Fairview Cemetery of West Liberty at 10:30 a.m.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Fresenius Kidney Care Mad River, 130 Dowell Ave, Bellefontaine, OH 43311.

Online Condolences may be expressed at www.jenningsfarley.com.

Rollan R. Ratleff

Rollan R. Ratleff, age 21, died unexpectedly on Saturday, November 26, 2022, at Grant Medical Center in Columbus, Ohio. He was born December 26, 2022, in Bellefontaine to Poppy Dickinson of Bellefontaine, Ohio, and Robert Ratleff of Delaware, Ohio, and they survive.

Rollan was a 2019 graduate of Bellefontaine High School. He was in a relationship with Raylynn Taylor and was expecting his daughter Nylah Taylor Ratleff in January 2023. He was employed thru GLA for the past 3 years, where he was a hard-working employee and most known for his outgoing personality and contagious smile.

Rollan truly lived life to the absolute fullest through even the simplest of pleasures such as hanging with friends and family, eating good food and spending time with his nieces and nephews. Rollan had an uncanny ability to reach people in a deep and positive way. He could light up a room when he walked in with just his personality alone. He knew no strangers and was always there to help anyone in need. His greatest achievement he felt, and now the biggest legacy he leaves behind is becoming a father to his baby girl. We know that while he may not be here in the present, he will guide her footsteps and help mold her into an amazing little girl.

Rollan is also survived by his girlfriend Raylynn Taylor; daughter Nylah Taylor Ratleff, siblings: Landon (Taysha) Dickinson, Kyann (Julian) Cain, Xavier Ratleff, and Daitin Shelton; grandparents Robert (Carlann) Ratleff, Tammy (Martin Dean) Richardson; nieces and nephews Tay' Lynn Dickinson, Javelin and Jaxon Cain, Maggie and Macy Shelton; uncles and aunts, and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his aunt Melody Peirce, grandma Sara, and uncle Harvey.

Visitation will be held at Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Bellefontaine, on Thursday, December 1, from 4 to 7 p.m. Pastor Matt Sandlin will officiate the funeral on Friday, December 2, at 10 a.m. at First Friends Church, 808 W. Columbus Ave. Bellefontaine, Ohio. Burial will be at Fairview Memorial Park, 5079 Columbus Pike, Lewis Center, Ohio, at 2 p.m. on Friday.

Eichholtz Daring & Sanford Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Bellefontaine, is honored to serve the Ratleff family and encourages anyone to share a fond memory or message of condolence at www.edsfh.com.

Surgeons work by flashlight as Ukraine power grid battered

BY YURAS KARMANAU, SAM MEDNICK AND DASHA LITVINOVA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dr. Oleh Duda was in the middle of a particularly complicated surgery at a hospital in Lviv, Ukraine, when he heard explosions nearby. Moments later, the lights went out.

Duda had no choice but to keep working with only a headlamp for light. The lights came back when a generator kicked in three minutes later, but it felt like an eternity.

"These fateful minutes could have cost the patient his life," the cancer surgeon told The Associated Press.

The operation on the patient's major artery took place Nov. 15, when the city in western Ukraine suffered blackouts as Russia unleashed yet another missile barrage on the power grid, damaging nearly 50% of the country's energy facilities.



This photo made available by Ukrainian doctor Oleh Duda shows the moment when lights at a hospital went out as he was performing complicated, dangerous surgery on a bleeding patient at the hospital in western city of Lviv, Ukraine, Tuesday, Nov. 15, 2022. Russia's devastating strikes on Ukraine's power grid have strained and disrupted the country's health care system, already battered by years of corruption, mismanagement, the COVID-19 pandemic and nine months of war. (OLEH DUDA VIA AP)

Attacks have hit hospitals and outpatient clinics in southeastern Ukraine, too. The WHO said in a statement last week that they have verified at least 703 attacks between Feb. 24, when Russian troops rolled into Ukraine, and Nov. 23.

The Kremlin has rejected accusations that it targets civilian facilities. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov once again insisted last week that Russia is targeting only sites "directly or indirectly related to military power."

But just last week, a strike on a maternity ward in a hospital in eastern Ukraine killed a newborn and heavily wounded two doctors. In the northeastern Kharkiv region, two people were killed after the Russian forces shelled an outpatient clinic.

In Lviv, Duda said the explosions were so close to the hospital that "the walls were shaking," and doctors and patients had to go down to the shelter in the basement — something that happens every time an air raid siren sounds.

The hospital, which specializes in treating cancer,

performed only 10 out of 40 operations scheduled for that day.

In the recently retaken southern city of Kherson, without power after the Russian retreat, paralyzed elevators are a real challenge for paramedics.

They have to carry immobile patients all the way down the stairs of apartment buildings, and then bring them up again to operating rooms.

Across Kherson, where it starts to get dark after 4 p.m. in late November, doctors are using headlamps, phone lights and flashlights. In some hospitals, key equipment no longer works.

Last Tuesday, Russian strikes on the southern city wounded 13-year-old Artur Voblikov, and doctors had to amputate his arm. Medical workers carried the teenager through the dark stairwells of a children's hospital to an operating room on the sixth floor.

"The breathing machines don't work, the X-ray machines don't work. ... There is only one portable ultrasound machine and we carry it around constantly," said Dr. Volodymyr

Malishchuk, head of surgery at a children's hospital in Kherson.

The generator the children's hospital uses broke down last week, leaving the facility without any form of power for several hours. Doctors are wrapping newborns in blankets because there's no heat, said Dr. Olga Pilyarska, deputy head of intensive care.

The lack of heat makes operating on patients difficult, said Dr. Maya Mendel, at the same hospital. "No one will put a patient on an operating table when temperatures are below zero," she said.

Health Minister Viktor Liashko said on Friday that there are no plans to shut down any of country's hospitals, no matter how bad the situation gets, but the authorities will "optimize the use of space and accumulate everything that's necessary in smaller areas" to make heating easier.

Liashko said that diesel or gas generators have been provided to all Ukrainian hospitals, and in the coming weeks an additional 1,100 generators sent by the country's Western allies will be delivered to the hospitals as well. Currently, hospitals have enough fuel to last seven days, the minister said.

Additional reserve generators are still badly needed, the minister added. "The generators are designed to work for a short period of time — three to four hours," but power outages can last up to three days, Liashko said.

In the recently recaptured territories, the medical system is reeling from months of Russian occupation.

Police smash European cocaine 'super cartel'

BRUSSELS (AP) — Law enforcement authorities in six different countries have joined forces to take down a "super cartel" of drugs traffickers controlling about one third of the cocaine trade in Europe, the European Union crime agency said on Monday.

Eupol said 49 suspects have been arrested during the investigation, with the latest series of raids across Europe

and the United Arab Emirates taking place between Nov. 8-19.

The agency said police forces involved in "Operation Desert Light" targeted both the "command-and-control center and the logistical drugs trafficking infrastructure in Europe."

Over 30 metric tons (33 tons) of drugs were seized during the investigations run in Spain, France, Belgium, the

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LOCAL WEATHER

TODAY

HIGH: 57
LOW: 49

Mostly cloudy, breezy and not as cool

WEDNESDAY

HIGH: 54
LOW: 24

Cooler; a shower and t-storm in the a.m.

THURSDAY

HIGH: 37
LOW: 24

Colder with plenty of sunshine

FRIDAY

HIGH: 48
LOW: 42

Partly sunny and milder

SATURDAY

HIGH: 53
LOW: 27

Cloudy and breezy with a shower

ALMANAC

Sunday

TEMPERATURES

High **60**

Low **39**

PRECIPITATION (in inches)

Sunday **0.66"**

SUN & MOON

SUN Today Wed.

Rise .. **7:30 a.m.** . **7:31 a.m.**

Set ... **5:06 p.m.** . **5:05 p.m.**

MOON Today Wed.

Rise **12:59 p.m.** . **1:28 p.m.**

Set . **11:25 p.m.** **none**

MOON PHASES

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Nov 30 Dec 7 Dec 16 Dec 23

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NATIONAL EXTREMES

48 contiguous states Sunday

HIGH TEMPERATURE

Immokalee, FL **90°**

LOW TEMPERATURE

Farson, WY **-3°**

LOTTERIES

OHIO

(Drawings: Nov. 28)

Pick 3 (early): 0 4 6

Pick 4 (early): 9 4 2 0

Pick 5 (early): 8 6 7 1 4

(Drawings: Nov. 27)

Pick 3 (late): 4 2 0

Pick 4 (late): 3 6 9 4

Pick 5 (late): 0 9 0 2 5

Rolling Cash 5: 8 9 11 30 38

Classic Lotto: Monday's jackpot was \$1.9 million.

BIBLE DIGEST

“He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that rules his spirit than he that takes a city.” (Proverbs 16:32 AKJV)

Jobless aid

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extra federal unemployment benefits, citing concerns from businesses struggling to fill positions.

Several unemployed workers sued, saying DeWine didn't have the power to unilaterally cut off benefits that the federal government offered Ohioans through Sept. 6, 2021.

Judge Michael Holbrook of Franklin County Common Pleas Court initially ruled that DeWine had the power to halt those payments. The 10th District Court of Appeals overturned that decision, asking Holbrook to consider additional factors. But Holbrook couldn't proceed because the state appealed to the Ohio Supreme Court.

Former Attorney General Marc Dann, who represented Ohioans suing for benefits, said they would continue to fight for the approximately 300,000 Ohioans seeking up to \$3,000 per person in compensation.

“It is our understanding that the benefits budgeted by Congress are still available,” Dann said. “We will continue the fight to

make sure that each person impacted is paid.”

Dann said the underlying question of whether DeWine had the power to block this money was already answered by the appeals court, which found DeWine overstepped. Dann called the Ohio Supreme Court's decision “curious” but maintained it wasn't the end.

During oral arguments, Justice Pat Fischer asked whether this case was moot.

Chief Deputy Solicitor Michael Hender-shot replied: “Because we don't know with assurances from the Department of Labor whether the money is still there or not, the legal consequences of the 10th District's ruling are still something that we have the opportunity to reverse.”

Justice Pat DeWine recused himself from the case, which involved his father's decision as governor. Instead, Judge Emanuella Groves of the Eighth District Court of Appeals filled in.

Jessie Balmert is a reporter for the USA TODAY Network Ohio Bureau, which serves the Akron Beacon Journal, Cincinnati Enquirer, Columbus Dispatch and 18 other affiliated news organizations across Ohio.

Coats

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that were still needed and offered to buy more, and those in the community who have contributed. I am extremely grateful we can continue to do this each year for families in the communities Adena serves.”

After more than a month of collecting, sorting and preparing the coats for delivery, staff within Adena spread out across the region the last few days delivering the coats to officials at the participating schools who then distributed them to the students they had identified for the program.

For Berno, who has been involved with Coats for Kids in some capacity since its inception at Adena the program is an investment in the area's future.

“These children are getting a gift from a stranger and I truly be-

lieve that one day they will pay it forward,” said Berno. “Every year, I keep saying that will happen.”

Coats for Kids is one of several programs in which Adena Health System is partnering with area schools as part of its commitment to care for the overall health of the communities it serves.

Other Adena-sponsored programs include a longstanding practice of providing athletic trainers, training services, and sports physicals to care for student-athletes; expanding scholarship opportunities; job shadowing programs; and new 10-year partnership agreements with 13 school districts representing an \$18.2 million investment that will enhance health and wellness opportunities and help provide for other district needs.

To learn more about Adena's community involvement or donation opportunities to the Adena Health Foundation, visit Adena's website.

Band

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The multi-talented group plays with several people at once, with alternates ready to step in when needed. Most have a music background and can play multiple instruments.

Bob Walls is a lifelong musician and audio engineer who has worked with big names like Molly Hatchet and Brownsville Station. He first heard The Goosetown Astonishers in 1973 when they formed, which coincided with his arrival to Chillicothe. The jazz band made an impression on the musician, eventually leading to him joining the band about 40 years later.

“The idea of the amount of talents which there's so much talent in this area. It's amazing. There's just not really that many venues to be able to go to and play at anymore,” Walls said. “The establishment itself, I've been coming here since they first opened. Feels like a second home to me.”

Saxophonist Gary Bil-lups said he enjoys improvising in the band and not having to rely on reading music. He said you can “play how you feel, as long as you've got good people laying the chord changes down.”

Like many band members, drummer Ed Hinton makes a monthly drive to Chillicothe to perform. He continues to make the hour drive from Hilliard because “there's nothing like this in Columbus.”

Trombonist Bill DeVelin has played with the band for 27 years. Since he's been in the band, they've had one rehearsal, “and it was more of a little party where we were drinking beer.”

“When you play on a



Joe Colburn plays the trumpet next to his wife, Cyndi Black Colburn, playing the clarinet, along with other members of The Goosetown Astonishers at Cross Keys Tavern on Nov. 3 in Chillicothe.

TY WRIGHT/EAGLE GAZETTE

regular basis, the band gets kind of tight and everybody knows what everybody else is going to do before they do it,” DeVelin said. “I've been in some bands where their solid musicians had quite exaggerated egos. We don't have that.”

Danny Coates is the original trombonist in the band and played for 40 years before retiring in

2013. He said he remembers the large crowds that would come to hear them play in the '70s and '80s.

“When you see your audience having fun and laughing and enjoying jokes that we tell, you feed off that and then you get more pumped up and you put out more and it kind of goes back and forth,” Coates said. “The more you do that, the

more they reciprocate.”

DeVelin said the bar would be packed every performance in the '80s. Although the crowd has thinned, a solid group of regulars still come to Crosskeys for every Goosetown performance.

One monthly regular is Judi Davey. She met her husband through a mutual friend who played in the band 40 years ago. Since getting married in 1981, the couple continues to listen to the band whenever possible.

“People have come and gone, but there have been some fantastic musicians to hear,” Davey said.

Sue Robinson also catches many of The Goosetown Astonishers' show at Crosskeys every month. Robinson was married to one of the band's oldest members, Paul Fertig, who passed away in May after playing piano in the band for 30 years. Robinson has made the drive from

Newark to Chillicothe once a month since Fertig passed away to see The Goosetown Astonishers perform live, just as she did when they first started dating 25 years ago.

Retired members of the group also visit Crosskeys often to listen to the Dixieland group.

With consistent interest in the band from community members and musicians alike, the band is sure to continue for

years to come.

The Goosetown Astonishers perform at Crosskeys Tavern monthly. For more information, contact Crosskeys at 740-774-4157 or visit the Goosetown Astonishers Facebook page.

Megan Becker is a reporter for the Chillicothe Gazette. Call her at 740-349-1106, email her at mbecker@gannett.com or follow her on Twitter @BeckerReporting.

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COMMUNITY

Health Commissioner Negley Cited For Leadership

SUBMITTED REPORTS
CIRCLEVILLE — Pickaway County Health Commissioner Adam Negley was presented with the Outstanding Leadership Award from the Ohio Educational Service Center Association at its annual conference this month. Negley was nomi-



Adam Negley

nated by Pickaway County ESC Superintendent Ty Ankrom

for Negley’s leadership during the pandemic. The award is presented to a community leader whose leadership has significantly benefited the school districts in an ESC’s service area. In his nomination, Ankrom cited Negley for being “the driving force in crafting a plan to get students

back to in-person learning. He visited schools to assess space limitations and made suggestions to ensure schools were safe for staff members and students. Adam was up to date as the CDC continually made changes, adapting district and county plans as needed. Once a vac-

cine was available, Adam coordinated a vaccination schedule for staff members and students, arranging the schedules of his employees to meet districts’ needs.” Negley became health commissioner in August 2020 at the height of the pandemic and was commuting an hour from

Franklin to Pickaway County. “That did not stop him from working long days — and nights — to ensure that the county’s residents were immunized and safe,” Ankrom wrote. *Article was submitted by the Ohio Educational Service Center Association.*

Today in History: Warren Commission Appointed

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 29, the 333rd day of 2022. There are 32 days left in the year.

Today’s Highlight in History: On Nov. 29, 1947, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the partitioning of Palestine between Arabs and Jews; 33 members, including the United States, voted in favor of the resolution, 13 voted against while 10 abstained. (The plan, rejected by the Arabs, was never implemented.)

On this date: In 1864, a Colorado militia killed at least 150 peaceful Cheyenne Indians in the Sand Creek Massacre.

In 1910, British explorer Robert F. Scott’s ship Terra Nova set sail from New Zealand, carrying Scott’s expedition on its ultimately futile — as well as fatal — race to reach the South Pole first.

In 1924, Italian composer Giacomo Puccini died in Brussels before he could complete his opera “Turandot.” (It was finished by Franco Alfano.)

In 1929, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Richard E. Byrd, pilot Bernt Balchen, radio operator Harold Gurn and photographer Ashley McKinney made the first airplane flight over the South Pole.

In 1961, Enos the chimp was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard the Mercury-Atlas 5 spacecraft, which orbited earth twice before returning.

In 1963, President Lyndon B. Johnson named a commission headed by Earl Warren to investigate the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In 1981, film star Natalie Wood drowned in a boating accident off Santa Catalina Island, California, at age 43.

In 1986, actor Cary Grant died in Davenport, Iowa, at age 82.

In 1987, a Korean Air 707 jetliner en route from Abu Dhabi to Bangkok was destroyed by a bomb planted by

North Korean agents with the loss of all 115 people aboard.

In 2001, former Beatle George Harrison died in Los Angeles following a battle with cancer; he was 58.

In 2008, Indian commandos killed the last remaining gunmen holed up at a luxury Mumbai hotel, ending a 60-hour rampage through India’s financial capital by suspected Pakistani-based militants that killed 166 people.

In 2020, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that New York City would reopen its school system to in-person learning, and increase the number of days a week many children attend class, even as the coronavirus pandemic intensified in the city.

Ten years ago: The United Nations voted overwhelmingly to recognize a Palestinian state, a vote that came exactly 65 years after the General Assembly adopted a plan to divide Palestine into separate states for Jews and Arabs. (The vote was 138 in favor; nine members, including the United States, voted against and 41 abstained.) President Barack Obama had lunch with defeated Republican nominee Mitt Romney in the White House’s private dining room; the White House says they discussed America’s leadership in the world.

Five years ago: North Korea launched its most powerful weapon yet, claiming a new type of intercontinental ballistic missile that some observers believed could put the entire U.S. East Coast within range. “Today” host Matt Lauer was fired for what NBC called “inappropriate sexual behavior” with a colleague; a published report accused him of crude and habitual misconduct with women around the office. Garrison Keillor, who’d entertained public radio

listeners for 40 years on “A Prairie Home Companion,” was fired by Minnesota Public Radio following allegations of inappropriate workplace behavior.

One year ago: A federal judge blocked the Biden administration from enforcing a coronavirus vaccine mandate on thousands of health care workers in 10 states that had brought the first legal challenge against the requirement. Twitter co-founder Jack Dorsey stepped down as CEO of the social media platform; he was succeeded by Twitter’s chief technology officer, Parag Agrawal. LSU hired Brian Kelly away from Notre Dame, a stunning move by one of the most accomplished coaches in college football jumping from the sport’s most storied program to a Southeastern Conference powerhouse. Arlene Dahl, a 1950s movie star who later remained prominent in television, died in New York at 96. Merriam-Webster chose “vaccine” as its 2021 word of the year.

Today’s Birthdays: Blues singer-musician John Mayall is 89. Actor Diane Ladd is 87. Songwriter Mark James is 82. Composer-musician Chuck Mangione is 82. Pop singer-musician Felix Cavaliere (The Rascals) is 80. Former Olympic skier Suzy Chaffee is 76. Actor Jeff Fahey is 70. Movie director Joel Coen is 68. Actor-comedian-celebrity judge Howie Mandel is 67. Former Homeland Security Director Janet Napolitano (neh-pahl-ih-TAN’-oh) is 65. Former Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel is 63. Actor Cathy Moriarty is 62. Actor Kim Delaney is 61. Actor Tom Sizemore is 61. Actor Andrew McCarthy is 60. Actor Don Cheadle is 58. Actor-producer Neill Barry is 57. Pop singer Jonathan Knight (New Kids on the Block) is 54. Rock musician Mar-

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OBITUARIES

MARY A. CALDWELL

GREENVILLE – Mary Ann Caldwell, age 74, of Greenville passed away at 12:32 am on Friday, November 25, 2022, at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton.

Mary Ann was born June 18, 1948, in Greenville to the late Rome & Francis Lantz. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Lowell, John, and David Lantz; sister, Jean Shepherd; and niece, Claudia Shepherd.

Mary Ann is survived by her husband of 52 years, Chip Caldwell, whom she married October 17, 1970; children, Matt & Tara Caldwell of Tipp City, Brock Caldwell & Sarah Stafford of Columbus, and Megan & Ryan Delk of Greenville; grandchildren, Griffin Caldwell, Rylan Caldwell, Seth Delk, Kale Delk, and Ruby Delk; brother & sister-in-law, Steve & Francia Lantz of Candler, North Carolina; sister & brother-in-law, Paula & Jack Weitz of Celina; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mary Ann graduated from Wright State University with a B.S. in Education. She retired from Greenville City Schools where she was a kindergarten teacher for 26 years. Mary Ann was a member of the Greenville Retired Teachers Association, lifetime member of the



Greenville Alumni Association, and former board member of the Greenville Schools Foundation.

Mary Ann attended the Greenville Missionary Church and Bible Study Fellowship in Richmond, Indiana. She was an avid supporter of Greenville Athletics and loved attending her grandchildren's events in Greenville and Tipp City. Mary Ann enjoyed sitting in the sun next to the pool and outings with family and friends. In her earlier years, she enjoyed bowling and her adventures with Wandering Wheels, a bicycle tour group.

A celebration of Mary Ann's life will be held at 2:00 pm on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at Zechar Bailey Funeral Home in Greenville with Rev. Gary Oser officiating. Burial will follow at Greenville Union Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 12:00 to 2:00 pm at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to Greenville Missionary Church: 1110 North Broadway, Greenville, Ohio 45331. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.zecharbailey.com for the Caldwell family.

GREENVILLE – David E. Niley, 85, of Greenville, Ohio, passed away peacefully during the early hours of Thursday, November 24, 2022, at the EverHeart Hospice Care Center in Greenville.

He was born on April 4, 1937, to the late John Niley, Jr. and Dorothy (Warvel) Niley.

In addition to his parents, Dave was preceded in death by his wife, Karen (Gangwer) Niley, whom he married on March 24, 1956, and who passed away on February 11, 2016.

Dave is survived by his daughters, Deborah (Steve) Emerick of Dadeville, Alabama, Terri (Joe) Andrews of Whigham, Georgia, and Laura (Tony Causey) Davis of Bradford, Ohio; his 11 grandchildren, April Yagle, David (Tiffany Gore) Stutzman, Joseph (Rachael) Andrews, Joshua (April) Andrews, Justin (Emily) Andrews, Jarred (fiance, Madison McCann) Andrews, Tom (Rebecca Aldridge) Levering, Amanda (David) Gonzalez, Allison (Ricky Jones) Davis, Cody (Cassie Holsinger) Davis, and

Anthony (fiancé, Allyson) Causey; his 12 great grandchildren; his sibling, Joan (David) Cummings; his beloved dog, Jake; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Dave was a 1955 graduate of Greenville High School. After attending a community college in Dayton for a few years, Dave returned to Greenville to begin his career as an auto mechanic and owner of Niley's Service. Throughout the years, Dave gained the trust of many in the community and was a well-respected mechanic and towing/recovery operator.

Dave loved his community and was involved with just about everything. He was a member of the Greenville Masonic Lodge for over 60 years; the ancient accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Dayton, where he was a 32nd Degree Mason; the Antioch Shrine of Dayton and the Darke County Shrine Club, where he served as a past president. Dave was an active member of the Darke County Democratic Party, where



he arranged monthly breakfast meetings for several years, he served on the Darke County Board of Elections, Greenville Transit Board, and the Greenville Zoning Board for over 20 years.

For the past 22 years, Dave served on the Board of Directors for the Darke County Agricultural Society, where he chaired many committees. Dave was most known for his involvement with the Safety committee and the annual fair demolition derby, which he chaired for his entire 22-year tenure. Dave will be inducted into the Ohio Fair's Hall of Fame in January of 2023 for his contributions to the Darke County Fair.

Dave was a member of the Rolling 50's Car Club, where he served as president and helped planned many car shows throughout the years. He and his wife Karen were members of the St. Paul United Church of Christ in Greenville, where he was a long-time trustee. Dave will forever be remembered for his

contagious smile, ornery personality, and his notable character. Most of all, Dave was a friend to all and a stranger to no one.

A celebration of Dave's life will take place at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at Tribute Funeral Homes, Greenville Campus.

Guests may visit with Dave's family on Friday, December 2, 2022, from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM, with a Masonic Memorial Service beginning at 7:00 PM, and again on Saturday from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM at the funeral home.

A private family burial will take place at Greenville Township Memorial Gardens.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Darke County Shrine Club, PO Box 623, Greenville, Ohio 45331. or the Rolling 50's Car Club, PO Box 33, Ansonia, Ohio 45303.

Online condolences may be shared with the family by visiting www.tributefuneralhome.com.

SUSAN J. BREWER

NOBLESVILLE, IN – Susan Jane Brewer, 89, of Noblesville passed away peacefully at her home November 22, 2022. She was born December 10, 1932, in Greenville, Ohio the daughter of the late William Edward "Eddie" and Dorothy (Coppock) Hole. She married Richard L. "Dick" Brewer on June 17, 1956. He preceded her in passing on March 14, 2009, after almost 53 years of marriage.

Susan received her Associate's Degree from Earlham College. She was an avid bowler and golfer, but above all else she was a loving and dedicated wife and mother.

She is survived by her son, Richard S. "Scott" (Karen) Brewer of Noblesville; daughter, Kathy (Bruce) Bidwell of Livermore, CA; grandson, Bryan (Jenna)



Bidwell of Pleasanton, CA; great granddaughter, Rowan; sister, Barbara Hole Brewer of Tipp City, OH; and

long-time caregiver and friend, Kim Keefer. She was preceded in passing by a sister, Jean Louise Hole Thieme; and a brother, William Edward Hole Jr.

Memorial services will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 2, 2022 at Flanner Buchanan - Hamilton Memorial Park (Prairie Waters), 4180 Westfield Road. A catered reception will follow the services at Prairie Waters. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Woodland Christmas Club for Needy Children or to Cats Haven Ltd. Online condolences may be shared by visiting www.flannerbuchanan.com.

JOHN A. GOODPASTER

GREENVILLE – John A. Goodpaster, 59, of Greenville, Ohio, passed away on Thursday, November 24, 2022, at Wayne Healthcare in Greenville.

He was born on December 29, 1962, in Greenville, to the late Mac and Juanita (Funk) Goodpaster.

In addition to his parents, John was preceded in death by his sisters, Shirley Sando and Rose Mary Wetzel; and his brother-in-law, Bill Sando.

John is survived by his siblings, Joyce (Bruce) Ullery of Tucson, Arizona, Joe (Dorothy) Goodpaster of Pace, Florida, Charles (DeeDee Diehl) Goodpaster of New Madison, Ohio, and Ron (Kelley) Goodpaster of Greenville; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

John was a graduate of



Greenville High School. He worked for various factories throughout the years. John was an avid collector and enjoyed

going to flea markets. In his free time, John liked attending music concerts and jamming to his favorite band, ACDC.

A graveside service will take place at 2:30 PM on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at Gettysburg Cemetery with Pastor Tony Price officiating.

Memorial contributions may be given, in memory of John, to EverHeart Hospice, 1350 N. Broadway Street, Greenville, Ohio 45331.

Online condolences may be shared with the family by visiting www.tributefuneralhome.com.

DEATH NOTICES

LOIS BESECKER

BRADFORD – Lois Besecker, age 69, of Bradford, Ohio passed away at the EverHeart Hospice Care Center in Greenville, Ohio. A celebration of Lois' life will be held at 11 AM on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at Tribute Funeral Homes, Greenville Campus, with Pastor Tony Price officiating. Burial will follow in Newcomers Cemetery.

Guests may visit with her family on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM at the funeral home.

JOE M. TURNER

PIQUA – Joe M. Turner, 85, of Piqua, formerly of Bradford, passed away Saturday morning, November 26, 2022, at Stillwater Nursing and Rehabilitation, Covington. Private services for his family are being conducted through Moore Funeral Home, Covington.

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Cyber Monday bargains lure U.S. consumers

NEW YORK (AP) — Days after flocking to stores on Black Friday, consumers are turning online for Cyber Monday to score more discounts on gifts and other items that have ballooned in price because of high inflation.

Cyber Monday is expected to remain the year's biggest online shopping day and rake in up to \$11.6 billion in sales, according to Adobe Analytics, which tracks transactions at over 85 of the top 100 U.S. online stores. That forecast represents a jump from the \$10.7 billion consumers spent last year.

Adobe's numbers are not adjusted for inflation, but the company says demand is growing even when inflation is factored in. Some analysts have said top line numbers will be boosted by higher prices and the amount of items consumers purchase could remain unchanged — or even fall — compared to prior years. Profit margins are also expected to be tight for retailers offering deeper discounts to attract budget-conscious consumers and clear out their bloated inventories.

Shoppers spent a record \$9.12 billion online on Black Friday, up 2.3% from last year, according to Adobe. E-commerce activity con-



Associated Press

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tinued to be strong over the weekend, with \$9.55 billion in online sales.

Salesforce, which also tracks spending, said their estimates showed online sales in the U.S. hit \$15 billion on Friday and \$17.2 billion over the weekend, with an average discount rate of 30% on products. Electronics, active wear, toys and health and beauty items were among those that provided a big boost, the two groups said.

Smart spending

Mastercard SpendingPulse, which tracks spending across all types of payments including

cash and credit card, said that overall sales on Black Friday rose 12% from the year-ago. Sales at physical stores rose 12%, while online sales were up 14%.

RetailNext, which captures sales and traffic via cameras reported that store traffic rose 7% on Black Friday, while sales at physical stores improved 0.1% from a year ago. However, spending per customer dropped nearly 7% as cautious shoppers did more browsing than buying. Another company that tracks store traffic — Sensormatic Solutions — said store traffic was

up 2.9% on Black Friday compared to a year ago.

“Shoppers are being more thoughtful, but they are going to more than a few retailers to be able to make a determination of what they are going to buy this year,” said Brian Field, Sensormatic's global leader of retail consulting and analytics.

Danny Groner, a 39-year-old who lives in New York City, said he and his wife want to get a new TV to replace one they've had for about seven years. He spent some time on Monday searching for deals online and found some good discounts. Still, he says he wants to be intentional about what he buys and doesn't mind spending a bit more for the right product.

Overall, online spending has remained resilient in the past few weeks as eager shoppers buy more items on credit and embrace “buy now, pay later” services that lack interest charges but carry late fees.

In the first three weeks of November, online sales were essentially flat compared with last year, according to Adobe. It said the modest uptick shows consumers have a strong appetite for holiday shopping amid uncertainty about the economy.

Still, some major

retailers are feeling a shift. Target, Macy's and Kohl's said this month they've seen a slowdown in consumer spending in the past few weeks. The exception was Walmart, which reported higher sales in its third quarter and raised its earnings outlook.

“We're seeing that inflation is starting to really hit the wallet and that consumers are starting to amass more debt at this point,” said Guru Hariharan, founder and CEO of retail e-commerce management firm CommerceIQ, adding there's more pressure on consumers to purchase cheaper alternatives.

Shifting demand

This year's Cyber Monday also comes amid a wider e-commerce slowdown affecting online retailers that saw a boom in sales during most of the COVID-19 pandemic. Consumers who feared leaving their homes and embraced e-commerce during the pandemic are heading back to physical stores in greater numbers this year as normalcy returns.

The National Retail Federation said its recent survey showed a 3% uptick in the number of Black Friday shoppers planning to go to stores. It expects 63.9 million consumers to shop online

during Cyber Monday, compared to 77 million last year.

Amazon saw its retail business thrive during most of the pandemic, but much of the demand waned as the worst of the pandemic eased. To deal with the change, the company has been scaling back its warehouse expansion plans and is cutting costs by axing some of its projects. It's also following in the steps of other tech companies and implementing mass layoffs in its corporate ranks. Amazon CEO Andy Jassy said the company will continue to cut jobs until early next year.

Shopify, a company which helps businesses set up e-commerce websites and also offers offline software, laid off 10% of its staff this summer.

The company said Monday that its merchants have surpassed \$5.1 billion in global sales since the start of Black Friday in New Zealand. And spending per U.S. customer went up \$5 compared to last year, said Shopify President Harley Finkelstein.

Despite the bump, Finkelstein said shoppers were more intentional about their spending this year and waiting for discounts before making a purchase.

Arizona GOP refuse to certify vote

PHOENIX (AP) — Republican officials in a rural Arizona county refused on Monday to certify the 2022 election, despite no evidence of anything wrong with the count, amid pressure from prominent Republicans to reject results showing Democrats winning top races.

State election officials had said they would sue Cochise County if the board of supervisors missed Monday's deadline to approve the official tally of votes, known as the canvass. The two Republican county supervisors delayed the canvass vote until hearing once more about concerns over the certification of ballot tabulators, though election officials have repeatedly said the equipment is properly approved.

State Elections Director Kori Lorick has said the machines are properly certified for use in elections. She wrote in a letter last week that the state would sue to force Cochise County supervisors to certify, and if they don't do so by the deadline for the statewide canvass on Dec. 5, the county's votes would be excluded.

That would threaten to flip the victor in at least two close races — a U.S. House seat and state schools chief — from a Republican to a Democrat.

A Cochise County voter and a group representing retirees filed a lawsuit late Monday asking a judge to order the board

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of supervisors to canvass the election. Democratic Secretary of State Katie Hobbs's office had previously said it would sue if the county missed the deadline.

“The Board of Supervisors had all of the information they needed to certify this election and failed to uphold their responsibility for Cochise voters,” Sophia Solis, a spokeswoman for Hobbs, said in an email.

Arizona law requires county officials to approve the election canvass, and lawyers in several counties warned Republican supervisors they could face criminal charges for failing to carry out their obligations.

Election results have largely been certified without issue in jurisdictions across the country. That's not been the case in Arizona, which was a focal point for efforts by former President Donald Trump and his allies to overturn the 2020 election and push false narratives of fraud.

Arizona was long a GOP stronghold, but this month Democrats won most of the highest profile races over Republicans who aggressively promoted Trump's 2020 election lies. Kari Lake, the GOP candidate for governor who lost to Hobbs, and Mark Finchem, the candidate for secretary of state, have refused to acknowledge their losses.

They blame Republi-

can election officials in Maricopa County, the state's largest, including metro Phoenix, for a problem with some ballot printers. Officials in Maricopa County said everyone had a chance to vote and all legal ballots were counted.

Navajo, a rural Republican-leaning county, and Coconino, which is staunchly Democratic, voted to certify on Monday. In conservative Mohave and Yavapai counties, supervisors voted to canvass the results despite their own misgivings and several dozen speakers urging them not to.

“Delaying this vote again will only prolong the agony without actually changing anything,” said Mohave County Supervisor Hildy Angius, a Republican. The county last week delayed its certification vote to register a protest against issues in Maricopa County.

In Cochise County, GOP supervisors abandoned plans to hand count all ballots, which a court said would be illegal, but demanded that the secretary of state prove vote-counting machines were legally certified before they would approve the election results. On Monday, they said they wanted to hear again about those concerns.

There are two companies that are accredited by the U.S. Election Assistance Commission to conduct testing and certification of voting equipment, such as the electronic tabulators used in Arizona to read

and count ballots.

Conspiracy theories surrounding this process surfaced in early 2021, focused on what appeared to be an outdated accreditation certificate for one of the companies that was posted online. Federal officials investigated and reported that an administrative error had resulted in the agency failing to reissue an updated certificate as the company remained in good standing and underwent audits in 2018 and in early 2021.

Officials noted federal law dictates the only way a testing company can lose certification is for the commission to revoke it, which did not occur.

Lake has pointed to problems on Election Day in Maricopa County, where printers at some vote centers produced ballots with markings that were too light to be read by on-site tabulators. Lines backed up amid the confusion.

The county responded on Sunday, saying nobody was prevented from voting, and 85% of vote centers never had lines longer than 45 minutes. Most vote centers with long lines had others nearby with shorter waits, county officials said.

The response blamed prominent Republicans, including party chair Kelli Ward, for sowing confusion by telling supporters on Twitter not to place their ballots in a secure box to be tabulated later by more robust machines at county elections headquarters.

Gunman pleads guilty to supermarket massacre

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — The white gunman who massacred 10 Black shoppers and workers at a Buffalo supermarket pleaded guilty Monday to murder and hate-motivated terrorism charges, guaranteeing he will spend the rest of his life in prison.

Payton Gendron, 19, entered the plea Monday in a courthouse roughly two miles from the grocery store where he used a semiautomatic rifle and body armor to carry out a racist assault he hoped would help preserve white power in the U.S.

Gendron, who was handcuffed and wore an orange jumpsuit, occasionally licked and clenched his lips as he



Gendron

pleaded guilty to all of the most serious charges in the grand jury indictment, including murder, murder as a hate crime and hate-motivated domestic terrorism, which carries an automatic sentence of life without parole.

He answered “yes” and “guilty” as Judge Susan Eagan referred to each victim by name and asked whether he killed them because of their race. Gendron also pleaded guilty to wounding three people who survived the May attack.

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Nation briefs

‘Gaslighting’ is word of the year

NEW YORK (AP) — “Gaslighting” — behavior that's mind manipulating, grossly misleading, downright deceitful — is Merriam-Webster's word of the year.

Lookups for the word on merriam-webster.com increased 1,740% in 2022 over the year before. But something else happened. There wasn't a single event that drove significant spikes in curiosity, as it usually goes with the chosen word of the year.

The gaslighting was pervasive.

“It's a word that has risen so quickly in the English language, and especially in the last four years, that it actually came as a surprise to me and to many of us,” said Peter Sokolowski, Merriam-Webster's editor at large, in an exclusive interview with The Associated Press ahead of Monday's unveiling.

“It was a word looked up frequently every single day of the year,” he said.

There were deepfakes and the dark web. There were deep states and fake news. And there was a whole lot of trolling.

Monkeypox gets a new name

LONDON (AP) — The World Health Organization has renamed monkeypox as mpox, citing concerns the original name of the decades-old animal disease could be construed as discriminatory and racist.

The U.N. health agency said in a statement Monday that mpox was its new preferred name for monkeypox, saying that both monkeypox and mpox would be used for the next year while the old name is phased out.

WHO said it was concerned by “racist and stigmatizing language” that arose after monkeypox spread to more than 100 countries. It said there were many requests to change the name.

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CONTINUING COVERAGE

Defense rests at Trump Organization fraud trial

By Michael R. Sisak
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The defense rested Monday at the Trump Organization’s criminal tax fraud trial after a contentious day in court, putting the case involving former President Donald Trump’s real estate empire on track for deliberations next week.

Trump Organization lawyers contend that Manhattan prosecutors are seeking to punish the company for longtime finance chief Allen Weisselberg’s scheme to avoid personal income taxes on company-paid perks such as an apartment and luxury cars.

The defense insists that neither Trump nor the Trump family knew about Weisselberg’s 15-year scheme as it was happening and that the company didn’t benefit from his actions. Echoing Trump’s recent social media posts, the company’s lawyers suggested that its longtime accountant, Donald Bender, shared some blame for not catching the fraud.

The defense rested after calling just two witnesses: Bender, whom company lawyers sought to discredit and treat as a hostile witness, and a paralegal who appeared briefly to verify tax information referenced in a 2013 email that Weisselberg sent to Bender.

Closing arguments are scheduled for Thursday and Friday, with jurors expected to begin deliberating on Monday, Judge Juan Manuel Merchan said. Prosecutors said they might spend four or five hours summarizing the complex, numbers-rich case for jurors. Defense lawyers said they’ll likely need about three or four hours.

The lawyers and judge will meet Tuesday to finalize



There was talk of impeachment Monday — not former President Donald Trump’s — but whether lawyers for his company were angling to impeach their own witness, longtime Trump accountant Donald Bender (left). AP

how Merchan will instruct jurors in the law – a critical step because a conviction or acquittal could hinge on how the jury understands the legal ramifications for a company when its executive commits a crime.

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Defense lawyer Susan Necheles started in on Bender, a partner at Mazars USA LLP who spent years overseeing tax returns for Trump’s hundreds of entities, after she said he “surprised” her when he testified that he didn’t actually do much work on the company’s tax returns.

Bender indicated that he delegated some work to other firm employees.

“That answer surprised me because it’s just not true,” Necheles said during a court conference held after Bender and the jury left the courtroom for a lunch break.

Necheles sought permission to confront Bender with records showing he spent more time working on tax returns for the Trump Corporation, the company’s main subsidiary, than he led on. But Necheles stopped short of saying she wanted to attack his credibility in front of the jurors.

“I don’t want to impeach the witness. I don’t want to call him a liar,” Necheles said. “That’s impeaching the witness.”

Merchan, already annoyed with the defense because it filed a court motion late Sunday night seeking to introduce new evidence, was initially reluctant to grant Necheles’ request. Later, though, he allowed her to ask Bender precisely how much time he spent working on the Trump Corporation’s taxes. His answer: Whatever he did, it was mostly supervisory and administrative work.

Gas prices

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ago, according to the data. But variations from station to station were dramatic.

In Dayton, more than a dozen stations were selling gas for less than \$3 a gallon on Monday afternoon, with one station in New Lebanon dropping its price to \$2.69 a gallon, according to GasBuddy, which tracks fuel prices. In Springfield, seven stations sold gas for less than \$3, while there were no stations in Butler County that had fallen below the \$3 mark.

Meanwhile GasBuddy also showed some stations in Troy, north Dayton and West Carrollton selling gas for \$3.49 or more. The most common gas price found at the nation’s 150,000 stations on Monday hit \$2.99 per gallon, overtaking \$3.39 a gallon, said Patrick De Haan, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy.

“Stations have slowly passed along the decreases and there’s more in the pipeline,” De Haan said. “We’re seeing plenty of potential for stations to go down. Some are going down much faster than others.”

Dayton, Springfield and Cincinnati stations, on average, were down 21 cents, 21 cents and 12 cents, respectively, compared to a week ago and down 23 cents, 32 cents and 17 cents compared to a month ago.

Prices continue to drop because of a continuing combination of factors, including decreased demand, the end of refinery maintenance season and “a lot of downward pressure on oil prices,” De Haan said.

Gas prices have been on a roller coaster ride since Russia’s invasion of the Ukraine back in February, rising from around \$3 in January, to a peak of a little more than \$5 in June. Since then, prices have mostly trended downward, only rising because of “temporary refining snags,” he said.

The national average price of gasoline is about 14 cents away from falling below year-ago levels, something that appears possible to happen in the next two weeks or so, De Haan said.

Gas demand fell from 8.74 million to 8.33 million barrels a day last week, AAA said Monday, citing data from the Energy Information Administration. Meanwhile, total domestic gasoline stocks rose by more than 3 million barrels to 211 million barrels.

“Increasing supply and fewer drivers fueling up have pushed pump prices lower,” AAA said. “As demand remains low and stocks grow, drivers will likely see pump prices keep falling.”

De Haan said on his blog that “all the metrics look very positive for motorists as this week is likely to continue seeing falling gasoline prices, with many areas falling to the lowest level since Russia’s invasion of Ukraine in February.

“It’s entirely possible the national average price of gasoline could fall under \$3 per gallon by Christmas, which would be a huge gift to

unwrap for motorists after a dizzying year at the pump,” he said.

The Great Lakes region, including Ohio, could also see the average price for a gallon of gas continue to drop for the next couple of weeks, De Haan said.

“I wouldn’t say it’s a foregone conclusion, but at this point, it’s pretty close,” he said. “There’s not much that I’m seeing that would change that. Only something that’s significant and unforeseeable could derail that now.”

De Haan cautioned against blaming political leaders for price increases or crediting them for price declines.

“President Trump didn’t lower prices in 2020, Covid did,” De Haan tweeted. “President Biden didn’t raise prices in 2022, Covid recovery and Russia’s war on Ukraine did. Market fundamentals overpower politics. “Alternatively, President Trump didn’t raise prices in 2018 and 2019 ... fundamentals did. President Biden didn’t lower prices in late 2022, fundamentals did.”

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New \$1 Bladder Control Pill Does What Costly Adult Diapers Cannot

Studies show active ingredient rebuilds and safeguards bladder muscles without exercise; users report feeling more carefree and confident in just weeks.

Imagine a pill that reduces your frequent, sudden, strong urges to urinate immediately.

Then think how great it would feel to no longer need adult diapers or pads during the day or night to prevent accidents.

Well, there’s no need to imagine. A team of scientists has delivered an amazing new pill for aging bladders.

Clinical results show the active ingredient restores better bladder control in just weeks.

Now after years of research and testing, doctors from coast-to-coast are recommending it to patients.

The developers of this amazing discovery have named it BladderMax. And there are some very good reasons why sales are booming.

To begin with, the clinical results were very impressive.

Bladder sufferers taking BladderMax’s active ingredient enjoyed being able to walk, laugh and go on long walks worry free. They enjoyed a better nights sleep, too. Some even reported enjoying a carefree sex life again.

BladderMax comes from a natural plant source. It’s safe. It’s healthy. There are no adverse side effects. And since researchers believe it works to restore muscle tissue in the bladder, results can be seen quite quickly.

“Our goal was to formulate BladderMax so that bladder sufferers would feel results within 30 days,” said Richard Kevins, Developer of BladderMax.

“And based on the feedback I think we hit the bulls-eye with this new pill,” added Kevins.

NO MORE ENDLESS TRIPS TO THE BATHROOM

According to the National Institute of Health, as many as 33 million Americans are affected by bladder control problems, the majority of which choose to keep them a secret.

But thanks to BladderMax, bladder control issues may now be a thing of the past.

Many users are reporting a reduction in bathroom trips both day and night. Others are able to get back to doing the things they love without worrying about embarrassing leakages.

“Besides strengthening your muscles for better control,” says Chief Researcher Jesse Williams, “BladderMax also stops the hidden cause of muscle weakening and restores youthful bladder control. Something that no ordinary supplement, pad, diaper, drug or exercise can do.”

“And while no pill works for everyone, 92% of patients in clinical studies reported a higher quality of life in just days as a result of needing less diapers. That’s why so many doctors nationwide are now recommending it to patients,” added Williams.

RESULTS CONFIRMED IN CLINICAL STUDY

The 8 week clinical study was carried out by scientists in Spain. The results were



Better Than Diapers: Some adults ditching padded underwear and diapers for the affordable new bladder control pill called BladderMax. Clinical studies show the active ingredient helps bladder sufferers regain control in just weeks.

published in the Journal Of Medicinal Plant and Natural Product Research in 2016.

The study involved 50 women age 45-62 years old suffering from frequent and embarrassing bladder leakages. They were only told to take BladderMax’s active ingredient every day.

The results were incredible.

Taking BladderMax’s active ingredient significantly reduced both sudden urges to go and embarrassing urine leakages compared to the placebo.

In fact, a remarkable 69% reduction of nighttime bathroom trips was verified at the end of 8 weeks.

They also enjoyed a significant 67% reduction in panty liner use, and 73% reduction of embarrassing leakages.

With these studies medical doctors and researchers have now proven BladderMax to be a clinically effective treatment for reducing embarrassing bladder leakages and incontinence.

The findings are impressive, no doubt, but results will vary.

But with results like these it’s easy to see why thousands of callers are jamming the phone lines trying to get their hands on BladderMax.

HOW IT RESTORES BLADDER TONE AT ANY AGE

When your bladder and pelvic floor muscles are strong, they can handle any extra pressure from a cough, sneeze, or laugh.

But just like muscles in your arms or legs, bladder muscles can shrink and weaken with age. They’re also weakened by pregnancy or weight gain.

Once the bladder sphincter and pelvic floor muscles are weak, any sudden pressure can push urine out of the bladder unexpectedly.

The natural compound found in BladderMax contains the necessary ingredients needed to help strengthen bladder muscles to relieve urgency, while reducing frequency.

Plus, it helps relax bladder muscles allowing for complete emptying of the bladder.

This proprietary compound is known as ‘UrgeFree’.

And with over 5 years of medical use there have been

no adverse side effects reported.

This is a bonus for incontinence sufferers who have been taking prescription and over the counter medications that can cause memory loss, dry mouth, headaches, blurred vision and constipation.

This seems to be another reason why BladderMax’s release has triggered such a frenzy of sales.

RECOMMENDED BY TOP MEDICAL DOCTORS

“Many of my patients used to complain that coughing, sneezing or even getting up quickly from a chair results in wetting themselves and they fear becoming a social outcast,” reports Dr. Clifford James M.D. “But BladderMax changes all that.”

“BladderMax effectively treats urinary disorders, specifically overactive bladder,” said Dr. Christie Wilkins.

“I use BladderMax everyday for my overactive bladder. I also have my sister and mother taking it regularly as well,” said Dr. Jennifer Freeman, G.P. from NY.

DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK GUARANTEE

Users of BladderMax report incredible results. That’s why it comes with an equally incredible guarantee.

“There’s only one reason why we can offer such a guarantee,” said Richard Kevins. “It works for those who use it. It’s as simple as that,” he added.

Here’s how it works: Take the pill exactly as directed. Then follow the simple instructions. You must be thrilled and amazed as your bladder control greatly improves.

Otherwise, return the product as directed and you’ll receive double your money back!

READERS GET SPECIAL DISCOUNT SUPPLY

This is the official release of BladderMax in Ohio. And so, the company is offering a special discount supply to any person who calls within the next 48 hours.

A Regional Order Hotline has been set up for local readers to call. This gives everyone an equal chance to try BladderMax.

Starting at 7:00 am today, the order hotline will be open for 48-hours. All you have to do is call TOLL FREE 1-800-609-8412. The company will do the rest

IMPORTANT: Due to BladderMax’s recent media exposure, phone lines are often busy. If you call, and do not immediately get through, please be patient and call back.

Current supplies of BladderMax are limited. So consumers that don’t get through to the order hotline within the next 48-hours will have to wait until more inventory is produced. This could take as long as six weeks.



High Demand: Manufacturers are increasing production to meet demand as sales continue to soar for the new \$1 pill called BladderMax.

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OBITUARIES

THOMAS COLE

LEBANON — Thomas Benjamin Cole, 91, of Lebanon, died November 23, 2022, at Ohio Living at Mount Pleasant, after a brief illness. Tim was born March 24, 1931, near Ashley, Ohio, to the late Walter “Cap” Cole and Genevieve Cole.

After graduating from Ashley High School, where he played football, he enrolled in Toledo University prior to enlisting in the United States Air Force where he served in the Korean War in the medical Corps. Following his honorable discharge from the Air Force, Tim enrolled in and graduated from Ohio State University.

Tim worked in corrugated containers and was the owner of Modern Packaging Inc of Cincinnati. Tim also owned and operated multiple successful companies and ventures. He was a recognized leader in the local business community and received the key to the City of Franklin for his impact.

Tim was an outdoors-



man and enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his sons fishing on Lake Ogas and Little Doissier.

Tim is survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary Ann Cole of Lebanon, his sons, Thomas (Elaina) Cole, Andrew (Kathleen) Cole, Benjamin (Melanie) Cole, Matthew (Nicola) Cole, his niece Cynthia Pappas, nephew Bill Cole, his grandchildren Jordan Cole, Austin Cole, Thomas Cole, Jane Cole, Andrew Cole, Benjamin Cole, Alexander Cole and Step Grandchildren Morgan McDonald, Matthew Gibson and Madison Gibson.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Joe Cole and Nancy Barber. Visitation will be held in the Chapel at Ohio Living Mt. Pleasant, 225 Britton Ln., Monroe, OH 45050, on Saturday, December 3, 2022, from 9 a.m. until time of Funeral Service at 10 a.m. Burial will follow at 2 p.m. in Marlboro Cemetery, 5270 Horse-shoe Road, Delaware, OH 43015.

MARY JUNE DYER

DELAWARE — Mary June Dyer, 91, of Delaware passed away peacefully on Saturday morning, November 26, 2022, at her residence. She was born May 31, 1931, in Roan Mountain, Tennessee to the late Willie and Rosie (Honeycutt) Dyer.

June was a graduate of Cloudland High School in Roan Mountain, Tennessee. She was employed at Ranco Manufacturing in Plain City for 40 years, working on the line and as a supervisor.

A devoted and faithful founding member of the Delaware Bible Church, where she taught Sunday School for many years. June also enjoyed building bird houses and working in her yard. She enjoyed going on Mission trips to Guatemala and Elko, Nevada through her church. June was devoted to her fur baby Maggie, who she considered her child. Left to cherish her memory are nephews, Brian (Diana) Dyer, Billy (Deborah) Hughes, Keith (Janice) Hughes; niece-in-law, Ruth Hughes and sister-in-law Katrina Dyer.

In addition to her



parents, June was preceded in death by her brother William George Dyer, her sister Irene Hughes, nephew James Hughes and special friend Elva Compton.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, December 1, 2022, from 10 – 11 a.m. at the Delaware Bible Church, 45 Belle Avenue, Delaware, where services celebrating June's life will follow at 11 a.m. with Pastors Scott Tiede and Marvin Hintz officiating. Grave-side services will be held Friday, December 2, 2022, at 2:30 p.m. at the Dyer Family Cemetery in Roan Mountain, Tennessee with Pastor Wesley Duncan officiating.

Contributions in June's memory may be made to the Delaware Bible Church or Capital City Hospice, 2800 Corporate Exchange Dr., Suite 170, Columbus, OH 43231.

The Snyder-Rodman Funeral Center of Delaware is honored to serve the Dyer family.

To share a fond memory of June or to offer a condolence to her family, please visit www.snyder-funeralhomes.com.

JERRY L. STRIDER SR.

Jerry L. Strider Sr., 72, passed away November 20, 2022 at Kobacker House. For condolences and full obituary visit www.morelandfuneralhome.com.

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review presentation guidelines, and submit symposium proposals, visit www.owu.edu/VanPeebles. Ticket sales and additional keynote speakers will be announced at a later date.

Ohio Wesleyan faculty member Brian Granger, Ph.D., wrote about the impact of Van Peebles following the filmmaker's death in September 2021. An assistant professor of Theatre, Granger shared the following about the “avant-garde filmmaker-writer-performer and culture hero”:

“It would be a mistake to label Van Peebles’ achievements as only an African American inspiration, though his presence and impact as a pioneering Black artist is profound,” Granger stated. “He was simply avant-garde as a director, and his vision and DIY directing style, which gave him a commercial hit, had a major influence on Hollywood film in general, beyond the narrower discussion of race. ... (T)he swift and smooth violence of Quentin Tarantino’s ‘Django Unchained’ does not exist in a world without Van Peebles. Spike Lee’s signature floating camera

shots, and the charged public arguments his characters engage in around race, do not exist in a world without Van Peebles.

“In the credits of ‘Baadasssss,’ we’re told the film is ‘Starring: The Black Community,’ and this credit is both novel and prophetic in that Van Peebles put urban African American lives and language, in all their grittiness and soul, on screen.” Granger concluded. “In doing so, he awakened and inspired the political imagination of artists worldwide.”

Visit www.owu.edu/VanPeebles for the latest information about the inaugural Melvin Van Peebles Symposium and to submit presentation proposals. The submission deadline is Jan. 4, 2023.

The event is being planned by Ohio Wesleyan’s Department of Africana, Gender, and Identity Studies; Film Studies Program; Department of Journalism and Communication; Department of Performing Arts; Office of Multicultural Student Affairs; and Richard M. Ross Art Museum via a committee that also includes writer Haygood and Delaware educator Francine Butler.

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staff for their participation and comments during forums regarding the policy. Board member Sherri Dorsch said some people have perceived the “healthy debate” as “hate speech and personal attacks.”

“Saying something rude doesn’t necessarily constitute bullying,” Dorsch said. “Some of our country’s division is due to our inability to ask tough questions, to hold others accountable, to work towards consensus, and to collaborate and compromise. I really want to encourage people to keep having difficult conversations. Healthy debate is critical to make the decisions we’re faced with, and we need to fight against the idea that our beliefs are our identity. Let’s just work to be truth seekers to get to the answers.”

Three members of

the public spoke at the meeting about the issue, and all were in favor of the board seeking the advice of law enforcement in making a decision. One speaker said he felt the public had sent the board a clear message to that effect in the forums.

Fujii said interim Treasurer Darren Jenkins should factor into future budget discussions the cost of funding a school resource officer for each building in the district, to harden facilities and school buses, and to fund staff relative to the county.

He also recommended the board have a meeting a month next year, instead of the 26 meetings that were held in 2022. After 2.5 hours, the board went into executive session. The next meeting is Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Assistant Editor Gary Budzak covers the eastern half of Delaware County and surrounding areas. He may be reached at the above email address.

Santa

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and businesses will be open to the public during the event. In addition, there will be a Christmas light decorating contest, free Christmas cookies, hot cocoa, and a toy and food drive at the Elm Valley Fire Department as well as a food drive for the Buckeye Valley Food Pantry.

This year’s Christmas in Ashley will be the second since the 2020 event was cancelled due to COVID. Lucas said Christmas in Ashley has returned bigger than before, and he can’t wait to feel the holiday spirit on Saturday.

“I look forward to seeing the streets all

lit up with luminaries and the kids when they come into the legion and they get the cookies and stuff,” Lucas said. “We have carolers who walk through the street. It’s just a real nice time for all that.”

Another part of the event Lucas is looking forward to is having the town crier ring the bell and welcome the Christmas spirit. While Lucas will be helping with the American Legion’s traditional fish fry on Saturday, he hopes he’ll be able to step out and see the Christmas parade.

“It truly is an old-fashioned-type community Christmas,” Lucas said. “We want that feeling out there. A lot of nice stuff like that.”

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Ohio’s youth hunters harvest 9,515 deer during two-day season

The two-day special youth hunting season concluded with 9,515 deer harvested on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 19-20, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. Each fall, hunters 17 and younger take to the woods with a nonhunting adult for a special weekend of deer gun hunting.

“Sharing a love and appreciation for Ohio’s wildlife with the next generation is one of the greatest parts of the youth hunting season,” said Division of Wildlife Chief Kendra Wecker. “We are pleased that participation remains strong for this special weekend.”

The top 10 counties for deer taken during Ohio’s youth season include: Tuscarawas (411); Coshocton (364); Muskingum (286); Holmes (277); Knox (272); Guernsey (250); Washington (247); Harrison (229); Licking (228); and Carroll (194).

The Division of Wildlife has issued 39,186 youth deer permits. Unused youth permits are also valid for all remaining Ohio deer hunting seasons.

Youth hunters checked 5,126 bucks, 3,461 does, and 928 button bucks. In 2021, hunters harvested 7,632 deer during the two-day youth gun season. The three-year average is 6,559 deer.

All of Ohio’s youth hunting opportunities are available to anyone who is 17 years old or younger during the season dates. Youth hunting seasons are also available for small game, wild turkey, and waterfowl. Anyone interested in learning to hunt or becoming a mentor to a new hunter can visit the Wild Ohio Harvest Community Page for information on how to get started, hunting-related workshops, and special hunting opportunities for mentors and new hunters.

Gun hunters of all ages can participate in the upcoming seven-day gun season, Nov. 28-Dec. 4. A bonus gun weekend will follow on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 17-18; muzzleloader season will run from Jan. 7-10,



2023. Bowhunters can hunt until Sunday, Feb. 5, 2023. All hunters, regardless of implement, are required to wear hunter orange during the gun seasons. Find complete details in the 2022-23 hunting and trapping regulations.

Successful deer hunters can check their game using the HuntFish OH mobile app, available for free in the Android and Apple app stores. Users can also explore public hunting areas, purchase hunting licenses or deer permits, and so much more. Beyond the app, hunters can check game by visiting ohiogamecheck.com, calling 1-877-TAG-IT-OH (1-877-824-4864), visiting a license sales agent, or calling 1-866-703-1298 (landowner operator-assisted; fees apply).

The mission of the Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

An Ohio county list of all white-tailed deer checked on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 19-20, 2022, by youth hunters using a shotgun, straight-walled cartridge rifle, muzzleloader, or handgun is shown. The first number following the county’s name shows the harvest numbers for 2022, and the three-year average of deer taken from 2019 to 2021 is in parentheses. A three-year average provides a better overall comparison to this year’s harvest numbers, eliminating year-to-year varia-

tion because of weather, misaligned season dates, crop harvest, and other unavoidable factors. Harvest numbers below are raw data and subject to change.

Adams: 138 (87); Allen: 77 (46); Ashland: 192 (145); Ashtabula: 178 (134); Athens: 172 (112); Auglaize: 71 (46); Belmont: 183 (120); **Brown: 99 (72)**; Butler: 38 (39); Carroll: 194 (123); Champaign: 59 (42); Clark: 32 (19); Clermont: 48 (54); Clinton: 46 (31); Columbiana: 188 (121); Coshocton: 364 (270); Crawford: 62 (51); Cuyahoga: 2 (1); Darke: 71 (33); Defiance: 126 (94); Delaware: 47 (25); Erie: 46 (21); Fairfield: 82 (55); Fayette: 30 (19); Franklin: 18 (11); Fulton: 41 (32); Gallia: 176 (98); Geauga: 102 (52); Greene: 29 (25); Guernsey: 250 (176); Hamilton: 7 (8); Hancock: 90 (68); Hardin: 81 (60); Harrison: 229 (143); Henry: 54 (37); Highland: 156 (120); Hocking: 92 (76); Holmes: 277 (228); Huron: 146 (102); Jackson: 159 (95); Jefferson: 146 (83); Knox: 272 (199); Lake: 18 (11); Lawrence: 127 (53); Licking: 228 (137); Logan: 100 (80); Lorain: 80 (62); Lucas: 10 (7); Madison: 20 (20); Mahoning: 50 (38); Marion: 38 (36); Medina: 80 (58); Meigs: 178 (132); Mercer: 59 (39); Miami: 32 (26); Monroe: 155 (96); Montgomery: 23 (13); Morgan: 170 (114); Morrow: 77 (58); Muskingum: 286 (182); Noble: 153 (110); Ottawa: 19 (14); Paulding: 99 (68); Perry: 142 (85); Pickaway: 48 (30); Pike: 100 (52); Portage: 84 (78); Preble: 41 (36); Putnam: 59 (52); Richland: 174 (119); Ross: 158 (130); Sandusky: 47 (30); Scioto: 120 (78); Seneca: 139 (97); Shelby: 78 (43); Stark: 114 (74); Summit: 14 (12); Trumbull: 106 (83); Tuscarawas: 411 (257); Union: 51 (36); Van Wert: 56 (27); Vinton: 89 (74); Warren: 29 (24); Washington: 247 (144); Wayne: 119 (95); Williams: 82 (50); Wood: 44 (44); Wyandot: 91 (82).

2022 Total: 9,515
Three-year Average Total: 6,559



Left to right: Devin McCollum, RGM; Corey Wright, Swim Coach; and Cheyenne Luther, DQ Manager.

Aberdeen DQ Grill and Chill supports Mason County Swim Team

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The funds raised will help with costs for the 2022-2023 season.

Dog Tag sales begin Dec. 1

The 2023 dog tags go on sale December 1, 2022 and you will have through January 31, 2023 to purchase your new tags without a penalty. You also have the option to purchase a 1-year tag, 3-year tag, or Lifetime tag. The fees that the County charges for dog tags are set by the Brown County Commissioners. Dog tags for 2023 are the same price as they have been the last several years: 1-year- \$14.00, 3-year- \$42.00, and Lifetime- \$140.00. Kennel tags are \$80.00 per year for 5 tags, and \$1.00 for each additional tag (remember every dog in the kennel must have a separate tag). You may only purchase kennel tags if breeding for sale, and you must have a valid vendor license.

RENEWALS ARE BEING MAILED AGAIN THIS YEAR. IF YOU PREFER TO BUY IN PERSON, PLEASE BRING THE FORM MAILED TO YOU TO THE LOCATION.

There are several ways to purchase your dog tags. You can mail your renewal to the Auditor’s Office with a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and we will mail the tags to you. You may also purchase your tags online with a credit card. (Online sales are the only way you may use a credit card or debit card.) Go to

www.browncountyauditor.org and click on dog tags, then the picture of the dog. Enter your tag number from 2022 along with your name and your account will come up. (Per Ohio law, there is a small service fee for online sales.) Upon receiving your purchase, we will mail your tags to you. (Kennel tags are available only at the Auditor’s Office and 3-year and Lifetime tags available only online or at the Auditor’s office.)

Tags may also be purchased at remote locations throughout Brown County. “I am pleased to announce that you may also purchase your 1-year tags at the following locations from December 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023,” noted Auditor Jill Hall. (Those locations marked with an * will sell tags year-round.) A service fee of .75¢ per dog tag will be added at all locations except the Auditor’s Office and the Animal Shelter per Ohio Law. Please call them for their hours of operation.

Auditor Office 800 Mt. Orab Pike, Georgetown 937-378-6398*

Animal Shelter 100 Veterans Way, Georgetown 937-378-3457*

Orscheln Farm & Home 206 Sterling Run Blvd, Mt. Orab 937-444-0087

Ripley Builder Supply 116 Main St., Ripley 937-392-1371

Village of Sardinia 151 Maple Ave., Sardinia 937-446-3807

(Please note that Fayetteville Hardware and Village of Mt. Orab have requested to not sell tags)

Remember, after February 1, 2023, a dog tag will cost you double, or \$28.00 each per Ohio law. You may also be subject to a \$130.00 fine per unlicensed dog, as stated in the Ohio Revised Code, if you are caught without a license.

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Miami

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“This latest round of funding will help Miami bolster its course offerings in advanced manufacturing and prepare its students for careers in robotics and other manufacturing fields. I’m pleased that Governor DeWine and legislators continue to support this important program,” said Gardner.

Miami will purchase equipment with the grant to accomplish three goals toward enhancing smart manufacturing education on both its main Oxford campus and its regional schools in Hamilton and Middletown.

The \$308,750 will augment the new Industrial Automation Laboratory in the Department of Engineer-

ing Technology (ENT) at the Miami University Regionals and provide workforce training in industrial automation.

Officials said the equipment included in this project will be used to establish and complement the new smart manufacturing labs currently being developed at Miami University regional campuses.

The funding will also help pay for the transformation of the existing manufacturing program in the Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering Department (MME) on the Oxford campus. The goal includes incorporating more content related to the operation of a smart factory “so that graduates are well-qualified for Ohio industry needs across multiple sectors including aviation, consumer products,

and materials.”

Qihou Zhou, professor and chair of Miami’s Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, said: “The equipment to be purchased through the grant will significantly augment our existing facilities. Two industrial robots will allow students to become certified in robotic systems.”

“The milling machines will be part of the new smart manufacturing and automation labs in the Oxford campus as well as at Miami Regionals. The grant will train students to meet workforce needs in the critical areas of robotics and advanced manufacturing,” said Zhou.

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Miami officials say the state funding gift from the Ohio Department of Higher Education will expand the university’s role in feeding the employee pipeline with much-needed graduates to fill the region’s manufacturing workforce needs. CONTRIBUTED

Murders

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Office. But due to the forensic limitations at the investigation quickly went cold.

This year, the DNA sample taken from Thompson’s body was sent to a third-party genealogy company in hopes of developing a suspect. The results narrowed this DNA sample to a specific family tree and Howell was included in the results, according to Deters.

Howell was arrested in 1983 for abduction after he picked up a woman on the side of the road and offered her a ride home. Once in the vehicle, Howell placed a rope around the victim’s neck and began to strangle her. The victim was able to fight Howell off and escape

from the vehicle.

When investigators discovered this case, they contacted family members of Howell, who submitted DNA samples. Those family members were excluded as suspects in Thompson’s murder; however, test results indicated the suspect was a close family relative.

Based on the DNA evidence, Howell’s body was exhumed to obtain a DNA sample. Testing confirmed Howell’s DNA matched the DNA found on Thompson’s body.

Howell was killed in an automobile crash in 1985, but Deters said earlier this month the investigation ties him to at least three other similar homicides, including Theobald and Hinchey, and Charmaine Stolla, 17, who went missing from Cincinnati on

Feb. 24, 1978. She was found dead on March 12, 1978 off Old Colerain Pike. She had been strangled and raped.

“There is no doubt in our mind that Ralph Howell was a serial killer,” Deters said.

Theobald, 18, was last seen on the night of Nov. 16, 1977 leaving Arby’s restaurant in Clifton where she worked. Her body, partially nude, was found on Dec. 26, 1977 on Beckett Road in what is now West Chester Twp., according to BCSO. She had a ligature around her neck and had been raped.

Hinchey, 24, was last seen on Oct. 20, 1976, when she left an apartment on Glen Meadow after a dispute with her roommate in route to Milford. She never arrived, according to the BCSO. Her body was found 11 days later on Oct. 31, 1976 near the

intersection of Layhigh Road and New London roads in Ross Twp. She was nude and had been strangled and raped.

“Howell’s M-O may or may not fit a couple of our cases. So we are taking active steps with Victoria Hitcher’s case. It is currently under review. We are going to review some physical evidence that was there and collected in 1976,” said BCSO Detective Green Detherage.

He also pointed to the Butler County unsolved murder of Tammy King who was picked up in Cincinnati and found dead in 1982 on Dunwoody Road in Reily Twp. King’s death has been tied to another man who was convicted of strangulation deaths of a woman in Michigan and one in Butler County in the 1968.

“There are a few like and

similar aspects, but does that mean that Ralph (Howell) is the one who did this? Not necessarily. We can speculate, but proof is not something we have in our cases,” the detective said.

Hinchey and King had similar lifestyles, the detective noted.

“They had a little wild streak in them, they liked to drink and liked to walk,” Detherage said, noting their lifestyle may have made them vulnerable to a killer. But he said Theobald’s lifestyle was different from all accounts by family and friends.

At the time of her death, Theobald was a University of Cincinnati student and worked part-time at the restaurant.

In recent years, with the evolution of DNA testing, the rope found around Theo-

bald’s neck has undergone more testing and an unknown male DNA was found. But it was not enough to develop a match, Detherage said.

“As of right now they are a dead end, but that doesn’t mean some type of testing couldn’t evolve in the future to develop a profile,” Detherage said.

There is no statute of limitations in homicide cases and Detherage said the BCSO cold cases are all assigned to detectives who continue to work on them periodically.

Anyone with information relating to Ralph Howell, or the following unsolved homicides, is asked to contact the Bureau of Criminal Investigations at (855) 224-6446.

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Upgrades

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decided to share the windfall with other governments and groups. The county received an eclectic array of funding requests totaling more than \$200 million. They ranged in price from \$24 million for new advanced aviation and manufacturing training centers in Middletown and Hamilton to \$125,000 for health-care worker training.

So far, the commissioners have allocated \$52.4 million worth of ARPA funds for 17 projects. Since the commissioners have ultimate responsibility for the funds and how they are spent, they needed to ratify subrecipient agreements with the entities outside county government that received funding. That’s why it has taken a little time to push the money out – the commissioners made their decision on first round funding in July.

In addition to these three agreements, they have previously released funds to Miami University (\$5 million) for the College@Elm Innovation Workforce Development Center; Middletown (\$3 million) to down the ruined Paperboard site and Great Miami Valley YMCA (\$1.5 million) for Booker T. Washington Community Center renovations, the Butler County Visitors Bureau (\$750,000) to recoup funds lost during the pandemic and Primary Health Solutions (\$520,526) to refurbish their dental van.

The agreements for the largest allocation of \$15 million for the two Butler Tech projects are still outstanding, according to County Administrator Judi Boyko.

“They are still pending, they wanted to further solidify the lease agreements for the two properties,” she said.

The aviation center is planned at the Middletown airport and Butler Tech Superintendent/CEO Jon Graft has said they are hoping to locate the manufacturing center in the old Richard Allen Academy on the Miami Hamilton campus. He said they believe they can serve at least 200 students per campus and possibly up to 300.

He told the Journal-News they still have some work to do before they can submit their subrecipient agreement for the commissioners’ approval.

“We continue to work

through the process with the city of Middletown for the lease agreement doing our due diligence with phase one and two environmental tests as normal procedures in building on land. Our partnership with Miami continues to progress well, as program options and development of the size and scope of the partnership continues to develop,” Graft said. “Once both agreements have been solidified, we will request transfer of the funds from the commissioners and mobilize architectural and construction services.”

Of the funds the commissioners released this week, the two building projects won’t break ground until next year, but Pastor Shaquille “Shaq” Mathews told the Journal-News she plans to put the funds to use immediately expanding the HYPE program with more programming and instructors.

“I believe these funds can be used immediately, the thing with HYPE is I’m never short on programs and ideas,” she said. “You give me some money to use for these kids I can get it done.”

She said there are some volunteers who might be interested in becoming instructors so filling additional positions shouldn’t be too difficult. The money has to be spent by the end of 2026, which won’t be a problem, and she plans to begin looking for other funding sources to sustain the expanded program.

The deadlines and rules

for ARPA have shifted since the act was first approved, originally the deadline to spend the funds was 2024. The extra time works in favor of the four small villages who need to make critical infrastructure repairs because it gives them time to seek more funding from other sources.

Shawn Campbell, the consulting engineer who submitted the joint request, originally asked for \$11.5 million, but had to pare back when the commissioners awarded \$4 million.

“We will be working with each village and assessing each project and looking to see if there are opportunities to leverage funds from other sources for some of the projects that had a shortfall,” Campbell said, adding “It’s great news, we’re very positive, we want to get moving to hit the ground running but I don’t see any projects getting ready for construction until later in ’23.”

Middletown and the schools there have \$7.5 million to expand the Sonny Hill Community Center, with the commissioners’ \$1.5 million contribution. The schools chipped in \$4 million for a preschool in the building and the city \$2 million.

Assistant City Manager Nathan Cahall said they hope to have the construction plans completed by the first quarter next year, bid opening mid-spring and break ground after Memorial Day, “obviously everything is fungible, it may flow one way or another but that’s

our current glide path.”

“The benefit to the community is it will allow our community center to host and to operate some expanded programming,” Cahall said.

“Not only targeted toward the youth of our community but it will also further enhance our adult outreach programs, job readiness programs and enrichment programs to

benefit the entire Middletown community.”

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Community Conversations

Hunger in our community - and how to help

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Dear Annie
BY ANNIE LANE

Dear Readers: As we prepare for another holiday season, all kinds of emotions and feelings rise to the surface for all of us -- some of joy and excitement and some of disappointment or sadness. This is one of my favorite poems when it comes to feelings. I hope you enjoy it.

“The Guest House” by Rumi

“This being human is a guest house.

Every morning a new arrival.

A joy, a depression, a meanness, some momentary awareness comes as an unexpected visitor. Welcome and entertain them all! Even if they're a crowd of sorrows, who violently sweep your house empty of its furniture, still, treat each guest hon-

orably.

He may be clearing you out for some new delight. The dark thought, the shame, the malice, meet them at the door laughing, and invite them in. Be grateful for whoever comes, because each has been sent as a guide from beyond.”

Dear Annie: Your column from “Blessings,” who was managing a difficult relationship with a daughter-in-law, could have been written by me, but from the other side. I'm the spouse who married into the family in this situation.

I have never forbidden my spouse from seeing their family. I have declined to spend more than the time it takes to have a meal with them but have offered to go back to a hotel or coffee shop if they want to continue spending time with their family. I have also suggested that they go for a weekend without me.

What changed was not my making an ultimatum; things changed because my spouse went to therapy. They began to make healthy boundaries in their life and in the life of our family. Their family (my mother-in-law and brother-in-law in particular) have been quite displeased with this; hence, the low-contact situation.

They are displeased because of their narcissism and borderline personality disorder -- at least, that's how we treat the situation after much time in conversation with both my spouse's therapist and our marriage counselor. Our healthy boundaries protect us and our child.

Their refusal to even acknowledge the boundaries and then lay blame at MY feet when they don't get the access they want is causing my spouse to pull away from them even more. Please encourage the letter writer to seek counseling; they may find some peace from seeing things differently or get some suggestions on how to better interact with their daughter-in-law. -- **Been There, Living That**

Dear Been There, Living That: Thank you for sharing how you and your spouse have set healthy boundaries with your in-laws as a result of therapy and marriage counseling. It would be helpful if your spouse were to tell their mother and brother of these boundaries, and not you, so they will stop singling you out as the problem. Perhaps, in time, they will come around and respect the boundaries that you and your spouse have set.

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100 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 29, 1922

Students in the Marysville public schools will enjoy a two day vacation this week. The schools will be closed Thursday, for Thanksgiving Day, and will not open on Friday.

Marysville football fans will see a most exciting game when the “Old Timers” of the M. H. S. play the 1922 high school team, at Recreation park on December 8. Arrangements are now being made to have the men who played on M. H. S. teams in the past meet the present team on that date with the proceed-used to purchase letter sweaters for this year's squad. The game will provide much entertainment and fun with the money going to a good cause.

75 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 29, 1947

The Tribune will soon start its “Santa Claus Let-

ters” column and children may mail letters to Santa in care of The Tribune office, or letters to Santa may be personally delivered to the office. At times in years past an adult writes a letter and signs another adults name to the letter as a crude “joke.” State laws provide penalties for persons who knowingly furnish newspapers with false information, and laws also provide penalties for forging names. It does not help matters either, to send forgeries through the United Stets mail.

50 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 29, 1972

Union County Man Youngest Sheriff: A 25-year-old native of Union County was elected sheriff of Marion County in Nov. 7 election. Ron Scheiderer, the youngest sheriff in the State of Ohio will take over his full time duties Jan. 1. Scheiderer joined the Marion County Sheriff's staff as a deputy in 1969.

--- The new Century Theatre is opening Friday, Dec. 1. Owned by Jerry Dolson of Cardington, the theatre will present films only on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights for the present time. Dotson, who owns a theatre in Mt. Gilead, said all of the 425 seats inside of the theatre has been cleaned up, and a new boiler has been installed. He added that only “top shows” will be presented.

25 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 29, 1997

Doug Grooms, helped by his stepfather Mike Baldwin, paints a snowman on a window at Helig Meyers Furniture last weekend. Grooms was one of the students from Mrs. Kern's fifth grade art enrichment class at Edgewood Elementary School who helped kick off the Christmas season with their paintings of snow people and winter scenes. (photo caption)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, November 29

--Panera Bread - 9 a.m.-noon, Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--Exercise - 9:45 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Depression Group - 11 a.m., Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--Free Lunch - 12:30 p.m., Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--Euchre - 6-8 p.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Marysville Evening Lions Club - 6:30 p.m., YMCA, 1150 Charles Ln. (parking at rear entrance)

--In the Beginning meeting - 7 p.m., Living Hope Church, 16701 Square Drive

--AA Marysville Group - 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Fifth St.

Wednesday, November 30

--Bingo - 10-11 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Art and Paint - 11 a.m., Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--AA Primary Purpose Big Book Study Group - noon, The Vine of Marysville, 309 S. Oak St.

Thursday, December 1

--AA Marysville Brown Baggers Group - noon, The Vine of Marysville, 309 S. Oak St.

--Chair Yoga - 3-3:30 p.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Union County Personal Needs Pantry - 5-6:30 p.m., 232 N. Main St., Suite 1C

--AA Marysville MVP Group - 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 201 W. Fifth St.

Friday, December 2

--Line Dancing - 9:30 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--AA - noon, Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--AA Friday Night Closed

Discussion Group - 8 p.m., Vineyard Church, 913 W. Fifth St.

Saturday, December 3

--AA Rise and Shine Group - 9:30 a.m., First United Methodist Church, 2017 S. Court St. or Zoom: 752-425-981, password: Marysville

--Union County Personal Needs Pantry - 10 a.m.-noon, 232 N. Main St., Suite 1C

Sunday, December 4

--AA The Way Out Group - 9 a.m., DNA Community Center, 340 W. Main St., Plain City

--AA Fellowship Group - 7:30 p.m., First English Lutheran Church, 687 London Ave.

Monday, December 5

--AA - noon, Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--Union County Personal Needs Pantry - 5-6:30 p.m., 232 N. Main St., Suite 1C

--Euchre - 6-8 p.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--AA New Beginnings Group - 7:30 p.m., Church of the Nazarene, 1126 Maple St.

--AA A Way Out Group - 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Fifth St.

Tuesday, December 6

--Exercise - 9:45 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Euchre - 6-8 p.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Marysville Evening Lions Club - 6:30 p.m., YMCA, 1150 Charles Ln. (parking at rear entrance)

--AA Marysville Group - 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Fifth St.

Wednesday, December 7

--Bingo - 10-11 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Union County Personal Needs Pantry - noon-2 p.m., 232 N. Main St., Suite 1C

--AA Primary Purpose Big Book Study Group - noon, The Vine of Marysville, 309 S. Oak St.

Thursday, December 8

--AA Marysville Brown Baggers Group - noon, The Vine of Marysville, 309 S. Oak St.

--Chair Yoga - 3-3:30 p.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--Union County Personal Needs Pantry - 5-6:30 p.m., 232 N. Main St., Suite 1C

--AA Marysville MVP Group - 7:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 201 W. Fifth St.

Friday, December 9

--Line Dancing - 9:30 a.m., CASC, 900 Columbus Ave.

--AA - noon, Wings Support and Recovery, 729 S. Walnut St.

--AA Friday Night Closed Discussion Group - 8 p.m., Vineyard Church, 913 W. Fifth St.

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Elks honors October Teens of the Month

The Kenton Elks has honored its Teenagers of the Month from Hardin County high schools for October during a luncheon on Nov. 29 at the lodge. They are:

Ada
Kaitlyn Bowden is a senior at Ada High School and the daughter of Daniel and Christina Bowden of Harrod. She plans to attend Ohio Northern University in the fall of 2023 to become a future pharmacist.

Her work experience included being a certified lifeguard at the Ada Municipal Pool during the summers of 2021 and 2022, a paid position that enabled her to use communication and problem-solving skills. She also was a concessions stand worker for basketball games from 2017 to 2022 as a member of Student Council.

In the community, Kaitlyn served food at the Ada Food Pantry during Thanksgiving in 2021. She donates canned goods to the pantry and clothes to Goodwill.

Her school activities have included volleyball, swimming, Film Club, Language Club, Book Club, National Honor Society, Ada Mental Health Association, Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Student Council.

In non-school activities, Christina has participated in Christmas caroling for the community and at Vancrest. She helps her elderly grandparents by running errands and cleaning and maintaining their home, participated in the Ada Summer Swim Team for 13 years, helped coach to Little Gator Swimmers and was in Girl Scouts for five years.

Her leadership roles include Student Council vice president, junior class officer and swimming captain.

Robert Waters is a senior at Ada High School and the son of Sarah Smith Waters of Ada. He plans to attend college as a film major. With his degree, he hopes to enter the film industry and become a professional filmmaker.

He worked at Viva Maria starting in the summer of 2019 until they closed in the fall of 2021. He also did intern/understudy type work for Moto Media in Lima.

In the community, Robert is an Eagle Scout and to earn that honor he did 12 hours of community service. His Eagle Scout project also involved community service. He also volunteers at the food pantry.

His school activities included varsity cross country and track and field in grades 9 and 10, National Honor Society, Varsity Quiz Bowl and Film Club in grades 11-12 and yearbook in grade 12.

In non-school activities, Robert as a Boy Scout for six years, participated in the Wild Steelions (steel band performing group), attended ONU Music Camp for seven years and was named Best Male Singer in 2021, Altar server three yeas, various piano and film festival competitions.

As a leader, he was a Senior Patrol Leader in Boy Scouts during 2021-2022.

Hardin Northern
Cadence Coy is a senior at Hardin Northern High School and the daughter of Chris and Lori Coy of Kenton.

Her work experience included detasseling corn for Powell Seeds, working at McDonald's, Padrone's in Ada and now at the New Hope Church Daycare.

In the community, Cadence has been involved in her church as a teacher in kids' church, nursery caretaker, camp counselor, Junior Fair Board, cemetery

cleanup, planting flowers at the courthouse, help with setup for Lake of Lights, community chicken BBQ, bench pickup and recycling cleanup at the fair.

Her school involvement included marching/concert band grades 7-12; FFA grades 9-12; FCCLA grade 12; Awakened Community grades 10-12; History Brigade grades 9-12; volleyball grades 9-12, softball grades 9-12, varsity basketball cheerleading grades 9-12 and cheer captain (2021-2022), Fellowship of Christian Athletes grades 9-12, Paws Peer Tutoring grades 9-12 and Student Government.

In non-school activities, Cadence has been involved at New Hope Church in its youth group, praise band, kids church teacher and nursery caretaker, along with being a Junior Fair Board member.

Her leadership roles have included FFA treasurer, student advisor and reporter; vice president of student government and marching band treasurer and drum major;.

Zeb Wilson is the son of Andy and Darlene Wilson of Forest and a senior at Hardin Northern High School. He plans to attend a college of his choice with a dual major in accounting and education. He also plans to run track or play basketball in college.

His work experience included Beulah Beach on the kitchen staff, counselor and crew; lawn care/yard work for neighbors and Threads of Hope summer camp salesperson.

In the community, Zeb has been involved in Dunkirk street repair and HN Day of Service, volunteer at the HN Band Boosters fair restaurant, HN FFA Chicken BBQ, HN Public Library work day, placed flags on graves of veterans with cross country team, Veterans Day Assembly volunteer; elementary track and field day; played Christmas songs on his trumpet with Christmas Around the Square Band, played Taps for Memorial Day service, helped with the HN Soils Contest and as a track volunteer, and assisted as a Paws Peer Tutor.

His school involvement included play golf, grades 11-12, cross country grades 9-12, varsity track grades 10-12, varsity basketball grades 10-12, HN Marching, Concert and Pep bands, grades 9-12; HN FFA grades 9-12 and State Degree recipient in grade 11 and FFA treasurer grades 11-12; HN History Brigade grades 9-12.

In non-school activities, Zeb played in AAU basketball, was a member of the Kenton Alliance Church as percussionist with the praise and worship team and a youth group member, grades 7-12; and a Hardin County Fair market lamb exhibitor.

His leadership activities included Hardin County Fair King, HN FFA treasurer; senior class president, HN Band vice president and brass section leader; captain of cross country, track and field, basketball and golf teams.

Kenton

Riley Hunt is the daughter of Michael and Tina Hunt and a senior at Kenton High School. She plans to attend a four-year college to attain a degree in aviation, engineering or graphic design and continue competing in the sport of diving.

Her work experience has included being a lifeguard at the Kenton swimming pool, Dairy Queen team member and junior swim coach for the Kenton Area Swim Team.

In the community, Riley has been a 4-H camp counselor, volunteered at Kenton

soccer camp and for the youth wrestling team, helped set u kids games at Immaculate Conception Church Festival and was an altar server.

Her school activities included Chorale, 9-11; KHS treasurer, 9-12; varsity soccer, swimming and diving, 9-12; school ambassador and guidance office aide, 10-12; and homecoming queen, 12.

In non-school involvement, Riley is a 10-year 4-H member, a 10-year member of the Kenton Area Swim Team; six-year member of Kenton Youth Wrestling Team and a Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership representative, 2021.

Her leadership roles include student government treasurer, grades 9-12; 4-H Town and Country Creators treasurer, 2021; and 4-H camp counselor, '21-'22.

Aaron Modd is the son of Cary Modd and Melissa Kohler of Kenton and a senior at Kenton High School. He plans to attend a four-year college to obtain a bachelor's degree in information technology.

His work experience includes two years at K&M Custom Cabinets where he is paid to assemble and finish cabinets. He also was a landscaper for one year.

In the community, Aaron has been involved in trash pickup with his 4-H club, helped to run a little league basketball tournament, helped to setup decorations for Lake of Lights, helped with soccer camp for young players, participated in church choir singing hymns at nursing homes.

His school involvement included soccer, grades 9-12 (three-year letterwinner); wrestling, grades 9-12 (four-year letterwinner; FFA grades 9-11, BPA, grades 10, 12; Chorale, 9, 11; National Honor Society, grades 11-12; Fishing Club, grades 10, 11.

In non-school involvement, Aaron listed church (8 years), acolyte 4-H (5 years); club soccer (4 years) and club wrestling (3 years).

His leadership roles included student government recorder, FFA committee leader and wrestling team captain.

Ridgmont
Jillian Kearns is the daughter of Earnest and Jina Kearns of Kenton and a senior at Ridgmont High School. She plans to attend a four-year college to obtain a bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

Her work experience included a year at Salsa's Mexican Grill as a hostess and clearing tables while communicating with diverse co-workers.

In the community, Jillian was a two-year member of the Junior Fair Board, which assisted the senior fair board by announcing classes during shows, cleaning barns and organizing ribbons at the fair.

Her school involvement included show choir/musical (9-12), outstanding junior performance; choir (9-12), outstanding vocalist for three years; FFA (9-12), student advisor; swim (9-12), first Ridgmont swim team; track (9-10), most improved female runner; and sole and ensemble (9).

Outside of school, Jillian was a nine-year 4-H member, two year as 4-H camp counselor, church involvement for four years and American Rabbit Breeding Association, state and national shows, three years.

Her leadership roles included president, vice president and secretary of 4-H club, and student advisor of Ridgmont FFA program.

MacKenzie Dennis is the daughter of Chrystal Ledley of Kenton and a senior at Ridgmont High School. She plans to attend the University of Northwestern Ohio and study forensic accounting.

Her work experience includes part-time work helping care for the two autistic children of Keri and Dustin Robinson of Mount Victory.

In the community, MacKenzie has made blankets for children at Nationwide Children's Hospital and packaged Veterans' Christmas boxes at the Amvets.

Her school involvement includes volleyball (grades 9-12), basketball (9), archery (9,10) and National Honor Society (10-12).

Upper Scioto Valley
Gracie Christensen is the daughter of Ashley Gibson and Steven Christensen of McGuffey and a senior at Upper Scioto Valley High School. She plans to attend a four-year college and major in nursing.

Her work experience includes being a baby-sitter for multiple families over the past few years. This summer she got a part-time job at The Rams Roost.

In the community, Gracie, through the local honor society, has participated in the community Easter Egg Hunt, trunk or treat and the Veterans Day breakfast and assembly. Through FFA, she has participated in community leaf raking day and staff breakfast, along with Special Olympics bowling and helps to plan and execute Relay for Life through the Student Council.

Her school involvement has included Student Council (9-12); BPA (9-12), making it to state all three years with first place in digital media two years in a row and first place in integrated office last year; Student Government (9-12), Local Honor Society (11,12); FFA (9-12); softball (11), RAM Award; volleyball (9-12), football cheer (11,12), captain award; basketball cheer (9-11), captain award.

In non-school involvement, Gracie has participated in Cards Against Cancer, Lauren Cunningham (3 years), a blood drive held by Lauren and 4-H showing pigs one year.

Her leadership roles have included class president (9, 10, 12), vice president (11), BPA officer (9, 11, 12), Prom Committee (11), Homecoming Committee (9-12) and Student Council (9-12).

Blaine Castle is the son of Kyle and Sarah Castle and a senior at Upper Scioto Valley High School. He plans to attend college for teaching or business.

In work experience, he has mowed lawns every summer from 2018 to 2022.

For community service, Blaine said he has helped Mr. Price clean up trash in the town on multiple occasions.

His school involvement has included football, basketball, track and Student Council (9-12), and baseball (10-12). He has been in BPA and FFA.

In non-school activities, Blaine has served as a counselor at Abundant Life's Church Camp for four years.

His leadership roles have consisted of being class president in grades 10 through 12.



Submitted photo

Parade participants

Hardin Hills Health Center decorated its bus as the grinch for the Kenton Lions Christmas Parade on Nov. 22. Residents riding in the bus were (from left, front) Jim Rhoades and Patricia Camp; (back) Ray Cole and Terri Lansdown.

Allen County Museum to host 50th Annual Christmas Tree Festival

The Allen County Museum, Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park District, and the Allen County Master Gardener Volunteers will hold the 50th Annual Christmas Tree Festival beginning today and continuing through Sunday.

Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

The museum is located at 620 W. Market St., Lima.

More than 100 individuals, organizations, and community groups registered trees that will be decorated for everyone's enjoyment. The community can plan to enjoy the traditions that have come to be part of the event including Evergreen, The Talking Tree, the woodcarvers and rug hookers, fingerprint plaques, The Little Children's Shoppe, and the reading aloud of The Polar Express.

Visitors can also look for the photo wreath display to continue their ongoing tradition or take part in a new tradition by taking a photo with Santa.

This year, the education department's holiday theme is Christmas in South

America. It features family activities that focus on Peru and Brazil. Onsite activities have been organized with assistance from docents. In addition, a group of volunteers worked to sort, cut, and package Take It and Make It activities that can be picked up in the Children's Discovery Center during your visit to the event.

Families can enjoy The Polar Express story located next to the museum's shay display on Friday at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 3 p.m. The Talking Tree will begin at 11 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and 10 a.m. Friday-Sunday.

As in year's past, the MacDonell House will be decorated for the enjoyment of everyone, with admission free throughout the festival. Donations are always welcome. The Log House will again highlight hearthside cooking by docent Mark Mohr and other reenactors along with DAR and SAR volunteers. Holiday music will be streamed throughout the museum.

For more information about this event, contact Donna Collins, Event Chair, or Amy Craft, Director, at 419-222-9426.

Signing slated for booklet about Bluffton bank robbery

"Four guys walk into a Bluffton bank," a collection of stories about the Aug. 14, 1933, John Dillinger robbery of Citizens National Bank, Bluffton, will be released this week.

Fred Steiner compiled the 20-page, 5,000-plus word booklet, available during a book signing from 10:30 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Bluffton Senior Citizens Center, 132 N. Main St., Bluffton.

Over the past decades, Steiner interviewed many persons with other stories of the robbery. This is the first time these stories are in one collection.

"This collection contain

genuine accounts of what took place during the most infamous Bluffton 20th century event," said Steiner.

Bluffton News editor, Ted Biery, witnessed the robbery, watching it unfold as he hid behind an automobile on Main Street. His lengthy and detailed Bluffton News account, is part of this collection.

The booklet also includes a downtown Bluffton map, showing where bullets were lodged and where eye-witnesses watched.

Orders are available through the mail. Contact Steiner at fsteiner@roadrunner.com for details. Copies are \$10 each.

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Philanthropy award goes to WJ teen

On Nov. 22, the Central Ohio Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) presented their Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy Award to Santino Carnevale, a teen from West Jefferson.

Since 1992, the Central Ohio AFP board has publicly recognized local philanthropic leaders and celebrated their impact in the community through National Philanthropy Day.

Santino, a sophomore at West Jefferson High School, has found himself within the cancer world the entirety of his life. In March 2006, just 10 days after Santino's parents, Michael and Brooke, found out they were expecting a child, Michael was diagnosed with adenoid cystic carcinoma—a rare head and neck cancer. In 2015, at 9 years old, Santino made the decision to stand up and do something in the fight against cancer. At a young age, he possessed a desire to help others going through similar battles.

Santino began by organizing a lemonade stand and bake sale. He did it in honor of his father, as well as his grandfather, the late Franklin County Sheriff Jim Karnes, who passed away from pancreatic cancer when Santino was 4 years old. The first year of the lemonade stand, Santino raised \$5,000, and he has never looked back. He formed an initiative known as "Santino's Crusade for a Cancer-Free World." In addition to the lemonade stand and bake sale, he hosts an Ohio State tailgate party in West Jefferson. His family, friends, and classmates have joined him in his efforts.

Santino is widely known throughout The James as one of the youngest adolescents to establish a fund and is often referred to as



Santino Carnevale

"Santino, the Cancer Crusader." Santino created the Head and Neck Cancer Strategic Support Fund at The OSUCCC-James in his father's honor in 2015. Unfortunately, Michael succumbed to his long battle with cancer in the fall of 2016, but that hasn't slowed Santino's efforts in the least.

Proceeds raised from Santino's initiatives have exceeded \$135,000 for the Head and Neck Cancer Strategic Fund.

Santino holds a 4.0 grade point average (GPA), serves as class vice president, and is a scholar athlete at West Jefferson High School. He is a member of the soccer and track teams and played basketball his freshman year. He is active in Renaissance Class, a group that works to promote and improve school culture. He also is a member of student council.

Outside of school, he is a member of the James Ambassador Society at OSUCCC-James and is the youngest member inducted into the society. He is a referee for West Jefferson youth soccer and has served as assistant coordinator of the West Jefferson Ox Roast.

In addition to the AFP philanthropy award, Santino has received the 2018 Jefferson Award which recognizes individuals who do extraordinary things in their community, the Shining Star Award from the Sons of Italy honoring people who make a difference, and the Leon Garrett Award for students with above average GPAs and outstanding leadership and community involvement.

West Jeff history

West Jefferson resident Charlie Miller has written stories about the town's history. To find them, go to www.hbmlibrary.org, hover over the "Find Information," then click on "Days Gone By."



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West Jeff bands and choirs busy

By Kristy Zurbrick

Madison Editor

Students in West Jefferson Local Schools' music department are hard at work helping others get into the holiday spirit.

The choral and instrumental programs are performing at several events over the next few weeks, starting with the music department's Celebration of the Season on Dec. 4 in the high school auditoria. The combined seventh- and eighth-grade choir and band will perform at 2 p.m. The high school's concert choir, chamber choir, concert band and jazz band will play at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

On Dec. 8, the jazz band will return for another year in a long line of years as entertainment at the West Jefferson Senior Citizens Christmas Party. Sponsored by the West Jefferson Community Association, the party takes place at the high school.

The next day, on Dec. 9, the jazz band will perform from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at Polaris Fashion Place in Columbus. This is the first time the band has performed for the mall's Sounds of the Season celebration. They and other school groups from the Columbus area will appear on stage in the center of the mall.

Also on Dec. 9, the jazz band and chamber choir will perform at 6:30 p.m. at West Jefferson's Christmas in the Park at Garrette Park. This is another longstanding performance opportunity for the high school music groups.

Finishing out their busy schedule, the jazz band has been invited back as entertainment at the Ohio Supreme Court holiday celebration



in Columbus on Dec. 13. The band first played the gig in 2019. Following a two-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, they are making their second appearance. In addition to performing for two hours, the band members will get to hear the head justice speak and see the Supreme Court chambers.

Elmer Broecker is the band director. Amanda Rose-Hobbs is the choir director.

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BONNIE L. FRANCE

TROY – Bonnie L. France, age 73, of Troy, passed away on Friday, November 25, 2022, at her residence. She was born on March 10, 1948, in Toledo, to the late Rollie and Marion (Nelson) Hartsel.

Bonnie is survived by one daughter: Cindy L (Russell) Kirsch; two brothers: Kenny Hartsel and Richard Hartsel; two grandchildren: Christopher Boggs and Ashley Balukoff; and four great grandchildren: Kaydence, Kynliagh,



Camriagh and Waylon. Bonnie was a member of UFCW #1099 (United Food and Commercial Workers). She retired from Kroger after over 40 years of service. Services will be held at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Jude Foundation in Bonnie's name. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

CONNIE NIDAY

PIQUA – Connie Niday, age 79, of Piqua, OH went home to be with the Lord at 5:45 AM on Saturday November 26, 2022 at Koester Pavilion Nursing Home, Troy, OH. Connie was the 10th of 12 children born to the late Ermine and Mary (Greenbaum) Kindell on December 4, 1942 in Piqua, OH. She married Rodger Cagney Niday on September 29, 1962 in Piqua, OH and he survives.

Connie is also survived by five sisters: Miriam Foster, Piqua, OH; Shirley Peepels, Sidney, OH; Judy Locker, Piqua, OH; Annette Hawes, Piqua, OH; and Linda Kindell, Piqua, OH; a special niece Marjorie Wisecup, Piqua, OH and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by three brothers: Bill Kindell, Robert Kindell and Thomas Kindell; three sisters: Violet Glaser, Phyllis Miller, and Mary Richardson. Connie graduated from Piqua Central High



School in 1961. She was a member of Piqua Central Baptist Church. Connie was a loving homemaker. She loved to collect Carousels of every size and shape. Connie also loved to go cheer on her husband Cagney play fastpitch softball and horseshoes.

A Celebration of Connie's life will be held at 10:00 AM on Thursday December 1, 2022 at Melcher-Sowers Funeral Home, Piqua, OH with Pastor Nicholas Lee officiating. Burial will follow at Miami Memorial Park, Covington, OH. The family will receive friends from 5-7 PM on Wednesday November 30, 2022 at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ohio's Hospice of Miami County 3230 N. County Rd. 25-A Troy, OH 45373. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.melcher-sowers.com.

MARVIN N. MCGRATH

TROY – Marvin Nelson McGrath, age 57, of Troy, passed away on Thursday, November 24, 2022, at Miami Valley Hospital in Dayton. He was born on August 17, 1965 in Dayton, to the late Nelson and Rita (Rogers) McGrath.

Marvin is survived by his wife of 37 years: Robin (McDonald) McGrath; two children: Joshua (Jamie) McGrath and Rachael (Brandon) Collins, all of Troy; granddaughter: Autumn McGrath; brother: Mark (Cynthia) McGrath of TN; sister: Melinda (Bill) Daws of GA; mother-in-law: Beverlee McDonald; father-in-law: Charles Stevens; sisters-in-law: Connie Stevens and Debi Sipe, both of OH; brother-in-law: Chuck (Lauren) Stevens of CA; many loving nieces and nephews; lifelong friend: Paul Spicer; and dear friends: Chris and Laurie Kiser. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brothers: Monte McGrath and Marty McGrath; and brother-in-law: Jerry Sipe.

Marvin's special interest was classic cars.



His latest project was his Oldsmobile 442. Marvin enjoyed traveling and learning the history of places he visited. He also enjoyed Blues music, going out West, visiting Las Vegas, where his favorite place was the Red Rock, and traveling the East Coast. Marvin always put others before himself and never met a stranger. He worked at East Penn Manufacturing for 36 years in sales. Marvin also co-owned Submarine House Bar and Grill in Troy and Huber Heights.

Service will be held at 2:30 PM on Monday, December 5, 2022 at Tipp City United Methodist Church, 8 West Main Street, Tipp City, OH with Pastor Bonita Ritchie officiating. Family will receive friends from 12:30 – 2:30 PM on Monday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of donor's choice. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

BEVERLY W. BOYD

LIMA – Beverly Wright Boyd, Age 82, of Lima, passed away Saturday, November 26, 2022, at Ohio's Hospice of Butler and Warren Counties.

She was born February 1, 1940, in Dayton, Ohio, to her parents Charles & Irma Juanita (Britton) Foster who preceded her in death. Beverly was a 1958 graduate of Milton-Union High School in West Milton, Ohio. She was a licensed X-Ray technician who previously worked for Good Samaritan Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, and later retired from the Allen County Treasurer's Office in Lima. She was a devoted and loving mother, sister, grandmother and friend and a well-loved member of her family, church and community. She loved singing in the church choir and attending Bible studies. Beverly was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lima and was a previous member of the Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her first husband James Wright and her second husband Donald Boyd.

She will be missed and remembered by her daughters and son-in-law Sheri L. & Dennis Pohl of Clayton, North Carolina, Jodi L. Fasig of

Maineville, Ohio; sisters and brother-in-law Myra Foster Hutchinson of West Milton, Rita & Mark Hershberger of Lima; brother and sister-in-law Tom & Sue Foster of Lima; sisters-in-law Shirley & Ronald Payne of Safety Harbor, Florida, Connie & Jim Gillespie of Venice, Florida; 6 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren. A funeral service will be held at 7:00 PM Thursday, December 1, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2120 Lakewood Avenue, Lima, Ohio, 45805, with a viewing being held two hours prior to the service from 5:00-7:00 PM Thursday. A funeral service will be held 10:30 AM Friday, December 2, at Hale-Sarver Family Funeral Home, 284 N. Miami Street, West Milton, Ohio 45383, with a viewing being held one hour prior to the service from 9:30-10:30 AM Friday. Interment will follow at Riverside Cemetery, Troy. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Ohio's Hospice of Butler & Warren Counties in Middletown, Ohio, www.hospiceoffbwco.org/ donate. Memories may be shared with the family online at www.hale-sarver.com

HELEN BAUMER

FLORENCE, KY – Helen "Rudy" Baumer, entered into eternal rest on Monday, November 21, 2022, at the age of 95. Helen was born in Cincinnati, OH, and was a long-time resident of Florence, KY, former resident of Piqua, OH, and in later life, a winter resident in Clearwater, FL. She was a loving daughter of the late Thomas and Mary Birmingham. She was the loving wife of the late Francis J. Baumer and the loving mother of the late Jon and Mark Baumer. She is also preceded in death by her siblings, Thomas Birmingham, Jr., Margaret Dietz and Jack Birmingham.

Helen enjoyed cooking and traveling but her greatest joy was time spent with her family. She will be remembered as a loving woman with a strong Catholic faith. Helen leaves behind her loving children, Mary Jo Routzahn of Clearwater,



FL, Jan Kendrick (Dan) of Greenville, NC, and Michael Baumer (Sharon) of Louisville, KY. She was the proud grandmother of Eric Stein, Nicholas (Emily) Koenig, Serenity Baumer, Joe (Samantha) Baumer, Garrett Baumer, Laura (Lyle) Yeager and Lisa Darr; and the loving great grandmother of 12.

Visitation will take place on Monday, November 28, 2022, from 10-11 a.m. at St. Henry Catholic Church, 3813 Dixie Hwy, Elsmere, KY 41018, followed by Mass of Christian burial at 11 a.m. Burial will immediately follow at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North, Williamstown, KY.

Memorials are suggested to: St. Vincent de Paul and Hoxworth Blood Center.

Online condolences may be left for the family at: www.stithfuneralhomes.com

ROBERT J. ESCH

SUN CITY GRAND, AZ – Robert John Esch passed away on Monday, November 14th, 2022.

He was born in Stockbridge Michigan and graduated from the University of Notre Dame. He served in the Army in Okinawa Japan in the Intelligence division, and then returned to the states and met and married Carol Aldrich in 1968. A few years later, they welcomed a son, Stephen.

Bob enjoyed being involved in Stephen's Boy Scout and Eagle Troops and was also a member of the West Milton Rotary Club for many years.

Robert and Carol lived in Troy Ohio for 44 years, before retiring in Sun City Grand Arizona in 2005.

Robert and Carol made many friends and enjoyed their time in retirement travelling and



participating in many neighborhood groups and activities. They were longtime members of the Prince of Peace Church in Sun City. Carol, Robert's wife passed away in 2016.

Robert leaves behind his son Stephen, daughter-in-law April, and granddaughter Lauren and her husband Garrett, along with 2 great granddaughters, Murphy and Reagan. He also has a sister Linda in North Carolina.

His family and friends will miss him greatly. He had a wonderful spirit and enjoyed life to the fullest.

Robert will be laid to rest, together again with wife Carol at the National Cemetery in Phoenix Arizona.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Wounded Warrior Project or Ronald McDonald House in Robert's name would be most appreciated.

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CALVIN C. MCCORKLE

FT. LORAMIE – Calvin C. McCorkle 94, of Ft. Loramie, passed away November 27, 2022 at his residents. Arrangments are pending at Gehret Funeral Home in Ft. Loramie.

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First graders complete ‘Balloons Over Broadway’ project

Submitted article

Recently, the children of Carrie Skinner's first grade class at Miami Trace Elementary read the book — “Balloons Over Broadway” — as a project for their class. This story is the true

account of the life of Tony Sarg, the puppeteer of the Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade, which started in 1924. After reading the story, the class drew and wrote about what balloon they were hoping to see in this year’s parade.



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OBITUARY

V. CHARLENE WOLFE

V. Charlene Wolfe, age 86, of Clarksburg, passed away on Thursday, November 24, 2022. She was the daughter of the late Harry E. and Oma Ruth Blair Wolfe.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 1 p.m. in the EBRIGHT FUNERAL HOME, Frankfort with Danny Dodds officiating. Following the service, she will be laid to rest in the Good Hope Cemetery. Family and friends may visit with her family at the funeral home on Wednesday from 11 a.m. to the time of the service. Those wishing to sign her online register may do so at www.ebrightfuneralhome.com.

DEATH NOTICE

ACTON

Robert J. Acton, age 64, of Greenfield, Ohio, passed away Sunday, November 27, 2022 at Kettering Medical Center in Dayton. The Murray-Fettro Funeral Home in Greenfield is serving the family.

HENRY

Marilyn L. Henry, age 84 of Greenfield, Ohio passed away Sunday, November 27, 2022 at home. The Murray-Fettro Funeral Home in Greenfield is serving the family.

POLICE INCIDENTS

According to reports, the Washington C.H. Police Department responded to the following calls:

Nov. 25 Disorderly Conduct:

At 12:56 a.m., officers responded to 914 N. North St. in reference to ongoing family disputes at the residence. On arrival, the offender engaged in loud and disruptive behaviors while outside in front of the residence. The offender was given several reasonable warnings to cease her disorderly behavior and was subsequently arrested after continuing. The offender was charged with disorderly conduct.

Disorderly Conduct:
At 9:39 a.m., officers responded to the intersection of East Market Street and Delaware Street in reference to a male lying in the center of the intersection waving a flag. On arrival, the offender came to his feet and remained in the middle of the roadway waving the flag. The offender was subsequently arrested and charged with disorderly conduct and inducing panic.

**Nov. 24
Obstructing Official Business:**
At 7:25 p.m., a traffic stop was initiated for an equipment violation. During the stop, the driver provided officers with false identifying information. The driver's identity was later revealed, and he was found to have an active arrest warrant. The offender was subsequently arrested for the warrant and additionally charged with obstructing official business.

Sliding

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EIA reporting that total domestic commercial crude stocks had declined by 3.7 million barrels. The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies (OPEC+) are meeting on December 4. If OPEC+ decides to revise its production reduction agreement to more than 2 million barrels, prices could be affected.

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Eaton celebrates ‘White Christmas’



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For over three decades, the annual White Christmas event in downtown Eaton has helped kick off the holiday season in the city. On Small Business Saturday, Nov. 26, Hollingsworth-East Elementary second graders and the Eaton High School Marching Band and Color Guard helped escort Santa Claus to town, then performed for the crowd gathered for Downtown Eaton Inc.'s final event of 2022. DEI presented a \$1,000 donation in support of this year's Preble County Fraternal Order of Police Cops & Kids event. Two lucky second graders, Lucy Drake and Kristian Gray, received bicycles donated by local sponsors, and 6-year-old Gage Brown, who recently completed chemotherapy, helped light the lights on the Preble County Courthouse plaza. Frontline Coffee served free hot chocolate to those in attendance, children could complete holiday arts and craft projects, and more. Sponsors for the White Christmas event included David Kirsch Ownerland Realty, Charles Family Hearth and Hot Tub, LCNB, the City of Eaton, Prodigy Salon and Spa, Frontline Coffee, Lawn Plus, NECCO, Roselius Insurance, Summit Chiropractic, Eaton Community Schools, Heritage Point Financial, the Preble County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Vancrest of Eaton, Freedom Title Company, Country Mile Realty, SVG Motors, Eaton Floor & Wall and Somerville Bank.

Holiday

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Lewisburg

The Village of Lewisburg's Annual Christmas Open House will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4, from noon-5 p.m. The village's historic downtown shops will showcase their holiday decorations while visitors stroll from store to store. The day will end with a Santa parade and the lighting of the Park. The Christmas Open House follows up the Christmas in the Burg shopping experience on Friday, Dec. 2, where shoppers can enjoy shopping in the village while enjoying cocoa and other goodies, from 5-8 p.m.

The Preble County Park District's Garber Nature Center, located at 9691 Ohio 503 N. outside the village, will host Christmas Caroling with local musician Eric Loy on Saturday, Dec. 10, in two sessions, 3-3:45 p.m., and 4-4:45 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. RSVPs are requested by Dec. 5, to 937-962-5561.

Lewisburg Historical Society will hold "Christmas at the Caboose" on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 4-6 p.m. at the LHS located at 6318 Depot Lane in the village. Everyone can visit Santa and his elves in the caboose and receive a free instant photo while supplies last. There will be free cookies and hot chocolate, as well as arts and crafts activities. A flash light candy cane hunt and story will begin at 6:15 p.m. at the covered bridge in Lewisburg Community Park, for children ages pre-kindergarten to 6th grade. Participants should bring their own flashlights.

The 3rd Annual Holiday Happening: A Child's Whimsy, a Preble Players production, will be on stage on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m., at the Joy & Whimsy Depot, 200 West Dayton Street, Lewisburg.

West Alexandria

The West Alexandria Celebration Committee invites the public to enjoy Christmas in the Village, Saturday, Dec. 10, from noon-5 p.m. for a walk

around the village. Stop at the library to pick up a card listing the businesses to visit. Then return the card to the library for a chance to win door prizes. You must be present to win. Winners will start being called at 6 p.m. The West Alexandria Friends of the Library will be providing crafts at the library while you wait for door prizes to be called. All money raised will be used for Santa Villa needs and July 4 fireworks.

During Christmas in the Village on Dec. 10, Santa will be coming in on the fire truck at 2 p.m. and stopping at Santa Villa for a visit from 2-5 p.m. Children can sit on Santa's lap and receive a gift, providing a great photo opportunity for parents. Santa will return to Santa Villa on Sunday, Dec. 11, from 2-5 p.m. for another visit.

The Christmas in the Village Craft Show, sponsored by Alpha Kappa Sorority, will take place Saturday, Dec. 10, at the Twin Valley South High School, 101 Education Drive, from noon-5 p.m. This free admission indoor event will have a small, cash-only snack bar in addition to arts, crafts, independent consultants, baked goods, and more.

Alpha Kappa Sorority is sponsoring Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, Dec. 10, from 8-10 a.m. at

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NEWS BRIEFS

PCESC meeting Wednesday, Nov. 30

The November regular monthly meeting of the Preble County Educational Service Center Governing Board scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 16, at 5:30 p.m. has been changed to Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Preble County Educational Service Center Conference Room, 597 Hillcrest Drive, Eaton. The purpose of the meeting will be for all regular general purposes.

Commissioners schedule update

Preble County Commissioners will not be holding meetings on the following days: Wednesday, Dec. 7, and Wednesday, Dec. 28. The last commission meeting of calendar year 2022 will be Wednesday, Dec. 21.

Little Shop of Sharing bazaar

The Little Shop of Sharing will be holding its annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4, noon-5 p.m. This year's bazaar will be held at Community Center at Preble Memory Gardens, 3377 U.S. 35 East, West Alexandria. There will be vendors, crafts and food.

TCN Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon

The Tri-County North Local School District will host its Senior Citizen Holiday Luncheon on Friday, Dec. 9, at 12:30 p.m. in the Tri-County North HS/MS Cafeteria. The luncheon is hosted by Tri-County North Schools and supported by the Lewisburg Chamber of Commerce. The luncheon will be served by the TCN Cafeteria Staff and TCN FFA students. Entertainment will be provided by the music department. All senior citizens in the Tri-County North School District are invited to attend the luncheon. There is no charge but reservations are required. To make reservations, call Noelle Rhoades at 937-962-2671, extension 1001. Deadline for reservations will be Thursday, Dec. 1.

Road closures

Paint Road between mailbox numbers 3708 and 4150 is now closed beginning at Cox Road and ending at Westville Road until Dec. 31, for a full bridge replacement. For more information, contact the Preble County Engineer's Office at 937-456-4600. Brubaker Road at Brubaker Covered Bridge is closed for an as of yet undetermined period of time, beginning at Ohio 122 and ending at Aukerman Creek Road due to damage to the bridge incurred in a traffic crash.

Twin Valley South High School, 100 Education Drive. What a great way to kick off the holidays by bringing your family for a delicious breakfast, and taking pictures with Santa. Tickets are pre-order only with no sales at the door. Tickets are \$7 each, plus an additional \$3 per specialized ornament with your child's name. Deadline to order tickets is Friday, Nov. 25. To order tickets, call or text Bevin Hager at 937-207-8151. Doors open at 8 a.m. with breakfast

beginning at 8:15 a.m. Pictures with Santa begin at 9 a.m., and the event ends at 10 a.m. The West Alexandria Celebration Committee is also inviting the public to build your gingerbread house out of any edible items, then drop off your creations at the Town Hall/Library at 10 a.m. on the day of the contest, Saturday, Dec. 10. Entry fee is \$5. Each entry will be given an entry number. Voting will be noon-5 p.m. Winner will be announced at 6 p.m.

Entries will be voted on by the public. Bring your loose change and place it in the jar in front of your favorite gingerbread creation. The top 3 creations that raise the most money win prizes to be determined. All money raised will be used for Santa Villa needs and July 4 fireworks.

(Editors note: Any organization planning for community holiday events should email them to emowen@aimmediamidwest.com for inclusion in listings of upcoming holiday events in future editions of The Register-Herald.)



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Girls

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steals. She struggled in the first half but helped lead the squad's improved second-half effort.

“Jordan is transitioning to a person that we rely on every day,” Foster said. “She’s not going to be a player that we phase in from the background or a role player. She’s an impact player for us. Even though she’s a sophomore, we’re relying on her to make those shots and handle the ball.”

"In the second half, she did that. It's just being confident in herself, and even when the ball goes in, we still need her to be aggressive on the offensive end. Defensively, she's improved, and she's only going to get better."

Senior guard Allie Stockton added 12 points and had 10 rebounds, four steals and three assists. Sophomore guard Larkyn Vordemark scored nine points and had four rebounds.



Sidney's Kimora Johnson looks to get around Purcell Marian's Brittany Campbell during a nonconference game on Sunday at Journey to the Tourney at Cincinnati Sycamore High School.

"She's been working her way back through," Foster said of Stockton. "She's going to get back to putting more shots in and defending. Larkyn has been putting the ball in the hole coming off a great soccer season."

Sophomore forward Kelis McNeal brought down nine rebounds off the bench.

The Yellow Jackets shot 19 for 58 (32.8 percent) from the floor, including 2 for 12 from 3-point range. They committed 23 turnovers while Purcell Marian committed 13.

"We're waiting. We're putting stuff together," Foster said. "We want to be in midseason form, but it's just not there yet."

But, I'm confident after a few good weeks of practice in December, we'll be rolling come January."

Sidney will travel to archrival Piqua for a Miami Valley League game on Wednesday.

Contact Bryant Billing at (937) 538-4818, or follow @SidneyOHSports on Twitter and @BryantBillingSDN on Facebook.



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Sandy Berlet, Micheale and Richard Howe make noodles for the upcoming sale at the New Knoxville United Methodist Church.

Church members prepare for annual bake sale

NEW KNOXVILLE — Members of the New Knoxville United Methodist Church are busy preparing for their annual Christmas Bake Sale Extravaganza which is Saturday, Dec. 3, in conjunction with the village's Hometown Christmas Celebration.

Homemade noodles were made on Saturday, candy making was Tuesday evening, and members have their favorite recipes out and ready to bake. The sale begins at 10 a.m. at the church located at 109 S. Main St., in the heart of New Knoxville. Other specialties are zwieback, a German favorite, sweet rolls, bread, assorted cookie trays, buckeyes and other candies. A selection of homemade crafts and wreaths will also be offered.

A soup and sandwich lunch will be served for dining in or carry out. The sale concludes at 1 p.m.

All proceeds are used for mission work both locally and abroad.

New Bremen

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New Bremen took the lead to stay 29-28 on a 6-yard TD run by Homan with 4:11 to go.

The Cardinals made it 36-28 with 9:08 to go on a 4-yard TD pass from Homan to Aaron Thieman.

After Central Catholic punted at midfield and failed to stop the punt from going in the end zone, Schaefer broke an 80-yard run around the right side on the first play of the drive and the Cardinals' lead grew to 42-28 with 6:14 to go.

Parker came back with a 60-yard pass to Quatman to take the ball to the New Bremen 5. Parker ran it in from the 4 to cut the New Bremen lead to 42-34 with 4:38 to go.

But New Bremen recovered an onside kick and ran out the final 4:38 on the ground.

With a 44-degree mild night, LCC was able to mix up its passing game with its running attack. Meanwhile, New Bremen sprinkled in a few passes with its run-happy offense.

On LCC's second drive, the T-Birds went 99 yards in 11 plays for a score. Cira got loose off right tackle and went 27 yards for a TD. That gave LCC a 7-0 lead with 3:54 left in the opening quarter.

LCC made it 14-0 on a 35-yard TD pass off a quick slant from Parker to Billy Bourk. That came with 11:44 in the second and capped a six-play, 75-yard drive. A key play was a 29-yard pass from Parker to Quatman.

New Bremen got within 14-6 on a 4-yard TD run by Schaefer. The key to the drive was a 46-yard leaping grab by Ben Sailer from Homan. That came with 8:54 left in the second.

LCC pushed its lead to 21-6 on a 31-yard TD run by Parker with 6:53 left in the second.

The Cardinals got the T-Birds lead to 21-13 on a 3-yard TD run by Schaefer.

Schaefer kicked a 20-yard field goal to cut the margin to 21-16 with 20 seconds left in the half.



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Riverside police are investigating the death of a man found Sunday on Dundee Circle as a homicide. When Riverside police are ready to present charges, they will do with the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office. MARSHALL GORBY / STAFF

Homicide

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possibly very late Saturday, Riverside Maj. Matthew Sturgeon said in an email. Hannah and his friend, Tyler Gregory, became known as the NoBull Guys for their program that began nearly a decade ago at South-eastern and was considered a pioneer for peer-led anti-bullying efforts. Hannah and Gregory traveled around the country to speak at schools about the effects of bullying. “It’s the best feeling in the world, knowing that we’ve helped someone like that or knowing that we’ve changed the lives of bullies to be more

aware or help open their eyes,” Hannah said in a 2013 Springfield News-Sun story. They appeared on TV on the Today Show and the Steve Harvey Show. He later attended Wright State University and championed the anti-bullying program there. Brogan was booked into the Kentucky facility about 10 p.m. Sunday and is being held on a \$500,000 bond, Logan County Detention Center records show. He was scheduled for a court date Monday afternoon, according to the center’s website. Aside from the officer assault charge, Brogan is also being held on disarming a peace officer, resisting

arrest, possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia buy/possess, according to records. When Riverside police are ready to present charges, they will do with the Montgomery County Prosecutor’s Office, Sturgeon said. If they are accepted, warrants would be issued and served on Brogan in Kentucky, he added. The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation assisted with processing evidence at the scene in the case, Riverside’s third homicide investigation this year, police said. BCI is the investigative agency for the Ohio Attorney General’s Office. BCI was requested to

assist Riverside and the police department is the lead agency in the investigation, according to Bethany McCorkle, communications director for the attorney general’s office. Officers were called to the scene around 5:50 p.m. Sunday. Police responded after Hannah’s friends reported he was not answering calls and texts on Sunday, Sturgeon said. The last homicide in Riverside was May 8 in a shooting on U.S. 35, Sturgeon said. Another occurred on Richland Avenue, when the victim and the suspect were both shot and killed, Sturgeon added.

Railroad

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The business groups led by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Manufacturers and National Retail Federation said even a short-term strike would have a tremendous impact and the economic pain would start to be felt even before the Dec. 9 strike deadline because the railroads would stop hauling hazardous chemicals, fertilizers and perishable goods up to a week beforehand to keep those products from being stranded somewhere along the tracks. “A potential rail strike only adds to the headwinds facing the U.S. economy,” the businesses wrote. “A rail stoppage would immediately lead to supply shortages and higher prices. The cessation of Amtrak and commuter rail services would disrupt up to 7 million travelers a day. Many businesses would see their sales disrupted right in the middle of the critical holiday shopping season.” A similar group of businesses sent another letter to President Joe Biden last month urging him to play a more active role in resolving the contract dispute. Congressional leaders and the White House have said they are monitoring the contract talks closely but haven’t indicated when they might act or what they will do. House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., said

leaders are aware of the situation with the rail negotiations and will monitor the talks in the coming days. Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick, R-Pa., said on Fox News Sunday that Congressional intervention is a last resort, but lawmakers will have to be ready to act. “Congress will not let this strike happen. That’s for sure,” said Fitzpatrick who helps lead a bipartisan group of 58 lawmakers. “It would be devastating to our economy. So, we’ll get to a resolution one way or another.” A White House spokeswoman has said that a rail strike would be “unacceptable.” Congress has the power to impose contract terms on the workers, but it’s not clear what they might include if they do that. They could also force the negotiations to continue into the new year. Both the unions and railroads have been lobbying Congress while contract talks continue. Four rail unions that represent more than half of the 115,000 workers in the industry have rejected the deals that President Joe Biden helped broker before the original strike deadline in September and are back at the table trying to work out new agreements. Eight other unions have approved their five-year deals with the railroads and are in the process of getting back pay for their workers for the 24% raises that are retroactive to 2020.

Measles

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were hospitalized, according to Franklin County Public Health. There were also 12 day-care and school locations impacted by this outbreak. The first case of the measles in Ohio since 2019 was first reported in June. This is the first measles outbreak in Ohio since 2014, which had 382 confirmed measles cases. There are no reported measles cases in the Dayton or Clark County regions, but the Clark County Combined Health District and Public Health - Dayton and Montgomery County are reminding parents to stay up-to-date with their children’s immunization schedules. In 2021, a record high of nearly 40 million children worldwide missed a measles vaccine dose, the CDC and World Health Organization said. There were 25 million children who missed their first dose and an additional 14.7 million children who missed their second dose. Patty Free, the nursing supervisor at the Clark County Combined Health District, said measles cases are typically not common, and vaccination against communicable diseases protects both those who are vaccinated and those who cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons. “When vaccines are used and when there are high percentages of the population are immunized, (herd immunity) vaccine-preventable diseases no longer circulate and cause negative effects like paralysis from polio, swelling of the brain from measles, pneumonia from pertussis, losing a limb from meningococcal disease and even death from any of the vaccine-preventable diseases,” she said. There is no treatment for the virus, which is potentially deadly, but a vaccine has been available since 1963. Measles was declared eliminated from the U.S. in 2000, but anti-vaccination sentiment has allowed the virus to reemerge in recent years, the CDC said. A recent Springfield News-Sun investigation found there is a growing moral opposition to vaccinations required for school with experts attributing anti-vaccine sentiments to misinformation. The newspaper found parents are increasingly choosing to opt their children out of getting immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases like diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis, polio, measles, mumps, rubella,

hepatitis B and chickenpox. The percentage of children entering kindergarten with moral exemptions from getting such vaccines increased statewide last year and was over 10% at 14 area schools. There were only five schools over that threshold the year before. Statewide, the percentage of students with moral or religious exemptions climbed from 2.4% to 3.2%. School districts throughout Clark County report more immunization waivers for religious or conscience objections than they have in past years. “I do believe more parents are aware that they can sign a waiver exempting their children from immunizations and without the education of why vaccines are important may feel it is easier to choose to waive vaccines rather than to take the time to get them,” Free said. The COVID-19 pandemic also caused additional disruptions to vaccination schedules. Providers started seeing more patients by telehealth and reducing in-person visits when not necessary, which led to a drop in immunization levels. “The record number of children under-immunized and susceptible to measles shows the profound damage immunization systems have sustained during the COVID-19 pandemic,” said CDC Director Dr. Rochelle P. Walensky. “Measles outbreaks illustrate weaknesses in immunization programs, but public health officials can use outbreak response to identify communities at risk, understand causes of under-vaccination, and help deliver locally tailored solutions to ensure vaccinations

are available to all.” Across the globe, there were an estimated 9 million cases and 128,000 deaths from measles in 2021. Twenty-two countries experienced large and disruptive outbreaks. Also in 2021, nearly 61 million measles vaccine doses were postponed or missed due to COVID-19-related delays in immunization campaigns in 18 countries. Measles is very contagious and spreads to about nine out of 10 unvaccinated children who are exposed, even before children have symptoms, according to the CDC. Measles virus can live for up to two hours in an air-space after an infected person leaves an area. Traditionally, about 20% of children with measles will need to be hospitalized, but the Columbus outbreak has seen 40% hospitalized. Health officials say 95% or more of the population needs to have had two doses of the measles vaccine to create herd immunity in order to protect communities and maintain large-scale measles elimination. The world is well under that, the CDC said, with only 81% of children receiving their first measles-containing vaccine dose, and only 71% of children receiving their second measles-containing vaccine dose. These are the lowest global coverage rates of the first dose of measles vaccination since 2008, although coverage varies by country. “The paradox of the pandemic is that while vaccines against COVID-19 were developed in record time and deployed in the largest vaccination campaign in history, routine immunization programs were badly disrupted, and millions of kids

missed out on life-saving vaccinations against deadly diseases like measles,” said WHO director-general Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus. “Getting immunization programs back on track is absolutely critical. Behind every statistic in this report is a child at risk of a preventable disease.” If people do not get recommended vaccinations, Pub-

lic Health said diseases like measles, polio, and whooping cough will become more common, putting children at risk of serious complications from diseases that can be prevented by available vaccines. The CDC recommends all children get two doses of MMR (measles-mumps-rubella) vaccine, starting with the first dose at 12 through 15

months of age, and the second dose at four through six years of age. In addition, the Clark County Combined Health District is providing measles vaccinations by appointment. To schedule an immunization, call 937-390-5600. Contact this reporter at 937-503-5305 or email samantha.wildow@coxinc.com.



Community Conversations

Hunger in our community - and how to help

In our region, one in six people do not know where their next meal will come from. Join our conversation with a panel of those on the front lines of the fight against food insecurity as they explain the circumstances increasing the need, and let us know ways we can help our neighbors. Your host: Community Impact Editor Nick Hrkman

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LOCAL STATE

BRIEFS

Illusionist returning to Delphos

DELPHOS — Illusionist and Delphos local Krendl will be bring his holiday touring show to the Delphos Jefferson Middle School Auditorium on Friday, Dec. 9 for one night only. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and show starts at 6:30 p.m.

This is a fundraising event for the Delphos Optimist Club. Tickets are for sale in Delphos at First Financial Bank and Superior Federal Credit Union. You can also get more details or purchase tickets online by going to www.Facebook.com/KrendlIMagic or email krendl@kaartproductions.com. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students.

Kris Kringle Christmas Market

CONVOY — The 2022 Kris Kringle Christmas Market will be held at the Convoy Fox Hunters Building, downtown Convoy, on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4 from 1 - 5 p.m. Watch for signs.

Stop in for shopping at Alvarez Chips & Salsa, Annie Rose Crocheting, Blush & Arrow Boutique, Color Street, Convoy Coffee Roasters, Convoy Ladies on a Mission Nuts & Candy, Cotton & Threads, Feeding Frenzy Cookies, Fry Pie Pick Up & Sales (across the street at 115 S. Main Street), Honey & Henry Barkery Dog Treats, Lincoln Ridge Farms, Nana's Blankets, Stephanie Eding, Author, Sisters Embroidery & Christmas Gifts, and Wild Daisy Creations.

Victory to celebrate Christmas

VAN WERT — Victory Church of God will celebrate Christmas 2022 on Thursday, Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. The church is located at 10698 U.S. Route 127, Van Wert.

contact Pastor Trish Martinez at 419-549-2256. Email is doolittle12002@gmail.com.

There will be food and fellowship. The event is open to the public.

For more information,

Live Nativity drive thru

VAN WERT — The 24th annual Live Nativity Drive Thru has always been in the same location as the church that hosts it — the Jennings Road Church of Christ.

Until now.

This year, the event is a part of Winter Wonderland at the Van Wert County Fairgrounds on Dec. 2 - 3. The drive-thru will be open from 6-9 p.m. each night. There is no cost, but donations will be accepted if offered.

According to the Live Nativity director, Deanna Ray, the church is excited about the new location. “We love providing this experience for the community each Christmas. When the fairgrounds asked, we met with them and the 4-H team that provides the fantastic light show each year. The church is honored to be asked to join in with so many other great local events.”

No longer located in the church parking lot, the new spot is the dairy barn at the fairgrounds.

“This is different for us,” said Ray. “We had this down to a science; what used to be a drive around the scenes is now a drive straight through an actual dairy barn!”

Something that has not changed, she said, is the overall experience. Sets, costumes, centurions, a marketplace, shepherds, and the manger are all the same. “And everyone loves the live camels,” Ray reminded.

To directly access the new location, gate 2 of the fairgrounds will be open. Or, Ray added, there are directions in place to drive through the light show and then head to the Live Nativity or vice versa.

The Jennings Road Church of Christ is a contemporary, non-denominational church that can be found on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.

Train show set in Convoy

CONVOY — There will be a train show at Convoy Christmas in the Village in the Opera House Building at 111 S. Main St. The trains will be in operation on Saturday, Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4 from 1 - 5 p.m.

Train engineers are Robert Schumm and Rod Price sharing their trains and operating them throughout the weekend.

Convoy Fire Department

Fire trucks will be on display Saturday, Dec. 3 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Live Animals

Live camels, llamas, and goats will be in Convoy on Sunday afternoon.

All Aboard the Polar Express Movie

Kiddos can enjoy the train show and on Sunday an All Aboard the Polar Express movie fun at Special Occasions at 3:30 p.m. There will be hot chocolate and a special gift after the movie. All ages are welcome to attend.

O Holy Night Children's Candlelight Parade

Head over to the Convoy Methodist Church to join in the O Holy Night Children's Candlelight Parade with live sheep and Blueberry the donkey at 5:30 p.m. Children 5-12 years of age gather at the church at 5 p.m. for costuming and preparing for the parade, marching from the church around the block to West Tully Street ending at the Convoy Village Square for the reading of the Christmas Story, caroling, and prayer.

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Charter members of the Optimist Club of Van Wert who were in attendance Saturday night were (left to right) Ray Able, Kevin Taylor, and Gregg Bashore. (Photo submitted)

Optimist Club celebrates 40 years

VAN WERT — The Optimist Club of Van Wert celebrated 40-plus years of service with a dinner for current and past members on Nov. 19 at Willow Bend Country Club.

The club was chartered on Jan. 7, 1981, with 36 members and the motto “Friend of Youth.” Three original members were present at the dinner: Ray Able, Kevin Taylor, and Gregg Bashore.

Currently, the Optimist Club has 32 members and provides programs to benefit young people throughout Van Wert County.

Optimist Club programs include after-prom activities, plush toys for hospitalized children, bicycle safety, Christmas lights at Fountain Park, youth baseball sponsorship, recognition of first responders, essay and oratorical contests, scholarships, and recognition of youth accomplishments.

The Optimist Club is funded primarily through its “Avenue of Flags” program, which places American flags at homes and businesses in the community around five major holidays. The Optimist Club introduced this project



in 2016 and it has grown to about 500 flags.

As a part of Optimist International, a worldwide volunteer organization made up of more than 2,500 local clubs, members work toward a brighter future by bringing out the best in children, in their communities, and in themselves.

At the dinner celebration, a congratulatory letter was read from Optimist International President Bob McFadyen and Tom Kennedy, Ohio District Governor-Elect, and Tom Kendo, Past Distinguished Governor, delivered re-

marks.

The Optimist Club of Van Wert invites everyone to join them in practicing optimism as a philosophy of life and providing a positive vision for youth and for our community.

The club is seeking new members and meets every Thursday at noon at Willow Bend Country Club.

To learn more about the club's volunteer service opportunities, visit optimistvw.com or OptimistVW on Facebook.

YW to offer advanced self-defense class

VAN WERT — The YWCA of Van Wert County announced it will be offering an advanced self-defense class for adult women on Wednesday, Dec. 14 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the YWCA. This class is free and interested individuals must have taken a beginner self-defense class in the past 12 months to attend.

The class is provided by the Van Wert Self Defense Team and is designed to teach women what they should do when faced with unavoidable or unsafe cir-

cumstances. Class participants will gain confidence and knowledge, and will increase and build upon skills they learned in a beginner class.

“We offer this opportunity to women in our community to protect themselves from violent situations and from potentially being a victim of violence,” said Jamie Evans, director of Survivor Services for the YWCA of Van Wert County. “For those who have a taken a beginner class, this session will continue to build upon

that knowledge and increase chances of thwarting an attack,” Evans added.

Class instructors include Rick Busch and Ed Klaus-ing. Busch is a black belt in Tae Kwon Do with many years of experience teaching martial arts, self-defense, and rape prevention classes and seminars. Klaus-ing is a 3rd degree black belt and also has experience in teaching various martial arts. Participants should wear loose-fitting, comfortable clothing.

Community members

Vantage completes United Way campaign

VAN WERT — Vantage Career Center recently held its 2022-2023 United Way Campaign. The Vantage staff donated over \$5,000 to help support the 31 local agencies currently receiving funding from the United Way.

Vantage is a devoted supporter of the United Way and wholeheartedly participates in the annual campaign, fundraisers, and volunteerism. This year, they once again hosted the newly named Vantage Day of Caring Food Drive. Student Ambassadors assisted with unloading, sorting and counting food. Health Information Management students organized and coordinated the high school food donations, while students from the Sports Exercise Therapy program helped out at the Red Cross



Bloodmobile.

Vantage continues to show their unwavering support to the very grateful United Way. Thanks to everyone who participated in the United Way's 100th

Anniversary Centennial Campaign and supporting the 31 local agencies in Van Wert County that help those who need it most.

#100Years #LiveYourLegacy

Crestview completes United Way campaign

CONVOY — The staff at Crestview Local Schools held its annual fundraising efforts for the United Way of Van Wert County at the beginning of the 2022-2023 school year. Employees increased their contributions over last year's campaign, raising over \$8,000. Staff and students were also generous with the number of food items donated for the Vantage Day of Caring Food Drive. Crestview is now gearing up for the annual Rivals United fundraiser in February 2023.

Thanks to everyone at the school for participating in the United Way's 100th anniversary Centennial campaign and supporting the 31 local agencies in Van Wert County that help those who need it most.

#100Years #LiveYourLegacy



DEATH NOTICES

APP
Wanda Laverne Brewer Wiederhold App, 76, Martinsville, died Nov. 23, 2022. Services by Fisher-Edgington Funeral Home.

CARTER JR.
William Henry Carter Jr., aka Robert Wayne Conger, 61, Wilmington, died Nov. 23, 2022 Services by Fisher-Edgington Funeral Home.

CIOCA
Sorin Cioca, 50, Wilmington, died Nov. 24, 2022. Services by Fisher-Edgington Funeral Home.

HAMMON
Goldie M. Hammon, 96, died Nov. 24, 2022. Services by Fisher-Edgington Funeral Home.

HENRY
Marilyn L. Henry, 84 Greenfield, died Nov. 27, 2022. Services by Murray-Fettro Funeral Home

PERKINS JR.
Donald Perkins Jr., 67, Lynchburg, died Nov. 24, 2022. Services by Turner & Son Funeral Home.

SHAFFER
William Shaffer, 68, Hillsboro, died on Nov. 24, 2022. Services by Thompson Funeral Homes.

ZIMMERMAN
Gregory A. Zimmerman, 69, Hillsboro, died Nov. 20, 2022. Services by Turner & Son Funeral Home.

OBITUARIES

Nina Lea (Bell) Wharton, 93, of Peebles, Ohio, passed away Nov. 26 at the Adams County Manor Nursing Home in West Union after a long illness.

Nina was born Jan. 2, 1929, in Barnesville, Ohio to Oscar and Mary Bell.

Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Paul and Gene Bell.

Nina was a 1947 graduate of Barnesville High School in Belmont County. For 27 years, she was a reporter, columnist and society editor for the Hillsboro Press-Gazette.

Robert J. Acton, 64, of Greenfield, Ohio, passed away Sunday, Nov. 27, 2022, at Kettering Medical Center in Dayton.

He was born Oct. 19, 1958, in Greenfield, Ohio, the son of Robert William and Mary Lou (Heaton) Acton.

He was a 1977 graduate of Edward Lee McClain High School

After retiring from the newspaper, she was executive director of the Highland County Society for Children and Adults, a local nonprofit charity that assists needy and elderly residents of Highland County.

Nina will be remembered fondly by family and friends for a fierce work ethic, can-do spirit, hosting fun parties, her bridge-playing prowess, a homemade tomato juice recipe that produced Southern Ohio's best Bloody Marys, and her love of Doritos, Dove Bars and Perry Mason reruns.

Nina is survived by John Wharton, her high school sweetheart and husband of 73 years; daughter, Marilyn of Peebles; son, Dann (Lisa) of Hillsboro; son, Dennis (Lisa Ingram) of Ashburn, Virginia; grandchildren, Ryan (Kelly) of St. Johns, Florida, Drew (Nichole) of Springboro, Isaac (Kelly) of Washington, D.C.; and Sierra and Henry of Ashburn, Virginia; great-grandchildren, Vincent, Emerleigh, Oliver, Harri-



ROBERT J. ACTON

and member of the Greenfield Antique Tractor and Machinery Club. He was employed at W.A. Hodson Trucking in Leesburg for the past 25-plus years.

He is survived by one son, Jeff R. Acton (Sonia Chenault) of Waverly; one daughter, Tabby (Jeremy) Huff of New Vienna; four grandchil-

son, Willow and Landrie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A private family celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

The Wharton family thanks Adams County Manor Nursing Home and Promedica Hospice for their generous care.

Charitable contributions can be made to the Highland County Society for Children and Adults or the local hospice of choice.

For more information or to leave an online condolence for the family, visit, www.turnerfuneralhomes.cc.

KRISTEN LAENAE CANNON

Evelyn Cannon.

Kristen graduated from London Academy in 2015.

Besides her parents, Kristen is survived by her maternal grandparents, Robert and Brenda Hamilton of Leesburg; uncles, Robert Cannon of Leesburg and Rob (Lara) Hamilton

He was preceded in death by his father.

Cremation will take place and a visitation will be 5-7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at the Murray-Fettro Funeral Home in Greenfield.

There will not be a service observed.

Condolences may be sent to www.murray-fettro.com.

of Pricetown; cousins, Kurt, Sam and Sydney Hamilton; and lifelong friend, Chelsea Cowdrey of Leesburg.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3, 2022, at the Thompson Funeral Home.

Friends may call from 11 a.m. until time of ser-

vices on Saturday at the funeral home.

To sign Kristen's online guest book, visit www.thompsonfuneralhomes.com or to leave a comment, like or share, visit the Thompson Funeral Home & Cremation Care Facebook Page.



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Mr. & Mrs. David & Tammy Vernon

Vernons mark 30th anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. David and Tammy Vernon celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary over the weekend.

The couple was married on Nov. 27, 1992 in Bethany United Methodist Church, Celina, Ohio.

Mrs. Vernon is the former Tammy Cisco of Celina, OH.

Her family resided in St. Paris, Ohio for several years as her parents owned and operated Baker-Cisco Funeral Home.

David and Tammy

met in mortuary school where they shared their passion for helping others through funeral services.

The couple have two children, Victoria (Tyler) LeVan of Urbana; and Colin Vernon of Mechanicsburg.

Dave and Tammy own and operate Vernon Funeral Homes in Mechanicsburg, North Lewisburg and Urbana.

Starting Jan. 1, 2023, they will take ownership of the St. Paris and Fletcher Funeral Homes as well.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, December 1

Gloria Theatre: Monument Square District presents Christmas Motown & Jazz featuring Divas Sass & Song, 8 p.m.

2022 Christmas Toy Swap: will be hosted at LifeNet Christian Fellowship, 142 Dellinger Road in Urbana at 7 p.m. Bring gently-used toys to swap; donations welcome by Nov. 30 at the church

Friday, December 2

Gloria Theatre: Disney “Strange World” 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 3

Gloria Theatre: Disney “Strange World” 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 4

Gloria Theatre: Disney “Strange World” 2:30 and 5:30 p.m.

Monday, December 5

Red Cross Blood Drive: 12:30-6:30 p.m. at the Evans-Purk Building in St. Paris. Sponsored by St. Paris United Methodist Church. For an appointment call Shari at 937-631-3045 or schedule online at www.redcrossblood.org

TWIG 13: at 5 p.m. will remember and honor family members and friends with a Lights of Love Tree Lighting in front of the main entrance of Mercy Health Urbana Hospital.

If you wish to contribute to Lights of Love you may pick up a form at the Emergency Room Registration desk or call the Volunteer Services office at (937) 484-3201 for more information.

This Lights of Love tree is meant to memorialize or honor a loved one in a truly special way. Proceeds will benefit the patients and community by way of TWIG 13.

Thursday, December 8

Champaign County Board of Elections meeting: at 9 a.m. Board will hold an audit of the results at the Board office, 1512 S. US Highway 68, Suite L-100.

Friday, December 9

TWIG 13: hosting a \$5 Jewelry and Accessory Sale in the Large Conference Room on the 1st floor of Mercy Health Urbana Hospital. 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a fundraiser to benefit the hospital and a sale to help you with your holiday shopping.

Saturday, December 10

West Liberty Christmas Tour of Homes: 5-8 p.m. The tour will include six local Air BnB’s, the Opera House - which will feature live entertainment - and the Moxley home.

Tickets can be purchased online at <https://tinyurl.com/23md27tq>.

Learn about Ice Age in Champaign County tour

Submitted story

The Ice Age Tour will be held throughout Champaign County on Dec. 10.

Ohio Department of Natural Resources will highlight four nature preserves in a tour focusing on glacial geology and its effects on the current landscape.

This tour, hosted by the ODNR, Division of Geological Survey and

Division of Natural Areas and Preserves will feature geological, ecological and historical interpretation at four nature preserves in Champaign County.

This tour schedule is as follows:

- Cedar Bog State Nature Preserve, 1 p.m. 980 Woodburn Road, Urbana 43078
- Davey Woods State Nature Preserve, 2 p.m. 7661 Lonesome Road, St. Paris 43072

- Kiser Lake State Nature Preserve, 3 p.m. 3975 Kiser Lake Road, St. Paris 43072
- Siegenthaler Esker, 4 p.m. 5505 Couchman Road, West Liberty 43357

Single site participation is an option for those who are unable to commit to all four stops. For this reason, we will begin and end each site session promptly at the given times.

Participants should expect moderate levels of strenuous hiking and sturdy footwear is recommended. Participation will be limited to 20 people and pre-registration is required for this event. This program will take place, rain or shine.

Contact Michelle Comer for registration at michelle.comer@dnr.ohio.gov.

Info from ODNR

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 29, the 333rd day of 2022. There are 32 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 29, 1947, the U.N. General Assembly passed a resolution calling for the partitioning of Palestine between Arabs and Jews; 33 members, including the United States, voted in favor of the resolution, 13 voted against while 10 abstained. (The plan, rejected by the Arabs, was never implemented.)

On this date:

In 1864, a Colorado militia killed at least 150 peaceful Cheyenne Indians in the Sand Creek Massacre.

In 1910, British explorer Robert F. Scott’s ship Terra Nova set sail from New Zealand, carrying Scott’s expedition on its ultimately futile — as well as fatal — race to reach the South Pole first.

In 1924, Italian composer Giacomo Puccini died in Brussels before he could complete his opera “Turandot.” (It was finished by Franco Alfano.)

In 1929, Navy Lt. Cmdr. Richard E. Byrd, pilot Bernt Balchen, radio operator Harold June and photographer Ashley McKinney made the first airplane flight over the South Pole.

In 1961, Enos the chimpanzee was launched from Cape Canaveral aboard the Mercury-Atlas 5 spacecraft, which orbited earth twice before returning.

In 1963, President Lyndon B. Johnson named a commission headed by Earl Warren to investigate the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

In 1981, film star Natalie Wood drowned in a boating accident off Santa Catalina Island, California, at age 43.

In 1986, actor Cary Grant died in Davenport, Iowa, at age 82.

In 1987, a Korean Air 707 jetliner en route from Abu Dhabi to Bangkok was destroyed by a bomb planted by North Korean agents with the loss of all 115 people aboard.

In 2001, former Beatle George Harrison died in Los Angeles after a battle with cancer; he was 58.

In 2008, Indian commandos killed the last remaining gunmen holed up at a luxury Mumbai hotel, ending a 60-hour rampage through India’s financial capital by suspected Pakistani-based militants that killed 166 people.

In 2020, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that New York City would reopen its school system to in-person learning, and increase the number of days a week many children attend class, even as the coronavirus pandemic intensified in the city.

Ten years ago:

The United Nations voted overwhelmingly to recognize a Palestinian state, a vote that came exactly 65 years after the General Assembly adopted a plan to divide Palestine into separate states for Jews and Arabs. (The vote was 138 in favor; nine members, including the United States, voted against and 41 abstained.) President Barack Obama had lunch with defeated Republican nominee Mitt Romney in the White House’s private dining room; the

White House says they discussed America’s leadership in the world.

Five years ago:

North Korea launched its most powerful weapon yet, claiming a new type of intercontinental ballistic missile that some observers believed could put the entire U.S. East Coast within range.

“Today” host Matt Lauer was fired for what NBC called “inappropriate sexual behavior” with a colleague; a published report accused him of crude and habitual misconduct with women around the office. Garrison Keillor, who’d entertained public radio listeners for 40 years on “A Prairie Home Companion,” was fired by Minnesota Public Radio following allegations of inappropriate workplace behavior.

One year ago:

A federal judge blocked the Biden administration from enforcing a coronavirus vaccine mandate on thousands of health care workers in 10 states that had brought the first legal challenge against the requirement. Twitter co-founder Jack Dorsey stepped down as CEO of the social media platform; he was succeeded by Twitter’s chief technology officer, Parag Agrawal. LSU hired Brian Kelly away from Notre Dame, a stunning move by one of the most accomplished coaches in college football jumping from the sport’s most storied program to a Southeastern Conference powerhouse. Arlene Dahl, a 1950s movie star who later remained prominent in television, died in New York at 96. Merriam-Webster chose “vaccine” as

its 2021 word of the year.

Today's Birthdays:

Blues singer-musician John Mayall is 89. Actor Diane Ladd is 87. Songwriter Mark James is 82. Composer-musician Chuck Mangione is 82. Pop singer-musician Felix Cavaliere (The Rascals) is 80. Former Olympic skier Suzy Chaffee is 76. Actor Jeff Fahey is 70. Movie director Joel Coen is 68. Actor-comedian-celebrity judge Howie Mandel is 67. Former Homeland Security Director Janet Napolitano is 65. Former Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel is 63. Actor Cathy Moriarty is 62. Actor Kim Delaney is 61. Actor Tom Sizemore is 61. Actor Andrew McCarthy is 60. Actor Don Cheadle is 58. Actor-producer Neill Barry is 57. Pop singer Jonathan Knight (New Kids on the Block) is 54. Rock musician Martin Carr (Boo Radleys) is 54. Actor Jennifer Elise Cox is 53. Baseball Hall of Famer Mariano Rivera is 53. Actor Larry Joe Campbell is 52. Rock musician Frank Delgado (Deftones) is 52. Actor Paola Turbay is 52. Contemporary Christian singer Crowder is 51. Actor Gena Lee Nolin is 51. Actor Brian Baumgartner is 50. Actor Julian Ovenden is 47. Actor Anna Faris is 46. Gospel singer James Fortune is 45. Actor Lauren German is 44. Rapper The Game is 43. Actor Janina Gavankar is 42. Rock musician Ringo Garza is 41. Actor-comedian John Milhiser is 41. Actor Lucas Black is 40. NFL quarterback Russell Wilson is 34. Actor Diego Boneta is 32. Actor Lovie Simone (TV: “Greenleaf”) is 24.

Police smash European cocaine ‘super cartel,’ arrest 49

BRUSSELS (AP) — Law enforcement authorities in six different countries have joined forces to take down a “super cartel” of drugs traffickers controlling about one third of the cocaine trade in Europe, the European Union crime agency said.

Europol said 49 suspects have been arrested during the investigation, with the latest series of raids across Europe and

the United Arab Emirates taking place between Nov. 8-19. The agency said police forces targeted both the “command-and-control center and the logistical drugs trafficking infrastructure in Europe.”

Over 30 metric tons (33 tons) of drugs were seized during the investigations run in Spain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and the

UAE with the support of Europol. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration

also played a role in bringing down the organization, Europol said.

So powerful is the light of unity that it can illuminate the whole earth.

--The Baha’i Writings

For further information call Johnie or Debbie at 937-418-8199 or email papajohnie19@gmail.com

LEGAL NOTICE

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Library

from 3:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. On Dec. 15 it will be Stamped Clay Ornaments, all day. On Dec. 19 it will be Cupcake Trees from 3:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. On Dec. 22 it will be Quilling Ornaments, all day.

Holiday Escape Rooms are available at multiple branches. Sign up with your friends or family to solve the puzzle and beat the clock! This is best for school age kids through adults. Great for encouraging team play, communications, and problem solving. Registration is required.

New Bremen will be on Dec. 5, 6, and 8 from

2 p.m.- 6 p.m. one hour time slots

New Knoxville will be on Dec. 5, 7, and 8 from 2 p.m.- 6 p.m. one hour time slots

Waynesfield will be on Dec. 5, 6, and 8 from 3 p.m.- 5 p.m. one hour time slots

Minster will be on Dec. 6, 7, 13, and 14 from 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. one hour time slots

Cridersville will be on Dec. 15 from 3 p.m.- 6 p.m.; Dec. 19, 22, and 29 from 2 p.m.- 6 p.m. one hour time slots

Wapakoneta will be on Dec. 19, 20, 21, and 22 from 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. one hour time slots

Christmas on Main will be held at the Cridersville Library on Dec. 10 from 9 a.m.- 12 p.m. Enjoy crafts and get your passport stamped at the Cridersville Library during Christmas on Main celebration in town.

Gift Wrapping will be held at the Waynesfield Library on Dec. 10 and 17 from 10 a.m.- 11:30 a.m. They Waynesfield Gift Scouts will be available to wrap Christmas gifts. This is a no charge event but donations will be accepted for the food pantry.

Kids Events include:

Storytime. This is weekly at multiple branches. Little ones and caretakers can enjoy stories, songs, and more during the weekly storytimes at every library location.

Cridersville is on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.

Minster is on Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m. until 11

a.m. - Wapakoneta is on Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

Waynesfield is on Tuesdays from 10:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.

New Knoxville is on Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m.

New Bremen is on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. (Except Nov. 24 and Dec. 24, due to Library being closed for Thanksgiving and Christmas)

Musical storytime with Alexa Kemmann will be on Nov. 23, 30 and Dec. 7 from 10:30 a.m.- 11 a.m. in New Knoxville. Join Alexa Kemmann of Blooming Bridge Music Therapy for a special musical story time series for littles and their caretakers.

Toddler Playdates happens bi-monthly at the Wapakoneta Library. Families with babies and toddlers from ages 0-3 are invited to join the library for an informal playdate twice a month. They will read a book and sing a song and then encourage the littles to play. This is the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. The next event is Dec. 8 and 22 from 10:30 a.m.- 11 a.m.

Kids Drumming Class happens bi-weekly at the Wapakoneta Library. This is for ages 7-12 and will feel the beat in this special drumming class with certified music therapist Alexa Kemmann. This will be on Dec. 1 and 15 from 6 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. and registration is required.

Fourth Grade Girls Late Nighter will be held at the Minster Library on Dec. 2 from 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. Girls in the fourth grade are invited to meet up at the library after hours for a fashion photo shoot, craft, games, and pizza! Registration is required.

Kids Yoga Night will be held at the Wapakoneta Library on Dec. 8 from 5:30 p.m.- 6:15 p.m. kids and caretakers can wear comfy clothes as they get stretchy!

Christmas Tree Craft will be held in Minster on Dec. 5 for Kindergarten through first grade from 3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. and for second to third grade on Dec. 5 from 4:30 p.m.- 5:15 p.m.

Scribble Art and Snacks will be at the Waynesfield Library on Dec. 12 from 3:30 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. Unleash ones creativity and enjoy a yummy treat.

Gingerbread House- Kids Craft will be at the Wapakoneta Library on Dec. 12 from 5:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Sign up to design your very own gingerbread house. The library will supply the sweets- you bring the creativity! For ages Pre-kindergarten to fifth grade. Registration is required.



Sue Niemeyer and Janet Wellman weighing and bagging up noodles

Photo by Mike Newcomer, New Knoxville United Methodist Church

Christmas bake sale extravaganza

Members of the New Knoxville United Methodist Church are busy preparing for their annual Christmas Bake Sale Extravaganza which is Saturday, December 3 in conjunction with the village's Home-town Christmas Celebration. Homemade noodles were made on Saturday, candy making was Tuesday evening, and members have their favorite recipes out and ready to bake. The Sale begins at 10am at the church located at 109 S. Main St, in the heart of New Knoxville. Other specialties are zwieback, a German favorite, sweet rolls, bread, assorted cookie trays, buckeyes and other candies. A selection of homemade crafts and wreaths will also be offered. A soup and sandwich lunch will be served for dining in or carry out. The sale concludes at 1pm. All proceeds are used for mission work both locally and abroad.

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EXPLORE RESOURCES FOR CAREGIVERS

Caregivers are called on to step in for any number of reasons. Some serve as companions to the elderly, while others assist those with debilitating diseases like cancer. While many caregivers are professionals hired for their services, a good number of caregivers are informal - meaning they are family members or friends assisting loved ones.

Even though they are trying to help others, caregivers often must confront a form of stress known as caregiver burnout. The Cleveland Clinic states this stress is marked physical, emotional and mental exhaustion that occurs in caregivers. This burnout may lead to fatigue, anxiety and depression.

While there may not be a way to completely eliminate all caregiving stress, there are some ways to prevent burnout. Utilizing various resources can be a start. Here's a look at some available caregiver resources.

• **Trusted friend:** Find someone you trust with whom you can discuss your feelings, including any frustration you may feel. This can be a neighbor or a coworker with whom you feel comfortable sharing personal details.

• **Support groups:** Support groups can provide safe spaces to vent with others who are in the same boat. Houses of worship may host support groups, or you can find out about meetings through hospitals or from personal doctors. The National Family Caregiver Support Program was established in 2000 and provides grants to states and territories to fund a range of support that assists family and informal caregivers to care for their loved ones at home for as long as possible. Other groups include Caregiver Action Network and Family Caregiver Alliance.

• **Respite care services:** Respite care services provide temporary breaks for caregivers by enabling the sick, elderly or injured to stay in care facilities for anywhere from a couple of hours to a few days. Some respite care services will provide short-term, in-home care as well.

• **Professional therapist:** Many therapists are trained to counsel individuals who have particular issues. Some may specialize in grief or even caregiver needs. Utilize their services if speaking with a confidante is not enough.

Caregivers often put the needs of others before their own. But they may need a little help along the way, which is where caregiver resources can come into play.

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DEATH NOTICES

GROVES

Kelly Joe (Willoughby) Groves, 48 of Washington C.H. passed away at Clinton Memorial Hospital on Thursday. Visitation will be on Tuesday November 29, 2022 at the Littleton Funeral Home, Sabina from 3:00 until the time of service at 5:00 P.M.

RIDINGER

Willard Dale Ridinger, 93, of Waynesville, passed away on Nov. 24, 2022. Private funeral services will be held Wednesday, Nov. 30 at Stubbs-Conner Funeral Home in Waynesville. Stubbs-Conner is serving the family.

BAILEY

Roger D. Bailey, 78, of Waynesville, passed away on Nov. 22, 2022. Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 2 at Stubbs-Conner Funeral Home in Waynesville. Stubbs-Conner is serving the family.

MATTIA

Sharon E. Mattia, 78, of Centerville, passed away on Nov. 21, 2022. A memorial service will be held 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2 at Stubbs-Conner Funeral Home in Waynesville. Stubbs-Conner is serving the family.

ELLIOTT

Imogene “Jean” Elliott, 94, of Waynesville, passed away on Nov. 24, 2022. Funeral services will be 12 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 at Stubbs-Conner Funeral Home in Waynesville. Stubbs-Conner is serving the family.

Jail

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Initially, the sheriff’s office was told there wasn’t a need for a new outdoor recreational area at the jail.

“We since found out that was bad information,” he said.

The project will see the existing area be turned into six “single cell pod areas,” according to Prickett. He added the importance

of this is that in the event of a communicable, airborne type of infection that would get in the jail, they can put the infected in those cells to prevent a spread.

They would also be adding counseling rooms and individual arraignment rules. Prickett described the current facilities as “a great big classroom.”

Reach John Hamilton at 937-382-2574

OBITUARIES

On Thursday, November 24th, 2022, Goldie M Hammon passed away peacefully, at Cape May in Wilmington, Ohio. Born September 23, 1926, in West Union, Ohio to the late Alfred and Clara Stewart, she was preceded in death by her sister Mabel Setty and her beloved husband of 41 years George D. Hammon.

After graduation from Adams Township in 1943, Goldie worked at Wright-Patterson AFB in the controller’s office as a book-keeper. In March 1947, she married George and began life as a military wife. As well as assignments in Japan and Germany, where they loved experiencing the culture, customs and forming life-long friendships, they were stationed at posts throughout the US.

Goldie was a member of Wilmington United Methodist Church. She was there an hour early to secure her parking space

and in time to visit with friends as they arrived. She volunteered at Clinton Memorial Hospital for 45 years. She was a 64 year member of OES, Mother Advisor for Rainbow Girls, worked with Shrine to provide toys for the burn hospital in Cincinnati. She was 4-H leader for Martinsville Hobby Timers and an active member of Yani.

Goldie was a letter writer. She started each day writing to friends and family - just checking in - thinking of you. She never forgot a special occasion. For her 90th birthday, friends gave her boxes of cards and stamps, knowing she’d use every one. She treasured her friends. She sewed beautifully - everything from wedding gowns to doll clothes. She was a voracious reader - non-fiction - biographies and history - stories of valor. AND - she loved



watching Jeopardy. Surviving are her daughters, Melanie (Michael) Moseley of Robins, Iowa and Emily (Stephen) Payne of Wilmington,

Ohio; grandchildren - Jennifer (Jonathan) Tiemeier, Cedar Rapids, IA; Christopher (Angela) Moseley, Litchfield Park, AZ; Lee (Jenna) Rose, Glenburnie, Maryland; Nathaniel (Cassidy) Rose, Blanchester, Ohio; Lindsay (Dusty) Speelman, Clarksville, Ohio; Riley Payne, Wilmington, Ohio and Summer Payne, Hillsboro, Ohio; great-grandchildren, Payton and Wade Wells, Zoe Tiemeier, Ben and Allie Moseley, Aidan and Jaxson Rose, Gracie and Wyatt Rose and Addison Speelman.

Goldie was a kind and loving wife and mother. She championed her grand and great-grandchildren and was there to share in their cel-

ebrations, activities, and accomplishments. When it came to praise, she said it’s not bragging when you’re telling the truth. We are so very thankful to have had her in our lives.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Cape May for their care, compassion and kindness.

Friends will be received Friday, December 2, 11:00 - 12:00 followed by song and prayer at the Fisher-Edgington Funeral Home, Wilmington. Immediately following the service burial will be at Sugar Grove Cemetery. To sign the online guest book, visit www.edgingtonfunerlhomes.com.

Contributions in Goldie’s memory may be made online or sent to:

Shriners Hospitals for Children
2900 N. Rocky Point Dr.
Tampa, FL 33607
Attn: Office of Development

DONALD E. ‘TUT’ BURTON

Donald E. “Tut” Burton, 92, of Wilmington, OH, died at 12:20 P.M. Sunday, November 27, 2022.

He was born January 18, 1930 in Cuba, OH, a son of James and Marian (Sewell) Burton.

Don, owner and operator of Burton Bros. Painting & Decorating for 50 years, was a member of the Wilmington Church of Christ and the Wilmington American Legion Post 49. During the Korean War, Don served in the U.S. Army.

Don loved fishing

Survivors include his wife of 69 years, Janice M. (Jordan) Burton, whom he married October 16, 1953; daughters, Brenda Kay Burton, Kathy Sue Buckland, Karen Ann Burton, Karla June (Travis) Corzatt; brother Gerald S. (Shirley) Burton; sister, Ruby Minton; grandson, James Buckland and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Preceded in death by his parents, a brother, Kenneth James Burton,

a sister, Dorothy Scott and a brother-in-law, Dale Minton.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:30 A.M Friday in the Wilmington Church of Christ, 909 W. Locust St., Wilmington with Pastor Travis Corzatt and Pastor Dale McCamish officiating. The family will receive friends at the church on Friday December 2, 2022 from 10:30 A.M til time of service.

Burial will be in Clinton Memory Gardens with military honors provided by the American Legion

Post 49 Memorial Squad.

In memory of Don, contributions may be made to the Wilmington Church of Christ, 909 W. Locust St., Wilmington, OH 45177 or to the Community Care Hospice, 1669 Rombach Ave. Wilmington, OH 45177.

The Smith Funeral Home, 327 N. South St., Wilmington, OH 45177 is serving the family. To sign the registry of condolences please visit www.smithandsonfuneralhomes.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 1

• **Sabina Historical Society Christmas Dinner:** The Sabina Historical Society will host its annual meeting and Christmas dinner on Thursday, Dec. 1 at the C.O.V.E. 185 S. College St. in Sabina. The doors open at 6 p.m. and the meal served by Shoestrings Catering will be at 6:30 p.m. Reservation due date was Nov. 23. Call 937-302-6002 for further details.

Sunday, Dec. 4

• **Annual Senior Citizens Dinner:** The annual Senior

Citizens Dinner will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4 at the American Legion Post 49 upstairs banquet room at 140 E. Locust St., Wilmington. This dinner is free to any Clinton County senior citizen 60 and over. You are welcome to dine in from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Carry-out/delivery is available for shut-ins beginning at 11 a.m.

• **Unified Christian Men’s Chorus and Friends concert**

The Unified Christian Men’s Chorus and Friends will present its annual Christmas concert and sing-along at the Wilmington Church of Christ, 909 W. Locust St., on Dec. 4 at 3 p.m. There will

be Christmas carols and audience participation. This is a free concert.

Monday, Dec. 5

• **3M (Monday Morning Men’s Club) at Cape May** —at 9 a.m. Monday, guest speaker Shelby Boatman, Executive Director, Clinton County Historical Society. All senior men in Clinton County invited. Light continental breakfast served free of charge, compliments of Cape May. If you have questions, contact Bill Martin at

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businesses to be included in the raffle. Some of the donations include gift baskets, gift cards, home decor, a 60-minute massage, a child’s bike, one free dog grooming,” said Sukiasian. “One hundred percent of sales from

the raffle tickets will be donated directly to Alayna’s family for her medical care.”

Sukiasian wanted to help and do something more than just be a “support system” for the family.

“With Christmas around the corner, there’s no better time to raise money for this sweet girl and support local small

business,” said Sukiasian.

According to the most recent update on the GoFundMe, Alayna has finished her third round of chemo with the fourth round starting soon.

As of right now, almost \$3,000 has been raised. They’re hoping to raise \$10,000.

“As with any critical illness, there is a strain emotionally, physically, and monetarily on Alayna and her family. Due to overwhelming requests from family and friends, we have created a place for donations to help with fuel, food expenses, and impending medical bills,” the GoFundMe states.

Tickets for the event go on sale today. To get more info on the event, visit the Facebook event “Fund-raiser & Holiday Market for Alayna Ledbetter.” To purchase tickets, contact Sukiasian or Katie Ledbetter via Facebook.

To donate to the GoFundMe visit www.gofundme.com/f/sweet-baby-alayna

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OH-70310046

OBITUARIES

MATTHEW ALLEN BOOTHE

XENIA — Matthew Allen Boothe, age 40, of Xenia, passed away Wednesday, November 23, 2022 in Somerset, Kentucky. He was born February 1, 1982 in Dayton, Ohio the son of Michael W. and Sharon (Milligan) Boothe. Matt was a graduate of Xenia High School, Class of 2001. He had played football and been on the swim team in his youth. Matt had also been a member of the Faith Community United Methodist Church. He was a fan of the Dallas Cowboys. Matt was preceded in death by his grandparents: Hayden and Elinor Milligan and Anna Mae Boothe. In addition to his parents, Matt is survived by his girlfriend; Brandy Price and her children; Jaylynn, Brooklynn, Aubree and Aaron; his friends and



mentor; Jeremiah and Carolyn Byrd; uncle; Warren (Barb Crabel) Milligan; cousins: Julie Boothe, Jordan and Kendal; his dog: Ally; and many other cousins and many friends. Services will be held 10 AM Thursday, December 1st at Faith Community United Methodist Church with Pastor Andy Wagner and Jeremiah Byrd officiating. Burial to follow in Valley View Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held 5-8 PM Wednesday evening at the church. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to SOS Ministries at PO Box 315 Xenia or online at www.saveoursoulsministries.org. Services in care of McColaugh Funeral Home, Xenia. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.mccolaughfuneralhome.com.

XENIA — Don Eric Dixon, age 65, of Xenia OH, passed away on November 21, 2022. Visitation will be 10:00-11:00am, Thursday, December 1, 2022, at New Seasons Ministry 5711 Shull Rd, Huber Heights, OH 45424. Funeral services will be held 11:00am-12:00pm, Thursday, December 1, 2022, at New Seasons Ministry in Huber Heights, OH with the Reverend Ken O Johnson of New Seasons Ministry, officiating. Burial will follow at Massies Creek Cemetery. Arrangements are by Donald Jordon Memorial Chapel. Don was born in Nashville TN

to Robert Dixon and Clara Spann on February 12, 1957. Don was a graduate of Virginia State University where he earned a B.S. in Agronomy. While attending VSU he was a Cadet Corporal of the Army ROTC and was initiated into the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. After graduation he became a Mason of M.W. Prince Hall Grand Lodge Virginia. He served his community as a Park Ranger for one year, and then began his life's work as a Petersburg, VA Police Officer, a post he served for 28 years. After his retirement, Don took



to the outdoors to pursue his passion for biking, fishing, and gardening. Don was a gifted craftsman and flier of radio-controlled planes with the Miami Valley RC Club. Don was a walking encyclopedia; he flew planes and he knew things! He would light up like a kid on Christmas morning at any opportunity to share his knowledge and joy for all things outdoors and planes. Having accepted Christ at an early age, Don was a dedicated member of New Seasons Ministry, where he served faithfully on the Fly & Fish

Ministry and Men's Ministry. A loyal and devoted husband, Don was united in holy matrimony to the love of his life, Mrs. Deborah Ann (Williams) Dixon on September 27, 2008. Together, they shared a love of music, art, and travel. He will be remembered by wife Deborah Dixon and her children; sister Faye Ragland-Dixon and her husband Dan Ragland of Davis CA; brother Steve Dixon, his wife Michelle Dixon and their children of Wilberforce OH; a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins the Spann family of Nashville TN; and friends.

DANNY L. BAISE

XENIA — Danny L. Baise of New Orleans, Louisiana passed away Nov 16, 2022 after a brief illness. He was born October 1, 1940 In Lawrence County, Ohio, the son of John G. And Annice (Kerr) Baise. He was a 1959 graduate of Greeneview High School. After high school, he moved to Denver, Colorado and received training in Bio-Medical services from Warren Collins.

After many years of service with Monaghan Medical in Denver, he decided to relocate to New Orleans, Louisiana in 1975, and was hired as a service manager at Medical Specialties Inc. in the Bio-Medical Department. After his retirement, he enjoyed painting, wood carving, traveling and very competitive in table tennis. He was preceded



in death by his brothers: John Robert, Kenneth, Joe, Paul and Steven Baise. Sisters: Norma Jean Bunn, Mary Hall and his twin sister Donna Barrett. Survivors include brothers: Wayne (Barb) Baise of Cedarville, Ohio, Art (Rebecca) Baise of Brownsville, Texas, Annette (Ron) Pauley of Xenia, Ohio and two very special God children, who

were the light of his life, Brittany and Chris Maldonado. A memorial service will be held @ 11:00 AM on Wednesday, Dec 7, 2022 at Shawnee Hills Baptist Church, 3490 Jasper Rd. Jamestown, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

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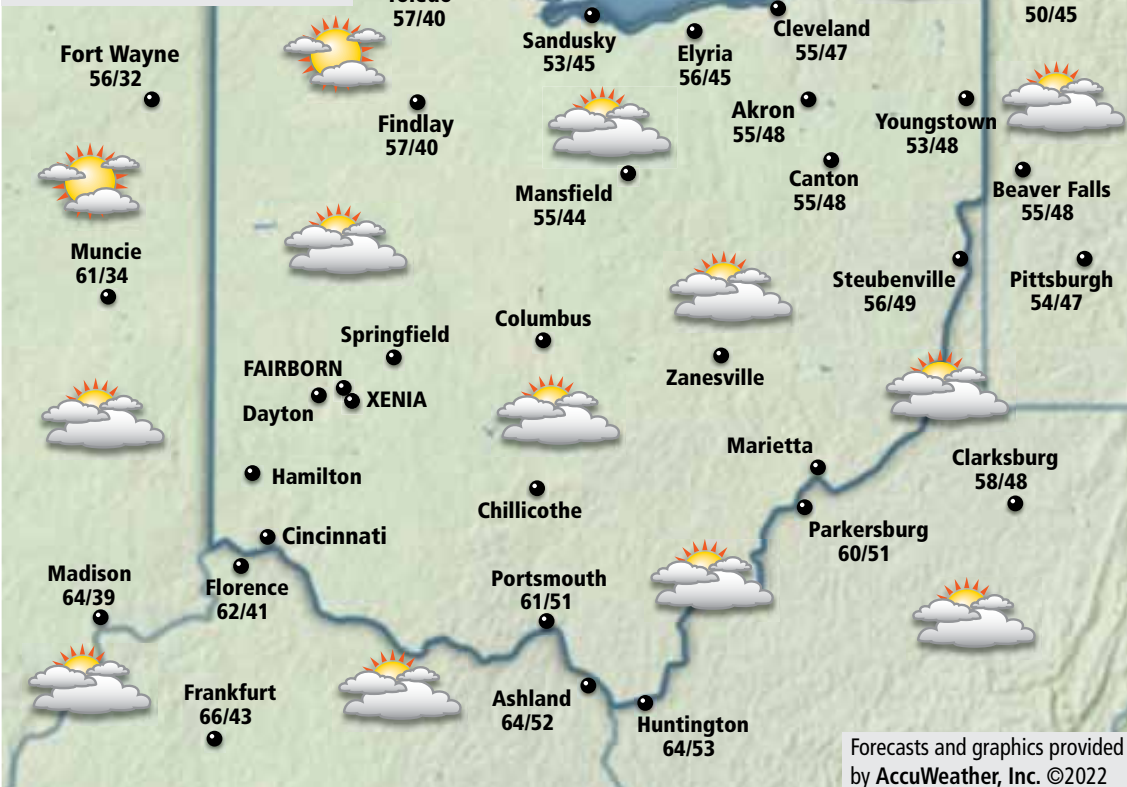
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Greene County Five-Day Forecast

Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
42	55	53	50 23	35 24	49 45	53 28
Mostly cloudy and breezy	Mostly cloudy and breezy	Cloudy and windy; showers late	Cooler with a shower and t-storm	Colder with plenty of sun	Milder; breezy in the afternoon	Cloudy and breezy with a shower

Regional Weather

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



National Cities

W-weather, s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, f-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice

City	Today	Wednesday	City	Today	Wednesday	City	Today	Wednesday
Albuquerque	52/25/r	51/31/s	Honolulu	84/71/sh	83/71/c	New Orleans	76/67/c	70/44/t
Anchorage	6/-/s	13/2/s	Houston	80/52/t	63/40/s	New York City	46/42/s	57/36/r
Atlanta	70/60/s	67/32/r	Kansas City	56/20/pc	36/21/s	Orlando	82/64/s	84/66/c
Baltimore	51/43/pc	61/33/r	Las Vegas	56/37/s	58/41/pc	Philadelphia	50/40/pc	58/34/r
Boston	43/38/pc	57/37/r	Los Angeles	67/48/s	65/52/s	Phoenix	68/47/s	72/49/pc
Dallas	79/36/pc	52/32/s	Miami	85/75/pc	85/72/t	San Francisco	57/42/s	57/48/c
Denver	20/5/sn	32/13/pc	Minneapolis	31/17/sn	24/10/c	Seattle	37/34/c	43/35/sn
Des Moines	42/18/c	29/15/s	Nashville	68/43/t	51/27/r	Washington, DC	53/45/s	62/35/r

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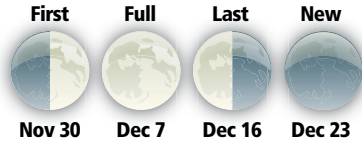
Statistics through Sunday

TEMPERATURES
High/low 57/41
Normal high/low 47/28
Record high 68° in 1990
Record low 9° in 1977

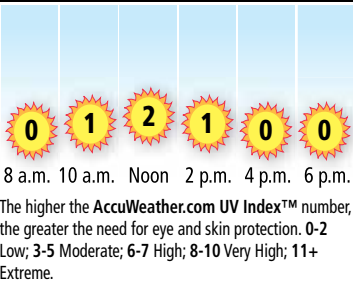
PRECIPITATION
Sunday 0.00"
Month to date (normal) 1.29" (2.52")
Year to date (normal) 35.68" (37.33")
Record precipitation 1.48" (1985)

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 7:35 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:12 p.m.
Moonrise today 1:04 p.m.
Moonset today 11:32 p.m.



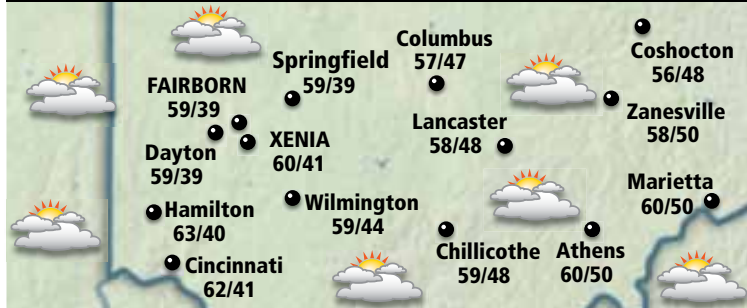
Today's UV Index



Weather Trivia™

Q: What is an anticyclone?
A: It is another name for a high pressure system.

Local Weather



Regional Cities

City	Today	Wednesday	City	Today	Wednesday
Ashland	64/52/c	56/26/r	Indianapolis	60/32/c	38/20/r
Brunswick	55/46/c	51/24/r	Lorain	56/45/c	51/26/r
Canton	55/48/c	54/24/r	Louisville	67/41/c	47/25/r
Charleston	63/52/c	59/27/r	Pittsburgh	54/47/c	55/24/r
Chicago	56/25/c	31/20/c	South Bend	57/28/sh	35/21/c
Detroit	52/41/c	48/25/r	Toronto	44/41/c	49/28/r
Erie	53/47/c	55/30/r	Wooster	53/45/c	53/22/r

World Cities

City	Today	Wednesday	City	Today	Wednesday
Athens	59/54/c	59/57/r	Madrid	52/36/pc	51/37/pc
Baghdad	78/58/c	74/48/s	Moscow	28/18/c	30/20/s
Beijing	26/0/pc	30/10/s	Paris	46/36/c	44/32/c
Buenos Aires	85/70/pc	79/67/c	Rio de Janeiro	80/73/r	82/75/t
Dublin	48/41/c	50/41/c	Rome	57/45/c	58/39/pc
Hong Kong	82/70/s	71/61/c	Seoul	56/17/c	28/10/s
Jerusalem	60/44/pc	62/46/s	Sydney	75/54/s	73/58/pc
London	48/40/c	48/41/c	Tokyo	66/61/r	62/42/c

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