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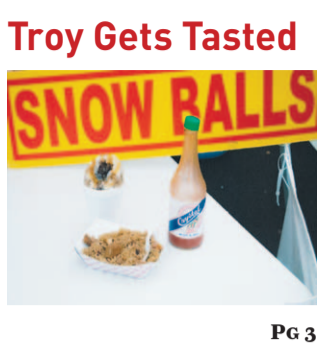
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Chamber Holds State of the State

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County's state senator and state representative, both of Tipp City, talked about what is and what isn't in the state's budget during the State of the State luncheon Sept. 18 in Troy.

State Sen. Bill Beagle, in his second term representing the fifth district, and 80th District State Rep. Steve Huffman, in his first term, made the presentations before a meeting of the county chambers of commerce.

Beagle said he chose to provide an update on the state's two-year budget, "one of the most important things we do."

Through the next two-year budget (which began July 1) the state will spend \$72 billion to educate, medicate and incarcerate, Beagle said, noting a large amount of each state dollar goes to those purposes.

"That is significant because when we run into budget troubles, we have

to go to those sources" for reductions, he said, adding there is particular adversity to cutting spending for children and the elderly.

ments," he said. The legislature also heard people's concerns about testing in schools, Beagle said. "We are changing providers and



State Representative Steve Huffman (left) and State Senator Bill Beagle

This budget does, Beagle said, include a record amount of spending for education. "As we looked at this budget we tried to maintain some consistency. We did drive more money to low capacity schools and more districts on the (funding) formula with adjust-

reducing the amount of time children are preparing for and taking tests." Among other topics touched on by Beagle:

- Taxes. He said tax rates are the lowest since 1982, putting more money in taxpayers' pockets
- The state is boosting its rainy day fund to

\$2 billion to be prepared for any economic downturn

- The senate is working to reduce the infant mortality rate
- More money has been set aside for clean water concerns and at Lake Erie.

Huffman told those gathered that, "What I like about the budget is what was not in the budget - a raise in the CAT tax, no raise in the sales tax. There was raise in cigarette tax, but I can swallow a small raise in the cigarette tax to have a small reduction in personal income tax."

Huffman said legislators would be working on a Healthy Ohio program to ask the federal government for Medicaid waivers so initiatives can be implemented that would reduce costs and help get people off Medicaid. "We are working to do something about it," he said of the Medicaid expansion.

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Troy Student to Perform at Schuster

By Brittany Arlene Jackson

Sunao Masunaga, a junior student and member of the band at Troy High School is receiving much attention and a tremendous honor next month for excellence in flute performance. The Dayton Performing Arts Alliance and the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra will be welcoming Masunaga to the stage of the Schuster Center on October 28th, 2015 for "Musical Mysteries," a two-show morning performance of classical favorites. The opportunity is both exciting and nerve-wracking for the 16 year old girl.

as a career someday," Masunaga said. Her family moved to Troy, Ohio in 2013 and she immediately wanted to join the Troy High School Band.

Since that time, Masunaga has been mentored by Bonnie Jenkins, the flute teacher at Troy High School. According to Band Director Katherine McIntosh, Masunaga has been a student who takes a lot of initiative in music and study. "We've worked to encourage her but Sunao has been very responsible to practice a lot of hours in preparation for this and every performance," McIntosh said. Masunaga said that she practices the flute



"The pressure is intense," Masunaga said. "This will be my first, formal, public performance." Her involvement with the DPO was a part of a competition in which 30 students from local schools in the Greater Dayton area prepared solo pieces that they performed before judges from the DPAA. Masunaga selected Cecile Chaminade's Concertina Pour Flûte in D major, composed in Paris in 1902. In the final judging, three students remained and Masunaga was the student chosen from among the three.

Music has been a journey for Masunaga that began when she learned the flute as a 7th grade student in Japan. "It wasn't until I began to perform with a school band in Japan that I thought I may want to play flute maybe

between two and three hours each day.

According to Katherine McIntosh, in addition to her capabilities in music, Masunaga is a student leader. "She's shy but other students look up to her," McIntosh said. She has even been known to share words of inspiration with her classmates via social media. "The value of a person is measured by its impact on other people," her Twitter account says. Masunaga says that she hopes her solo music will positively affect her audience next month.

Troy High School principal, William Overla, has already granted permission to students who wish to attend Masunaga's morning performances at the Schuster Center.

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County to Get New 911 System

By Nancy Bowman

Miami County commissioners approved the purchase for \$2.5 million of the backbone of a new radio system that will allow police, firefighters and rescue workers to communicate easier with other agencies

The Sept. 17 vote followed extensive review by the Miami County Communication Center, its board and a consultant of options and negotiations with system manufacturer Motorola Solutions.

The purchase does not include new or updates to nearly 900 communication radios used by police, fire and EMS workers across the county. Those purchases will come later.

The county also continues discussions with the Ohio Multi-Agency Radio Communication System, or MARCS, on the type of relationship the county will have with that organization.

Jeff Busch, Communication Center director, answered questions from commissioners before the vote.

He said the switch to the new P25 system will put the center on a platform that can be attached to the MARCS system to "would allow our firefighters, police officers to communicate

in a more proficient manner when they are assisting or need assistance from agencies in surrounding counties." Montgomery and Clark counties are on the platform while other neighboring counties are working in that direction, he said.

The new backbone will continue to use the center's system of communication towers, microwave system and other equipment purchased by the county for more than \$6 million some five years ago.

"All of those put us in position to move to interoperability ... it was a wise investment, and we will continue to use it," Busch said.

Commissioner John "Bud" O'Brien thanked Busch and his staff for work on the new system.

Busch said possibilities for grants for smaller departments are being explored and commissioners earlier were asked if the county can help pay for radios. A decision on county participation has not been made.

The county pays for the center operation and system backbone and system maintenance through the county sales tax. The cost of radio purchases has remained

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Osman - A Rising Star

By Mike Woody

A goal that Megan Osman (Meg Renee) set for herself when in the sixth grade has led her onto the path of a promising musical career. Osman, a senior at Troy High School, started performing when she was 12 and has a full schedule of performing at various events, including at the Tipp City Mum Festival on Sunday, September 27 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.



Osman was born with music in her blood, as her father was a guitar player. He started giving her lessons when Osman was nine. Then it was a few years later that she took the next step towards making her dreams come true in her sixth grade music class. "The teacher told us to write down a musical goal for ourselves that year and I had just bought a giant notebook

containing a single song I had written. On that day I made my musical goal to fill that notebook with songs. That was the moment I truly chose to become a singer/songwriter. I know some people get braces when they are twelve, I set a nearly impossible goal for myself," she said.

Since that day, Osman has filled a number of notebooks with songs, as writing is a passion that ignites her. Whether

it's for an English paper, song lyrics, or anything in between she welcomes the opportunity to express herself through a pen on paper. Many of Osman's songs serves as mirrors to her soul as they lyrics come from within. "First and foremost I'm a writer, I love telling stories and I'm fortunate to also sing and be able combine the two

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TROY AREA SHERIFF REPORTS

Monday, September 14

7:52 p.m. - To N. County Rd. 25A for a report of a dispute. A woman reported that her adopted son was making threats. She said that his mental capacity is slow and he has been very argumentative and defiant to them and has threatened to hurt her several times. The boy was warned for his behavior and said that there would be no more problems this evening.

8:15 p.m. - Traffic stop on Rt. 202 near Rt. 41. The driver said that he has never possessed a driver's license. He was cited for no operator's license and warned for a headlight violation. He and his passengers were picked up by a valid driver and the vehicle was left at the scene.

Tuesday, September 15

9:21 p.m. - To St. Rt. 202 for a report of a domestic disturbance. A woman called 911 and said that her husband was "being verbal" and "put cheese sauce on her." She said she "put garlic sauce on him" and then hung up. When the deputy arrived, he could not make contact with anyone. Dispatch called the residence and the woman said that she was in the shower and would come out when done. She finally came out the back door and informed the deputy that she was fine and no violence occurred. She stated that the deputy could leave. He did so.

Wednesday, September 16

1:08 p.m. - To Staunton Rd. for a report of phone harassment. The caller was contacted and advised not to call the RP any more or they could be facing criminal charges.

Thursday, September 17

3:07 p.m. - To Dogwood Dr. for a report of a scam. A man reported that he had a truck topper for sale on Craigslist. He said that he received a money order for more than twice the sale amount, and the sender asked him to wire the excess back to him. He said he thought it was a scam and confirmed with his bank that the money order was fake. He did

not send any money and informed the scammer to not contact him. He asked that the incident be documented in case of a future incident.

10:03 p.m. - A Crestwood Dr. resident called to report a credit card theft, and was to meet deputies at the Sheriff's office. The case is pending investigation.

Friday, September 18

7:10 p.m. - To 3rd St. for a report of a domestic disturbance. A man reported that his girlfriend is highly intoxicated and started an argument about his alleged drug use. The girlfriend said that she allowed him to live with her for the past 3 months and that she has observed him using drugs. She smelled of an alcoholic beverage and was drinking a beer. She was hard to understand due to her level of intoxication. The man admitted to smoking crack in the last few days but did not possess any at this time. His living area was searched, but nothing found. He called a family member to pick him up for the night.

10:12 p.m. - To Ashwood Ct. for a report of a domestic disturbance. During the argument, a juvenile male made homicidal threats to his mother. He was transported to UVMC for a mental health evaluation.

Sunday, September 20

9:40 a.m. - To Lefevre Rd. for a report of a found item. A man reported finding a cell phone in his front yard. Deputies were able to locate the owner and return his phone to him. He said he had dropped off a friend at a neighboring home last night and it probably fell off of his belt.

3:00 p.m. - To Springcreek-Stringtown Rd. for a report of a theft. A man reported that he is in the process of moving out of his home, and said that a trailer was taken from his home. He is not sure when the trailer was taken. There are no suspects.

Trib BRIEFS

Board approves appropriations
The Troy City Schools Board of Education approved more than \$59 million in appropriations for the current fiscal year Sept. 14.

The appropriations of \$59.7 million were up from last year's \$58.4 million. The general fund appropriation was \$44.8 million, up from \$42.5 million. District Treasurer Jeff Price said the increase was due to a potential need for curriculum, equipment and technology spending.

Permanent improvement spending for this year is set at \$685,000, down from \$1.675 million last year. Price said that difference was due to larger projects undertaken in the past year such as a large roof project at the high school.

Ballot issues wording OK'd

The Miami County Board of Elections Sept. 16 approved the language for 24 issues that will appear on ballots across the county Nov. 3.

Eric Morgan, elections deputy director, said the only ballot language that might change would be on state Issue III, the proposal for commercial production and sale of marijuana for recreational and medical purposes. Board member Jose Lopez said preparing the ballots should move forward with the language approved by the Secretary of State. Changes would be made as legal challenges on wording are decided, he said. The language change statewide was approved later in the week.

The ballot includes two countywide issues: the proposed renewal of the county bridge levy and the renewal of a levy for the Miami County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

Woman guilty of interference with custody

A Troy woman arrested in Las Vegas in 2014 for alleged interference with custody of her then four-year-old daughter was found guilty Sept. 17 of a felony offense in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

Eva Villamor-Goubeaux, 39, was arrested Feb. 27, 2014, on a warrant issued in Miami County following a complaint by her ex-husband that she had taken their daughter and fled the state.

Judge Christopher Gee, who heard evidence in the case last week after Villamor-Goubeaux waived a jury trial, said she and her husband, who were going through a divorce, had a written agreement filed with a court on visitation.

Provisions of that agreement were violated by Villamor-Goubeaux when she fled the state in late November 2013, first

going to New Jersey and then to Nevada, Gee said.

A presentence investigation was ordered. Sentencing is scheduled Nov. 2. Villamor-Goubeaux remains free on a recognizance bond. Gee added a condition to the bond Thursday, ordering her to turn in her passport within 24 hours.

Man pleads in rape from nearly 25 years ago

A Piqua man charged earlier this year with three counts of felony rape for alleged sexual conduct with a person under age 13 between 1989 and 1991 pleaded guilty Sept. 15 to a newly filed rape charge as part of a plea deal.

Braden R. Brelsford, 47, was found guilty of the one count of first-degree felony rape in Miami County Common Pleas Court.

He was indicted by the county grand jury earlier this year after the victim, now an adult, came forward with the allegations to the sheriff's office.

Under the plea agreement, prosecutors will dismiss the original indictment with three rape counts.

Brelsford will waive appeal rights in relation to the statute of limitations and, if the presentence investigation does not turn up any information not already known to prosecutors, a sentence of four years will be recommended jointly by prosecutors and the defense, said Jose Lopez, defense lawyer.

Brelsford will face mandatory time in prison and could be sentenced to up to 11 years. He will be classified as a Tier III sex offender, Judge Christopher Gee said. That designation requires registration of the offender's address with the sheriff's office in the county where Brelsford resides every 90 days for the rest of his life.

Judge Christopher Gee continued Brelsford's release on a recognizance bond. Sentencing is scheduled Oct. 19.

SRO approved for Career Center

The Miami County commissioners authorized Sept. 17 a memorandum of understanding with the Upper Valley Career Center for hiring a School Resource Officer. The center will pay \$27,713 for this school year. The deputy will be on site at the school 80 hours were month.

Deputy Brian Peoples will serve as the SRO.

In other business Sept. 17, the commission purchased three temporary replacement digital video recorders for the sheriff's department for 2,085 for use until a new system is approved and functioning.

Ferguson Pleads Guilty in Rape Case

A 19-year-old Troy man waived a grand jury's hearing of allegations against him and pleaded guilty Monday, Sept. 21, to attempted rape involving a child at a home he was visiting in June.

19, was indicted this summer by a Miami County Grand Jury on a felony count of rape in a June 21 incident when he allegedly had sexual contact with the child.

As part of a plea deal, Ferguson pleaded guilty to attempted rape with a specification that the child was under age 13.

He faces up to 25 years in prison and a \$15,000 fine at sentencing Nov. 2. A prison term is mandatory for Ferguson with the range of possible years 5 to 25. Judge Jeanine Pratt said Ferguson would not qualify for early or judicial release

from prison. He also will be required to serve five years of post release supervision following prison release.

Paul Watkins, assistant county prosecutor, said prosecutors would have more to say at sentencing.

A sex offender classification for Ferguson will be determined at sentencing.

Pratt found Ferguson guilty and ordered the adult probation office to conduct a presentence investigation.

Ferguson remains jailed in lieu of \$500,000 bail.



Nicholas S. Ferguson,

Ohioans Report Surge of Tax-Related Phone Scams

Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine warned that his office has received more than 600 reports of tax-related scams

since Sept. 1. The scams generally begin with a phone call telling consumers they are in trouble with the IRS and must call an out-of-state number for more information. Eventually consumers are asked for money.

In one recent variation of the scam, a consumer receives a call from a "Steve Martin," who claims to work for the U.S. Treasury Department. He says the consumer is facing federal charges and must call a specific phone number, often one with a 757 or 540 area code (Virginia).

Consumers who respond to the calls are instructed to send hundreds of dollars using money transfers or prepaid cards, which are commonly found at grocery or convenience stores. While most consumers do not send any money, a few have reported losing hundreds or thousands of dollars.

"Con artists rely on people becoming so nervous that they send money right away," Attorney General DeWine said. "If you receive one of these calls, don't respond and don't send any money."

Tips for consumers to avoid tax-related phone scams include:

- Don't trust threatening callers. If you receive an unexpected phone call from someone who threatens to arrest you for not paying taxes, be very skeptical, especial-

ly if you never received any written notice. Also don't trust someone who demands that you pay immediately via wire transfer or prepaid card. These are preferred payment methods for scam artists.

- Don't respond to illegal robocalls in any way. Don't interact with the caller, and don't call a number left on your phone or in a message. Responding to a scam call can result in even more calls because it lets con artists know that your phone number belongs to a real person.

- Look into call-blocking options. Check with your phone carrier and third-party services to determine whether call-blocking services could help you stop unwanted calls. (Attorney General DeWine has joined dozens of other attorneys general in encouraging phone carriers to use call-blocking technology to help consumers stop illegal telemarketing calls.)

U.S. Treasury or IRS impersonation scams can be reported to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at www.tigta.gov or 800-366-4484. Consumers also can contact the Ohio Attorney General's Office at www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov or 800-282-0515 for assistance.

Audio of a reported "IRS" scam call is available on the Ohio Attorney General's website.

Area Property Transfers

Property Address	Date	Buyer	Seller	Price
597 FERNWOOD DR	9/2	RALLS BRIAN E	NULL PHYLLIS J	\$0.00
1112 WINCHESTER DR	9/2	GREEN CHASE R	RING JOHN T & NICOLE J	\$198,000.00
20 TROY TOWN DR	9/2	NATIONAL RETAIL PROPERTIES LP	FRISCH MAINLINER INC	\$2,250,000.00
1325 SARATOGA DR	9/3	AULDRIDGE VICKI	BISHOP LURA L & VICKI AULDRIDGE	\$0.00
1301 RED MAPLE DR	9/3	SANDHU SUKHWINDER	SANDHU SUKHWINDER & SURJIT KAUR	\$0.00
617 S WALNUT ST	9/3	MERRELL JOHN R & SUSAN A	MILLS JOAN N	\$57,000.00
320 GARFIELD AVE	9/3	US BANK	DEMANGE BERNARD S & BERTHA A	\$46,667.00
1091 N MYSTIC LN	9/4	MARKER ERIC B	CORRELL ERIC A	\$124,000.00
473 FORREST LN	9/4	VIA MATTHEW T	FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION	\$0.00
906 RACE DR	9/4	RATCLIFF BRUCE A (TR) & DOUGLAS D (TR)	RATCLIFF DOUGLAS	\$0.00
203 RIDGE AVE	9/4	RATCLIFF BRUCE A (TR) & DOUGLAS D (TR)	RATCLIFF DOUGLAS D & BRUCE A	\$0.00
CORPORATE DR	9/4	STAYMAN ANTHONY H	STAYMAN ZERLA M	\$0.00
CORPORATE DR	9/4	ZA60 LLC	STAYMAN ANTHONY H	\$0.00
1540 BEEKMAN DR	9/4	PECK DARLA J	D & S RENTALS INC	\$0.00
1604 BROOK PARK DR	9/4	PECK DARLA J	D & S RENTALS INC	\$0.00
1608 BROOK PARK DR	9/4	PECK DARLA J	D & S RENTALS INC	\$0.00
64 MERRY ROBIN	9/8	STUCHELL NATHAN D & BRITTANI	METRO FRANK S & CRISTOL B	\$190,500.00
1604 GRAY HAWK CT	9/8	HAIGHT SARAH B	NVR INC	\$219,120.00
1550 CORNISH RD	9/8	KIMMEL OHIO LLC	PRANGE JAMES F	\$88,200.00
1550 CORNISH RD	9/8	PRANGE JAMES F	PRANGE BARBARA D & JAMES F	\$0.00
109 PENN RD	9/8	INGLES DOUGLAS L & TORIN N SHEPARD	SHEPARD JUDITH K	\$0.00
435 W TRADE SQ	9/8	TRIVISTA PROPERTIES LLC	DEE RENTAL GOUP LLC	\$105,000.00
2278 E PATTERSON LN	9/8	CRAWFORD JEREMIAH A & NICOLE A	GRILE STANLEY W	\$164,000.00
WALKER ST	9/10	SCHROLUCKE MARK W	SCHROLUCKE MARK W & BEVERLY J	\$0.00
1002 WALKER ST	9/10	SCHROLUCKE MARK W	SCHROLUCKE MARK W & BEVERLY J	\$0.00
1490 MCKAIG AVE	9/10	MCDONALD PAT M	CITIMORTGAGE INC	\$32,000.00
411 ARMAND DR	9/10	MILLER LYNNE K	CARGILL MICHAEL L	\$172,500.00
HUNTERS RIDGE (REAR) DR	9/11	DEWEESE MICHAEL E (TR) & DONNA (TR)	DEWEESE MICHAEL E	\$0.00
TROY URBANA RD	9/11	DEWEESE MICHAEL E (TR) & DONNA (TR)	DEWEESE MICHAEL E	\$0.00
1208 YORK LN	9/11	DENMAN CASEY J	HARRIS GREGG A	\$105,000.00

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Hundreds Taste Troy

By **Brittany Arlene Jackson**

All the local flavor artists of downtown Troy set up booths on the corners of Main Street and Market for Taste of Troy on Saturday, September 19th. The annual event, which began at 11:00 AM and concluded at 4:00 PM, highlighted an eclectic variety of area restaurants and food shops in the city. Everything from Cajun food to cake was showcased to satiate any craving. In addition, entertainment was provided on the main stage in Prouty Plaza and Gordon Orthodontics offered games, prizes, and elaborate face painting for children. This year's Taste of Troy boasted more than 16 participating vendors.

time. I'm loving this." Upon first arriving at Taste of Troy, local residents and visiting festival-goers would stop at the Main Street tent across from Prouty Plaza to purchase tickets for the food and drink they wanted. Individual booths were not responsible for any exchange of money throughout the day. Different food items would require different numbers of tickets and signboards were available at the Main Street tent to help hungry patrons navigate their many options. Some vendors present included La Piazza, Basil's, Little York Tavern, Al's Pizza, Brittney's Cakes, The Cakery, Winans, La Fiesta, and Dunaway's, to name a few. A large beer tent with a Blue Moon tap truck was parked and



Captain Donald Butler, the owner of Ducky's snowball shop and food truck was amazed at the event's turn out despite the rain. He observed families with strollers wrapped in trash bags and numerous umbrellas and ponchos representing the resilience of Taste of Troy attendees. "We've had a steady flow of traffic all day," Butler said. "Either the weather made people hungrier or people are just used to September in Ohio and decided to come out anyway." He served up a meaty jambalaya and numerous flavors of "snowballs," a New Orleans twist on a combination of snow cones and ice cream. Some vendors were amazed by the challenge of keeping up with the quantities of food in demand. Jennifer Sale of Loudmouth Burger had to hurry back to the restaurant amid the bustle of the lunch rush at 1:00 PM to restock her booth. "I had no idea how much food we would go through so quickly," Sale said. "Everyone seems to be having a wonderful

sectioned off in the lot across from Prouty Plaza. Troy Civic Band member and retired Troy band director, John Slonaker and his wife, Linda, shared a walking lunch with Mayor Beamish and his wife Ginny. "The Bakehouse pumpkin squash soup was perfect on a day like today," Linda Slonaker said. Mayor Beamish and his wife enjoyed the gourmet flavors of The Caroline's bourbon mushrooms and ahi tuna and John Slonaker enjoyed Ducky's jambalaya. "It might be cold and wet out here," Slonaker said, "but the food is worth it." A visiting couple, Dan and Pat McElwee, from Eaton echoed Slonaker's sentiment. "We took a detour through the area after a seminar in Tipp City," Pat McElwee said. "It wound up being a perfect lunch stop for us today." Although the couple rarely has an opportunity to be in Troy, they remarked that it's one of their favorite cities. As Pat picked up her little white bag of Winan's chocolates, she said, "Troy simply has it all."

State of State

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Coming this fall will be priority given to charter school reform in the house while water quality issues in Lake Erie and in St. Marys are separate issues, he said. One water concerns is related to farm runoff while the other results from cities' wastewater treatment facilities and phosphorous, he said.

A new fracking tax effective this fall deserves watching, Huffman said,

noting that the Miami Valley area is the top employer for fracking in Ohio with location here of surveyors and engineers and others who travel to the active fracking areas in the eastern part of the state.

Huffman, a physician, also has been appointed chairman of a health efficiency committee. He also gave a brief outline of the three state issues on the November ballot. The issues include redistricting and legalizing marijuana.

ABC Has a New Home

Troy's America's Best Communities (ABC) project has a home in the heart of downtown.

The ABC Community Connection Center is being set up on the first floor of the Coleman, Allen, Sandleman Building on the northeast corner of the Public Square. The building, purchased recently by Troy Community Works, was home previously to David's Shoes and the Amish Furniture store, among other businesses.

The ABC competition was unveiled in fall 2014 to challenge towns and small cities with 9,500 to 80,000 residents to come up with innovative ideas to re-energize their local economy and those of similar size communities.

Troy's project vision is: "To create a community where residents are gainfully employed and experience a lifestyle which is inclusive, safe, productive, and provides a sense of belonging - which comes from being a connected community, individually and collectively."

The Community Connection Center's purpose is to use the space on behalf of the community and to connect with community members.

The space will feature revolving displays by business and industry as well as nonprofits to showcase what they do and their roles in the community. The project home also will provide the ABC committee a place to bring people in, get them involved and hear from them.

Information boards on the ABC effort and its initiatives will be available for viewing by passersby in the building's windows. The boards include information on how people can become involved and connected through the ABC effort.

Information also will be available on the Survey Monkey survey of Troy now being conducted by a Leadership Troy Action Team. The survey can be taken at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/tr/TROYAMERICAS-BESTCOMMUNITY>.

The Community Connection Center will be open on an as needed basis and during special events such as this Saturday's (Sept. 19) Walk to End Alzheimer's, Taste of Troy and Second Story Secrets events downtown. The center's phone number is (937) 335-2578.

Troy was one of 50 communities from 26 states selected earlier this year as a quarter finalist in the \$10 million America's Best Communities competition sponsored by Frontier Communications, DISH, CoBank and The Weather Channel.

JPMorgan Chase is Troy's mentor company, assigned by Frontier, and is donating \$15,000 and expertise to Troy's effort. In addition, Troy was awarded \$35,000 by Frontier as a quarter finalist to which \$15,000 in local funds had to be added as part of competition rules. All funds have to be applied to the local project.

911 System

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largely with local governments and volunteer departments.

A chart shared with the center board Aug. 26 shows how many radios each agency has, how many can be upgraded, how many new would be needed and the estimated cost per department.

For example, the estimated cost for Troy fire and police departments was listed as \$70,000 and \$158,000, respectively.

For Tipp City, the following numbers were listed: EMS, \$12,100; fire, \$20,700; and police department, \$57,000. The sheriff's department was \$122,000.

Board member Jan Mottinger of the Bradford Fire Department

said the department is looking at close to \$50,000 for radios. "I agree we should change," he said of the overall communication system.

He added, though, the radios are the big question. "How are they going to do it?" Mottinger asked of agencies, including those volunteer-based.

Busch told commissioners Sept. 16 he planned to attend the county fire chiefs meeting that evening to discuss grant possibilities.

Among them are a state fire marshal's grant program for departments serving less than 25,000 people and a FEMA program that is open to all size communities and requires a 10 percent match of funds.

Trick or Treat Date Set

Trick or Treat for the City of Troy, Ohio, will be Thursday, October 29, 2015 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Concord Trustees Discuss Issue 3 Concerns

By **Bonnie L. McHenry**

At the September 15, 2015 meeting of the Concord Township Trustees, the trustees welcomed guests, Tony Kendall, Miami County Prosecutor, and Chris Englert, Assistant Prosecutor to the meeting. Tom Mercer, Trustee, asked Kendall about the effect Issue 3 would have on the community should it pass. Issue 3 is a proposed constitutional amendment on the November 3, 2015 ballot that would legalize the medical and personal use of marijuana for persons 21 or older. A doctor's note would be required for the use of medical marijuana. Also, recreational use would be limited to one ounce of the drug or less. If someone wanted to grow marijuana at home for personal use, they would be limited to four flowering plants at a time. However, a license would be required.

Kendall responded that he planned to contact Senator Bill Beagle and Representative Stephen Huffman to encourage them to enact more severe penalties on heroin dealers. He said, "The best way to curb what we are seeing is to send those trafficking to prison. Instead, we are emptying the prisons. While traffickers are waiting on sentencing, they are still selling stuff. I would rather pay for prisons than have these people walking among us. The last three murders in Miami County have all been driven by heroin. There are turf wars, and addicts become physically ill when withdrawing. It is a big problem. Before heroin, we had crack, but this is worse. I'm moving if marijuana is legalized. I believe it is a gateway drug. However, legislation is in place if it is passed to thwart a monopoly."

Mercer also asked if the prosecutor's office was aware of a property on Maple Drive that has been unkempt for years. He said, "The Health Department is involved now, but what really happens when they are arraigned in court?"

Englert replied, "With-

out knowing what they have been specifically charged with, it is hard to say. However, if the issue goes uncorrected, the owners can be charged with contempt, which is an unclassified misdemeanor. Jail time is a long way off in this process. The Health Department can take action to mitigate the problem and charge \$200 a day for noncompliance. Rarely are people thrown in jail."

The purpose of the visit from Englert and Kendall was to submit documents that Englert prepared for the township. Englert advised the township on the vehicle operator amendment that the township wanted to make to the Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual. The procedures now allow the township to monitor employees' driver's license to ensure that township employees are not operating township vehicles under suspended or revoked licenses. The policy will help reduce insurance costs for the township. The trustees approved the amendment to the manual.

Englert also reviewed the agreements the township makes with contractors and users of the building to ensure immunity for the township from liability for any damages caused by the contractors. According to Englert, the township already is protected; however, the agreement provides additional protection for the township.

In other business, the trustees received notification from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) that ODOT determined that the use of passive signage at the Lytle Road railroad crossing was appropriate. No action was required by the trustees.

In addition, the trustees reviewed the FEMA Risk Map Community Mitigation Action Summary. FEMA provided the township with a report that identifies the hazards in the township and assesses the risks and vulnerabilities for the community.

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Student at Schuster

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Katherine McIntosh and Bonnie Jenkins have already expressed their intent to go. "I think it will really inspire the students to see one of their classmates up there playing with the Dayton Philharmonic," McIntosh said. "We hope to con-

tinue to see these opportunities provided to our students."

Masunaga will be performing Georges Bizet's Carmen at the Schuster Center on Wednesday, October 28th. Concertgoers have the option of attending one of two performances, at 9:30 AM and 11:20 AM.

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Obituaries

Doris A. Bright

Doris A. Bright, age 97, of Troy, Ohio, passed away on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at Koester Pavilion in Troy. She was born on September 13, 1918 in Miami Co., Ohio to the late Harry and Mabel (Peters) Kessler. Her husband, Harry O. Bright, preceded her in death on June 12, 2003.



of Denver, CO; four step grandchildren: William Bright of Springboro, Sheri Timmers of Troy, Mindy Sims, of Cincinnati and Ann McMaken of Florence, KY; six great grandchildren; Luke, Emily, Riley, Jessie, Tyler and Erin; and eleven step great grandchildren: John, Kate, Emily, Ashley, Andrew, Kristen, Lindsey, Chelsea, Rachel, Kyle and Chandler.

Doris is a graduate of Lostcreek High School in Casstown. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Troy. Doris worked at Zwiebel's market in Troy for 22 1/2 years. She loved gardening and traveling. Doris was a great seamstress and cook.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 PM on Friday, September 18, 2015 at Baird Funeral Home in Troy. Burial followed in Casstown Cemetery in Casstown, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Miami County, P. O. Box 502, Troy, OH 45373. Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com

Ralph T. Caylor

Ralph T. Caylor, age 36, of Troy, passed away on Monday, September 14, 2015 at his residence. He was born on August 5, 1979 to Susan E. (Handley) Caylor Spitzer of Troy and the late James L. Caylor.



grandfather: Lowell Handley; and his paternal grandparents: Lloyd and Charlotte Caylor.

Ralph was a 1998 graduate of Troy High School and Upper Valley Career Center. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Troy and a former active member of Boy Scouts. Ralph loved John Deere tractors and chasing trains. He was also an avid Ohio State fan.

Services were held at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at First United Methodist Church in Troy with Rev. Dave Leckrone officiating. Burial followed in Riverside Cemetery in Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to Boy Scouts of America, Miami Valley Council, 6550 Poe Avenue, Dayton, OH 45414 or American Cancer Society, 2808 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45206. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Ruth A. Shappie

Ruth A. Shappie, age 94, of Troy, Ohio, passed away on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 at Brookdale in Piqua, OH. She was born on March 29, 1921 in St. Louis, Missouri to the late Charles and Meta (Wotli) Lind. She was married to Carl J. Shappie who preceded her in death on August 4, 2007.

She is survived by her nephew, Walter and Mary Miller and close friend, Pat Barker. In addition to her parents and her husband, Mrs. Shappie was preceded in death by her brother, Charles and her sister, Marie Miller; and close friend, Bill Barker.

She graduated from Roosevelt High School in St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. Shappie was a bookkeeper at the South Side National Bank in St. Louis before moving to Troy with her husband in 1948. She was employed by the City of Troy and

served as payroll clerk prior to being appointed deputy city auditor. She was later a bookkeeper for GM Aero Products for 14 years before she retired. Mrs. Shappie was a member of the First Lutheran Church, Troy; a Life Member of Brukner Nature Center, Troy Senior Citizens, Elks Auxiliary, and the Antique Car Club.

Services were held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, September 22, 2015 at the Baird Funeral Home with Rev. Ric Barnes officiating. Interment followed in Riverside Cemetery, Troy.

Special appreciation to Kindred Hospice for their care and support. Memorial contributions may be made to Brukner Nature Center, 5995 Horseshoe Bend Road, Ludlow Falls, OH 45339. Friends may express condolences to the family through www.bairdfuneralhome.com.

Staunton Trustees Question Legal Support

By Bonnie L. McHenry

At the September 20, 2015 meeting of the Staunton Township Trustees, the trustees reviewed the invoices and the email support received from the attorney that has been representing the township in lawsuits against the annexation of township properties by the city of Troy. The trustees questioned the expense based on the lack of progress they have seen in reversing the trend on the city to annex territory without permission from the township.

In addition, the trustees welcomed an invitation from Don Pence, Trustee of Concord Township to attend one of their township meetings. Pence is interested in exploring how other townships conduct business to determine practices that Concord township can incorporate within their community to better service their population.

The next meeting of the Staunton Township Trustees is scheduled for October 5, 2015 at 7:00p.m. at the Township Building.

Aviation Lecture Series Launches September 30th

On Wednesday night, September 30th, WACO Historical Society will launch the 2015-2016 WACO Aviation Lecture Series. Donald Forney, author of Eyewitness to History at Hickam Field/Pearl Harbor, will be the first presenter of the season and will speak at 7 p.m. in the Willis Wing at WACO Field. Door will open at 6:30 pm. This event is sponsored by Hospice of Miami County and the We Honor Veterans program.

Mr. Forney shares his memories about the Japanese surprise attack at Pearl Harbor and Hickam Field on December 7, 1941. His story revolves around his recollections and experiences from his viewpoint as a twelve year old boy who lived near Honolulu at the time of the event. He was an eyewitness, at

close range, to those first moments during which our country was thrust into the greatest war in the history of the world.

After graduating from Texas A&M University in 1950, Forney entered the Air Force and served from 1951-1953. He attained the rank of Major, and spent his time at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, specializing in metallurgical research.

This presentation is scheduled to last one hour. There is no charge for the event. Donations will be accepted to benefit WACO Historical Society and/or Hospice of Miami County. The WACO Air Museum is located at 1865 South County Road 25A, Troy, OH 45373. For more information, visit www.wacoairmuseum.org or call 937-335-9226.

Osman - A Rising Star

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things I love doing the most. I love that I have a voice as a way to get my stories out," said Osman.

Rather than cover songs, Osman usually performs originals so it's her stories that are heard. She routinely plays at coffee shops, wineries, farmers markets, and festivals. She has performed at the Troy Strawberry Festival for the past several years and this will be her third year at the Mum Festival.

The part that Osman gains the greatest pleasure from by performing is seeing the audience enjoy her music. If someone taps their foot, dances, or sings along fills her with a great amount of pride. "I love seeing connections made with the music and seeing that the audience feels it," she said. "The crowd makes my job even more fun because they make

my songs matter. If there was no crowd the song wouldn't come to life in anyone's heart but mine."

After high school, Osman plans to attend college on the east coast and major in Music Industry. Whether as a vocalist or on the business side, to be a part of the music world is all that Osman has ever wanted to do with her life and is determined to make it a career. She has already achieved more than ever thought possible. "When I was a kid I used to sing Britney Spears in the basement and pretend to be in concert. It's a dream come true that now I get to be on stage and be a ham," she said.

To find out more information, hear some of her music and see where is performing next, visit megrene.com.

Arc Abrasives to Expand

By Nancy Bowman

Troy City Council agreed Monday, Sept. 21, to vacate a storm sewer easement along Corporate Drive to clear the way for Arc Abrasives to buy the land as the site for a new facility.

Council voted unanimously to vacate the easement after being told the city has no need for or any requirement for the easement to remain.

Arc Abrasives announced earlier this year plans to combine its operations now in two buildings and to add equipment in a building to be constructed at 2219 Corporate Drive. The project would add 15 jobs to the existing 99 employees at the business.

In other business Monday, council approved the rezoning of property at 614 S. Crawford St. from M-2 light industrial to OC-1 office commercial.

The planning commission was told this summer that Michael Lyons of Troy, who is buying the building to use as the new home for a fitness/training center, requested the rezoning. The building is at Crawford and

East West streets and the existing zoning will not allow for the fitness center.

The city staff recommended the rezoning, saying the commercial zoning would serve as a better protection for nearby residential areas.

In reminders and council comments, Patrick Titterington, city service and safety director, said contractor Rumpke is delivering the new recycling program toters this week. The new toters will be put in use beginning next week, he said.

Information on the recycling program changes has been sent to residents and will be available on the city's website, he said.

Titterington said the city leaf collection program should begin Oct. 6 depending on weather and the rate leaves fall.

In other comments, Mayor Mike Beamish said the America's Best Communities organization has opened its Community Connection Center on the Public Square, providing information on the effort and offering people the chance to take a community survey.

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The plan provided will help reduce the impact of any disaster by providing information on ways to protect people and property and prevent future damage before a disaster strikes. No action was required by the trustees.

In the road report, Neil Rhoades, Road Superintendent, who was unable to attend the meeting because of work he was completing in the township reported that the county has completed the road paving projects for Concord Township for 2015. Rhoades and his crew are currently berming the roads on Forest Hill and Barnhart roads.

In addition, the township received notification of noxious weeds and high grasses from residents on two properties in the township. The first at 665 N. County Road 25-A was reported because of high grass under the billboard located on the property. The company that owns the billboard is supposed to trim under the sign. However, the property owner agreed to trim if the billboard owner does not mitigate the problem in the next couple of days.

An anonymous caller reported the second property at 1344 Washington Road. The property is at the corner of McCurdy and Washington. It was recently sold and the

owner of the property is unclear at this time. The trustees will keep an eye on the property to ensure that when ownership has been established the high grass is addressed.

The next regular meeting of the Concord Township Trustees is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on October 6, 2015 at the Concord Township Building.

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Warriors Cruise Past Trojans

By Andre' DeVond Jr.

The Troy Trojans (1-3) traveled to Huber Heights to face GWOC powerhouse the Wayne Warriors (4-0) and lose 49-7.

Trojans head coach Matt Burgbacher talks about his team's effort. "I was pleased with our effort. I haven't been able to question that at all. Friday night's game was just a game where we were outmatched. Wayne has some great athletes, a great football team and they were better than us. The one thing they did compared to what we did was they executed much better than we did."

in the quarter. Like the first quarter, the Trojans put together a couple of first downs together but couldn't execute after that. "We put ourselves in some bad situations that we weren't able to get out of," Burgbacher said. The score would be 49-0 going into the half. Coming out of half-time, the Trojans wanted to control what was left of the game. "We wanted to go out and win the second half and win the next play," said Burgbacher. The Trojans were able to put together a scoring drive on the first possession coming out of halftime.



In the first quarter, the Trojans wanted to get off to a fast start and did just the opposite. The Warriors scored four touchdowns in the first quarter. Three of those touchdowns were thrown by Michigan State commit quarterback Messiah DeWeaver. "We knew coming into the game that we had to limit their big plays and force them to drive the ball down field," Burgbacher said. The Trojans were able to get a few first downs on their opening possession but not enough to sustain drives. At the end of the first quarter, the score was already 28-0 and the Warriors were pulling away fast. The second quarter wasn't any different. The Warriors would score another 21 points

Quarterback Hayden Kotwica would link up with wide receiver Hayata Nagata for a 30-yard touchdown, making the score 49-7. Going into the fourth quarter, the Trojans wanted to build momentum off that scoring drive but the Warriors stout defense wouldn't allow it and the game ends with the Trojans losing 49-7. Burgbacher stated that the team's best football is still to come and that each week the team is getting better. The Trojans are going to want to put this loss behind them as they return to Troy and have a fairly equal matchup against another GWOC opponent in the Xenia Bucs (1-3). Last season, the Bucs beat the Trojans 21-14 at Xenia. Kickoff is set for 7 pm.



Tennis Notes: Troy Claims Title

By Jim Dabbelt

The Troy tennis team captured the GWOC title last week with a 4-1 victory over Sidney to clinch the division championship.

Hannah Essick defeated Desire Newton 6-0, 6-0 at the first singles spot, while Maggie Hennessy had no trouble with Marie Butts 6-2, 6-0, and at third singles, Troy's Ashley Bruns lost to Madison Frank 6-4, 6-1. Zoey Scancarcello and Sierra Verstraten easily defeated Hannah Brown and Kathryn Saunders 6-1, 6-0, and at second doubles, it was Meredith Pruitt and Katie Sherrick won 6-1, 6-0 over Naomi Riegel and Auanna Edens.

"It was a great night to win on senior night, and clinch the outright GWOC title," said Troy coach Mark Goldner. "Our two seniors, the team of Zoey and Sierra came through with a victory on their special day."

Also last week, the Trojans lost to Centerville 4-1. Essick defeated Ashley Amiri 6-3, 6-3 at first singles, the lone win for the Trojans. Hennessy lost at second singles to Isa Velez 5-7, 6-4, 6-1, while at third singles, it was Bruns falling to Znadja Marin 6-4, 6-2.

Both doubles teams lost in straight sets. Scancarcello and Verstraten lost to Lili Bashir and Natalie Fishman 6-2, 6-0, while Fulker and Sherrick fell to Emma Higgins and Arianna Carford 6-1, 6-3.

*The Trojans battled Lebanon to a tough 3-2 victory last week. Essick and Hennessy both won at singles, while Scancarcello and Verstraten were victorious at first doubles.

Tipp Tennis- Tipp played in the semifinals of the OTCA State team tournament last week, falling to Chaminade Ju-

lienne 5-0, to watch their record drop to 12-4.

Kennedy Reeder lost to Pleiman 6-2, 6-2 at first singles, while Ladia Conring fell to Douglas 6-0, 6-1, and at third singles, Kueterman lost to Dranchak 6-0, 6-1.

The first doubles team of Ali Merrick and Sophia McDowell fell short to Draeser and Robinson 6-1, 6-2, while Jones and Nordquist lost to Boch and Bice 6-1, 6-0.

Tecumseh Tennis-Greenville defeated Tecumseh 4-1 in a non-league tennis match last week. Karli Mulkey defeated Anja Mentel 6-3, 6-3 at first singles for the lone Arrows win. Falling short at second doubles was Tecumseh's Libby Foland, losing to Anna Mangus 6-2, 6-3. At third singles, Greenville won by forfeit.

Selina Cabrera and Bea Neves lost at first doubles, falling to Greenville's Mallory Rich and Schmitmeyer 6-0, 6-1, while at second doubles, it was Aurora Miller and Nazareth Saverimoutou losing to Milly Hunt and Casey Mallott 6-1, 6-1.

Also last week, the Arrows lost to Kenton Ridge 3-2 in a close league matchup. Mulkey won at first singles over Cassandra Freshour 6-1, 6-4, while Foland also was victorious at second singles over Macy Wallace 4-6, 7-6, 6-2. The other four matches were all won by Kenton Ridge.

*Tecumseh came back with a 4-1 loss to Stebbins last week. Gaining the lone win for the Arrows was Mulkey over Ukhtiyayera 6-0, 6-0. Foland and Miller both lost in the other singles matches, while the doubles teams were defeated also. Neves and Cabrera lost at first doubles 6-3, 5-7, 6-1, and at second doubles, Guzman and Saverimoutou lost 6-2, 6-2.

Trojans Dominate Rams, Move To 14-0

By Jim Dabbelt

Troy walked into the gymnasium at Trotwood last week as the clear favorites in their GWOC volleyball game. Some may be concerned that playing an inferior opponent could be a problem when a team plays down to their competition.

Coach Michelle Owen and the Trojans volleyball team doesn't have to worry about that.

Troy dominated the Rams in 45 minutes, rolling to an easy 25-4, 25-7, 25-10 victory, running their overall record to 14-0 overall.

"We always try to play to our ability, and we have to have things we need to get better at every night," Owen said after the game. "We need to stay focused as a group, focus on the things on our side of the net, and make sure our ball control is good and it usually takes care of itself."

In the opening game, it didn't take the Trojans long to set the tone on how this night would go. A five point service run from Dana Wynkoop put Troy in front 6-0 before Trotwood broke serve and got on the board. Another long run by Katie Jackson of eight consecutive points sent the Trojans in front 13-3.

Miranda Silicott ended the game on a 5-0 run, including two aces, giving the visiting Trojans the win. Game two was again a

fast start for the Trojans. After Trotwood led 1-0, the Trojans ran off nine straight points, including eight straight serves from Camryn Moeller, giving Troy a 9-1 advantage.

After Trotwood closed the gap to 11-4, the Trojans reeled off seven of the next eight points to increase their lead back out to 18-5. The second game ended on five consecutive points from Wynkoop giving Troy a commanding 2-0 lead.

Game three started out differently, as the Rams gained some momentum in the early stages. The host Trotwood squad led 5-1 early before Troy gained the lead. Six straight points, including five from Victoria Holland, gave Troy a 7-5 lead. After the Trojans broke her serve, it was another long run from Drezanee Smith opened up the lead. Smith recorded seven points, and Troy took their lead out to 16-7, and controlled the game from there.

"I thought our front row was solid tonight," Owen said. "I thought our setters did a nice job also tonight."

Holland led Troy with eight kills and Silicott added six, while Wynkoop added 11 assists.

Also last week, Troy defeated Greenville 25-8, 25-3, 25-16.

Troy hosts Sidney tomorrow night, and Piqua next Tuesday night in their final home game.

THS, TCHS Sports Notes

Troy Boys Golf - The Trojans defeated Sidney in easy fashion last week 154-181, behind a 34 from Troy Moore, and a 36 from Holden Scribner.

Also for the Trojans, Nate Uhlenbrock and Austin Rank each added a 42.

Troy Christian Boys Soccer - It was a solid Metro Buckeye Conference win last week, as the Eagles defeated Miami Valley 5-2. Jon Slone and Andrew Strait each scored twice in the win for Troy Christian, while Jared Trimbach added a goal and two assists.

James Bryantm Tristan Miller and Brenden Pohle each added an assist.

Jackson Kremer had a strong game in the goal, as the Eagles earned the tough win.

Troy Boys Soccer



Troy continued their strong start to the season, with a 4-1 victory over Greenville in the Greater Western Ohio Conference last week.

Leading the way for the Trojans was Jake Diffenderfer with two goals on offense, while Grant Holland and Ben Schreiber each added a single goal for the Trojans.

Dishing out assists were Spencer Covault and Hampton.

*Also last week, the Ea-

gles lost to Xenia Christian in a Metro Buckeye Conference battle 6-1, as Andrew Strait scored the lone goal for Troy Christian in the loss.

Troy Girls Soccer - The Trojans had no trouble with Greenville last week in girls' soccer action, rolling to an easy 7-0 victory. Maddy Innes and Whitney Webb each scored twice for the Trojans, while Sierra Besecker, Kailyn Hatfield and Ciena Miller each scored once. With assists were Besecker, Webb, Olivia Westfall and Kelsey Walters.

Troy Christian Volleyball - Emmanuel Christian swept three games from the Eagles last week 25-15, 25-19, 25-22. Kathryn Lee led the Eagles with 12 digs,

10 kills and five blocks, while Jenna Bullock had 11 assists. Rachel Winters added five assists and digs.

"Both of those girls also had many good plays that didn't show up on the stat sheet," said Troy Christian coach Mary Jo Weisenbarger. Senior Kristen Winter also had 10 digs for the Eagles.

On Saturday, Troy Christian lost to Northwestern 25-5, 25-15, 25-16.



Schedules

Wednesday, September 23

8:30 a.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf @ Beechwood Golf Course

7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer @ Trotwood-Madison

Thursday, September 24

TBA - Troy HS Girls Tennis in GWOC Tournament @ home

8:30 a.m. - Troy HS Boys Golf @ Beechwood Golf Course

4:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Golf vs. Emmanuel Christian & Xenia Christian @ Miami Shores

5:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Boys Soccer @ Xenia Christian

6:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Soccer vs. Newton

7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Volleyball vs. Sidney

Friday, September 25

TBA - Troy HS Girls Tennis in GWOC Tournament @ home

7:00 p.m. - Troy HS

Football vs. Xenia
7:30 p.m. - Troy Christian Football @ Covington

Saturday, September 26

9:00 a.m. - Troy Christian Cross Country @ Sidney Invitational
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer vs. Bellbrook
9:40 p.m. - Troy HS Cross Country @ Centerville

Monday, September 28

4:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf vs. Tippecanoe
7:00 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Soccer vs. Miamisburg

Tuesday, September 29

3:30 p.m. - Troy HS Girls Golf vs. Miami East
4:00 p.m. - Troy HS Boys Golf @ Springboro
5:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Boys Soccer vs. Bethel

5:00 p.m. - Troy Christian Girls Soccer @ Middletown Christian
6:15 p.m. - Troy Christian Girls Volleyball vs. Middletown Christian

Tip Of The Week

BY SGT. JJ MAURO
Tipp City Police Retired

Underage Alcohol Parties

School is back in session and with that are children coming of age, dates, proms, sporting events, beer parties, sleep overs, hormones raging; well you get the gist of the yearly theme. Taken individually each of these activities are normal rites of passage and don't we all have fond memories of our teenage years. The one ingredient in all these fun times that can turn it into tragedy is the alcohol.

Yes, everyone shrugs it off and says, "Kids will be kids." Or "They will drink anyway, so let them do it safely at our house where we can keep an eye on it and confiscate the keys." In theory it may sound reasonable, but tragedy seems to find a way of showing its ugly face. Have you ever heard of a second set of keys? When you were a teen how many times were you able to sneak out of the house without the parent's knowing?

Just go to a web browser and put in drunken parties and see all the video's of what can go wrong. The first page that came up for me was a list of sites of drunk and hot party girls. Think of the discussion when an 11 year old girl asks her mother if the story her friend's mom told about their drunken antics were true.

How about the story of the high school sport phenom who was cut from his college team and dropped out of college due to becoming a raging teenage alcoholic? Any sport fan can tell you of those stories.

So tragedy doesn't strike and nobody is killed or maimed for life from a teen alcohol party.

But what about the kids who get arrested for underage consumption or possession of beer? Automatically suspended from the team, band or extra-curricular activity. A school suspension, appearance in court resulting in a conviction for a first degree misdemeanor. Perhaps an OVI charge which also carries the same penalty. Along with driver's license suspensions.

Then of course there is the parent who allowed the party and even was proud of confiscating all the car keys. They also get charged with a first degree misdemeanor and depending on the outcome, will most likely see some jail time. Along with law suits from the parents of the other "Children" who were damaged by the reckless behavior of the parent who took on the role of parent for the evening and allowed illegal activities.

What about the reputation of the girl who can't handle her first drunk and allows a boy or boys to introduce her to parenthood at the age of 14? Even if it was rape, the parents of the girl will tell her to remain silent so as not to make the situation any worse.

Folks I have seen it, been there wanting to make arrests but parents refusing to allow their child to cooperate. Or the parent who lies for their child so as not to ruin a budding college career. That parent is not doing any proper parenting and what kind of example has the child learned?

Sure I can preach about all this. I have seen it and I don't have children of my own. What the intent here is not to scare anyone into obeying the law. Just understand that there are consequences, and life is full of them. Notre Dame Coach Lou Holtz said it best, "Do the right thing."

Gardening Commentary

BY MEADOWVIEW GROWERS

It's Fall, Time to Get my yard ready for winter.

Now that the days are shorter and flowers are fading is there really anything I must do in my landscape or garden? I'd like to take a break! It's a slower time but there are a few things we should think about doing.

It's time to be getting ready for winter. If we don't take care of these items we can create more work and possibly expense for ourselves later. They are no biggies so just relax and pace yourself. Enjoy!

- Some of us are missing the rain that has been in the area lately and our yards are dry, very dry down deep. Be sure the plants in your landscape, particularly those evergreens and trees and shrubs planted this year, are kept well watered now and when the ground begins to freeze. Don't let plants go into winter dry. Serious damage can occur if this happens.
- Don't forget to disconnect hoses from outside faucets before freezing temperatures occur or you can experience some costly repairs from freezing pipes.
- Avoid letting leaves accumulate on lawn areas. They should be removed while they are dry. Compost them for an excellent additive to your garden soils. When the leaves become wet and packed together on your turf they can cause serious damage resulting in dead areas and excessive weeds like crabgrass can develop in the lawn in the future or the necessity to reseed lawn areas.

• Winter weeds like dandelions and chickweed will continue to grow in the late fall, surviving the winter and they will explode in early spring causing major clean-up problems just when you are the busiest in the spring. Dig them out of your flower beds this fall.

• Be sure to feed your lawn so your yard goes into the winter months well fed and ready to start spring growth with vigor that will crowd out weeds. This is the most important feeding all year.

• Any pruning that needs to be done should wait until the mid November so new growth is not stimulated. Late growth in the fall may not "harden off" adequately and damage can occur to this new growth from cold temperatures coming soon.

• Clean off any annuals that are looking rather ugly. It is a good time to put down some fresh mulch after the clean up to protect the roots of your plants and to give a fresh look to the landscape. Less than an 1" in depth will be ample if you al-

ready have mulched these areas earlier this year.

• You can cut back any ugly perennials like dead daylily stalks or damaged leaves. If the seed heads from other perennials are appealing to you, leave them. When the snow flies they will add another dimension to your garden. The stems many times will collect leaves and these leaves will provide some protection to the roots of the perennials.

• It is time to clean off the vegetable garden. Dispose of all the tomato plant debris, especially if you had any problems with your tomato plants dying back. If you are going to leave the plant debris be sure to stack any tomato debris away from the area where you plan to plant tomatoes next spring. Happy gardening, enjoy the slower pace of the fall season. Go to meadowview.com or send an email to info@meadowview.com with your question or comments.

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At Home

BY CONNIE MOORE

September Recipes

Last week was an exploration into three recipe boxes belonging to three local women who each had a significant

amount of recipes stored under S.

If you recall, Hilda's stash consisted of sauces and soups to serve family. Martha saved loads of salad and salad dressing recipes, serving them at luncheons and dinners. Evah baked scones by the dozen for

afternoon tea with a friend.

Here are some of the more noteworthy recipes from each box.

Contact Connie at mooredcr@juno.com or Box 61, Medway, OH 45341



BASIC SCONES

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
 - 4 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 cup cold butter, cut into small pieces
 - 2 eggs, beaten
 - 6 tablespoons milk or cream
- Sift flour, baking powder and salt twice into mixing bowl. Cut butter into it until small crumbs form. Add eggs that have been beaten with the milk. Mix just until incorporated.

Turn out onto floured board. Pat together into 1/2-inch to 3/4-inch thick. Cut into rounds with floured cutter. Place on greased cookie sheet. Can be brushed with milk or water and sprinkled with sugar if desired. Bake in hot oven 400 degrees for 12-15 minutes until golden brown and firm to touch. Serve warm with plenty of butter and jam or jelly.

WHITE SAUCE

- 2 tablespoons butter
 - 2 tablespoons Bisquick baking mix
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1/8 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 cup milk
- Heat butter in a saucepan over low heat. When just melted, stir in baking mix, salt and pepper. Cook over low heat, stir constantly. Mixture should be smooth and bubbly. Re-

ORANGE-GREEN SALAD

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 - 2 teaspoons prepared mustard
 - 3/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1 tablespoon lemon juice
 - 3 cups shredded cabbage
 - 1 cup grated carrots
 - 1/2 cup raisins
- Combine first four ingredients. Place cabbage, carrots and raisins in mixing bowl. Pour dressing over all and toss well. Chill thoroughly and toss again before serving. Makes 4-6 servings.

move pan from heat. Stir in milk. Put pan back on low heat and stir constantly until it comes to a boil. Cook one minute until it thickens. Makes about one cup. If you want cheese sauce, stir in 1/2 cup shredded cheese and 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard over low heat, just until cheese is melted and can be blended into sauce. If desired, flour can be substituted for baking mix.

MARTHA'S PALETTE OF FRUIT

- 6 large, firm apples
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- 1 cup red cinnamon candies
- 8 pear halves
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup water
- Green food coloring
- 1-2 drops peppermint flavoring
- 1 pkg. (3 oz.) cream cheese
- 8 cling peach halves, drained
- 1/2 cup vinegar
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup peach juice
- Stick cinnamon
- 8 whole cloves

For apples: Make syrup of sugar, water and red cinnamon candies. Peel and core apples. Cut in half horizontally. Simmer apples in syrup until transparent and tender but still firm. Remove from syrup. Drain well. Chill well.

For pears: Make syrup of sugar and water. Cook 3 minutes. Add food col-

oring and peppermint flavoring (just a few drops). Add pear halves and heat to boiling. Remove from heat. Place fruit and syrup in bowl and chill well.

For peaches: Make syrup of vinegar, sugar and peach juice. Add stick cinnamon and cloves. Cook for 3-4 minutes. Pour syrup over peach halves in a bowl. Chill well.

To assemble platter: On large platter, arrange drained pears in tight circle in center of platter. Fill centers with piped rosettes of softened cream cheese. Arrange drained peach halves around the pears. Fill peaches with rosettes of softened cream cheese or leave plain. Arrange apple halves around edge of peaches. Serve fruits on salad plates lined with crisp lettuce leaves.

Enough for at least 8 servings. Adapted from Capper's Farmer Magazine, unknown date.

CREAMY CHOCOLATE SAUCE

- (No-cook sauce from Pet Milk)
 - 1 pkg. (4 1/2 ozs.) chocolate instant pudding
 - 2/3 cup light corn syrup
 - 1 small can (2/3 cup) Pet Evaporated Milk
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
- Use a blender or electric mixer for this recipe. Mix pudding and syrup. Gradually add milk. Blend well. Mix in vanilla. Chill until thickened. Serve over ice cream, puddings, cakes, or fruit. Refrigerate any leftovers.

MUSTARD SAUCE

- (from Pet Milk)
 - 2 tablespoons butter
 - 3 tablespoons prepared mustard
 - 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1 small can (2/3 cup) Pet evaporated milk
 - 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 - 2 tablespoons finely chopped parsley
- Melt butter in saucepan. Blend in mustard, Worcestershire sauce, and milk. Mix well. Add lemon juice and parsley. Heat through. Serve over ham slices, baked ham squares, or other meats.

BOUNCE BERRY-ORANGE SCONES

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 1/8 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon shredded orange peel
 - 1/2 cup cranberries (bounce berries), chopped
 - 1/4 cup chopped pecans
 - 1 egg, beaten
 - 1/3 cup orange yogurt
- Orange juice and sugar for tops. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Grease cookie sheet. In mixing bowl, sift flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Stir in orange peel. Stir in cranberries and nuts. Make a well in the center. Blend together egg and yogurt and pour into well. Stir just until moistened. Turn dough out on floured surface. Gently pat and fold until dough is shaped into a smooth mound. Divide in half. Place each half onto greased cookie sheet. Pat each half into a 4-inch circle. Cut each into six wedges. Brush tops with orange juice and sprinkle with sugar. Bake 15-18 minutes or until done. Remove, separate wedges, cool. Serve with butter, orange marmalade, cranberry jelly or clotted cream.

CHILI SAUCE

(Card marked from kitchen of Esther Steele)

- 8 cups peeled tomatoes
 - 1 large bunch celery
 - 2 mangos (green peppers)
 - 4 large onions
 - 1 tablespoon whole allspice
 - 1 tablespoon whole cloves
 - 1 tablespoon stick cinnamon
 - 2 cups sugar
 - 2 tablespoons salt
 - 1 1/2 cup vinegar
- Grind tomatoes, celery, mangos and onions. Mix in a large, non-reactive kettle. Tie the allspice, cloves and stick cinnamon in cheesecloth and add to pan. Add sugar and salt. Stir well. Cook down to desired thickness. Then, add vinegar and cook down again. Put in hot jars, seal. Using boiling water bath, process 15 minutes for pints.

From the Pulpit

BY PASTOR FREY

You owe it to _

Advertisers know how to appeal to human nature. They use their knowledge of human nature to sell their products. One of the common advertising appeals says, "You owe it to yourself." They tell us, "You owe it to yourself to have this convenience, comfort or pleasure." A variation of this would be, "You deserve this."

This appeals to us because we are concerned about ourselves. For example, if our income increases, we immediately begin to think of how we can use the extra money to buy things we want for ourselves. And there is finally no end to it. If we have good things, we want better things.

This becomes a way; of life which can amount to an obsession. And our whole life revolves around our own selfish desires. Our life becomes directed to the one purpose of gratifying and

serving ourselves.

But we didn't create ourselves, God did. We are completely dependent on God. Everything we have and enjoy we owe to God. All the physical things God has given to us will pass away. But he has given us even greater blessings. God has paid for our sins. He assures us of his never-ending love. He gives us lasting hope and promises. Everything we are and hope to be are the result of his love and blessing.

You owe everything to God. You can ignore this, but it is a fact. We didn't begin our own life. And we depend on God to sustain us. Our life and future are tied to God. When you think about this, then it becomes clear that your life should not be devoted to honoring and serving yourself, but it should be devoted primarily to honoring God.

The question now is, how can we honor the Lord? The Psalm writer asks the question, "How can I repay the Lord for all his goodness to me?" That is what

we want to do if we recognize the Lord as the source of everything good in our life.

We can honor God by the way we use the blessings he has given to us. We can honor God by giving him first place in our hearts. We can honor God by giving him first place in our schedules.

Finally, it is a question of whether we want to honor the Lord, or whether we just want to honor ourselves, which is our natural inclination. What we need to do is to look at the Lord's grace and mercy and his blessings on us. We are nothing by ourselves. We are sinners. We deserve nothing. And yet the Lord has saved us, promising believers freedom from eternal death and damnation. He has blessed us with all the physical things we need and more.

If we want to express our gratitude, honor the Lord.

(Pastor Marc Frey is the pastor at Peace of Our Savior Lutheran Church (WELS) New Carlisle, OH www.peaceofoursavior.net)



Rescue Me

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Tax Tips

WITH ARROWHEAD TAX SERVICE

Ten Key Tax Facts about Home Sales

In most cases, gains from sales are taxable. But did you know that if you sell your home, you may not have to pay taxes? Here are ten facts to keep in mind if you sell your home this year.

1. Exclusion of Gain. You may be able to exclude part or all of the gain from the sale of your home. This rule may apply if you meet the eligibility test. Parts of the test involve your ownership and use of the home. You must have owned and used it as your main home for at least two out of the five years

before the date of sale.

2. Exceptions May Apply. There are exceptions to the ownership, use and other rules. One exception applies to persons with a disability. Another applies to certain members of the military. That rule includes certain government and Peace Corps workers. For more on this topic, see Publication 523, Selling Your Home.

3. Exclusion Limit. The most gain you can exclude from tax is \$250,000. This limit is \$500,000 for joint returns. The Net Investment Income Tax will not apply to the excluded gain.

4. May Not Need to Report Sale. If the gain is not taxable, you may not need to report the sale to the IRS on your tax return.

5. When You Must Report the Sale. You must report the sale on your tax return if you can't exclude all or part of the gain. You must report the sale if you choose not to claim the exclusion. That's also true if you get Form 1099-S, Proceeds from Real Estate Transactions. If you report the sale, you should review the Questions and Answers on the Net Investment Income Tax on IRS.gov.

6. Exclusion Frequency Limit. Generally, you may exclude the gain from the sale of your main home only once every two years. Some exceptions may apply to this rule.

7. Only a Main Home Qualifies. If you own more than one home,

you may only exclude the gain on the sale of your main home. Your main home usually is the home that you live in most of the time.

8. First-time Homebuyer Credit. If you claimed the first-time homebuyer credit when you bought the home, special rules apply to the sale. For more on those rules, see Publication 523.

9. Home Sold at a Loss. If you sell your main home at a loss, you can't deduct the loss on your tax return.

10. Report Your Address Change. After you sell your home and move, update your address with the IRS. To do this, file Form 8822, Change of Address. You can find the address to send it to in the form's instructions on page two.

If you purchase health insurance through the Health Insurance Marketplace, you should also notify the Marketplace when you move out of the area covered by your current Marketplace plan.

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Financial Focus

Provided by Matt Buehrer, Thrivent Financial

Time for a financial checkup!

For most people, checkups are a regular part of life. Dental visits, auto maintenance appointments and even glances in the bathroom mirror all help people monitor performance, catch potential problems and assure that all is - or will be - well.

What's true of teeth, engines and grooming is also true of finances: regular checkups are required. Why? Changes both great and small affect the strategies people have developed to achieve their financial goals. Unfortunately, too many people act as though once their financial program is in place their work is done. This isn't so.

As a general rule, people should review their financial program at least once each year. Certain life changes - the birth or adoption of a child, a change in marital status (married, divorced, widowed), the death of a family member or changes to one's health - should serve as reminders that a financial tune-up is in order.

Other changes in personal economics can also have a huge impact on people's financial programs. These may include shifts in employment status or salary (e.g. loss of job or a pay cut/freeze), home ownership changes, significant changes in total assets or debt, the receipt of an inheritance, and tax law changes can all make previous plans obsolete. It is a rare person who

hasn't been affected in the last 12 months by changes in the economic landscape, yet many people don't stop to consider how these changes affect their overall financial program.

How can a person perform a financial checkup? For those with a do-it-yourself mentality, a number of print and electronic resources exist to help them monitor their finances. However, most people can benefit from the knowledge, experience and insight that financial services professionals offer.

Qualified financial professionals can help people evaluate their present financial strategies and keep abreast of new laws, regulations, products and economic developments. Even more important, financial professionals can challenge unrealistic assumptions people may have and help them overcome money management's greatest threat: procrastination.

To live is to experience change. How and where change will appear is impossible to predict, but a financial checkup is one sure way to make certain a person's financial objectives - and his or her sense of financial confidence - keep pace with all that occurs.

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Letter to the Editor

Another bloody American summer when 4,080 people killed by gun fire. More than 9000 wounded. The totals amount to 257 more killed and 1,424 more wounded than during last summer between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

This summer may go down as a reminder of the downside of the public tendency to fixate on mass shootings while ignoring other types of gun violence. Many gun deaths take place within four walls such as a mother of three was fatally shot by her boyfriend in Covington, Tennessee, a man murdered by his brother in Toledo, Ohio, and a fire fighter was shot at home by a woman in Jackson County Mississippi it all is called domestic violence. The number from gun violence archive tell that there have been hundreds of domestic victims this summer. Ohio has no laws specifically aimed at restricting access to firearms by domestic

abusers. Much more can be done to keep guns out of the hands of dangerous persons, including convicted domestic violence misdemeanants, stalkers, and subjects of domestic violence protection orders. From 2003 to 2012, 53.1 percent of female domestic violence homicide victims in Ohio were killed with guns.

A universal background check bill that would close loopholes, has been introduced in the Ohio Legislature, unfortunately HB78 hasn't received much attention from the house state government committee, who has instead focused on moving forward gun lobby back bills.

Call your representative Troy and Tipp City Stephen Huffman 614-466-8114 E; mail rep80@ohiohouse.gov The Ohio speaker of the house Cliff Rosenber E; mail rep91@ohiohouse.gov

Now's the time to act!

George Riegler
Troy, Ohio

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8411 MILTON-CARLISLE RD. Fri Sep 25, 9-4. Wood swingset w/slide, antiques, glassware, vintage duck decoys, vintage Christmas items, plenty for everyone all priced to sell

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MEDWAY 3750 OSBORN RD Runs off Gerlaugh Rd. Sep 24, 25 & 26, 10-6. pictures, misc. household items, furniture, adult & kids clothes, dishes, bedding, electronics, toys & much more.

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What to Do in Troy

"Cardio" Yoga Classes
September 23, 6:15-7:30 p.m.

Piqua YWCA
 Join Katie Nardechchia for a new 5 week session of "Cardio" Yoga at the YWCA Piqua beginning September 23. Classes will run from 6:15-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday nights. "Cardio Yoga is vigorous exercise with cardio, strength building, core work, "Asanas" and meditation all wrapped into one. "It's a great mental workout with more calories burnt," said Nardechchia. "Interested students can take both the Monday night Yoga classes and/or the Cardio Yoga class and really get a workout," she added.

"Each class will begin with centering which involves emphasis on the breath. This allows participants to become centered and grounded for the practice," added Nardechchia.

Throughout the class a variety of "asanas," (postures), will be taught and practiced. Some of these postures are seated and some are standing. According to Nardechchia, "The standing postures help us with balance which becomes increasingly important as we get older." Classes end with relaxation which leaves those in the class feeling rejuvenated and most importantly, present in the moment. Students should bring a bath towel, sash and mat to class.

For more information on membership requirements, class fees or registration, stop at the YWCA Piqua at 418 N. Wayne St. or call 937-773-6626.

Tipp City Mum Festival
September 25-27, all day
Tipp City Park
 Friday night Cruise-In, Saturday the Mum Festival Parade followed by festival activities at the City Park, Sunday festival activities. Live entertainment both Saturday and Sunday!

Good Old Fashioned Campfire "We are the Stars that Sing"
September 26, 8:00-10:00 p.m.

Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Good Old Fashioned Campfire "We are the Stars that Sing" program on September 26 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist, Spirit of Thunder, for a good old fashioned campfire, stories and music. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104.

Preschool in the Park "Birds"
September 26, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its Preschool in the Park "Birds" program on September 26 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Join park district naturalist Gecko Jody as she leads the group in song, story, play and a toddler sized hike. The fee is \$3.00 for each class. Class size is limited to 12, class minimum is four. Pre-registration required. Register for the program by going to the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104. Credit card payments are now accepted online at time of registration.

Naturalist Adventure Series "G.P.S. Path Finder"
September 27, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Charleston Falls Preserve

The Miami County Park District will hold its monthly Naturalist Adventure Series program "G.P.S Path Finder" on September 27 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Charleston Falls Preserve, 2535 Ross Rd. south of Tipp City. Drop by to learn all about G.P.S. navigation. Register for the program by going to

the program calendar at MiamiCountyParks.com, e-mailing register@miamicountyparks.com or calling (937) 335-6273, Ext. 104. Drop-ins are welcome.

Yoga Classes
September 28, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.
Piqua YWCA

Ever thought about taking Yoga classes? Join Katie Nardechchia for the new 5 week session of Yoga at the YWCA Piqua beginning September 28. Classes will run from 6:15-7:30 p.m. on Monday nights.

"Yoga is a physical, mental and spiritual discipline originating in ancient India. The goal of Yoga is the attainment of a state of perfect spiritual insight and tranquility and the ultimate improvement of one's health," said Nardechchia

"Each class will begin with centering which involves emphasis on the breath. This allows participants to become centered and grounded for the practice," added Nardechchia.

Throughout the class a variety of "asanas," (postures), will be taught and practiced. Some of these postures are seated and some are standing. According to Nardechchia, "The standing postures help us with balance which becomes increasingly important as we get older." Classes end with relaxation which leaves those in the class feeling rejuvenated and most importantly, present in the moment.

For more information on membership requirements, class fees or registration, stop at the YWCA Piqua at 418 N. Wayne St. or call 937-773-6626.

Rhythm & Roots Festival
October 3, 11:30 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Troy-Hayner Cultural Center

The Troy-Hayner Cultural Center will be celebrating the roots of our American Musical heritage this fall with an all-day music festival.

The Festival will open at 11:30 on October 3rd with a dulcimer presentation by the local organization, the Mountain Dulcimer Society of Dayton.

Using two stages and six bands, we will explore the roots of our American musical traditions.

At noon the Whipstitch Sallies will bring us the roots of bluegrass. Our roots of rock band will be The Finnigan-Denson Project at 1:00, Roots of gospel will be performed by Sweet Betsy at 2:00.

At 3:00 Daniel Dye and the Miller Road Band will explore the roots of folk and Brian Keith Wallen will bring us the roots of blues at 4:00.

At 5:30 our featured musicians are The Elements with Sandy and Michael Bashaw and Rick Good and Sharon Leahy. Rick Good was a founding member of the bluegrass group, the Hotmud Family and more recently has performed with the Red Clay Ramblers. They are known for their creative jazz intonations and innovative concerts. These four musicians come together as The Elements combining the musical sensibilities of both jazz and bluegrass in a new way that neither melds nor fuses the genres. This concert will bring new listening and new insight to the roots of our American musical heritage of music.

The festival will also feature Lunch on the Lawn with grilled-on-site hamburgers from the Troy Meat Shop. Cajan Specialities will be serving bourbon chicken, bayou trash (and more!) Plenty of children's activities and fun-stuff will be going on in the Art Studio. In the East Room a variety of our downtown Troy businesses will bring related items to peruse and purchase. Around About Books will have vintage and music related books, CDs and albums. Sound City Music will have a booth of musical instruments and information about music classes. You will find wooden flutes and cigar box guitars hand-crafted by local artist Paul Nelson and eclectic vintage items from 3 Weird Sisters as well as other uniquely Troy items. Artist Jenn Noren will do an on-site painting, which some lucky guest will have the opportunity to take home. There is no admission fee

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Rotarians Focus on Sustaining Good Health

Each of us endures stress in life. Stress sources might be physical, financial, emotional or mental and can have a negative impact on our overall well-being. It's this negative effect of stress that Dr. Andrew Burns (pictured) knows all too well. He shared insights on how to manage entire body wellness with Troy Rotarians during their weekly meeting on September 15, 2015.

reactions stress causes. Holistic solutions, such as maintaining homeostasis through healthy eating, exercise regimens and calming behaviors, can



help regulate common health problems. When unhealthy symptoms are not corrected, serotonin levels decrease, good sleep is shortened and the body's immune system is compromised. Addressing the mental and physical aspects of stress is key to managing the body's ability to improve immune system protec-

tion and fight off diseases. Burns cited Malcolm Gladwell's book, *Outliers: The Story of Success* (2011), as an excellent resource to identify those outside stresses. For more information, visit www.livingwellspinecenter.com.

Troy Rotary Club members are always looking for new topics to share at weekly meetings. If you are interested in presenting your business or organization, please visit the Troy Rotary Web site at www.troyrotary.org and submit your information in the "Contact Us" section. Troy Rotary is a member-involved, goal-oriented service club focused on socio-economic issues that have an impact both locally and internationally. You can follow their activities on Facebook at Troy Rotary Club.

An alumnus of Wright State University and the Life College of Chiropractic in Marietta, GA, Burns is an associate doctor at Living Well Spine Center, 1145 Channingway Drive, Fairborn. He specializes in upper cervical chiropractic care while utilizing the National Upper Cervical Chiropractic Association (N.U.C.C.A) technique and standards of care.

Burns discussed how daily stresses have increased throughout generations as technology, and related social media, have raised the need for instant gratification to be a new norm in our lives. In an era with easier access to drugs, greater financial concerns and more economic uncertainty, it's important to know how to address the physiological

Robin Lacy & DeZydeco to Perform at the Mayflower

The Mayflower Arts Center, located at 9 West Main Street in historic downtown Troy, Ohio is pleased to welcome international touring sensation, Robin Lacy & DeZydeco in concert on Saturday, September 26, 2015 at 7:30PM. The band was recently a part of this summer's annual Swamp Romp at the Frazee Pavilion in Kettering.

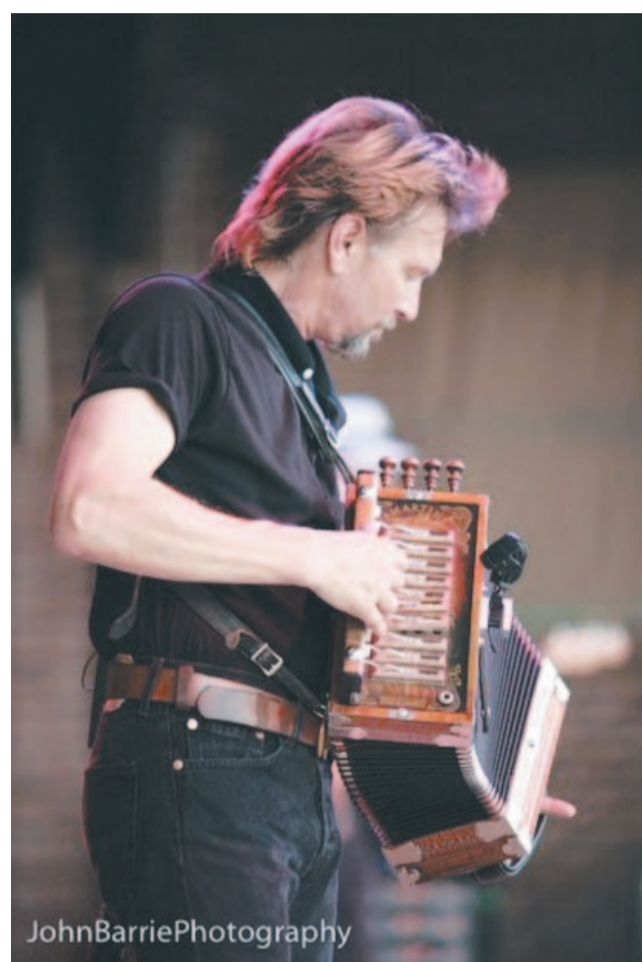
Since 1989, the six-piece group has been set apart from the mainstream with their unique instrumentation that includes the accordion, saxophone and rubboard, found mainly in the Zydeco and Cajun-styled bands of South-west Louisiana. Taking the lessons learned from the roots of New Orleans & Louisiana music and culture, the group has added its own original songwriting and classic crowd pleasers to the mix, keeping a diverse and busy schedule. Whether playing overseas, military tours, corporate events, or the corner bar, Robin Lacy & his group DeZydeco is nothin' but a party! Join us as the group performs an evening of both original songs and mixed music featuring Zydeco, Gumbo Music, Blues, Old School Country & Roots Rock. For band details and videos,

visit www.RobinLacy.com. We guarantee you'll not want to sit still during this performance! "Laissez les bons temp rouler! Allons Zydeco!!" "Let the good times roll! Let's Go Zydeco!!!"

Advance tickets are on sale now at www.MayflowerArtsCenter.com. The Box Office will open the day of the show at

7:00PM, with the performance starting at 7:30PM. Come early and meet the members of Robin Lacy & DeZydeco! Performance and venue information is also available by calling 937-552-5848.

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Welcome to the 57th Annual Tipp City Mum Festival

On behalf of the Mum Festival committees and volunteers I am honored to welcome you to the 2015 Tipp City Mum Festival. This year's theme is "Toadally Crazy About Mums". For a complete list of all activities, and entertainment, please visit the Festival's website at www.tippcitymumfestival.org.

The festivities began with the Little Mr. and Miss Pageant on Saturday, September 12th at 5:00 P.M. held at the Tipp City High School Auditorium. Nine young ladies and one young man participated with Jarod Ragan and Jocelyn Stegner receiving the crowns. Following at 7:00 PM was the 2015 Queen's Pageant. Crowned as Queen and receiving the Talent Award was Lydia Etchison (Tippecanoe High School), 1st Attendant Erin Gaerke (Russia High School), 2nd Attendant Rachel Leiter

(Northmont High School), 3rd Attendant Dominique Swabb (Vandalia Butler High School) and Miss Congeniality Maya Vyas (Tippecanoe High School).

On Sunday, September 13th a motorcycle ride was held with all proceeds donated to the Needy Basket of Southern Miami County. A check will be presented to the Needy Basket on Sunday, September 27th at the City Park.

Events for the festival begin on Friday night, September 26th at 5:00 PM with the 24rd Annual Antique Car Cruise-In. In 2014 over 800 vehicles participated in the event.

Saturday morning begins with the Run for the Mums at 8:00 and followed by the parade. The parade route goes right down Main Street through Historical Downtown Tipp City. Parade begins at 10:00 AM with local

and surrounding area bands, floats, clowns, classic cars, and many other entertaining units. Grand Marshall for 2015 parade is John Anderson, President of Andy's Garden Center.

After the parade, be sure to visit the Tipp City Park, located on North Third Street. Visitors will find great arts and crafts exhibits, delicious concessions, a merchants market and wonderful entertainment. The park will be open from 10 AM to 9 PM Saturday and 11 AM to 6 PM Sunday.

The children, big and small, will enjoy the 15th Annual MumKids Land held each year on the tennis courts. They will find themselves using up energy playing on inflatables of all types from noon to 8:00 PM on Saturday and noon to 5:00 PM on Sunday.

I would like to send out a very

special thanks to all of the fabulous volunteers that have given their time over the past year to make this year's Mum Festival a great success.

Also wish to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to all of the generous sponsors that have contributed to the Mum Festival. Without the help and support of all these people, the Mum Festival would not be possible.

The Mum Festival Committee is always looking for new people to volunteer their creative talents. If you are interested in helping with the 2016 Mum Festival, please email tippcitymumfestival.org to volunteer.

Again, I thank everyone for their support and you will "toadally" have a great time at the 57th Tipp City Mum Festival.

Michelle Ireton, Tipp City Mum Festival President



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Anderson Grand Marshal of 2015 Mum Festival

BY NANCY BOWMAN

John Anderson, owner of Andy's Garden Center, is the 2015 Mum Festival Parade Marshal

John Anderson's connection to the Tipp City Mum Festival is a natural one. The owner of Miami County's Andy's Garden, Anderson's involvement stems to 2001, when the local Spring Hill Nursery went out of business for a brief time.

"We saw an opportunity to help with sponsoring the parade and have had a great time doing it ever since," said Anderson.

For contributions to the festival, Anderson was chosen as the grand marshal for this year's Saturday morning Mum Festival Parade.

Michelle Ireton, festival president, said the parade's salute to John Anderson is a thank you to someone who



backs the festival.

"Andy's Garden has been a proud sponsor of the Mum Festival for many years, and we thought this would be a good way to show our appreciation," Ireton said. "They are also a vendor at the festival, selling their gorgeous mums."

Anderson said the Mum Festival participation is part of the efforts by the business to give back to the communities that support it. "We donate to the Miami County Council of Garden Clubs to help with their annual flower show. We are business partners with Concord Elementary School in Troy," he said, noting the company also donates to various nonprofit organizations and fundraisers.

Andy's Garden grew from a greenhouse operation with beginnings in Piqua at the turn of the 20th century. The business had several owners and underwent numerous changes before it was purchased by Anderson's father, David, in 1962 as a wholesale production operation, according to the company's website.

A retail garden center, The Garden Store, opened in 1964 and evolved into a retail garden center and floral shop in Troy. David Anderson changed the business name to Andy's Garden -

Andy as a nickname for David Anderson as a boy - in 1972.

John Anderson bought the operation from his father in 1998.

"My career at Andy's pretty much spans my entire life," he said. "We have made many changes over the years to keep up with the times."

Anderson said Andy's Garden is more than a typical garden center. "We have a full service flower shop, nursery and we carry an extensive line of very nice home décor," he said. The business also grows 90 percent of the live plants it sells.

Anderson and his family live in Piqua next to Andy's range of production greenhouses. He has two daughters, Paige and Julia. His wife, Jennifer, works part time for Miami County.

Anderson knows many types of flowers but said he doesn't have a favorite. "There are too many to pick just one. I do think this time of year that mums and aster's look spectacular," he said.

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Mum Festival history

It might well have been a “Tomato Festival.” At least, that was a suggestion when the Tipp City newly-formed Chamber of Commerce was looking for some sort of symbol to represent the city. Somehow, the scarlet fruit of the many green acres that the Timmers grew did not readily lend itself to “arrangement” or widespread ornamentation.

Chamber president Dick Stiles took up the suggestion of Otto Frings, who had just returned with his wife Isabel, from their first view of the Tulip Festival in Holland, Michigan. His suggestion was “if Holland can have a festival honoring the tulip, why not a mum (chrysanthemum) festival in Tipp City?”

It was true that Spring Hill Nurseries was growing, selling, and shipping this particular horticultural product of theirs - the garden chrysanthemum - at such a rate that it was easy, not much later, for Tipp City to adopt the name, “Mum Capital of the World.”

Frings’ suggestion was adopted and he found himself in 1957 appointed to head a planning committee. The original decision, after Isabel and Otto Frings visited other festivals, was made by Isabel, who became the next Chamber president. This called, after many meetings, for a festival to be held in 1958, probably in October.

Despite many meetings later and gradually ironing out some of the snags, it was decided to postpone the first such event until 1959. This was under the direction of John Benham and Tom Kyle Jr. as co-chairmen.

“Mum’s the Word on October 3rd” read six-foot letters on the water tower in midtown that fall. It is said that the “largest crowd ever assembled in Tipp City” (up to that time) came to see the first parade, which had nine

bands and 61 antique cars. Each band nominated candidates for queen, with Janet Treon of Miami East being the first queen chosen. She was crowned on the steps of the Monroe Township Building at Third and Main Streets.

The gradual evolution of queen nomination would take a whole story, in itself, to the present day. Candidates go through a two-day process leading up to the Queen’s Pageant.

The queen rides with her court, all beautifully gowned on a special float, a feature added in 1960, the first year the float appeared. Every year since, with the exception of 1969, the queen and her court have ridden on their float -- sometimes with rain gear hiding their beautiful gowns.

In 1969, Tipp City High School’s first queen, Ann Rousculp Lorms, had to peer out from a closed car, the rain was so heavy. John and Joe Patten (“the designing twins”) created the first queen’s float.

“Mums and Music,” as a float theme, established another first in 1962. This was also the year that incorporation became necessary as the festival grew beyond the parade, Main Street flower show, and decorations of potted mums.

Dr. William Gabel became the first president and gradually through the years by-laws have been established, with two major revisions made in them, which still regulate the way in which the organization — officers, responsibilities, committee heads, meetings, and other details are handled.

This year there are committees that oversee activities from the Queen’s Pageant, the parade, the Run for the Mums, increased emphasis on children’s activities, a larger entertainment program, the Friday night

activities, including Little Miss and Mr. Mum competition, continually expanding arts and crafts show, plus food concessions and a Motorcycle Ride.

To continue some early history, when Dick Breckett was president in 1963, the overall theme was established for the parade and flower show (the latter is no more). A “Home Beautification” traveling trophy, donated by A.O. Smith, was established for the best display of mums. The floats were separated in classifications for judging, and judging of the flower show on Friday evening, instead of Mum Day, was established.

The latter continued through 1973, but no committee was available after that. However, the increased amount of arts and crafts has replaced this

with more emphasis on park activities, as well as establishment of a flea market in 1976 to help fill the void.

The weather was one of the big headaches in the earlier years. Bill MacLeod gets the credit for describing the date of the “Big Parade” as being “The second rainy Saturday in October.”

The original weekend had been set to coordinate with the annual band competition, which the music department at Tippecanoe High School hosted.

Better weather has prevailed since changing the Mum Festival weekend to September!

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1972 Saluting the 50 States
1973 Sports Time USA
1974 Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow
1975 Bicentennial - Our Nation's 200th Birthday
1976 Festivals USA
1977 Landmarks of the World
1978 Miami Valley Memories
1979 Children's Fantasies
1980 Return to the Roaring 20's
1981 Great Outdoors
1982 Famous Movies
1983 A Touch of Silver - 25 Years Gone By
1984 Fall Favorites
1985 Television on Parade
1986 American Pastimes
1987 Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness

1988 Mum "Petals" Thru the 50's
1989 Mardi Gras of Mums
1990 Tipp City: 150 Years Remembered
1991 International Celebration of Mums
1992 Once Upon a Time
1993 Holidays on Parade
1994 Fantasies on Parade
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The 57th Annual Mum Festival

Queen's Pageant



The 57th Annual Tipp City Mum Festival Queen's Pageant was held on Saturday, September 12, 2015. Nine young ladies took the stage at the Tippecanoe High School Auditorium with the Master of Ceremonies SMSgt Greg Bulgin. Showcasing their talents, completing the interviews and modeling their evening gowns; the evening closed with the crowning of the 2015 Queen Lydia Etchison and her court.



Maya Vyas

is a 16 year old Junior at Tippecanoe High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Drama Club, Culture Club, For Club, and Tennis Team. Maya volunteers at the Victoria Theatre Association, loves to write, read and sing. She has been published on a few web sites and in the Victoria Theatre Newsletter. Although she has not determined which college she would like to attend, Maya would like to pursue a career in screen writing. Maya was chosen to receive "Miss Congeniality".



Jordan Rose

is a 17 year old Senior at Vandalia Butler High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Drama Club, Junior Council of World Affairs. Jordan loves acting, watching movies, nature and walking trails. Although she has not determined which college she would like to attend, Jordan would like to pursue a career as an actress or history teacher.



Tabitha Sexton

is a 17 year old Senior at Tippecanoe High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include THS Marching Band, ASTRA, National Honor Society and Concert Band. Tabitha loves reading, listening and playing music, cooking and trying new foods. Tabitha has chosen to attend Miami University to pursue a career as a Music Therapist.



Erin Gaerke

is an 18 year old Senior at Russia High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Shelby County Junior Fair Board, Junior Leaders, National Honor Society, Cross County, Track, Leadership Team, FTA, Academia, Band, Science Olympics, Student Senate, Envirothon and Church Choir. Erin loves reading, traveling, planning activities, throwing discus, learning and spending time with family and friends. Erin would like to attend The Ohio State University to pursue a career in Operations Management.



Dominique Rohde

is a 17 year old Senior at Vandalia Butler High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Marching, Pep and Symphonic Bands, French and Chess Clubs, National Honor Society, Butler Swim Team, Cassel Hills Sim Team and is a lifeguard. Dominique loves volunteering, music, dancing, archery, solo and ensemble. Dominique would like to attend Duke University to pursue a career in Nuclear Engineering.



Danielle Swabb

is a 17 year old Senior at Covington High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Marching, Band, Soccer, Choir, Drama Club, Youth Group, Track and Field. Danielle is a Vacation Bible School volunteer and enjoys reading and theatre. Although undecided on the college to attend, Danielle would like to pursue a career in Japanese Language and Literature.



Lydia Etchison

is a 17 year old Senior at Tippecanoe High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Octagon Club, Drama Club, Choir Church Youth Group and Ballet. Lydia would like to attend Lee University and pursue a career in Education. Lydia won the Talent Award with her vocal selection "Thank You For The Music" and crowned the 2015 Mum Queen.



Rachel Leiter

is a 16 year old Senior at Northmont High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Varsity Football Cheerleader, gymnastics, track, DECA, National Honor Society, Link Crew and Peer Facilitation. Rachel enjoys spending time with friends and family, swimming, shopping and playing with her four dogs. Rachael would like to attend The Ohio State University and pursue a career in Health Administration.



Katheryn Hickie

is an 18 year old Senior at Vandalia Butler High School. Her extra-curricular activities, hobbies and sports include Martial Arts, Interact, Cross Country, Track and KCW Aikido Club. Katheryn enjoys swimming, biking, volunteering, hiking and working with animals. Although undecided on the college she would like to attend, Katheryn would like to pursue a career as a Physical Therapist or something in the biology field.

Past Mum Queens

YEAR	NAME	SCHOOL
1959	Janet Treon	Miami East
1960	Betty Wells	Fairborn
1961	Joyce Crowell	Bradford
1962	Nancy Rehse	West Carrollton
1963	Katie Marsh	Fairborn
1964	Wilma Reed	Miami East
1965	Cynthia Winnie	Beavercreek
1966	Margaret Allen	Fairmont West
1967	Jacqueline Clawson	Miami East
1968	Cheryl Weaver	Versailles
1969	Ann Rousculp	Tipp City
1970	Debbie Thomas	Miami East
1971	Janet Suber	Miami East
1972	Kim Ulrich	Franklin Monroe
1973	Nan Seybold	Tipp City
1974	Neta Louise Cool	Newton
1975	Sherry Green	Versailles
1976	Teresa Borchers	Versailles
1977	Lorie Ann Besecker	Franklin Monroe
1978	Laura Fleming	Tipp City
1979	Lora Peters	Tipp City
1980	Lisa Traugher	Troy
1981	Candi Coon	Tipp City
1982	Melanie Glover	Bethel
1983	Jennifer Tomsen	Vandalia
1984	Michelle McCabe	Arcanum
1985	Jeannette Brehm	Franklin Monroe
1986	Mary Gray	Greenville
1987	Tammy Biser	Tipp City
1988	Janel Cloyd	Tri-Village
1989	Kelly Sultzbach	Vandalia
1990	Kristin Buckles	Vandalia
1991	Bridgette Marie Ferraro	Wayne
1992	Amelia Sutton	Tipp City
1993	Tammy Rowe	Wayne
1994	Deborah Elson	Vandalia
1995	Ami Busic	Tipp City
1996	Marilyn Tebbe	Bethel
1997	Paige Prince	Tipp City
1998	Kariann Michalski	Tipp City
1999	Kristyn Sliver	Vandalia
2000	Emily Reeves	Tipp City
2001	Sarah Simmons	Vandalia
2002	Mary Simons	Vandalia
2003	Tiffany Dykstra	Vandalia
2004	Brittany Tindall	Vandalia
2005	Lauren Pratt	Vandalia
2006	Lauren Vallo	Vandalia
2007	Lori Bishop	Vandalia
2008	Cassie Denniston	Tipp City
2009	Catherine Barrow	Northmont
2010	Charlie Kleptz	Northmont
2011	Alexa Lammers	Tipp City
2012	Hailey Winblad	Tipp City
2013	Margo Shininger	Tipp City
2014	Taylor Merrick	Tipp City
2015	Lydia Etchison	Tipp City

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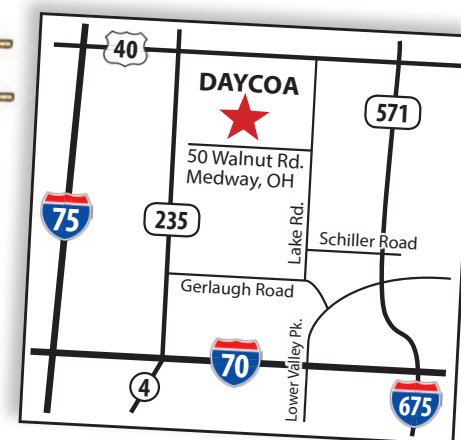


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Little Mr. and Miss Mum 2015

Lily pads and frogs greeted the nine young ladies and one young man as they walked onto the stage. Dare Officer Dan Rittenhouse was the MC for the evening and interviewed each of the contestants. Describing their costumes, talking about their pets or shyly staring brought chuckles from parents and friends. Asked if her rabbit Stella could talk what would she say, Addyson Lange replied "Hello". Joclynn Stegner knew the most famous person had to be Mickey Mouse.

Contestants sitting on their lily pads and content with a bag of goodies watched as Jarod Ragan was crowned Little Mr Mum and Jpcelyn Stegner Little Miss Mum.

This 2015 contestants were Addyson Lange (6 years old), daughter of J. Michael and Mellissa Lange of Tipp City

Abbie Snipes (6 years old), daughter

of Bryan and Shannon Snipes of Tipp City

Audrey Gilleland (5 years old), daughter of Eli and Nicole Gilleland of Tipp City

Jarod Ragan (age 5) son of Donald and Amy Ragan of Tipp City

Alicia Judge (age 4), daughter of Dave and Tara Judge of Tipp City (Tara [Trick] was Little Miss Mum 1986)

Leigh-Ellen Sue Fullen (age 4), daughter of Rev. Daniel and Heather Fullen of Tipp City

Isabel Eichhorn (age 7), daughter of Russel and Rebecca Eichhorn of Troy

Avery June Austin (age 5), daughter of Zach and Amanda Austin of Troy

Isabella A. White (age 6), daughter of Ashley White of Tipp City

Jocelyn Stegner (age 5), daughter of Chris and Amanda Stegner of Tipp City



Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

Cruise-In located in historical downtown, 4:10 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

Run For the Mum, 8 AM

Parade, 10 AM

Live Entertainment, Food, MumKids Land, Arts & Crafts - Tipp City Park

Open 10 AM - 9 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2015

Live Entertainment, Food, MumKids Land, Arts & Crafts - Tipp City Park

Open 11 AM - 6 PM

Jr. Run for the Mums - Tipp City Football Field, 3 PM

FESTIVAL ATTENDEES

After the parade and during the remainder of the festival weekend, parking will be available for residents and out-of-towners at the Middle School Lot on N.

Hyatt Street, and in the parking lots at the following establishments located on Park Avenue: Upper Valley Medical Center, Master Builders, and Proto Plastics.

Parking will also be available at the Regal Corp. area off of N. Third Street.

Limited parking will also be available in the parking lot adjacent to the Aquatic Center.

Handicap parking is available for vehicles bearing the proper handicap placard in the lot at the north end of the City Park off N. Third Street. **Vehicles parked in this lot without the appropriate handicap placard are subject to being ticketed and towed at the owner's expense.**

MUMKIDS LAND

Children big and small will enjoy the 15th Annual MumKids Land held on the tennis courts. They will find themselves using up energy playing on inflatables and rides from Noon to 8 PM Saturday and Noon to 5 PM on Sunday. Tickets will be on sale for \$1 each. One ticket will be needed for Wipe Out, Giant Slide and Spacewalk (moonbounce). Two tickets will be needed for the Whizzer and Wrecking Ball. Limited bracelets for \$8.00 include unlimited use of the Spacewalk, Giant Slide and Wipeout. All-inclusive and unlimited bracelets may also be purchased for \$15.00



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24 ANNUAL CAR SHOW

This is the 24th year for the Mum Festival Cruise-in. In 2014 over 800 cars attended the Friday night event. Cars will begin parking on Main St between Hyatt and First St at 3:45-4pm. Main Street will be closed at the railroad tracks to First Street. Corvette of Troy is holding its annual Corvette Raffle and will be drawing the lucky winner of a 2015 Corvette at 7pm. Tickets are \$180. Check out their site for more information http://www.corvette-troy.com/Charity_Event.htm



Park Vendor Information

FOOD TRUCKS AND CONCESSIONS HAS TO OFFER

- Becky's Fudge
- Boy Scout Troop 586 famous cobbler and ice cream
- Cajun
- Chinese
- Pizza
- Chuck's Foods (Pork Chops, tenderloin, Italian Sausage, etc.)
- Hot Dog Express, Marsh (Cheese Cake Dip in Chocolate, handmade Pretzels)
- Mc Concessions (Elephant Ears, funnel cakes, deep fried candy bars, Fried Veggies, Onion Rings)
- Nuts & Such (Roasted Nuts, deep fried cupcakes), NEW: Sam & Ethel's (grilled chicken wraps, chicken salad)
- Shives (Corn Dogs, Italian Sausage, ham burgers)

- Teresa Ice Cream (YUM)
- Kettle Corn
- Roasted Ears of Corn
- Greek Food
- ...and of course the Tipp City Fire Department Waffles.



A weekend filled with entertainment, kids land, vendors and food fill the Tipp City Park

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- Baskets
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- Ribbon headbands
- bows and hats
- Glass bead Jewelry
- Silk floral
- Wall hangings
- Baby Blankets
- Embroidered Stuffed
- Animals
- Leather belts
- bags & buckles
- The Sandbox - bottles and tubes of colorful sand
- LGV Photos
- Pictures of objects that look like letters
- Kids clothing
- Bibs
- Embroidered Tea Towels
- Coin Jewelry
- Spa in a jar
- Buckyeye Distillery - Display of liquors
- Wall Mounted doll Stands

- Scarves
- Garland
- Mobiles
- Primitive Country Crafts
- Wooden Signs
- Handmade musical instruments made with bamboo
- Personalized Christmas Ornaments
- Homemade Salsa
- BBQ
- & Spices
- Pens
- pencils
- keychains made from shell casings
- Alpaca fleece products
- Country décor
- Tutus
- Halos
- Dog Coates
- Mums
- Asters
- shrubs
- Wood painted decorations
- Seasonal paintings
- Dolls
- witches
- scarecrows
- Santa
- American Doll clothing
- Hot pads & Napkin holders
- Quilted items
- Spirit wear

- Something to sew-aprons
- soft books
- bottle sleeves
- Hematite Jewelry
- College Football items
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Entertainment Schedule

SATURDAY

Noon - 1:00 PM

Tipp City Community Band

1:15 PM - 2:00 PM

Honey Creek Cloggers

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Lauren Kelly

3:15 PM - 5:00 PM

Shades of Grey

5:15 PM - 6:45 PM

Redemption Road

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

This Side Up

SUNDAY

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Fit 2 BeMe

12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

Megan Osman

2:00 PM - 2:20 PM

Bethel Cheerleaders

2:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Mum Festival Queen and Court

3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Gem City Gymnastics

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

The American Kings



This Side Up

This Side Up is a six member band based in Southwest Ohio that is all about great music and having fun. We offer a unique blend of music from all genres that is guaranteed to get audiences of all ages singing along, dancing or even playing the occasional air guitar. Take that, mix in excellent musicianship, a professional attitude, add a sprinkle of the best vocal harmonies around, and you've got a recipe sure to leave you wanting for more at the end of the night. They love playing weddings, corporate events, festivals, reunions, private parties, or just about any event where live music can make a good time even better!



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No one gives the Rock N' Roll songs of the past greater justice than The American Kings. When the guys go on stage, their goal is to give a performance that Elvis would be proud of. That's a high standard to live up to, but The Kings pull it off night after night. No one does it quite like The American Kings... And they like it that way!

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Honey Creek Cloggers

Honey Creek Cloggers have been clogging together for 10 years. Ages currently range from 22-70+, but they are open to include members of all ages. If you're from Ohio, you may have seen them perform in Tipp City at the Mum festival or during Antiques Days. They have also performed at Bob Evans Annual Farm Festival in Rio Grande, the Heritage of Flight in New Carlisle Ohio, Silver Sneakers in Beavercreek Ohio, Vandalia Park Nursing Home in Vandalia, Walk for Breast Cancer in Clayton, Potato Festival in Spring Valley, just to name a few...

Honey Creek Cloggers practice once a week in the evening for an hour.



Practice is held in a heated, raised wooden floor barn in New Carlisle OH. Beginner classes are on Saturday mornings at 10am. Beginners do not need to worry about shoes—just bring your smiling face and comfy shoes. If you are interested in joining them, or you'd like information for booking the Honey Creek Cloggers for a show, you can contact them at ohiomacs@hughes.net or call (937)546-5025

Redemption Road

In their second year, Redemption Road gives credit to the Mum Festival for their wanting to start a band. Having watched other bands on the entertainment stage, they knew they wanted to perform on that stage. The band members belong to their church's praise teams and decided they wanted to focus on playing Christian music. When they play, it is from the heart and for the glory of God. The lead singer/rhythm guitarist is 18 year old Brandon Slifer. Jack Sowers, 17 years old is lead guitarist. Trevor McKinney, 17 years old is bass player with 17 year old Jordan Wise on drums.



Lauren Kelly

Twenty-six year old Lauren Kelly calls Springfield her home. She has been singing since birth and started performing publically at the age of five. Music is her life and passion and enjoys making people happy through her music. She has performed at festivals, weddings and events all over Ohio. Adding to her resume, Lauren Kelly has also auditioned for The Voice and America's got Talent. She has studied music and business at Wright State University and is currently a manager and Repair Parts Pro for Advance Auto Parts.



Meg Renee Osman

Megan Renee Osman's stage name is Meg Renee and hails from Troy, Ohio. As a singer/songwriter, Meg Renee says her genre's kind of bluesy, folk, country and indie. All of her music has a meaning - even if that meaning is something fun like "Hey guys I'm crazy let's all be crazy together". Meg Renee is a writer first and foremost so if "she ever loses her voice and breaks all her fingers beyond repair", she will still be writing something. Her most recent claim to fame was singing at Dayton's Grand Illumination. She can be found playing her music at coffee shops such as Expressions Coffeehouse or the Bellhop Cafe. In the summer she has performed at festivals, Miami County Music Fest and farmers markets She has played the occasional first dance for the bride and groom at weddings



Fit 2 Be Me

Fit 2 Be Me, located at 130 E. Broadway, Tipp City is under new ownership. Partners Eric and Betsy Roach and Carin Coty are excited that previous owner Andrea Hoover will continue to teach Zumba, Tabata and Pump Classes. They also plan to keep Andrea's vision which is to help change lives through fitness. A variety of classes are offered seven days a week. Cardio classes (Zumba, U-Jam, TiYo and barre) are \$5 for a drop-in class or \$45 for ten class pass. Strength classes (Pump, TRX, Spinning®/indoor cycling) are \$8 for a drop-in class or \$75 for ten class pass. Note that the TRX and Spinning®/indoor cycling classes are limited by equipment space. Contact the instructor by text message to confirm availability. Instructors and phone numbers are found on Facebook. A current schedule can be found on Facebook and soon on an updated web site (www.Fit2BeMe.com). Stop by the Mum Festival on Sunday, September 27th at 11:00-12:15 and try a free sampling of PiYo, Sumba, Barre, Insanity, TRX and Spinning

Shades of Grey

Shades of Grey, formed in 2009, features brothers Aaron and Evan. Separately, they have written and performed varying styles of music from a young age. Now they are collaborating to bring their unique styles and energy together. Shades of Grey perform acoustic alternative rock with two guitars, a piano, and a focus on rare, beautiful harmonies.



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1963 Dick Brockert	1978 Stan Evans	1993 Kelly Gillis	2008 Will Roberts
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1965 Neal Sonnanstine	1980 Jesse Chamberlain	1995 Will Roberts	2010 Kate Taylor
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1967 Steve White	1982 Sandy Heilman	1997 Pat Hale	2012 Mary Thomas
1968 Jim Bayliff	1983 Marilyn Richards	1998 Tom Davidson	2013 Ashley Helmer
1969 Jim Wilson	1984 Gloria Coffield	1999 Brian & Shelley Tebbe	2014 Russ Thayer
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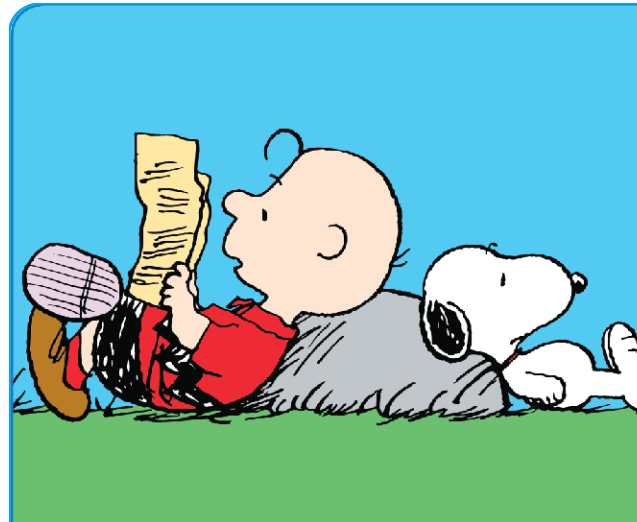
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