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Three vie for GOP nomination for state rep

Republican, 98th District

Name: Mark Hiner

Background/Experience: Married for 32 years, I am the proud father of two adult children and the grandfather of two energetic grandkids. I hold an undergraduate degree in Broadcast Engineering and a Masters Degree in Business Administration. For the last 40 years, I have worked in the broadcasting industry, most of which time I have led as an owner and operator. A lifelong conservative Republican, several years ago I helped establish the Apple Valley Republican Club and remain involved to this day.

Why are you running for this position? The Ohio House of Representatives is getting far too little done on behalf of Ohioans because of the infighting in Columbus. Republicans need to work together to advance our conservative agenda. I am concerned about the future of our state and country, and I want to ensure our community is represented in Columbus. For instance, the elimination of the State Income Tax and Corporate Activity Tax is long overdue. We must also help our existing public schools while continuing to expand choice



Mark Hiner

options so parents can get their kids into the school that is best for them.

What will you bring to the position? Results. Delivering results starts with a willingness to have difficult conversations, even with those who may see things differently. As a voice for all of the 98th House District, every decision will be guided by our hometown values and what's best for the communities I serve.

What's the biggest issue facing this position? How will you address this issue? Responsible growth. I will always work to keep our counties, cities and villages informed and be a champion for policies that advance the interests of the district.

What are your plans/goals if elected? Short-term? Long-term? Unlike my opponent, I will not side

with Democrats in electing a speaker. I will fight for committee assignments that are meaningful to our district and continue to forge relationships with my colleagues to advance conservative policies. I will hold regular office hours in each county to ensure accessibility and to better assist my constituents with cutting through the red tape of state government.

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Name: Brandon Lape
Background/experience: Over the past 15 years, I have worked in Information Technology, providing support in both health care and manufacturing. Working for a manufacturer that makes a critical component for the oil and natural gas industry, I have learned the importance of maintaining our energy independence and providing Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) to other parts of the world.

Why are you running for this position? I'm running for State Representative because I recognize the need to protect Ohio and manage our level of growth while maintaining an affordable cost of living. I believe in smaller government, less spending and lower taxes. My campaign revolves around three principles: Pro-



Brandon Lape

tect Ohio from federal overreach; promote managed growth in cooperation with the private market; and make Ohio a place where people want to stay and retire. We need to actively work to become more self-sufficient. A sovereign Ohio is a Free Ohio.

What will you bring to the position? Being fiscally conservative, I understand the importance of allocating funds properly. Government does not have money that it hasn't been taken from the taxpayer. Frivolous spending must stop. Ohio's rainy day fund has grown too much and needs capped. Extra tax revenue means we are taxing too much and it is time to lower taxation.

What's the biggest issue facing this position? How will you address this issue? The biggest issue to this position is restoration of trust. Trust is lost when government agencies are given free reign and representation fails to act. We've seen this when both the US and Ohio EPA sanctioned the movement of wastewater from the East Palestine train derail-

ment into an injection well in Coshocton County. The introduction of this wastewater creates exponential contamination risk to local aquifers and the Muskingum Watershed. Representation was reluctant to act and go against the agencies. They put more trust in government agency over the people they represent. The data from the Ohio EPA did not match up with data from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, yet representation shared a lack of concern. A similar response can be seen in Knox County with the Frasier Solar project that was also sanctioned by the state. In both cases, local officials were informed late into the process and left with limited to no time to act. I will work to inform, support, and empower our county, township and municipal governments to protect themselves from companies and institutions that threaten public health and/or public safety.

What are your plans/goals if elected? Short-term? Long-term? My campaign revolves around three principles: Protect Ohio from federal overreach; promote managed growth in cooperation with the private market; and make Ohio a place where people want to stay and retire. We need to actively work to become more self-sufficient. A sovereign Ohio is a Free Ohio. I intend to write or sponsor legislation

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CHAMBER HONORS

Bemiller, Gallwitz lead 12 award winners at annual dinner

By Fred Main

Teresa Bemiller and Laurie Gallwitz were the biggest winners in a night full of them at the Knox County Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner and awards ceremony.

Bemiller was given the Lifetime Achievement Award and Gallwitz was named the Judy Klavins Ambassador of the year award during the dinner March 8 at Kenyon's Lowry Center.

The chamber's highest award, the Lifetime Achievement Award, annually goes to a person who contributes significantly to the Knox County community. Bemiller has been serving the county since joining the clerk of courts office in 1979. She has served as executive director of Knox Metropolitan Housing and president of the Knox County Board of Developmental Disabilities

where she was honored with the Distinguished Service Award by the Ohio Association of County Boards of DD.

Bemiller has been a county commissioner since 2008 and is a member of the Area Development Foundation Board of Directors. A commissioner, she was a big part of the forming of the Knox County Land Bank and the consolidation of the 911 center.

"I am very honored to be on the list of people who came before me," Bemiller said.

Gallwitz was honored with the Judy Klavins Ambassador of the Year award. The award is selected by chamber staff for commitment and service to the chamber.

Gallwitz has served as ambassador chair for past few years, keeping ambassadors engaged. She volunteers as a consultant for Leadership Knox and volunteered for chamber annual golf outing.

"It's definitely an honor to win this," Gallwitz said.

Following the dinner, executive director Carol Grubaugh welcomed more than 600 people to the event and introduced her staff of Debbie Ruggles, programs and accounting manager, and Savannah Gilmore, member relations coordinator. She also introduced and thanked the members of Kenyon College's AVI, who cooked and served the meal for the guests.

Then, Bethany Celmar, 2023 Board of Trustees Chair, recognized outgoing board members Brian Huprich of Ariel Corp. and Michael Percy of Griffin Insurance.

She also touched on what a great year 2023 was for the chamber. There were 53 new members welcomed this past year, a new chamber record, as well as 24 ribbon cuttings and five groundbreaking ceremonies. The Leadership Knox program also had 29 graduates.

New chair Steve Oester talked about what makes the chamber so successful.

"Knox County is a place of partnerships. The chamber of commerce brings together industry, non-profits, educational institutions, elected officials, municipalities that all work together to advance the common goals,"

Oester said. "I'd like to thank the longstanding and our new members for making the Knox County Chamber of Commerce a continued success."

Mistress of Ceremonies Michele Engelbach of The Ohio

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Steve Oester

Eastern Star Home presided over the presentation of awards and also celebrated the 26 chamber businesses that have been in business for more than 50 years, with

nine of them in business for more than 125 years.

"Look at all these businesses that have been here for all these years. Isn't that so amazing," Engelbach said as they showed the business names. "You young whippersnapper businesses that are under 50 years old, take a look around, look at the names, be inspired, keep the faith and keep going so that your business, too, can grow old in Knox County."

There were several awards handed out during the event.

•Kokosing Nature Preserve won the Environmental Sustainability Award.

•New Directions was named the winner of the Heart Award.

•Hospice of Knox County won the Quality of Life Award.

•Anissa Treen was named Volunteer of the Year.

•MTVarts won the Investor of the Year Award.

•Cindy Cunningham was named Women in Business Leadership award winner.

•North Main Café was named Small Business of the Year.

•Kokosing Construction won the Business of the Year Award.

•Road Hog Willy's won the Entrepreneur Spirit Award.

•Wendy Fowler was named the Leadership Knox Alumni award winner.



Fred Main

Laurie Gallwitz, left, receives the Knox County Chamber of Commerce Ambassador of the Year award from Brock Ross.



Knox County Chamber of Commerce

The Knox County Chamber of Commerce held its annual dinner and awards ceremony on March 8 at Kenyon's Lowry Center. Pictured are the award winners, front row, from left, Amy Henricksen, Kokosing Nature Preserve, Environmental Sustainability Award; Kathy Wantland, Hospice of North Central Ohio/Knox County, Quality of Life Award; Teresa Bemiller, Knox County Commissioner, Lifetime Achievement Award; Laurie Gallwitz, Park National Bank, Ambassador of the Year Award; Wendi Fowler, Park National Bank, Leadership Knox Alumni Award; and Janis Stone, MTVarts, Investor in the Future Award. Second row, Lindsey Lamp, New Directions, Heart Award; Cindy Cunningham, Kidwell & Cunningham, Women in Business Leadership Award; and Anissa Treen, e-Merge Real Estate, Volunteer of the Year Award. Third row, Tara Severance, Hospice of North Central Ohio/Knox County, Quality of Life Award; Trevor Moreland, Hospice of North Central Ohio/Knox County, Quality of Life Award; Michael Percy, Griffin Insurance, Outgoing Chamber Board of Trustees Service Recognition; Wendell Yoder, North Main Café, Small Business of the Year Award; Andy Fox, Kokosing Construction, Business of the Year Award; and Bruce Jacklyn, MTVarts, Investor in the Future Award.

Candidates look for party nomination for 61st district

Democrat

Name: Christian Smith
Background/experience: None
Why are you running for this position? To get younger voters more enthusiastic.
What will you bring to the position? Youthful opinions and ideas from younger voters.
What's the biggest issue facing this position? How will you address this issue? Energy, education and economy.
What are your plans/goals if elected? Short term? Long term? To ban gerrymandering. Long term, work out bipartisan deals.
Other candidate: David Hogan

Republican

Name: Mike Holt
Background/experience: I have 40 plus years of relevant work, business, and management experience. As a mechanic, I was employed by local businesses. As a truck driver, I hauled gasoline tankers, single drop deck and low-boy trailers and worked as a trainer for new drivers. As a chemist, I spent 20 years working for an international company. Starting as an entry level chemist, then moving to research and development chemist. Then, after a few short years, I moved into management with responsibilities in the United States and internationally. I am currently the owner of a small construction company specializing in remodeling, additions, and stone patios of all sizes. Along with my work experience, I have a lifetime of agricultural experience raising horses, sheep, hay, and cattle. My education: Bachelor of Science Degree from The Ohio State University in Chemistry and technical school for automotive diagnostics and repair.
Why are you running for this position? Along with strong conservative values, I have a vast understanding of our district. From the more rural areas where I live, to the more populous areas where I've worked. With all the changes Ohio and especially our district is facing over the next few years, we need someone in office that can make decisions by pulling from an extensive work history. Someone who can relate to the workers in our communities and understands the inner dealings of large corporations and international companies. This will be imperative as new companies target and move to Ohio for growth opportunities. We need a representative that understands that our schools should be funded mainly by our state taxes and to a lesser extent by local property taxes and levies. Someone that can be an advocate for local communities. This is something our district currently does not have but it is a must as we move forward and that is why I am running to be the next representative of the 61st District.
What will you bring to the position? I will bring the knowledge I have gained over the last 40 years of small to large business operations. I bring a history of diagnostics, trouble shooting and problem solving from many levels. I also bring the ability to multitask, which is evidenced by my diverse background. I will protect the rights of our citizens, protect the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, all while making the correct decisions on more economic and developmental issues. As an owner of many guns, several of which are on the list targeted by gun control lobbyists, I will fight for our second amendment rights. I will get things done for our communities instead of promoting controversy.
What is the biggest issue facing this position? How will you address this issue? The biggest issue I see that faces this position is the need for someone that can fight several battles at one time. Someone that can deal with the immigration crisis in our state while making sure our schools get funding. Someone that can protect women and girls from the threat of a man wanting to use their bathroom facilities. Someone that can protect our gun rights and not forget to help our elderly with tax cuts and benefit improvements. Someone that understands that Republicans back the Blue, not attack the Blue. Someone that understands to cut spending, you must first cut the taxes that fund that spending. I will address this issue by applying my over 40 years of business experience, my education, analytical training, and my intimate knowledge of the diverse identities each of our communities possess.
What are your plans/goals if elected? Short term? Long term? My goal is to act immediately. I will work to stop the funding of illegal immigrants in Ohio with our state and local tax dollars. I will immediately start working towards major tax reductions for our elderly and for their right to grow old at home. I will also take action to allocate funding for programs that help our veterans, whether they are homeless or in need of physical/mental health resources. I will work towards a more comprehensive mental health program for Ohio. I will work to secure Ohio gun owner rights to ensure that the federal government cannot override Ohio laws. My long-term goals are similar and include a comprehensive plan for business growth in Ohio that works to maintain our individual community identities and preserve our agricultural industry.
Other candidate: Beth Lear

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• **Central Christian Church**, 17833 Gambier Road, Mount Vernon, worship services Sunday at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

• **Cornerstone Community Church**, 123 Columbus Road, Fredericktown, Worship Wednesday, 6 p.m., Sunday services, 9 and 11:15 a.m., Sunday School, 10:10 a.m.

• **Danville United Methodist Church**, 408 S. Market St., Danville, Sunday School, 9 a.m., worship 10 a.m.

• **Ebenezer Community Church**, 14764 Wooster Road, Mount Vernon, worship services Sundays at 9 a.m.

• **Faith Baptist Church**, 8764 Martinsburg Road, Mount Vernon, Sunday services 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.

• **First Christian Church**, 5 1/2 Harrison Ave., Mount Vernon, Sunday worship service 10:30 a.m. Outdoor services through September.

• **First Congregational United Church of Christ**, 200 N. Main St., Mount Vernon, worship services Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

• **Faith Lutheran Church**, 170 Mansfield Ave., Mount Vernon, fall and winter worship services Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:15 a.m.

• **First Presbyterian Church of Mount Vernon**, 102 N. Gay St., Mount Vernon, Sunday Worship Services, 9 a.m. (Contemporary) and 11 a.m. (Traditional).

• **First Southern Baptist Fellowship**, 81 Mount Vernon Ave., Fredericktown, Sunday School 10 a.m., traditional Sun-

day worship, 11 a.m.

• **Gay Street United Methodist Church**, 18 N. Gay St., Mount Vernon, Chapel Service 8:30 a.m.; Bible Study Classes, 9:30 a.m.; and Sanctuary Service, 10:45 a.m.

• **Grace Brethren Church**, 12426 Old Mansfield Road, Mount Vernon, worship service Sundays at 9:30 a.m.; evening service, Sundays and Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

• **Grace Community Church**, 18350 Hopewell Road, Mount Vernon, Sunday worship service, 10:30 a.m., Children's church, 11 a.m., Bible Study on Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

• **Green Valley Baptist Church**, 1680 Old Delaware Road, Mount Vernon, Worship Service Sunday 11 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday, 7 p.m.

• **Knox Orthodox Presbyterian Church**, 221 Sychar Road, Mount Vernon, Sunday worship service, 9:30 a.m., Christian Education hour, 11:30 a.m.

• **Lakeholm Church of the Nazarene**, 16001 Glen Road, Mount Vernon, worship service Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

• **Lifepoint Church**, 705 S. Division St., Mount Vernon,

worship services Sundays at 7:45 a.m., 9 a.m. or 10:30 a.m.

• **Mount Vernon Hill Seventh-day Adventist Church**, 535 Wooster Road, Mount Vernon, Sabbath School, Saturday, 9:30 a.m., Worship Service, Saturday, 11 a.m.

• **Mulberry Church, a Global Methodist congregation**, 205 N. Mulberry Street, Mount Vernon, Sundays, traditional service 8:30 a.m., Sunday School 9:30 a.m. and blended service 10:45 a.m.

• **New Life Church of the Nazarene**, 665 Harcourt Road, Mount Vernon, worship services Sunday at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

• **St. Paul's Episcopal Church**, 100 E. High St., Mount Vernon, worship services Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

• **Salvation Army Church**, 206 E. Ohio Ave., Mount Vernon, Sunday School, 10 a.m., worship service, 10:45 a.m.

• **Shepherd's House Church of the Nazarene**, 221 S. Main St., Mount Vernon.

• **South Vernon United Methodist Church**, 142 Columbus Road, Mount Vernon, worship services Sunday

at 11 a.m. **Utica Church of Christ**, 115 N. Central Ave., Utica, Sundays, coffee and conversation at 9:30 a.m., worship service at 10:30 a.m.

• **The River Church, Gospel** radio broadcast, WMVO 100.9 FM, Sundays, 9 a.m.

• **Utica Presbyterian Church**, 9 S. Main St., Utica, worship services Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

• **Zion Lutheran Church**, 20177 Wooster Road, Danville, Sundays, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

• **Mulberry Church Maundy Services**, Thursday, March 28, 7 p.m.; Good Friday Service, March 29, 7 p.m.; Easter Sunday Services, March 31, 8:30 and 10:45 a.m.

• **Mount Vernon Numismatic Society**, third Monday of month, 6:30 p.m., Utica Historical Society Carriage House, 45 N. Main St., Utica.

• **Community Hot Meals**, every Friday, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Gay Street United Methodist Church, 18 N. Gay St., Mount Vernon.

• **Knox County Christian Men's Breakfast**, second Saturday of month, 9 a.m., Gay Street United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

SUPPORT GROUPS

• **Al-Anon, Thursdays** at noon, First Congregational Church, 200 N. Main St., Mount Vernon. All friends and families of alcoholics are welcome.

• **Celebrate Recovery**, Be free of hurts, habits and hang-ups, Thursdays, 7 p.m., Green Valley Baptist Church, 1680 Old Delaware Road, Mount Vernon.

• **Knox County Breast Cancer Support Group**, first Thursday of each month, 7-9 p.m., Trinity Worship Center, 1051 Beech St., Mount Vernon.

• **Women's Cancer Support Group**, second Wednesday of each month, 3-4 p.m., Wright Family Medical Pavilion, second floor meeting room.



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that removes jurisdiction or dependencies from federal agencies and departments, similar to HB51 - The Second Amendment Preservation Act which would remove jurisdiction of the ATF. In preparation of growth, building infrastructure is imperative, but not to the detriment of our farm land, water tables, or housing costs. I also want to end property tax when your primary residence is paid off. This is to lessen the tax burden on our aging population so they can retire with confidence that their home is secure. This also acts as an incentive for them to stay in Ohio. We have already seen the start of this discussion with House Bill 263 - Property Tax Reduction Act. I would like to serve on the following legislative committees:

- Technology and Innovation – My background in Information Technology and interest in scientific innova-

tion qualifies me to review the bills and testimonies brought to the committee.

- Energy and Environmental Resources – As stated earlier, I understand the impact and importance of energy independence. Growing up in Loudonville, next to the Mohican State Forest and Pleasant Hill Lake, we were taught at a young age to be good stewards of our environment and the importance of protecting Ohio's tributaries and watersheds.
- Any Finance Subcommittee – I will bring my fiscally conservative values to all financial and budgetary discussions.

Name: Scott Pullins

Background/Experience: I am the only candidate running that has actual, long-term experience in government and politics. I have nearly four decades of work serving as a staff member, consultant, and/or lawyer for a variety of GOP officeholders, candidates and organizations. I'm the only candidate that has ever helped draft



Scott Pullins

bills, resolutions, amendments or testified to the Ohio General Assembly. Unlike my opponents, I will hit the ground running on day one.

Why are you running for this position? Over the past five years there have been five different speakers presiding over the Ohio House. In Knox County, we have had four different individuals represent all or parts of Knox County over the past two years. In Coshocton County, they have had three different persons representing them over the last three years. We have seen enough fresh faces, we need experience and a steady hand. I am

that candidate.

What will you bring to the position? My vast experience, contacts, and knowledge of state and local government and politics. I'm endorsed by several sitting and some former state legislators including Sara Carruthers, Jamie Callender, Jay Edwards, Brett Hillyer, Bill Seitz, and Speaker Jason Stephens. I'm also endorsed and supported by former legislators Joy Padgett and Jim Trakas. All of this will lead to better committee assignments which help increase our district's clout.

What's the biggest issue facing this position? How will you address this issue? A small faction of state legislators cannot get over the fact that their candidate was not elected speaker and they have put the Ohio House into turmoil over the last year. That same faction recruited Mark Hiner to run against me. They have also recruited challengers and raised money against solid conservative incumbents. We must bring this civil war to an end now and I will help do it.

What are your plans/goals if elected? Short

term? Long term? I will first work to obtain the best committee assignments. Finance is my top choice because that committee writes the state budget. Property tax relief and generating more electricity in Ohio are top short term goals. Medical freedom, fundamental tax reform, and campaign finance reform are some long term goals. Please see more at www.scottpullins.org.

The winner of the March Republican Primary will take on Democrat Annie Homstad in the November general election.

Free concert for Earth Day

Earth in the Balance: Feed the Right Wolf will be presented March 30 at 1 p.m. in the Gund Gallery Theater.

The free concert will feature Sarah Goslee Reed, singer/songwriter/musician, and JD Stillwater, science ambassador/percussionist.

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Reed: Collier stands out

Dear Editor,

As a Marine veteran, I've always tried to live by the Marine motto "Semper Fidelis," Latin for "Always Faithful." As I look over the candidates for Knox County Commissioner, one stands out in his race as one being "Always Faithful," especially to the residents of Knox County.

That person is Thom Collier.

As a Knox County resident since 1982, I have seen or heard of Thom Collier serving our county for years (really decades). He has worked the Knox County Fair gates in the rain, sun and heat, raising funds for the local Exchange Club. Those funds support their local Student of the Month, Americanism programs and their national program of child abuse prevention.

He's passed out flags at many parades, not as a politician or candidate, but for what is called Give A Kid A Flag To Wave program. He was in the Knox County Big Brothers/Big Sisters and was awarded Big Brother of the Year. He has donated his time and talent, either

ten involved," and Ms. Keesee just addressed that her children went to Mount Vernon Nazarene University and COTC. I believe all the opponents have been in Knox County for at least 28 years. In my opinion, that's a long time not to be involved and now you want to be a county commissioner.

Additionally, since they are running in the Republican Primary, their support of the Republican cause is weak and in one case disingenuous. I don't know of any working the Republican headquarters during elections. From my understanding, Ms. Keesee has only voted in three of the last seven Republican primaries. Mr. Phillips sought the Knox County Republican endorsement and is now actively advertising and soliciting for Democrat and non-Republican votes. Talk about acting in bad faith.

Thom Collier has demonstrated his faithfulness and loyalty to Knox County and its residents for decades. I trust Thom Collier with my vote. You should too.

Gary Reed
Mount Vernon

letter to the editor

working in or serving on boards that include the American Cancer Society, Place4Grace, Knox County Mental Health, Knox County Right to Life, Knox County Pregnancy Services (CareNet, now Starting Point), American Red Cross and others.

As this is a Republican Primary, he has worked since high school helping Republicans and conservatives get elected. He has worked hard in the Knox Republican Central and Executive Committees for years and been involved with the local and other Republican headquarters working GOP activities.

I write this all to demonstrate that Thom Collier has been faithful and loyal to our community all his life, as a business owner, a public servant and local resident.

Now compare him to his opponents. At recent events, when pressed to address their involvement in Knox County, Mr. Phillips stated, "I haven't got-

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Danville Mock Trial closes special season at state

By Fred Main

A special season ended just one step away from glory.

The Danville Mock Trial team, which won all four college tournaments this season, participated in the state tournament on March 7, coming up just short of qualifying for the top eight and a chance at a state title.

“We had a great run this season. Any way you look at it, I think it’s our most successful season in Danville Mock Trial,” said mock trial advisor Brittany Whitney. “We won every single tournament in the state and that’s quite an accomplishment. All good things have to come to an end. But, it was still an incredible season and we’re very proud of them.”

The team had won college tournaments at Kent State, Miami, Cincinnati and Ohio State during the season, then won the district competition in Richland County and came in second at regionals in Summit County to advance to state.

The 41st annual state tournament was held at the Franklin County Courthouse and featured 29 of the top teams in Ohio. Danville squared off against Kenston in the first trial and then Sylvania Southview in the second.



Fred Main

Danville Mock Trial witness Caleb Lucas fields questions during the Ohio High School Mock Trial tournament on March 7 at Franklin County Courthouse.

In Mock Trial, each team is assigned a side – prosecuting or defense. Two prosecuting or defense attorneys and two witnesses from their side then go through a trial, asking and answering questions in front of judges that determine the winner. This year’s trial was the case State of Buckeye vs. Espinoza, which looks at the excessive fines clause of the Eighth Amendment.

Danville was the defense in the opening match with Kenston and was able to come out victorious. Laura Hochstetler and Narissa Holbrook were the defense attorneys, while Madysen Cochrun and Andrea Holland were defense witnesses. Hochstetler was named Outstanding Attorney in that match, while Cochrun was named Outstanding Witness.

In the final preliminary trial, Danville became the



Fred Main

Danville Mock Trial prosecuting attorneys Narissa Holbrook, left, and Olivia Keffer confer during the Ohio High School Mock Trial competition on March 7 at the Franklin County Courthouse. Looking on are witnesses Caleb Lucas and Kay Stimpert.

prosecution side against Southview. Olivia Keffer took on a prosecuting attorney role, along with Narissa Holbrook, and Caleb Lucas and Kay Stimpert were the witnesses.

Keffer opened the match with Southview by explaining that Ash Espinoza, the defendant, must be held responsible for

paying full restitution after pleading guilty to money laundering. A 1967 Chevrolet Camaro Espinosa restored was part of that restitution, but there was a difference of opinion by the two sides as to the value of that vehicle and whether it exceeded the amount of the fine.

Each side got the opportunity to question the

witnesses and then deliver their closing remarks.

“That was an outstanding performance by both teams,” said presiding judge Brad Hillyer, following the trial. He also named the top attorney and witness, which were both from Southview. “I’ve been doing this a long time and I continue to be amazed at the talented young people we have here in Ohio.”

“I think it was a very close trial,” said Keffer, the lone senior on the Danville team. “I think, honestly, it’s probably our best trial this season.”

This year’s team took Danville to new heights by winning all four college tournaments. The school had won just two tournaments in the previous 14 years but were able to sweep this year’s collegiate slate despite losing a handful of seniors who had finished ninth at state last year.

“We had several sophomores who stepped up during tryouts and really knocked it out of the park and ended up on first team, which was very impressive. We had some juniors who were willing to take on new roles as witnesses. I was proud of them, who had previously been attorneys, and we needed them as witnesses because we know that’s an area where we sometimes fall short. I’m proud of the kids who took on new roles,” Whitney said. “You also have to give credit to Olivia and her leadership. When our seniors last year graduated, Olivia didn’t hesitate to step into that void and take on a leadership role.”

“I think early on they identified they wanted to be the best they could be. They all put in the work. They all were willing to make the commitment and put in the work and that definitely was proven time and time again.”

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MV's Farmer officiates at state

By Fred Main

Steve Farmer is no stranger to the state wrestling tournament. He's been on the state mat many times as a coach for Mount Vernon, and has worked the tables as a scorer for the last few years. This year, he was selected Central District Official of the Year and got the opportunity to officiate at the state tournament for the first time.

"It was nice. I felt honored," Farmer said. "I've been lucky to work with great officials from my district and all over the state. I got a lot of mentorship from those officials. It's definitely a family, for sure. I was honored, to be honest with you, because there are a lot of good officials here that are better than I am. It's nice to be recognized like that."

A science teacher at Mount Vernon High School and a graduate of the school, Farmer has been a wrestling official for eight years. Prior to that, he had coached for 18 years in Mount Vernon where he helped many Yellow Jacket wrestlers achieve their dreams of wrestling at the state tournament.

To be chosen to officiate the state tournament,

Fred Main

Mount Vernon's Steve Farmer, center, blows his whistle to start a Division III state wrestling match on Sunday at Ohio State. Farmer was selected as Central District Wrestling Official of the Year and officiated his first state wrestling tournament this year.

Farmer was nominated by his central district peers. The state compiles a list and chooses the most deserving officials, based on votes from coaches and the district associations. After being named a state official, he was paired in a rotation with two others. Each match has a main official and an assistant, who can help with rules or judgment calls.

It took a couple of matches for Farmer to settle in with his role, but once he did, it was just like any other match, only this

time there were more than 12,000 people watching the 10 matches going at the same time at Ohio State's Schottenstein Center.

"I'm the new guy out of my group. We had two guys that were senior officials that have been here before, so they're helping me tremendously. It's nice to have that safety net to talk it out. Always nice to have a backup," Farmer said. "Those first few matches were a little bit nerve-racking. It's going to turn the heat up a little bit here with the semifinals. It's nice having

a group of three to work with. I feel like I'm settling in a little bit. I feel like I've got my feet on the ground now. It's been a great experience."

The officials are evaluated while at state and the best get an opportunity to call the finals. Farmer got to be part of the team calling the Division III matches.

While not the main characters in each match, the officials still face a lot of scrutiny, especially at such a high level as the state. That makes for a different kind of pressure for Farmer than what he felt as a coach.

"I think it can be (a lot of pressure)," Farmer said. "It's a different viewpoint. I've worked the tables for a couple of years, which is nice. I've coached on this arena floor. The pressure is on the kids for sure. This is about the coaches and kids, their hearts and dreams are here."

"Also, it puts pressure on the officials because you want to make sure you're on spot with the calls because they really do work hard. There's pressure on us but it's pressure to make it right for the kids and the coaches. Not to say that we're perfect, but we try really hard to get it that way."

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Reader stands behind Collier

Dear Editor,

Knox County Republicans have the opportunity to rehire or hire a county commissioner during the March 19th primary for the Jan. 3, 2025, seat. Considering their “resumes,” of their experience, record of public and community service, along with their potential to serve Knox County residences, I recommend rehiring Thom Collier.

Mr. Collier has a long and distinguished history as a public servant serving as a Mount Vernon city councilman, Ohio House Representative, and as our current county commissioner. His awards range from Watchdog of the Treasury to being honored by the Knox County Farm Bureau for Outstanding Service to Agriculture. Most importantly, in my opinion, the community service Mr. Collier has given to the Knox residents his entire life stands out. He has received numerous awards including the Mount Vernon Exchange Club Exchange of the Year, the Mount Vernon Jaycees Distinguished Service Award, and more. He’s given his time and energy from serving food at the Mount Vernon Music and Arts Festivals, and the Centerburg Farming Festivals to assisting in park-



ing cars for the local 4th of July Fireworks event. He has assisted many charities, from supporting local pregnancy centers to those working to prevent child abuse.

Reference supporting the local Knox Republican Party, as this a primary, Mr. Collier has worked decades to get local, state, and national conservative Republicans elected. From serving on the local central and executive committees to working on many Get Out the Vote activities.

Upon reviewing his competitors, especially from their public statements during recent candidate events, their public service, specifically to Knox County, is almost nonexistent. His opponent, Mr. Phillips stated, “I haven’t got involved.” The other opponent, Ms. Keesee, only seems to mention her children attending the local colleges/universities. I heard a statement once, “I’m in the community for the community.” It seems Mr. Collier is the only candidate who is “IN”

the community “FOR” the community and has proven it over several decades.

Looking at Mr. Collier’s opponents’ local Republican Party involvement, both get poor grades. Mr. Phillips, even after seeking the local Republican endorsement in December 2023, has repeatedly advertised for Democrats/Non-Republicans to vote for him. I find this disrespectful to me and other loyal Republicans. This devalues our Republican Primary vote. Ms. Keesee, to my best findings, has also been absent for helping local Republicans and election activities. I understand that she has voted in less than half of the last seven Republican primaries. I don’t think it’s too much to ask of those competing as a Republican candidate to participate fully and actively, with integrity.

Mr. Collier has proven his long-time commitment to Knox County residents through his public and community service and as a Republican/Conservative.

On final review, I will “rehire” (vote for) Thom Collier for Knox County Commissioner and encourage other Republicans to do the same.

Robert E. Lloyd Jr.
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High school state wrestling

Four stand atop podium

By Fred Main

Knox County wrestlers saw the highs and lows that come with wrestling in the biggest event of their career.

Seven Mount Vernon wrestlers and one each from East Knox, Fredericktown and Centerburg all participated in the state wrestling tournament last weekend at Ohio State's Schottenstein Center. By the end of the weekend, four of those wrestlers stood tall on the podium as one of the best in the state.

Centerburg's Christopher Marshall made it the furthest up the podium, finishing second after losing in the championship match at 138 pounds for Division III.

Mount Vernon's Ashlynn Brokaw finished third at 105 pounds in the girls' division, while MV's Alex Taylor was fifth in Division I at 215 pounds. East Knox junior Blake Elliott was the fourth state placer, coming in sixth at 190 pounds in Division III.

The tournament opened in grand fashion for area wrestlers on Friday, as eight of the 10 made it through to day two. The heat and intensity jumped immensely on day two, and Saturday wasn't quite as kind to a good majority of them.

"I thought we had a good first night," said Mount Vernon coach Corey Firebaugh. "We had seven of our eight (he also coaches EK's Elliott) make it to day two so we were pretty happy Friday going into Saturday. The (Saturday) morning session is critical. If you win, you're in the top six. If not, you have to win one more. That's also when the competition gets fierce. Saturday, overall, was a little rough."

Taylor, Brokaw, Elliott and Jake Taylor (157 pounds) all won their opening matches Friday night. But, Jake Taylor and Elliott both



Fred Main

Mount Vernon's Ashlynn Brokaw wrestles Harrison's Chloe Dearwester in the girls' state semifinal match on March 9 at Ohio State's Schottenstein Center. Brokaw, a freshman, finished third overall in her first trip to the state tournament.

lost in the quarterfinals and had to win one more to make it on the podium. Jake Taylor dropped his second match of the day, as well, and came up one win shy of making it on the podium for top eight in the state. Elliott was able to win and became the first East Knox wrestler to stand on the podium.

"This feels pretty good. I'm the school's first state placer, which is a great accomplishment for me," Elliott said.

MV's Brock Blankenhorn (113) and Mavrik Gregory were both able to win a match on Saturday after falling in the opening round Friday. But, neither was able to secure that second win and finished in the top 12.

"Jake and Mavrik lost a couple of tough

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MV council states opposition to solar development

By Fred Main

After hearing from both sides of the issue, including a spokesman from Open Roads Renewable, Mount Vernon City Council stated its opposition to the proposed solar energy development on Monday.

Council passed the resolution stating they have concerns with projects being developed in close proximity, or even within the boundaries, of the city, so they determined the Frasier solar energy project is not in the best interest of its citizens. They opposed the changes to the visual landscape, reduction in agricultural land for less efficient uses and the overall effect on tourism potential for the city.

Prior to the vote, council heard comments from Craig Adair, vice president of development for Open Roads Renewables, as well as residents in and around the area that is being proposed for the project.

Adair attempted to clear up what they felt was misinformation about solar, including statements that the panels were dangerous and contaminate the soil, as well as flooding issues and what happens after the solar lease expires.

“Unfortunately, right now there is a lot of misinformation about solar. At meeting a couple of weeks ago, we heard panels are dangerous and contaminate the soil. That is fear mongering not fact,” Adair said.

Several residents from Miller and Clinton townships shared their approval of the project, as well. Others, though, opposed the project for a variety of reasons, including asking why solar panels can’t be put on rooftops or in brownfield areas and that it’s another way we are destroying the beauty of our county.

“We need to remind ourselves none of this is our land. It’s God’s land bequeathed to us,” said Jackie Mann. “In my view, this proposal is in direct violation of this stewardship.”

The resolution in opposition to the 866-acre project will now be sent to the Ohio Power Siting Board, which is expected to hear arguments for and against the project at a public hearing at Knox Memorial Theater on April 4 at 5 p.m.


Council also had a long discussion about the Edgewood Road improvement project. City officials have said there has been some miscommunication about the project, as well, and attempted to clarify that it’s not to widen the road, but to reconstruct it to help traffic flow better and to fix water and sewer lines in the area.

They had a second reading on a resolution seeking bids for the design of the project and asked for a 15-minute committee meeting prior to the March 25 council meeting.

In other business, council

- Adopted a resolution selling six vehicles from the Mount Vernon Police Department on govdeals.com.
- Agreed to purchase a one-ton dump truck with a snow package, a leaf vacuum machine and a mini excavator and trailer to haul it.
- Agreed to sell by sealed bid public works equipment, including a dump truck and two mowers.
- Approved the appointment of James Mahan and Emily Marth to the city’s housing council.
- Approved appropriations for current expenses and accepted a donation to PAK United from a fundraiser.
- Established the positions of Human Resources Generalist and setting the compensation at \$66,140 per year.
- Established compensation and benefits for the positions of assistant fire chief and deputy auditor. The assistant fire chief will receive \$85,217 per year and the deputy auditor will be paid \$69,638 per year.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 25, beginning at 7:30 p.m.



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Solar: Improper stewards of land

Dear Editor,

In June 2020, I moved my family a few miles outside of Mount Vernon to a small house on 20 acres. It was like a dream come true for me. I had always wanted to live out in the country surrounded by trees and some good open farmland.

Then in late 2021, I received a postcard in the mail alerting me that a utility scale solar project was being planned for my area. So, I began researching. I soon discovered many scholarly sources and scientific studies that showed there are some very good reasons to be concerned about utility scale solar.

After hours upon hours of research, though, my opposition to industrial solar can be summed up this way: There is a proper and an improper way to respond to and interact with the natural world that is right outside our front (and back) doors. We are its stewards, and we have a duty to pro-



tect and care for it. Wendell Berry put it this way “Good farmers, who take seriously their duties as stewards of Creation and of their land’s inheritors, contribute to the welfare of society in more ways than society usually acknowledges, or even knows. These farmers produce valuable goods, of course; but they also conserve soil, they conserve water, they conserve wildlife, they conserve open space, they conserve scenery.”

The proposed Frasier Solar Project stands in stark contrast to this idea of conservation stewardship. It is an industrial development that will cover 800+ acres of prime farmland and include installing over 160,000 solar panels, miles

upon miles of fencing, and tons of steel posts, all of which will be in place for 40+ years. This is not conserving the open spaces and beautiful scenery that surroundus. This is subduing and industrializing them so that the generation that comes after our children (children not even born yet) will have to figure out how to fully restore them.

So, I am opposed to utility scale projects like this on prime farmland because I am against the exploitation and degradation of the natural world for economic gain, and I am against zero-sum policies that see the deprivation of rural farming communities and the despoiling of pastoral beauty as necessary in order to meet the growing demand of mega-corporations and governments for “green” energy. There must be a better way.

Benjamin Dean
Mount Vernon

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MVNU names Knox County students to dean's list

Mount Vernon Nazarene University recognizes 587 students with the achievement of being named to the dean's list for the Fall 2023 semester.

Students receive this designation by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or above. Of the 587 students named this year, 197 students earned a 4.0 GPA, with 390 students earning a GPA between 3.5

and 3.9.

The following Knox County students were named to the Dean's List:

Bladensburg — Allessia Dugan

Centerburg — Gabriel Armstrong, Colton Baird, Allison Beekman, Alexander Hayden, Kevin Kadrich, Emma McCombs, Kelby Perry, and Taylor Scowden

Danville — Ryan Lucas,

Jackson Mentzer, Hannah McCoy, Camie Newbold and Rachel Wilson

Fredericktown — Alayna Aurand, Olivia Dudgeon, Alayna Ferrell, Emily Fee-ney, Lily Huffstutler, Sydney Sansom, Kelly Sapp, Macy Thorne and Skyler Wiggand

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'Meet Me in St. Louis' to be performed at MVNU

Mount Vernon Nazarene University's theatre pro- gram will perform "Meet Me in St. Louis," March 22-24.

The play is based on the book by Sally Benson. It is presented by special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing Inc., as adapted by Christopher Sergel.

"Meet Me in St. Louis" is a three-act play that follows the Smith family. It is 1904, and the World's Fair is about to begin. For the five Smith

children, this is the event of the century. But when their father announces that he has taken a job in New York, the family bands together to stop the move. Hilarity ensues as the children move from one disastrous plan to the next, in hope of staying in the city they love.

The cast list includes:

Mr. Smith — Alex Pitt- man; Lon — Nasir Cousin; Tootie — Mallery Thomp- son; Grandpa Prophater — Zane Menzie; Katie —

Kelsey Keppel; Rose — Destiny Fullerton; Esther — Marhin Chismar; Mrs. Waughop — Ashley Far- rar; Mrs. Smith — Naomi Painter; Ida — Grace Mad- dux; Fred — Nick Cline; Agnes — Kara Jenkins; John Shephard — Tyler Maddux; Lucille Pentard — Chloe Hall; Mr. Dodge/ Conductor — Josiah Hollo- way; and Duffy — Ashlynn Scott.

"Most people are famil- iar with the musical adap-

tion of Meet Me in St. Louis. However, I have always had a soft spot for this iteration of the story. It is a fun com- edy with a great ensemble cast, and it has been a joy seeing the students step into their various roles. I can't wait to share this with the Mount Vernon community," said Director Zac Sherman and coordinator of Theatre at MVNU.

Performances are Fri- day, March 22 at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 23, at 2:30

p.m.; and Sunday, March 24 at 2:30 p.m. All performanc- es take place in The Thorne Performance Hall located inside the R.R. Hodges Chap- el/Fine Arts Building at Mount Vernon Nazarene University, 800 Martinsburg Road, Mount Vernon, OH 43050.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for MVNU students and anyone under 18. Tick- ets for all performances may be purchased online at the- atre.mvnu.edu or at the box

office beginning one hour prior to show time. Seating opens approximately 30 minutes prior to show time. This production is suitable for all audiences.

For more information, visit theatre.mvnu.edu, email theatre@mvnu.edu, or call the MVNU Theatre coordinator at 740-397- 9000, ext. 4235. Follow MVNU Theatre on Face- book and Instagram to keep up with the latest program news and events.

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Preptime
20 mins

Cook time
45 mins

Total time
1 hour 5 mins

INGREDIENTS

4 large green bell peppers
1 C brown rice, cooked
1 large onion, diced
1 tbsp olive oil
1 lb. sausage

3/4 cup grated cheese, parmesan, mozzarella or colby jack
PLUS 1/4 C of additional cheese for top of peppers
Ground pepper or paprika for top of peppers

DIRECTIONS

1. Cook rice according to package directions.

2. Prepare green peppers by washing and trimming the bottom so they will set flat. Slice off the top where it curves to the pepper side. Remove core, seeds and white pith. Place in crockpot.

3. Dice onion and tops and bottoms of peppers.

4. Heat 2 tbsp of oil in medium skillet and sauté onions and peppers until onions are limp but not browned. Set aside.

5. Brown meat in skillet, until just cooked. Remove from heat.

6. Add all other ingredients to skillet, cheese last.

7. Scoop into peppers, about one cup of filling per pepper.

8. Bake at 375° for 40-45 minutes until peppers soften and can be pierced with a fork.

Nutrition Information

Serving size: 1 pepper
Calories: 639 Carbohydrates: 21g
Protein: 27 g

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on out and join the fun.

Get ready to travel back in time to the totally tubular 1980s at the June First Friday event. So, why not call up Doc Brown and borrow the DeLorean for the weekend? We want to see your classic 1980s cars lining up at the Public Square. And hey, all eras of classic cars are welcome too, so don't hesitate to show off your sweet ride.

August First Friday will be here before you know it, and it's going to be dog-gone amazing where we're all set to have a paw-some time. We look forward to welcoming you and your passenger pups to the Dog Days of Summer Cruise-In on Aug. 2.

To participate in the First Friday Cruise-In, vehicle owners must register through the link pro-

vided (<https://forms.gle/pJKktcd3R8nHZxF06>). Pre-registration is free for one or both events. However, on-site registration will only be permitted if space is available and will be subject to a \$25 late registration fee. Participants who pre-register will receive a parking tag to display in their vehicle during the event.


Check-in for the Cruise-

In will begin at 4:30 p.m. All vehicles must be parked in their designated area by 5:30 p.m. and remain in place until 9 p.m. Cruise-in traffic must follow the designated cruise-in map.

Please note that all Cruise-In traffic must enter Public Square via Chestnut Street/North Main Street only. North Main Street onto Chestnut Street will be the only exit point available for participants leaving before 9 p.m. Public Square will begin two-way traffic at 4:30 p.m. to make parking easier for Cruise-In vehicles. The East High Street onto South Gay Street will be open for exiting the event beginning at 9 p.m.

To ensure the safety of all pedestrians, volunteers, and drivers, Cruise-In traffic will not be permitted to use South Main or West High Streets to enter or exit Public Square at any time before or during the event. Participants should avoid moving their vehicles during the event. Violators may be prohibited from returning to future First Friday Cruise-Ins.

For more information about participating in the First Friday Cruise-In, visit www.experiencemv.org/cruise-in-info. To volunteer to help park cars for the cruise-in, please email director@experiencemv.org or call/text 740-393-1481.



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High school boys volleyball

Mount Vernon at St. Edward quad, 11 a.m.
 High school track
 Mount Vernon at Black Bear Relays, 11 a.m.

Monday, March 25

High school baseball

Crestline at East Knox, 5:15 p.m.
 High school softball
 Danville at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Tuesday, March 26

High school baseball

Lexington at Mount Vernon, 5 p.m.
 Mount Gilead at Danville, 5:15 p.m.
 High school softball
 Danville at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Wednesday, March 27

High school baseball

Mount Vernon at Lexington, 5 p.m.
 East Knox at Newark Catholic, 5:15 p.m.
 High school softball
 Danville at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Thursday, March 28

High school baseball

Gahanna-Lincoln at Mount Vernon, 5 p.m.
 Danville at Mount Gilead, 5:15 p.m.
 High school softball
 Danville at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Friday, March 29

High school baseball

Mount Vernon at Westerville South, 5 p.m.
 West Holmes at East Knox, 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, March 30

High school baseball

Danville at Lucas, 11 a.m.
 High school track
 Mount Vernon at Newark Invitational, 9 a.m.
 East Knox at Plymouth Invitational, 9 a.m.



Submitted
Students, from left, Tanner Banbury, William Smith, Brock Stute, Lane Warner, Zachary Butler, Hope Moore, Matthew Milligan, Bryson Shaffner, Jordan Coole, Honesty Rimar, and Jaxson Kaiser earned “BT Elite” status recently and received their hoodies and interview shirts. Bryant Kline also earned “BT Elite” status but is not pictured. Forty-five students from the Building Trades program have now earned “BT Elite” status since its inception.

Twelve earn elite status

The Knox County Career Center Building Trades program recognized twelve students who earned the status of “Building Trades Elite.” “Building Trades Elite” (BT Elite) is a program generated by Colby Clippinger, KCCC Building Trades instructor, and the KCCC Building Trades Advisory Council that began in 2019-20. The program’s criteria centers around attendance, discipline, industry credentialing, and extracurricular activities. A point system is set up where students earn points for attendance, grades, industry credentialing, and extracurricular activities. Students can lose points for being tardy, absent, and for discipline issues. In order to earn “BT Elite” status, students must earn 250 points and must maintain 250 points or higher until graduation to keep the “BT Elite” status. The “BT Elite” program is completely company-sponsored according to Clippinger. Students who earn “BT Elite” status are awarded a hoodie and an interview shirt. The companies pay for the hoodies and interview shirts. The hoodie has the Building Trades Elite crest on the back along with the company sponsors. The student’s name and “BT Elite” are on the front of the hoodie. The interview shirt has “BT Elite” and the student’s name on the front. Clippinger commented, “We appreciate the companies who have partnered with us on the “BT Elite” program. The “BT Elite” program creates a well-rounded and ready-to-hire student.” “The BT Elite program has had a profound impact on the students. It continually helps keep students accountable for themselves and they are now encouraging other students to attain the same level. This will only improve the quality of trades people entering into the work force,” added Clippinger.

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East Knox Ag 2 class enjoying doughnuts provided by Farm Credit Services during National FFA week. At far left is Josie Morningstar and far right is Amanda Dugan both from the Utica office of Farm Credit Mid-America.

EK celebrates FFA week

East Knox FFA members held an FFA spirit week in celebration of National FFA Week Feb. 19-24.

A different activity was conducted each day to help recognize and pro-

mote FFA and agriculture. Activities included FFA shirt day, flannel/Carhartt day, hat day, and FFA colors day. Farm Credit Mid-America Utica office provided doughnuts to the FFA members on Wednesday of National FFA Week

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Overholt appointed to position with financial services

Mount Vernon Nazarene University President Dr. Carson Castleman is pleased to announce the appointment of Brooke Overholt as the Executive Director of Financial Services, effective March 4.

Both an alumna and a former employee of MVNU, Overholt returns to her alma mater with extensive experience in enrollment and financial advising for Christian universities.

Overholt graduated from MVNU in 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration. In 2013, she returned to MVNU, where she served as a financial aid advisor until mid 2021. From there, she went on to serve as a registration change counselor and later the assistant director of enrollment operations at Indiana Wesleyan University.

"I love MVNU," said Overholt. "I've always felt like it's home, and I'm glad to be back."

As the executive director of financial services, Overholt will be in charge of overseeing financial aid for the university, as well as managing student accounts, working with enrollment offices to secure traditional and online enrollment goals, ensuring that MVNU's financial aid is compliant and up to date with all federal regulations, and to develop pathways to assist traditional and non-traditional students with financial aid.

"I think eight years as a financial aid advisor working with students and with parents has helped me in knowing customer service, how financial aid works, and working with federal, state, and university aid," said Overholt. "I love working with students and trying to help them make their educational journey as smooth as possible."



Brooke Overholt

Much of Overholt's passion for financial services in Christian higher education, however, stems from her own experiences as a traditional student at MVNU.

"When I came, I was a first-generation student," explained Overholt. "I didn't know anything about financial aid. Thankfully, my high school offered financial aid meetings, and so every opportunity that they would talk about financial aid and scholarships, I was attending to get as much information as possible. Some students don't have anyone to work with them through the process. I think being a first-generation student, and having worked through FAFSA, student loans, and scholarship applications, gives me an advantage in this position. I know those struggles that some students have."

Overholt recognizes the recent changes made to the FAFSA, including processing delays or mistakes in the new version of FAFSA, have left many students in the dark on the status of their financial aid. She does not want this to have a negative impact on the excitement that surrounds being accepted and making the decision to attend MVNU.

"They said they're going to release FAFSA in the middle of March, but that could change. I just know everybody's on the edge of

their seats — especially high school seniors who are waiting for award letters to figure out where they want to go to college. This is their first experience with dealing with the FAFSA and it can put a definite damper on them trying to figure out their future. We can help them through the process with open communication and calm everybody's nerves about what's going on," said Overholt.

In returning to MVNU, Overholt's main desire is to hone in on how to make the financial aid process as effective as possible.

"I've worked in this office before, so some of my short-term goals are just reconnecting with people on campus. I'm sure processes have changed in the years I've been away, so I want to make sure I'm up to date," said Overholt. "In the

long term, I'm going to look at those processes to see if they've been working and, if they haven't, try to figure out a different process if need be."

Overholt will report to Vice President for Enrollment and Marketing Johnna Vanover.

"Brooke has served in financial aid for over eight years, and so she has an extensive knowledge in

financial aid and student accounts. Most recently, she has also been a leader in her role at Indiana Wesleyan," said Vanover. "Being an MVNU grad, she also knows MVNU really well. I'm excited for her to come back home and for her to be able to join our team and hit the ground running."

Overholt lives in Fredericktown with her husband, Brent, and their three kids.

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EMINENT DOMAIN REFORM

Ohio lags behind most states in protections for landowners when it comes to eminent domain. Ohio Farm Bureau continues to advocate for landowner-focused eminent domain reforms to protect farmers from government and utilities taking property, with wins along the way in 2023. Most notably was the Columbia Gas of Ohio v. Bailey Family/Arno Renner Trust case, with potential impacts to farmland preservation programs. The court ruled with the Bailey Family/Arno Renner Trust.

TAX INCENTIVES FOR FARMERS, LANDOWNERS

Farm Bureau worked to protect Ohio's small business tax deduction, making the first \$250,000 of business income non-taxed; backed the elimination of the Commercial Activity Tax for 90% of Ohio businesses as part of the 2024-2025 state budget; pushed for an increase in the estate tax exemption and continues the fight to preserve the exemption along with protect stepped-up basis.

SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL INVESTMENTS FOR OHIO AGRICULTURE

Ohio Farm Bureau advocated and secured the largest investment in the state's ag future in a generation. These three investments included millions for the Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory at the Ohio Department of Agriculture to protect and help grow our livestock industry (Executive Vice President Adam Sharp is pictured at the groundbreaking on the previous page); Ohio State University's Multi-Species Animal Learning Center to train the next generation and support the industry; and Ohio State Fair improvements and new Land & Living building to promote ag to the public.

FUNDING FOR AG IN STATE BUDGET

Agriculture organizations and local services have secured funding thanks to advocacy from Ohio Farm Bureau: OSU Extension, Soil and Water, OARDC, OSU Wooster-ATI, high school ag education career tech, and FFA. Additionally, the organization supported the 4-H Foundation and Youth Reserve Program, resulting in millions of dollars for scholarships to 4-H youth.

PARTNERING FOR RESEARCH

Ohio Farm Bureau partnered with The Ohio State University's College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and Nationwide to create the AgTech Innovation Hub, which will be used to promote applied research, technology and innovation in support of agricultural technology.

DAIRY MARKETING REFORM

The Ohio Dairy Task Force was created to advocate for milk pricing reforms, which led to Farm Bureau submitting proposals to USDA to modernize Federal Milk Marketing Orders, and hearings held by USDA to discuss much needed reforms to the FMMO program.

BEGINNING FARMER TAX CREDIT PUT INTO PRACTICE

The Beginning Farmer Tax Credit went into effect in 2023. The legislation sets up an income tax credit for beginning farmers and established landowners and ag producers who sell or rent assets or land to them.

LEASE TERMINATION NOTICE

Ohio Farm Bureau-supported legislation enacted last summer established rules that protect Ohio farmers from abrupt farm lease terminations. That law made it possible for one member to protect his investment and continue to farm the land through

the growing season. Going forward, notice must be given by Sept. 1 to terminate a farm lease.

ALLIANCE TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH IN AGRICULTURE

The weight of keeping the family farm in business can cause incredible amounts of stress and take a toll on a farmer's mental well-being. A newly created alliance, which includes Ohio Farm Bureau, will focus on mental health in agriculture to ensure Ohio's farmers, families and communities are better equipped to deal with stress.

AGRIPOWER LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Nine farmers and agribusiness professionals graduated from Ohio Farm Bureau's 2022-2023 AgriPOWER Institute in March. This yearlong program focuses on public policy issues confronting agriculture and helps individuals develop the skills necessary to become effective leaders and advocates for agriculture. Fourteen farmers and agribusiness professionals were selected to participate in AgriPOWER Class XIV during 2023-2024.

RIGHT TO REPAIR AGREEMENTS

American Farm Bureau Federation signed two more memoranda of understanding with five agricultural equipment manufacturers providing farmers and ranchers the right to repair their own farm equipment. Combined, the four MOUs cover roughly 70% of the agricultural machinery sold in the United States.

WATER QUALITY INITIATIVES

Ohio Farm Bureau continues to advocate for statewide expansion of the H2Ohio Initiative. The Ohio Agriculture Conservation Initiative, of which Ohio Farm Bureau is a member, announced that over 2,000 northwest Ohio farmers have

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become involved in the organization's nutrient management plan certification program since its rollout in early 2020. To date, an allocated \$270 million goes directly to farmers to implement voluntary conservation practices and avoids costly regulation. Grand Lake St. Marys was illustrated as a success story in the annual Water Quality Status Report. Gov. Mike DeWine's administration also announced a comprehensive study of Ohio's largest rivers showing tremendous improvements in water quality over the past several decades.



NATIONWIDE PARTNERSHIP

Nationwide remains Ohio Farm Bureau's No. 1 partner. Whether it is utilizing ag resources found in the Ag Insight Center, finding an agent through the Select Partners Program, or partnering with those in farming to help create a stronger industry, Nationwide continues to play a key role in the sustainability of agriculture throughout the country.

NEW RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS

Ohio Farm Bureau and Nationwide are partners in a new Ag Intelligence Service, producing business solutions resources for members, including labor resources and the Technology Intelligence Report. Plus, a new Landowner Toolkit and Farmer's Guide to Trucking Regulations from OFBF's legal team are geared toward helping members make the best business decisions for their operations.

FIGHTING FOR THE FARM BILL

Twenty groups representing agricultural, environmental, forestry, wildlife, nutrition and hunger advocates launched the "Farm Bill for America's Families: Sustaining Our Future" campaign to urge passage of the 2023 Farm Bill as soon as possible.

OHIO FARM BUREAU FOUNDATION

Ohio Farm Bureau Foundation and county Farm Bureaus collectively awarded over \$250,000 in scholarships to 265 students statewide this year. The Patterson Family Agricultural Literacy Fund was established in 2023 to provide programmatic support in perpetuity for Ohio Farm Bureau's agricultural literacy initiatives. The Workforce Development & Ag Literacy Grant program was created exclusively for county Farm Bureaus. It serves as a funding opportunity to better serve county Farm Bureaus to enhance agricultural literacy efforts.

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- Worked for farmers to keep funding for H2Ohio after the pandemic caused the state to cut agency budgets
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- Preserving the use of critical crop protection materials
- Filing in lawsuits to protect property owners
- Providing comments on the regulatory process for oil and gas wells



KNOX COUNTY

On a mother's advice, and the way things are

When you've been invited somewhere, Mom advised, always ring the doorbell with your elbow, meaning don't arrive empty-handed.

She was well-known for similar aphorisms, among them:

—If there's enough blue in the sky to make a farmer a pair of overalls, it won't rain.

—Upper lights are gauche.

—College isn't a job factory.

—And always vote for the best candidate, as long as it's a Democrat.

My mother was one of those rare women who figured out a way to be a good mom even as she began a career outside the home, using her Master's degree to become an associate professor in Business Administration, not exactly what an English major might have expected out of her life, but inspiring and illuminating nonetheless.



Mike Dewey
Life Lines

She was a tenacious advocate for the less fortunate, a voracious reader, a devout Roman Catholic, a fan of the Cleveland Indians and, it'll come as no surprise, a staunch defender of her beliefs.

You'd be better off asking Niagara Falls to flow upward than to even attempt to move her off her position on any issue of the day.

Not that she courted confrontation; in fact, she was rather reluctant to engage in point-less badinage unless and until someone crossed the line between harmless stupidity into cruel and malignant ignorance. This particular trait is one that I've done my best to incorporate, not only in

my writing, but in the way I live my life.

I may not have always met Mom's high bar, but I've done my best, which is probably why people enjoy talking with me ... not all of them, obviously, but enough to keep me out of serious fistfights.

The last time that I threw down – to use a term that used to be in vogue – I was in the eighth grade. The particulars of the argument have long since passed their expiration date but I remember that it occurred during a sandlot football game, which were always rather rough-and-tumble affairs, spiced with cheap shots and other less-than-sporting strategies, the kind that often involved kneecaps.

You have to understand that when we got together – after we had gotten our after-school fix of "Dark Shadows" – it was with the expressed assumption that there would be no

adults to spoil things.

Grownup supervision ruined so many otherwise outrageously fun activities that it was anathema for us to even consider playing under the unblinking gaze of older folks, let alone our parents.

These were the days when kids pretty much ran free and if we got back home before dark, hardly any questions arose, but my sharp-eyed mother was always on the lookout for telltale traces of blood.

This is why I always wore several layers of shirts, just in case I had to make a last-minute change before I joined the family for supper.

Mom was convinced that we only played touch football, never tackle, an illusion I did very little to puncture, preferring a bit of prevarication to the unvarnished truth. It reminds me of that scene toward the end of "Apollo 13," when Ed Harris asks a NASA engineer whether or not the astronauts should be cognizant of the looming re-entry situation, one that was life-and-death anyway.

"Is there anything we can do about it?" he asks. Getting a negative reply,

he says, "Then they don't need to know about it, do they?"

I'm not sure if comparing football to space exploration is legit, but that's the way I'm writing it and I'll just let history be the judge.

"Is that the best way to say it?" Mom sometimes asked after reading something I'd written for the high school newspaper.

"Too harsh?"

"Maybe," she'd say, "not harsh enough. Shake your readers up."

In years to come, time that my mother wasn't granted, I'd see a lot of her in Frances McDormand's portrayal of William Miller's mom in "Almost Famous," the 2000 film that follows her son as he travels the country with a rock band, hoping to make a name for himself as a writer. She's worried about the kind of lifestyle he's joining, if only on the periphery, and is a force of nature when it comes to protecting him on his journey into that wild world.

"Your mother left a message for you," a hotel concierge tells William, shaking his head at the memory. "She freaked me out."

"She means well," says her son, knowing exactly what happened.

Earlier in the movie, prodded by her daughter – "He deserves to know the truth" – William's mom finally confesses that instead of being 13 years old, he's actually only 11. "There's too much padding in the lower grades ... so I skipped you a couple."

"That," says William, thinking about his delayed puberty and the ridicule he's experienced from his peers, "explains so much."

My mother, also a college professor, didn't do that to me, probably because she understood that if I passed each year, it'd be a miracle.

But since I moved home in January, very few visitors have come around. Then I remembered, this house has no doorbell which, to quote William Miller, could explain so much.

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A tacky solution to making memories stick with me

In one of the more serendipitous stories of modern invention, a materials scientist working to perfect a new adhesive for the aerospace industry worked for years only to ultimately discover that his sticky stuff just wasn't sticky enough to hold together the complex space-aged composites from which modern aircraft are woven.

As a matter of fact, it was barely sticky enough to tack one piece of paper to another! If the goop had but a single redeeming characteristic it was that it left no mark upon the stuff to which it did manage to stick. The formula was promptly shelved until one day when a friend expressed his frustration at trying to keep in place the dozens of tiny book-marks he'd placed in his choir hymnal at church. And with that a star was born: the now ubiquitous 3M Post-It Note.



The world is now filled not only with the original square, yellow “sticky note,” but a veritable cornucopia of additional shapes and sizes. I’ve found notes in the shape of light bulbs, kangaroos, bulldozers and even a head of broccoli. Last week at a dairy conference I picked up a pad in the shape of a slice of Swiss cheese! I’ll unapologetically admit that gathering “stickies” at conferences, trade shows and county fairs is now full-on compulsion for me.

Mind you, I’m not simply hoarding here. High science has created a product of infinite utility for the perpetually absent-minded and I am here to take full advantage of what now seems to have been crafted especially for me. Some days I doubt if I could find my way home without a sticky note. They are the bread crumbs of my daily life journey. In full testament to my constant need for guidance and reminder I will share a story.

On many of these recent, late winter days I battle a cold, fierce headwind along with a merciless timeclock on my bicycle ride to work the next town over. As such, I dare not take a moment to stop or detour when I spot things of interest along the way. The trip home, however, is often much less perilous and certainly more conducive to side trips and stops along the way. It’s not unusual for me to catch a passing glance of something in the morning then make a mental note to investigate it on the way back home. The problem with mental



notes is they very seldom seem to stick.

This is exactly why last Tuesday, upon arrival at work, I wrote a sticky note to remind myself to investigate what I thought to have been a horse shoe lying alongside the road in one spot and a dropped bicycle light in another. “Horseshoe, light” the

thought to be a sweet little headlight.

Sadly, upon closer examination the horseshoe turned out to be an arc of bent wire and the bike light was merely a broken reflector. I pedaled on in disappointment and the further frustration that I kept hearing a weird “flapping” noise coming from somewhere on my bike.

It wasn’t until I turned at a right angle to the prevailing wind that the bothersome noise revealed itself. It was the note I’d written, still stuck to my helmet and now flapping down across my right eye to convincingly remind me just how much of an absent-minded goofball I have become!

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Tree Service

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0610

Cats

WE HAVE MAIN Coon Cross Siamese kittens, 8 weeks old, ready for homes. Litter trained. Mom and dad registered, kittens are high breeds so will not be registered, asking \$350, 330-317-0093.

0620

Dogs

10 MONTH OLD Golden Irish male, He is a nice dark red color. Has vacs and dewormer, 330-231-2634.

10 MO. OLD female, Golden Irish. She is a nice dark red color. Has all her vacs, dewormer and rabies shot. \$250, 330-231-2634.

2-BEAUTIFUL 2.5 YEAR old Red Standard Poodle Females. For more information call or text 330-987-5585.

2-BICHON FEMALES, 2-YEARS old. Good moms. \$200. 2-Yorkie Males, 10-weeks old. 2-Bichon Females, 9-weeks old, vaccinated & vet checked. New Bedford. 330-897-0343.

2 MALE F1B Mini Goldendoodle puppies. They have been vet checked and have had their first shots. Dad is an AKC Poodle & mom is a Mini Goldendoodle. Call (740)502-2095.

2 MALE STANDARD Aussiedoodle puppies. 16 weeks old. One blue merle and one tri-color, \$200 OBO. Contact Becca for more info, 330-257-1932.

2 SHEEPADOODLE FEMALE puppies. Black and white. Born on December 5, \$350 each OBO. Call or Text 330-275-0803.

2YR. OLD DOBERMAN female, has been our family pet since a puppy. Great guard dog. \$2,800, Steven (330)231-9898.

3 YEAR OLD mini Aussie Doodle female good mother \$200 or best offer call/text: 330-231-4388.

4 MONTH OLD Beabull male, UTD on shots and wormer, \$200 OBO. Call or text Adam, 330-390-1335

4 MONTH OLD female Golden Irish. She is up to date on her shots and dewormer. Also microchipped, \$250. 330-231-2634.

4 YEAR OLD AKC and APRI registered, French bulldog female. Fawn and white colored ,excellent mom, due to cycle soon, \$1900. Call 330-317-9557.

5 YEAR OLD Great Pyrenees male. Loving and gentle. Please text 740-504-9314 with questions. We rescued him in November 2023. He needs a different set up than we can offer.

6 MO OLD, AKC female Irish Setter, mahogany color. She is UTD on shots and dewormer. Also microchipped, \$600, 330-231-2634.

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AKC FRENCH BULLDOGS. 2 blue and tan fluffy males. Call or text for pictures or more info, 330-275-7532.

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AKC TRI COLORED cavalier female puppies for sale DOB 1-1-24 vet checked and up to date on shots and worming call or text 330-763-1341.

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FOR SALE: TWO 9 month old red & white ACA Pembroke Welsh Corgis. 1 male and 1 female, should cycle soon, nice makings. Call 330-323-2197.

FRENCHTON FEMALE, BRINDLE colored, beautiful, stocky. DOB: 7/13/23, shots and worming records. Happy and healthy. Call 330-275-8658.

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MINI DACHSHUND PUPPIES: Dappled an solid colored available. Long haired or short haired. Call or text for pictures or more info, 330-275-9651.

MORKIE MALE, 4 months old, \$200. Very small pup, adult size 5-6lbs. Call for more info, 330-695-9310.

TWO 14 WEEK old red Shiba Inu males, ACA registered, up to date on shots and dewormer and are vet checked. Would make great breeding dogs or pets!!! Call or text Joel Miller: (330)243-5995 for more info or pictures.

WE HAVE A Mini Australian Shepherd that looks like a Sheltie. He is so adorable. Should only grow too be 25 pounds and just turned 8 weeks. He is socialized around children and other pets. 330-317-0093.

0650

Pets

WARNING: ANIMALS ADVERTISED for "free" are sometimes acquired by people who use them as bait in training other animals to fight or for science experiments. Please help us to stop animal cruelty by asking a nominal free for your pet to attract a sincere buyer.

0710

Livestock

2-BOER CROSS DOES. 2-years old, fresh in January. \$500/each. 5-Boers, 7-weeks old. Nice color. \$125/each. 330-674-1273.

50 KATAHDIN EWES due soon. Bred to Dorper ram, \$325. 17 Dorest ewes due soon, \$375. 16 Dorper ewes, first time lambing, \$450. 7 Dorper/Katahdin cross ewes, \$400. All vet checked for pregnancy. 740-552-4837

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0711

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2 MONTH OLD Chocolate Orpington pullets. \$25 each. Orrville (330)317-5576.

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0715

Horses

3 YEAR OLD Registered Bay Morgan gelding. Sire is Stonecroft Byzantine. Started, needs finished, approx. 15hh, \$3600. Call or text 330-473-7631.

6-YEAR OLD BAY Standardbred Trotting Broodmare. In-foal to Knight Angelo. \$2850. 16-year old Standardbred Trotting Broodmare. In-foal to Friesian Morgan stallion. \$1750. 19-year old Paint Pony. Nicely marked, in-foal to Knight Angelo. Broke to ride and drive. Also, her yearling stud colt by Knight Angelo. David M. Miller, 5568 CR 59, Millersburg, OH 44654, 330-275-0723. (vm)

6YR. OLD STANDARDBRED Mare, 15.3H, good broke, good for 5-7 mile trips \$3,000; 11 yr. old Standardbred Gelding, black 2-whites, the real deal, record of 1:50, T.S.S. \$4,000. Crossbreds and Standardbreds around \$3,000-\$5,000. Also, looking to trade or buy, John Swarey 740-462-8610.

CINNAMON, 4YO PONY, 48", green, broke to ride, \$1200. Phoenix 6yo gelding, neck reins, long mane, needs maintenance, \$1800. Carolina. 2yo filly green, broke, \$1500. Several other trail, beginner horses available. Call for details. 330-221-0427

FRIESIAN CROSS MARE, 13yr. old. Black with 2 white socks. T,S,S, been used for brood mare past 2 years. \$5,000, OBO. Contact 330-340-1095 for more information or make an appointment to come see her.

0717

Standardbred

11 YR. OLD Bay Gelding 90% trot 100% T.S.S. well broke, stands well to hitch and at corners. \$4,300, OBO. 30 day money back guarantee. 740-575-5464.

3YO DARK BAY standardbred gelding, Westwardho Hanover x Rock and Roll Hanover, TSS, 16 hands, good built, mostly trot, ready for the family, fresh and pretty, \$5200. Call 330-231-4898. John Mark Miller, 5568 CR 59 Millersburg Ohio 44654.

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0720 Crops

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1950'S MCCORMICK FARMALL tractor. Model SM. Needs rebuilt, in good condition. Has hole in the block. Used last year. Don't have time to rebuild. Has rubber on steel rims and is 45-50 HP has PTO. Would be a great restoration project asking \$500. Pick up only. Call 260-350-8034.

1951 JOHN DEERE G tractor, runs good. Excellent condition! \$10,250, (330)464-2691.

1956 JOHN DEERE model 60 tractor. Has new paint job and all lights work. In excellent condition. Has PTO, runs on gas, starts every time and runs really smooth. Asking \$5400 OBO. Call 260-350-8158. I can text pictures.

2001 NEW HOLLAND 575 small square baler for sale. Hydraulic tongue, Hydraulic bale tension, Bale thrower. Nice clean baler. Asking \$12,500. Call or text 740-502-8313.

2005 ASV RC60 Tracked Skid Steer Loader 3,070 hours, \$22,500. Call 330-231-4712. Recently worked on: 2 hoses replaced, new battery, new starter, one cylinder repacked. 60 HP Perkins diesel engine, weight 6500 lbs, auxiliary hookup, OROP, and wide tracks. Great yard and maintenance machine, ready to go.

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MASSEY FERGUSON TRACTOR 1085. Good condition. Also, on-air tires. \$8,000. 330-674-1273.

MF HAY RAKE, \$1100. 2 hay wagons, 14', \$900, 16' \$1100. JD fertilizer boxes \$250/pair. Kubota L2900 with loader and 72" belly mower, \$14,500. LandPride 6' brush cutter, \$1600. Reverse tine tiller, \$1500. 72" blade, \$200. FarmKing landscape rake, \$900. 3 point quick hitch, \$125. Fresno, 740-294-4149.

NEW HOLLAND WORKMASTER 45 Tractor. One owner, bought in 2012, it has 170.2HRS on it. Only used for brush hogging small field and maintaining a driveway. Diesel engine, 45 engine hp, 39 PTO hp, 540 PTO, 8 speed transmission with left hand reverser, two hydraulic outlets. Asking \$11,500 OBO. 330-340-3978

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0750 Meat & Produce

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0801 Yard & Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE: 2430 Fox Lake Rd. Wooster, near John Deere, March 22, 23, 8am-5pm. Assorted furniture, bedding, purses, shoes, clothing, crocks, rainbow sweeper, baskets, tools, chain saw, wheel barrow, much more!

0901 Real Estate For Sale

HOUSE FOR SALE: Five bedrooms, two bathrooms, living room, kitchen, dining room, tv room, large all-season sunroom, and basement. Sets on four acres in the country, Bethlehem Township, Stark County. Two large buildings in back. New roof, furnace, security system, well and septic inspected. Asking \$409,000. (330)704-6846

0955 Wanted To Buy

HOUSE WANTED: FIXERS okay. Call Ron before you list. 740-324-0758

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SALE INFO: This is our 12th annual sale and we keep growing in volume and quality. Thank you to all of our past consignors and buyers for making it a success! If you have equipment to liquidate, contact us to consign. If you are looking to buy or upgrade a particular piece of machinery, plan to spend the day with us.

TRACTORS AND SKIDLOADERS: 2011 John Deere 5093E Cab 4wd tractor 1187 hrs, Dual remotes, 540 pto loader ready, 1994 Case IH 5240 tractor with Alamo boom mower 4100 hrs, Case 2294 Cab 2wd dual pto and remotes, Mustang 2150 RT newer tracks 1021 hrs, Bobcat T650 track loader CHA hand/foot controls 3756 hrs, NH 465 Skid Loader IH 284 utility tractor, Case 830 Diesel tractor WF, AC 190XT tractor dual remotes, Case 800 NF tractor, Allis Chalmers NF with woods belly mower, Case 1835 B skid loader, Ford 900 NF, Allis Chalmers NF with woods belly mower, Farmall 340 NF tractor.

TRUCKS, TRAILERS AND CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT: 2003 International 7600 log truck C10 Cat engine, Eaton Fuller 10 speed transmission, tandem axle with tag and elite Rotobee log loader (Sells with reserve). 1994 Mack R688S Tandem axle truck with Mack 350 engine (All Mechanical) 8LL transmission and 16ft dump bed, 1986 International straight truck with DT 466 engine, 6 speed transmission, Hyd Brakes and MIT 2815 knuckle boom hoist, Ford F800 w/18 ft grain truck with gas engine, Yanmar E 80 R rubber track dump s/n38690, Komatsu PC35R mini excavator, PC 30-7 Komatsu mini excavator with newer tracks, 2012 Ford F350 4x4 pickup with Fisher v blade plow, 2022 7000# GVW landscape trailer, 2018 Sure Trac 9900# GVW utility trailer, Talbert 20 ton tag trailer, 2002 Featherlight 7x20 Aluminum stock trailer (needs cross member and floor repair) 2021 Appalachian 14k GVW 24 ft deck single wheel with winch plate, Universal bale spear, 72" in dirt bucket, 80" tooth bucket.

FARM MACHINERY: 2021 Kuhn 3155 Progressive density round baler net wrap low bale count, H&S 50 GD box spreader, MF 850 Combine, 1163 6 rn corn head and 15 ft grain table, Pequea bale cart, Kewanee folding disk

18ft, Killbros gravity box only with extensions, NH 165 box manure spreader, small gravity wagon, Woods 3pt ditch bank mower, 2 skeleton elevators, small utility trailer, Allman light plant, Knight 8024 side slinger spreader, Houle 5250 liquid manure tank small 1000 pto (has some pin holes), JD 835 MoCo small 1000 pto 2pt hookup (bad cutterbar), Farmec 36 ft hay elevator, Gehl 1540 Forage blower, JD 60H forage blower, Utility grain elevator on transport cart, 16 ft wooden greenchop wagon, 3 pt. wheel rake, transport disc, utility trailer, NH 846 round baler, Brady 722 green chopper, Hesston 1110 7 ft haybine, 3 pt blade, MF manure spreader, NH square baler, White 6100 6RN corn planter with dry fertilizer, homemade portable cattle chute, 6 Kinze HD liquid fertilizer openers with squeeze pump, 12 ft 2 bar Remlingerspike tooth soil finisher.

LAWN AND GARDEN MISC: Steiner 430 tractor diesel with 1400 hrs, JD 425 Garden Tractor 767 hrs, Cub Cadet XT1 Li46" mower 450 hrs, 3 pt wood chipper, log splitter, 100 gallon transport tank with pump.

DROP OFF TIMES: March 21 and 22 from 9:30 am to dark daily, call for other times and arrangements. Need trucking? We can assist with that too. No junk tires will be accepted! Auctioneer and staff reserve the right to inspect and reject consignments worthy of no bid!

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LOCATION: 198 Highland Drive Butler, Ohio 44822 Directions: From Mill Street (SR 97) on the west edge of Butler take Highland Drive to location on left.

SUMMARY: This ranch-style home, situated in the quaint Village of Butler within the scenic surroundings of Richland County, offers a perfect blend of comfort and convenience. Constructed in 1981, this well-preserved property features two bedrooms and showcases a sturdy oak kitchen, a dining area, a cozy living room, and 2 full bathrooms, all on the main level. The home's lower level further enhances its appeal with another oak kitchen, a family room, an additional full bathroom, and a spacious storage/utility room that provides access to the walkout basement. All the existing appliances stay with the home including washer and dryer. The exterior boasts an attached garage, durable vinyl siding with an attractive brick front, a shingle roof, and a handy storage shed. Essential utilities include city water and sewer services, a natural gas forced air furnace, central air conditioning, and a whole house generator, ensuring year-round comfort and convenience. Located near the new school, this property is ideal for those embarking on homeownership or looking to downsize, offering a harmonious blend of functionality and charm.

LEGAL: Richland County Parcel 0501308814000 in the Village of Butler, Worthington Township and Clear Fork LSD. Taxes: Taxes are currently \$843.81 per half year and have a Homestead Reduction.

REAL ESTATE TERMS: 10% Buyer's Premium. 10% nonrefundable down payment day of sale with the balance due at closing. The sale is not contingent upon buyer securing financing and or any additional contingencies, property sells "AS IS". Any required inspections must be completed prior to bidding. Sellers to transfer any and all owned mineral rights. Property sells subject to all articles of record. Announcements day of sale take precedence over all previous advertising and statements.

Contents: Bidding Begins Ending Wed., March 20th, at 6:00 PM

CAR - MOWERS - TOOLS: 2003 Jeep Liberty Sport 4x4 3.7L, 120,974 miles. Cloth Interior. VIN#1J4GL48K43W678801; : Country Clipper Avenue Zero Turn Mower 42" Decker Kawasaki FR 600 B Motor, Lawn Vacuum, Honda Harmony HRM 215 Walk Behind Mower; Shop Smith V and Shop Smith Power Station; lots of good quality tools

GUNS: Remington 870 Shotgun, Thompson Center 50 Cal Muzzleloader w/ Simmons 3x9 Scope, Marlin Stainless Model 880ss 2 Cal., JG Anschutz German Made 22 Cal. w/ Tasco Scope, Browning Automatic Belgium Made 12 GA Light Twelve, Browning Automatic Belgium Made 12 ga Light Twelve, Remington 30-06 w/ Lyman 6 Power Scope, Remington 870 Shotgun 12 ga w/ Tasco Scope, Remington 20 Gauge Barrel, Ruger Security-Six 357 Magnum w/ Leather Sheepskin Case, Ruger LC9 9 mm w/ Case Box, Horton Hunter Supreme Crossbow; Champion Safe Co. Model T 24 Gun Safe, Gun Vault Pistol Safe; variety of ammo; lots of hunting supplies.

FURNITURE - HOUSEHOLD: Nice line of solid oak furniture including table & chairs; hutch, jewelry cabinet; rollout desk; Lazy-Boy recliner and sofas; (2) bedroom sets; KitchenAid Mixer; Rainbow sweeper; and lots and lots more of good quality household items. Visit our website for full list of items.

TERMS: 10% Buyer's Premium. Online Bidding Terms Apply. Visit www.kaufman-auctions.com to bid.

SALE BY ORDER OF: The Estate of Richard Lee Greer, Lisa Grassbaugh - Executor, Richland County Probate Case #20241044 Garrett Roach - Attorney

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MARLIN MODEL 6660, 22 auto tube fed, walnut stock, 4x scope, near mint older gun. \$475, 740-707-3548.

OLDER EASTERN ARMS (Stevens) 12 gauge double barrel side by side shotgun. Good shooter condition and locks up tight, \$300. (330)601-3830, Apple Creek.

REMINGTON MODEL 1100 20 gauge light weight (LT) Magnum, takes 3" shells. Manufactured in July of 1971. Excellent condition, \$1175. (330)601-3830 Apple Creek

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SMITH&WESSON MODEL 64, 38 special, 4 inch barrel, stainless, mfg 1980, new in box, \$875. (740)502-6041

TAURUS PT92 AFS 9mm, semi auto pistol in stainless steel. Comes with two 15 round mags. Excellent condition, \$400 firm. Call 330-601-3830, Apple Creek.

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WALHONDING VALLEY EQUIPMENT AUCTION
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Tractors | Trailers | Farm Equipment | Construction Equipment | Tools

Saturday, March 30, 2024 • 9:00 AM

LOCATION: 33901 US 36 Warsaw, Ohio 43844. Directions: Located 7 miles west of Warsaw and 2 east of New Castle on US 36. GPS Coordinates: 40.341553, -82.131712.

TRUCKS - TRAILERS: 1993 Freightliner 120 Detroit 60 series Transmission RTX14609B Overdrive 9 speed 4:10 gear ratio FAS2 air ride suspension; '07 Int. 4300 20' flatbed Fuller 6 speed good cond.; '86 GMC 7000 grain truck diesel 15' dump bed air brakes good rubber 175k miles; 1996 Moritz 27' gooseneck flatbed trailer; Carry On 14' dual axle trailer; American 16' dual axle trailer;

TRACTORS - COMBINES: 1995 JD 8100 16 speed PowerShift 3 electric remotes, 3pt quick hitch led lights 11k+ hrs SSN# RW8100P010071; JD 4850 15 speed Powershift triple outlets good rubber 6127 hrs; JD 4840 w/ 8 speed PowerShift good condition good rubber; Massey Ferguson 6255 w/ 1070 loader 540/1000 pto; 2012 Kubota L4600 SNN#10535 715 hrs. very clean; Kubota BX235 4wd tractor w/ LA340 loader, BT603 backhoe & 60" belly mower 392 hrs.; 1944 Allis-Chambers WC tractor; Ford 4610 tractor w/ turf tires; JD 7720 Combine Diesel; Gleaner A combine gas grain & corn heads; JD 445 tractor w/ loader & tiller; 1996 Gleaner R62, Cummins engine, 3700 engine hours, 2550 Sep. , Lateral tilt, Variable speed FH, 800-25' grain table, 3000 6 row corn head; Cub Cadet 154 Lo Boy w/ mower and pto; JD Model 6086T motor out of a 7210 needs overhauled; JD 1020 tractor needs tune up;

SKID LOADERS - DOZERS - ATTACHMENTS: 2019 Bobcat S595 wheel skid steer w/ cab and bucket 2685 hrs, new rubber, one owner; 2017 Kubota SSV65 wheel loader 2 speed hand & foot controls open cab 850 hrs.; JD 250 skid loader hand controls hrs. unknown; Cat. 247B3 track loader 4010 hrs.; Cat D5 dozer SN# 9611168; JD 450 crawler loader w/ bucket & forks; Int. T-340 crawler with PTO 10411 hrs.; LULL Highlander telehandler hrs. unknown; JD CA25 Worksite Pro 12" auger attachment; bale spears; fork attachment; skidsteer trencher attachment used 4 times; Agco 6' loader bucket; back hoe bucket;

PLANTERS - TILLAGE: JD 7200 MaxEmerge Vacumeter 6 row corn planter w/ ESet Precision Planting; JD 7000 6 row planter total tubular, squeeze pump, liquid fertilizer; White 379 4-row cultivator; Landoll 7 shank disc chisel; Taylor-Way 10' offset disc; DO-All 15' field finisher; Int. 14' disc; JD 5 bot. plow; 8' disc; (2) Int. 6 row cultivator; Int. 4 row cultivator; 8' cultivator; Kewanee 1010 18' disc; Taylorway 9' chisel plow; MF 129 9 shank disc chisel; JD 111 12' disc; Int. 4 bott. Semi mounted plow;

WAGONS - SPREADERS: H&S 430 spreader rebuilt new axle floor and sides; Killbros gravity wagon; (2) JM 250 gravity wagons; 16' flat wagons; Bale King 16' hay wagon; E-Z Trail gravity wagon; Parker gravity wagon;

HAY EQUIPMENT - MIXERS: JD 459 Silage Special round baler 17,500 bales GC; JD 557 CoverEdge baler; Buffalo TMR stationary mixer w/ scale; Patz TMR mixer w/ scales; 20' portable hay feeder w/ hinged feeder; 46' NI bale elevator w/ Honda motor; H&S RT-2500 tetter; Vermeer 500S bale splitter; (2) Mast 4 prong bale spear; Sifrex 6 basket tedder; New Holland HT 152 10 wheel V-Rake GC;

AUGERS - GRAIN MISC: 24' 6" auger pto ; 30' 8" auger w/motor; Quality Plus 22' fertilizer conveyor w/ hydraulic drive;

MISC. EQUIPMENT: Woods 72' tiller used 1 time; 3-Shank subsoiler; 500 gal. boom field sprayer w/ good pump; 325 tank w/ transfer pump; Woods 9810 15' batwing finish mower; 10' 3pt. bushhog; 2016 Can-Am side by side does not run; Ford 942 6' 3pt brushhog; Imco 5' 3pt blade; Landpride 6' disc; Landpride 3pt box blade; EZGO golf cart; 2012 Can-Am Commander 2650miles new trans., rearend and cv axle w/ blade; 2021 Yamaha RMax4 10003220 miles good condition; 2005 Polaris Sportsman 500 H.O. 4-wheeler;

CORRAL PANELS - GATES - SHEDS - MISCELLANEOUS: (54) free standing corral panels 24'x5' 5" thick; (6) corral panels with gates; Stein-Way gates; 6' walk through gate; 59 guard rail w/hardware; new gates of all sizes; sheep feeders; cattle /horse hay rings; (6) 100' rolls 46' wide by 1/2 reinforced rubber belt; portable cattle chute; (2) 10'x20' storage barns new; 8'x12' green house; 5', 8' & 10' 2' wide rollers; 9' grain bin; Dog Kennel runs 9'6'x5' & 4'6"x4'; black welded dog kennel; 500 gal. Rubbermaid water trough; (2) 250 gal. Rubbermaid water trough; 250 gal water tank; 12'x16' pallet rack; wagon loads of tools; rows of smaller items

OFF-SITE ITEMS: (2) Brock 11 ton grain bins located in Alexandria; 250 bushel batch grain dryer propane farm fan stationary located in Gambier

TERMS: Cash, Good Check or Credit Card with valid I.D. 5% Buyers Premium on Credit Cards only. NO BUYER'S PREMIUM onsite if paid by cash or check. Titles for Trucks and trailers will be issued as soon as possible. See Online Terms online

NOTE: We will sell tools and misc. off of wagons to begin with. We will accept consignments up until Friday March 29th. Equipment will sell at 11:00 AM.

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