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Competitiveness is not the
bellwether of drawing districts
in the state of Ohio or any other
state and the U.S. Supreme
Court has said that many
times."

Proposals to drop elected
officials as mapmakers have
been around since the 1970s
but failed regularly in the
Legislature. Leadership of the
ruling party always spiked such
bills to retain power.

The last time the question
appeared on a ballot in 1981,
the party roles were reversed.
Democrats controlled state gov-
ernment and opposed the
change.

Republicans have been in
control since 1994. Issue sup-
porters are banking on voter
frustration with a \$300 million
investment scandal in the state's
injured workers' insurance pro-
gram and an ethics scandal that
led to the conviction of
Republican Gov. Bob Taft.
A similar issue will be

over the years to prevent
activity.
"This whole idea about
keeping the politicians account-
able is laughable," Jerse said.

Backers say voting by mail
would ease the long lines at
many polling places in the 2004
presidential election, when
Ohio gave President Bush the
electoral votes needed for vic-
tory. Opponents say there is a
danger of fraud, because voters
would not have to produce
identification to obtain a ballot.

The campaign contributions
proposal would lower the caps
from \$10,000 to \$2,000 for a
statewide candidate and \$1,000
for a legislative candidate.

Reform Ohio Now says it is
a way to take big money out of
campaigns. Ohio First says
loopholes, especially for small-
donor political action commit-
tees that allow \$10,000 contri-
butions to political parties,
would give unions an unfair
advantage.

net of High and Limestone
streets, Springfield.

The program will include
information about domestic and
international adoption including
how to get started, types of adop-
tions, the home study process,
fees and time frames and post-
placement services. November is
National Adoption Month.

A family who has adopted
through Lutheran Social
Services will share information
and answer questions. This local
couple will talk about their adop-
tion of children from Korea and
Ethiopia.

The meeting is free and open
to the public.
Pre-registration encouraged.
To register or to schedule an
individual appointment to dis-
cuss adoption, contact Kim

Tuesday, Nov. 8

The menu consists of bean
soup and cornbread, chili, veg-
etable soup, hot chicken and bar-
becued pork sandwiches, pies,
cakes, assorted desserts and
drinks. Dine in or carryout are
available.

The church is located at 1715
S. Urbana-Lisbon Road,
Plattsburg.

Leaf schedule

Leaf season will begin
Monday, Nov. 7

The week of Nov. 7 —
Northwest, bounded by High
Street and Main Street except
Westmoor and Flax additions.
Week of Nov. 14 —
Northeast, bounded by High
Street and Main Street.

10 - Fashioned Christmas
Nov. 28th starts at 5:30 PM

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Dayton Power and Light Company has
filed an application to implement a distribution rider to recover certain
billing system modification costs. All customers receiving distribution
services through the company would be affected. A public hearing on
this matter, Case No. 05-792-EL-ATA, will be held on November 29,
2005, at 10:00 a.m., at the offices of the Commission, 180 East Broad
Street, Columbus, Ohio 43125, in Hearing Room 11-F, 11th Floor. At
the hearing, the burden will be upon the company to show that the pro-
posed tariff revision is just and reasonable. Further information may be
obtained by contacting the Commission's Hotline at 1-800-686-7826 or,
in Columbus, at 466-3292. The hearing impaired can reach the
Commission via TTY-TDD AT 1-800-686-1570 or, in Columbus, at
466-8180.

