

Rec Master Plan getting feedback from citizens

By Lance Winkler

The Oakwood City Council got underway Monday, April 5 with all counted as present. Mayor William Duncan opened the proceedings by issuing a proclamation congratulating the University of Dayton basketball team for their championship win in the National Invitational Tournament.

In status reports, Rob Stephens gave an update on the Athletic/Recreation Center Master Plan, announcing that the brochure outlining the many options to choose from had been mailed out to the 4000 households in Oakwood. 22 citizens have also been interviewed concerning their opinions on the upcoming project and 400 interviews by phone are underway with over 100 people already having been contacted. A public hearing on the proposals for the Rec Center Master Plan will be held on Thursday, April 29 at 7 p.m. in the Oakwood Community Center.

Council member Stephens also issued a statement concerning public safety, announcing that the elevated burglary and theft rate in Oakwood has diminished due to the arrest of two suspects who both admitted involvement in a number of burglaries and thefts in the Oakwood area over the past year and a half.

Council member Steve Byington announced that construction work is resuming at Pointe Oakwood with sidewalks along Old River Trail having been completed and landscaping being slated for completion by mid-June. The model home fronting Far Hills Avenue is nearing completion as well and will soon be open for tours.

In legislation, a resolution grant-

ing the application for a special use request to move Hillel Academy from its current location in north Dayton to Beth Abraham synagogue at Sugar Camp was passed unanimously by the council. Hillel Academy is a Jewish educational institution serving students from kindergarten up until the eighth grade. A number of students living in Oakwood attend Hillel Academy and the total number of students that will be attending there is about 30.

In the city manager's report, Norbert Klopsch announced that the regional water/sewer service survey came out recently and that the water rates charged Oakwood citizens was rated sixth lowest out of 66 communities with an average monthly charge of \$66 versus an average of \$94 for other communities. Sewer rates were higher with Oakwood being rated the 50th lowest out of 66 communities surveyed.

On Saturday, April 17, a clean-up of the culvert bordering Acorn Avenue will take place. Volunteers are being sought and the public is invited to participate in the cleanup. Member of the Oakwood Rotary, a number of school sports organizations, the Oakwood singles group and 80-100 volunteers are expected to participate in this community improvement project.

Klopsch also announced there will be a community shredding service offered to citizens on Saturday, April 24 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Shafor Blvd. Service Center. Citizens can shred documents, CD's and other items free of charge.

The next formal meeting of the Oakwood City Council will take place on Monday, May 3, 2010.

Basket of Colors



Beckman Breen, age 4, displays his egg treasure from the FOP 107 Easter Egg Hunt held at the Wright Library on Saturday. Beckman is the son of Robert Breen and grandson of Connie Focke Breen. Photo by Robert Breen

Bionic Bookworms battle with brains

The Battle of the Books competition took place at Harman Elementary on April 1 and 2 during the lunch hour. The Battle consisted of six teams made up of students from the fourth-sixth grade. Each team was responsible for reading 21 books and then writing questions from each book that would be used for the competition. At the competition, the students were asked the questions that came from all 21 books that each team came up with. The questions would consist of asking all the teams to write down what book and what author the question came from. Each team would then be rewarded with points for knowing the correct answer. At the end of the competition, the points were totaled from both days and the team that had the most points won the battle. The team that won was the Blue Bionic Bookworms Volume 3. The girls in the photo at right are, from left to right: sixth grader-Lorna Screen, fourth grader-Linnea Kedziora, fifth grader-Maggie Kerns, fourth grader-Grace Kent, fourth grader- Abbey Randall, fifth grader-Emma Gunn, and sixth grader- Ally Ross. The team coaches were Lauren Randall and Barbara Kedziora.



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People

Tony Huffman selected for travel advisory board

Islands magazine has named Tony Huffman of Huffman Travel, 2537 Far Hills Avenue in Oakwood as one of 40 travel advisors selected for its prestigious Travel Advisory Board. The board was created as part of a recently announced partnership between the magazine and leading luxury travel network Virtuoso®. Islands, an award-winning international travel magazine, formed the partnership with Virtuoso to bring unique travel packages and insider knowledge that only the best travel professionals can provide to its audience of more than a half-million readers.

"We reviewed leading Virtuoso travel professionals from around the country for consideration on our



Tony Huffman
 Advisory Board, and Tony Huffman really stood out for demonstrating outstanding island travel knowledge and professionalism," says Ken

Leandro, publisher of Islands. "We are encouraging our readers to seek out the expertise and services of Tony Huffman. Our dedicated Travel Advisory Board website includes member bios, special travel offers, expert advice and news about where our specialists have recently traveled."

"Virtuoso is thrilled to have such an esteemed publication recognizing the value that professional travel advisors bring to their organizations and readers," said Matthew D. Upchurch, CTC, CEO of Virtuoso. "Islands has cleverly identified a new level at which it can engage readers, and the Virtuoso Travel Advisory Board provides the perfect match to fulfill these opportunities."

Engagement

Bledsoe - Palermo

Pat and Jeanne Palermo are delighted to announce the engagement of their son, Robert Joseph to Ms. Gina Bledsoe. Rob is a 2001 graduate of Oakwood High School, and received his undergraduate degree from Syracuse University. Rob is a Senior Consultant with Interbrand in New York City.

Gina is the daughter of Doug and Cheri Bledsoe, formerly from the Dayton area, and now of St. Petersburg, Florida. Gina graduated from Wayne High School in 2001 and attended Kettering College of Medical Arts. She is a registered nurse in the operating room at NYU Medical Center in New York City.

The couple is planning an August wedding.



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Engagement

Dresher – Wojtylak

Richard and Mary Lynn Dresher of Dayton are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle to Timothy Wojtylak, son of Paul and Deann Wojtylak and Margaret Wojtylak of Lakeland, Florida.

Michelle is a 2004 graduate of Oakwood High School and a 2008 graduate of the University

of Dayton. She is employed for the Walt Disney Company.

Timothy is a 2005 graduate of Lakeland High School and is currently attending the University of Florida. He is also employed with the Walt Disney Company.

A June 25 wedding is planned for Holy Angels Church in Dayton.



Michelle Dresher and Timothy Wojtylak

Barbershop/Salon opens on Shroyer Road



Ron and Melissa West proudly announce the opening of their new shop called West Barber Shop and Zen Therapy at 915 Shroyer Road. Ron West, formerly of All Sports Barbers on Irving Avenue and Brown Street, will be serving his old and new customers at the new location

on Shroyer along with adding two expert Korean barbers, Sun and Jun, to his staff. The barber shop will offer haircuts and old fashioned services such as straight razor shaves, scalp massages and hot steam towel facials.

Melissa West will be offering a relaxing environment at her new

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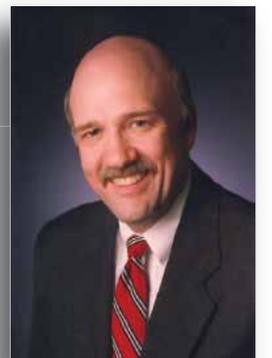
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Letters to the Editor

Health care bill a bad trade-off

Mr. Breen's letter (March 23) is an unfortunate attempt to curry sympathy for a horrible bill passed against the will of the American people.

While we all agree that health care is a basic human right and that no one should be forgotten, there is no way that this bill or anything close to it will achieve either.

Mandating charity through government fiat has never worked well in any society...it does however provide politicians with incredible power over their people...all the while robbing them of their freedoms and liberties.

Our health care system is bro-

ken, no doubt. But, it remains the best in the world...and...NO ONE in America, even those here illegally, are currently denied medical service because they do not have insurance or cannot pay. Our problems are not those of quality and access but rather those of cost.

Why? Because of too much government interference. HMO's were promoted by Ted Kennedy to take the patient out of the shopping/paying/buying decision. So, the customer can not shop and compare prices...or even ask their doctor how much a service will cost...even doctors don't know! This is counter-intuitive to any buying decision, let alone one

this important.

Another large percent of current costs are due to doctors having to pay exorbitant medical malpractice insurance premiums because the Democratic party refuses to support tort reform. Driving medical costs higher than those premiums are the costs associated with doctors practicing defensive medicine, again, thanks to the trial lawyer lobby.

Right now, again thanks to politicians, there is no option to purchase health insurance across state lines which would increase competition and reduce costs...as would ending government mandates for everyone who buys insurance in a given state

to cover pregnancy (even if you are a single male) aromatherapy, drug addiction, smoking cessation, sex change operations etc.

Government has its place...our health care system is not it.

Our country is bankrupt. We can not even afford our current entitlements and yet our power hungry, elitist politicians keep whistling past the graveyard all the while promising well meaning citizens something for nothing in exchange for their vote.

If our current leaders really wanted to provide insurance to those who choose not to buy it currently, then we could do so with monies already allocated but not yet spent in the so

called "stimulus" bill. But alas, that is not their real goal. Sadly, an honest evaluation of this bill will show their goal is not universal care but rather power and control. Our founders knew of this tyranny and wrote our Constitution to protect us from it. Unfortunately, some 200-plus years later, we have become complacent to these threats and may very well saddle our children with the grave consequences of a society that chose a small modicum of security in exchange for much of its liberty.

George Thielen

Barely in favor of Site Plan 1

I have read through the park plans, and am concerned over what I found. I understand that the rec center could use some updating, but to seek to completely enlarge the facility at the expense of the neighborhood tennis courts is completely unsatisfactory. I live close by to the rec center, and always see families, and grown-ups, and kids, and families with kids and college kids on the courts. It would simply be harmful to the neighborhood vibe to eliminate or reduce this source of local enjoyment and sports recreation from the center of our little town.

It is certainly not an even trade to state that new tennis courts could be found in a distant area that the great majority of kids could not easily walk or ride their bikes to. Parents who have no worries about their 2nd or 3rd graders walking or biking to the rec center tennis courts from any Smith or Harman neighborhood would probably never allow those same 2nd or 3rd graders to walk or bike to the Old River fields. If the kids can't walk or bike to Old River, and their parents aren't available to drive them, then the new tennis courts would fail as a city resource for all of its citizens. Presently the great majority of Oakwood's kids can easily decide to visit the existing tennis courts and not depend on an adult's transportation assistance to enjoy some tennis. By moving the tennis courts to Old River, the ability to play tennis will most likely involve a car for transportation. And by moving the tennis courts away from the swimming pool, you cripple the convenience for kids and adults to be able to go back and forth from the pool to the courts without having to drive a car.

However, this is a different situation for the OHS tennis teams. I have enjoyed walking to the courts to watch our teams play, but it is certainly true that our courts are not in the best condition for athletic competition, and I would expect our high school's teams to play their matches at Old River. But, if the rec center

courts would be improved, then the teams wouldn't have to move, and kids from the high school could walk over after school to watch their friends & classmates play without needing a car to drive to Old River. And, the teams could still play competition matches with at least four courts remaining.

Lastly, I have heard rumors that there are plans being discussed for a re-build of Shafor Park along the lines of the re-build that was completed at Orchardly Park. I can only express, in the strongest terms possible, for you to avoid any such rebuild. Shafor Park is so enjoyable as a low-impact playground, and I would hate to see any new structured climbing toys and water-park installations. Oakwood has one park of this model already, and I believe that kids can play best when their options for play are unfettered. In visiting the park yesterday, (March 27), there were 50 kids and 7 parents enjoying the park. There were also four tennis courts in use. Keep the swings. Keep the balance beam. Keep the simple climbing structure that is already there. Keep the open field for team play. Definitely replace the sandbox that is slated for closure. Avoid adding any new extensive water-based infrastructure, especially since the swimming pool is only 1 minute away.

I doubt the families who live on Collingwood will be happy with the additional traffic and parking noise, and the loss of the cul-de-sacs, but all of your design plans will bring more cars to the area and that issue needs to be addressed also. Yet it seems ridiculous that you are considering removing the tennis courts to make room for cars.

In summary, of the available options listed in the mailing, I would, with some reluctance, support site plan number 1 and do not support site plan numbers 2 or 3.

Respectfully,
Garry Greene
Oakwood resident since 1989

City Notes

The city of Oakwood will commence flushing fire hydrants throughout the city starting on April 5, 2010 through April 23, 2010. The following is the city's schedule for flushing hydrants. These dates are a guideline. In the event of unforeseen problems, there may be a delay.

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	DATE
East Drive to Orchard	4/5-4/6
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Telford to Greenmount	4/9
Dellwood to Patterson	4/12
Patterson to East Thruston	4/13
North of Thruston to Volusia	4/14
Rubicon, Volusia between Oakwood and Far Hills and Hatch Plat	4/15
Runnymede, Oakwood and Park Road to Ridgeway	4/16
Harman Avenue to Forrer Road	4/19
Park Road, Ridgeway to Peach Orchard	4/20
Peach Orchard, Ridgeway and Oak Knoll plat	4/21-4/22
All of Far Hills Avenue	4/23

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'Round Town

Gini Hess had friends for dinner on Friday evening at the Oakwood Club. They had a circular table on the 'upper-level' and they saw as many people they knew and chatted-up ...as they'd see at Dorothy Lane Market on a Friday afternoon!

Lois and Roger Sutherland and **Jim McCoy** were at Gini's table. **Lisa Reeder** came by to chat: "...just talked to **Jill Reeder Kendall** and **Tom** ...and they told me all about the MVH 50th anniversary ball."

Then **Terry and Tom Holton** stopped to say 'Hi'. And **Barbara and Mike Frank** were there. Someone spotted **Evie and George Kling**. "But you're supposed to be in Key West," Evie was told - and she explained she'd come home for a wedding and was going back to Florida on Tuesday.

When **Mary Kay and Jack Keyes** waved from a booth - they pointed to a young man with them - it was son **Dennis Keyes** who was home for Easter. Dennis was the class of '67 at Oakwood and

a great pal of **Nancy Heck's**. "Dennis, you'll be interested to know that Nancy and **Ron** are in England - their son **Code** is rowing in the Oxford-Cambridge race this weekend..." (A Sunday morning E-Mail reported that '... Codes' boat won their race!')



Bud Welch called to say that **Warner Kiefaber** passed away on Saturday at his home. The *Dayton Daily News* did not carry has not carried Warner's obit - so there's no info re: services.



Corrine Huber had her annual 'Easter Egg Hunt' for her nieces, nephews and friends - at her manse on Oakwood Avenue. Guests were treated to a beautiful holiday luncheon. And while everyone was enjoying the delicious fare - Corrine was out in the grounds hiding dozens and dozens of large plastic multi-colored eggs. Each egg contained a toy and candy and a note saying: See Corrine. After lunch

each young person was given a huge Easter basket and off they ran to collect their eggs. The youngest 'egg-hunter' was **John & Sally Fisher's** grandson from Cincinnati. And it was heartening to watch the older children helping him fill his basket.

"Look at Don (Huber) out in yard helping the children," said **Roni Huber**. "He'd love some of that candy." It was great to see **Chip Huber** who's moved back to Dayton. **Angelina Huber** was having fun watching the 'hunt'.

Then the self-appointed-clean-up-committee went into action. **Cheri Huber Ohmer** was the dish washer-in-chief and **Terry Huber** was wielding a mean dish towel. Lots of other Huber's were fixing themselves 'take-home-boxes' from the huge amount of leftovers. Corrine was directing the putting-away of pots, pans, silverware, and glasses. When the two dish-washers were started the 'Kitchen-Police' took off their shoes and headed for the family room - where Corrine poured what was left of the champagne.

Smith Gardens Perennial Sale April 16-17

Don't forget the Friends of Smith Gardens "Perennial Sale" will be held on Friday, April 16 and Saturday, April 17 at the Oakwood Community Center, 105 Patterson Road. The hours are from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m on Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Over 100 varieties of plants will be available including perennials, hostas, ferns, herbs, ornamental grasses,

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Plant material will be potted in 3" and 4 1/2" pots, quarts and gallon containers and will arrive in Oakwood the day of the sale so all the plants are fresh from the growers and the best of quality.

A complete listing of plants is now available for pick up at the Community Center, or by mail, by calling the OCC at 298-0775. This fundraising event is open to the public with proceeds going to the care and maintenance of Smith Gardens.

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4/7 Wed

UD World Rhythms Series & Cityfolk present: Waongo Dance Company 8pm This internationally heralded ensemble of master drummers, musicians and dancers from the Democratic Republic of Congo brings to the theatrical stage the traditional ancestral songs and dances of Central Africa. University of Dayton, Kennedy Union, Boll Theatre, 300 College Park, Dayton 229-2545 & 496-3863

Trombone Studio Recital 8pm WSU Creative Arts Center, Schuster Hall, 3640 Col. Glenn Hwy. 775-5544

WSU Presidential Lectures Series: Greg Mortenson 7pm Co-author of the best-seller *Three Cups of Tea*. WSU Student Union, Apollo Room, 3640 Col. Glenn Hwy., Dayton, 775-5512

4/8 Thu

Faculty String Quartet 8pm WSU Creative Arts Center, Schuster Hall, 3640 Col. Glenn Hwy. 775-5544

4/9 Fri

Cityfolk: Lunasa 8pm Rhythm section and bass-driven improvisational grooves nudge Irish music into new territory. Victoria Theatre, 138 N. Main, Dayton 496-3863

ArtStreet's Friday Night Film: The U.S. vs. John Lennon 9pm From blockbuster musicals to thought-provoking documentaries – a different film every Friday night. FREE and open to the public. ArtStreet Studio B, 330 Kiefaber St, Dayton 229-5101

WSU Presidential Lectures Series: Frans Johansson 9:15am Author of the bestseller *The Medici Effect*. WSU Student Union, Apollo Room, 3640 Col. Glenn Hwy., Dayton, 775-5512

Independence 8pm In *Independence*, Iowa, an unstable mother dominates her three daughters Jo, Sherry, and Kess. Kess's lifestyle choice has driven a wedge within the family. *Thru 4/25* Dayton Theatre Guild, 430 Wayne Ave., Dayton 278-5993

4/10 Sat

Going High-Tech to Locate Ohio's Past: Geophysics and the Archaeology Revolution 10:30am Part of the 2010 SunWatch Lecture Series: Frontiers in Ohio Archaeology. SunWatch Indian Village, 2301 W. River Rd., Dayton, 268-8199

Fort Ancient Wildflower Walk 1pm Observe the natural beauty of the flora and fauna of Southern Ohio as you tour the grounds of this 2,000-year-old site. Fort Ancient, 6123 St. Rt. 350, Oregonia, 932-4421

Corbian Visual Arts and Dance: Darwin 1pm & 3:30pm Audience takes a journey with a dinosaur (Darwin) built by the hands of an artist. Glow-in-the-dark crayon-like creatures light up the stage in this production set to music. *Also 4/11* Victoria Theatre 138 N. Main St. Dayton 228-7591

DAI Sound Bites: Short Talks about Art - 20th Century Women Artists, American 1:30 pm Join veteran docents each week and learn more about for these free 20-minute gallery conversations. Meet in General Motors Entrance Rotunda, DAI, 456 Belmonte Park North, Dayton 223-5277

Dayton Opera: Faust 8pm In Goethe's legendary story, Faust makes a deal with the devil to restore his youth allowing him to pursue the lovely Marguerite, but is eventually damned to a hellish fate. *Thru 4/18* Schuster Center, One W. Second St., Dayton 228-3630

Ebony Heritage Singers 7pm Kennedy Union Ballroom, University of Dayton, 300 College Park 229-2545

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Independence 8pm (see 4/9)

4/11 Sun
Afternoon Musicales 2pm Dayton Chamber Chorale and the Ambiance Woodwind Trio. Dayton Art Institute, NCR Renaissance Auditorium, 456 Belmonte Park North, Dayton 223-5277

The Bach Society of Dayton: Follow the Muse 4pm Student singers from the Muse Machine schools join the Bach Society in a collaboration exploring Renaissance and Baroque choral music. Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 3939 Stonebridge Ave. Kettering 294-2224

Choral Union/Hands in Harmony/World Music Choir 3pm Kennedy Union, Boll Theatre, University of Dayton, 300 College Park 229-2545

Jazz Combos 7pm Sears Recital Hall, University of Dayton, 300 College Park 229-2545

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Independence 3pm (see 4/9)

4/12 Mon
Student Composers 8pm Sears Recital Hall, University of Dayton, 300 College Park 229-2545

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Muse Machine/Bach Society performance April 11

"Follow the Muse" presents the Bach Society of Dayton, student singers from the Muse Machine and Cappella, and orchestra on Sunday, April 11 at 4 p.m. at the Kettering Adventist Church.

Bach Society of Dayton Music Director, John Neely, conducts J. S. Bach's beloved Cantata number 4, "Christ lag in Todesbanden"; Purcell's "Come, Ye Sons of Art"; Handel's "Zadok the Priest"; and the important 17th century oratorio "Jephte" by Giacamo Carissimi. Joining the Bach Society and the student singers are soloists Jessica McCormack, Soprano; Steven Rickards and Nathan Medley, Countertenors; Tony Burdette, Tenor; and Mark Spencer,

Baritone.

The performance features students from the Muse Machine and is part of a multifaceted collaboration between the Bach Society and Muse Machine, generously supported by funding from the Ohio Arts Council and the Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District. The collaboration grows from the Bach Society's commitment to nurture the next generation of choral singers and supports the Muse Machine's current school-year emphasis on Renaissance and Baroque music in its affiliated schools.

The concert also features singers from Cappella, a regional honors choir for high school age singers. Cappella offers college preparatory

choral experiences for young people in the Greater Dayton area. Cappella is part of the Kettering Children's Choir network and is directed by Dr. James Tipps, associate professor and Coordinator of Music Education at Wright State University.

Luke Dennis, Muse Machine Executive Director, will give the Concert Preview at 3 p.m. The Muse Machine is a nationally recognized arts education organization dedicated to enhancing the lives of students and their teachers.

Tickets (adults \$15, students \$10, children 12 and under free) are available in advance by calling 937.294.2224. They can also be purchased at the door on the day of the concert.

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Arts

Demirjian concert features Beethoven, Schumann

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One of my favorite Dayton Philharmonic series, the Demirjian Chamber Concerts, comes to an end this season. The generosity of the Demirjians is being morphed into the ever-popular Classical Connections.

For the years of these wonderful chamber concerts we heard so much great music. Played in a setting which was not intimate, the magnificent Schuster concert space, they had a most personal touch.

The April concert featured the Philharmonic Principal Quartet, the first chairs of the string section sans double bass. Each of these fine artists, Jessica Hung and Kirstin Greenlaw, violins, Sheridan Currie, viola, and Andra Padrichelli, cello, is a jewel of our orchestra. The quartet became a quintet for the final work with the addition of principal keyboard artist Joshua Nemith.

We have heard the musicians in ensemble and in solo parts during many concerts. The thrill of their joining into a quartet surpasses joy. I know that they will be heard many more times in different venues. Next season's Symphony Sundaes will feature them plus delicious ice cream.

The concert featured two of the finest works in the chamber repertoire - Beethoven's *String Quartet No. 16*

and Schumann's *Piano Quintet in E Flat Major*. Both are monumental pieces and both hold a special place for me..

The Beethoven quartet was his last completed work in October 1826. His health had been failing for some time and episodes of grave illness preceded this period. There was no doubt that Beethoven was dealing his impending death which occurred months later.

He interposed written words on the score of the quartet. Under the introductory slow chords in the last movement Beethoven wrote *Muß es sein?* (Must it be?) to which he responded, with the faster main theme of the movement, *Es muß sein!* (It must be!). The whole movement is headed *Der schwer gefaßte Entschluß* (The Difficult Resolution.)

The young musicians of the DPO quartet took the music and the composer's meaning to great heights. They played with expression and sensitivity. Each instrument blended and contrasted with consummate artistry.

There are touches which cannot be appreciated in a recorded version. Watching the artists communicate visually and respond to each other is part of the magic of the music.

It is the final movement, divided into sections, that emphasizes Beethoven's spiritual dilemma. The movement begins with an introduction marked *Grave, Serious*. Beethoven had an affinity for musical introductions, thus preparing the listener. This section, marked by strident almost dissonant notes in

the violins, spells out most riveting passages which lead to alternating joyous and tragic expressions.

Our young artists reached levels of musical communication that will long be remembered and appreciated. We rejoice in their complete artistry.

The final work on the program was quite different Robert Schumann wrote the quintet in 1842 during one of the happy periods of his eventually tragic life. Married to his love, Clara, who premiered the work, it is a truly romantic outpouring.

Josh Nemith's brilliant piano sounds introduce the themes. The music then courses through the richness of the strings with dynamic and joyous results. The 2nd movement, "in the mode of a march," was played magnificently, leaving the audience breathless.

The final Chamber Concert will be a recital by Concertmaster Jessica Hung, on May 26/27. This will be the grand finale of the Chamber Series. An event not to be missed!

A footnote on one of our remarkable artists. Principal cellist Andra Padrichelli was called by the late Maestro Charles Wendelken-Wilson to be one of the finest cellists who has ever played with the orchestra. I agree and add that she is one of the finest young women, as well.

Several months ago she was diagnosed with breast cancer. Undaunted and optimistic, she underwent a double mastectomy and chemotherapy with her ever-present bright smile. She never missed a concert or rehearsal. Only her head scarf

reminds us that she was stricken. Andra is a lesson in music and life. Brava! Andra.

Dayton Opera's *Faust* cast is in residence preparing this wonderful opera. The public festivities began with Art and Arias at the Dayton Art Institute. This delightful Sunday afternoon featured the juxtaposing of works of art with the music of the opera.

Karen Young gave an excellent presentation of the art with heavy references to the devil. Dr. Eric Street took the softer side, he let the devil sing!

To present the arias, two young and handsome cast members, Charles Jebaily and Audrey Waldstrom, gave the audience an exciting foretaste

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At The Wright Library

OLC Legislative Day hosts 200 library leaders

On March 15, Debra Schenk, fiscal officer for Wright Library, and Friends of Wright Library members Healy Jackson and Maureen Anderson attended the Ohio Library Council's Legislative Day in Columbus, Ohio. Over 200 library directors and advocates had the opportunity to visit with state legislators to discuss the importance of public libraries in Ohio and the need for continued funding. Ohio legislators received over 35,000 e-mails last summer from patrons when the proposed budget sought a reduction in state funding.

The Wright Library Team accompanied representatives from Washington Township/Centerville and Dayton Metro Libraries to visit area representatives and senators. One representative with whom we had the pleasure of meeting with was State Representative Terry Blair. He was very supportive of libraries and understood the importance of strong libraries in the community. He acknowledged that the drop in State funding for libraries in the last biennium budget from 2.22 to 1.97 percent of total State General Fund tax revenues, represents a significant problem for libraries and he was hopeful that an increase back to the original funding numbers could be made in the 2011 budget. It was noted that we have been successful with gaining more local community support through an additional prop-

erty tax levy, however this could in no way replace the State funding which comprises over 70 percent of our revenue stream. Libraries realize the importance of being good stewards of the public funds that they receive. They have had to reduce staff and materials budgets, while experiencing increased circulation and use by patrons for help in applying for jobs.

In addition to meeting with legislators, an information session reviewing current legislative issues that could affect public libraries in the future was held. Not surprisingly, almost all Ohio voters rate their local libraries highly, with 64 percent of voters using the library at least monthly. Additionally, over three-quarters of all voters believe that libraries are critical to children's education, for keeping pace with the world, and are necessary to sustain a quality of life in their communities. A summary of the poll results is available at olc.org/pdf/BurgesSurveyResults.pdf.

As Friends of Wright Library, Jackson and Anderson represented all Oakwood patrons. They spoke to legislators very personally about how library programs have served their families. Representative Blair took a keen interest in the programs libraries offer patrons, but expressed particular interest in library services related to job searches and resume writing for the unemployed.

Wright Library adopts new policies

At its March 15 meeting, the Wright Library Board of Trustees reviewed circulation and interlibrary loan policies and approved a number of changes.

The number of items that established patrons can have checked out simultaneously is now 150. The former limit was 999. (There is a lower borrowing limit for new patrons.) The number of holds patrons can have in the system at one time is now 50. The former limit was 99. The new limits are intended to keep more items in circulation instead of sitting on the holds shelf waiting to be picked up.

The Board also approved a new category of item, "Fast View" DVDs. Some new DVDs will be

assigned to a "Fast View" collection which will have a three-day loan period and a \$1 per day overdue fine. Holds will not be permitted on these items. The new category is intended to provide faster access to popular films. "Fast View" videos will be available later this spring.

The library has also withdrawn from the Ohio Libraries Share MORE system. The reasons for withdrawing from MORE is the large amount of staff time required to process the requests, the inability of the system to distribute loan requests equitably among participating libraries and restrictions in the MORE agreement that preclude libraries from charging for the extra service of obtaining materi-

als on loan from other libraries.

The library will continue to offer patrons the option of requesting materials on interlibrary loan using a nationwide network called OCLC. Requests can be made in person, by phone, or by using the online interlibrary loan request form.

There will be a charge of 50 cents for each interlibrary loan request. If a patron does not pick up an item the library has obtained, the 50 cent charge will be added to the patron's account. A patron may have up to 10 interlibrary loan requests in process at once. "In process" means from the point of making the request until the item is returned to Wright Library.

Anyone with questions can contact the library at (937) 294-7171.

Local poet to give reading April 11

Local poet Ruth Kibler Peck will conduct a reading and discussion of her newest book, *Rowing Through the Night*, at Wright Memorial Public Library on Sunday, April 11 at 2 p.m. Ms. Peck has won dozens of

national, state, and local awards and is the co-author of a creative writing series for Loyola University. She holds bachelors and masters degrees from Wright State University and taught junior high English for 21 years. Ms.

Peck is past-president of the Ohio Council of Teachers of English and was named one of Ohio's Top Ten Teachers in 1990. The program will take place in the library meeting room. Light refreshments will be provided.

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Obituaries

David Nick Dan

resident of Wilmington Island, GA, passed on Sunday, March 28, 2010. He was born July 26, 1943 in Alliance, Ohio. David was a proud graduate of Mt. Union College, in Alliance, OH. Anyone who knew David could look forward to being greeted with the current Mt. Union football scores. Those who were lucky enough to be invited to breakfast would be treated to David's "World Famous Beer Pancakes." After graduation, David pursued corporate life, working several years for IBM in Ohio. He exchanged corporate life for work with his hands, becoming a Home Improvement Contractor and owning his own business for over twenty years before retiring to the Savannah area. David believed in the importance of nourishing

mind, body and spirit. David was an active member of the Coastal Social Club. He was an avid golfer, playing most recently for the Senior Blitz at Bacon Park. While living in Dayton, OH, David was a member of the West Minster Presbyterian Church. After moving to Savannah, David dedicated much of his time as an elder for the Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church. Above all David will be remembered as a family man. He is preceded in death by his beloved father, Nick Dan; and is survived by his mother, Mary Dan, of Alliance, OH. David will be remembered by his loving family: Wife of eight years, Suzanne Dan, of Savannah, GA; Brother, Steven/Jan Dan, (Heather, Cory, Brittany, Devon) of Twinsburg, OH; Daughter,

Tiffany Coluni (Sydney, Alec and Dominic) of Grosse Pointe, MI; Son, Shawn/Carrie Dan (Nick, Cameron) of Dayton, OH; Step-Daughter, Naomi Meister-Sevidal (Christian, Eoin) of Atlanta, GA; Step-Son, Matthew/Janet Meister of Charleston, SC. A Memorial Service was held Thursday, April 1, 2010 at at Wilmington Island Presbyterian Church. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to either The American Lung Association of Georgia, 2452 Spring Rd., Smyrna, GA 30080 www.lungsusa.org/associations/states/georgia or Alzheimer's Coastal Chapter, 1925 Century Blvd., Suite 10, Atlanta, GA 30345 www.alz.org/georgia/ Please sign our on-line guest book at www.foxandweeks.com

Esther Louise (Lueders) Vontz

age 88, passed away Friday, March 26, 2010. She was a 1939 graduate from Western Hills High School in Cincinnati. Essie received her Bachelor of Science degree in Education from the University of Cincinnati in 1943. She was elected to the Mortar Board Society of American and, throughout her life, she kept up friendships made in that organization and the Kappa Delta sorority. Essie married Albert Willi Vontz in 1945 and spent the next fifty years volunteering her time and talents and touching lives in P.T.A. offices, Oakwood YMCA, Buckeye Trails Girl Scout Council, Dayton Woman's Club and Dayton College Women's Club. Essie was an avid gardener and an expert knitter. She and her husband loved boating, traveled extensively and lived happily overlooking Dayton from the twenty-first floor of the Centre City Building. After Albert's death in 2002, Esther moved to an assisted living complex in Cincinnati. There she renewed old friendships, taught

knitting and indulged her passionate interest in sports. Esther threw out the "first ball" at the Cincinnati Reds Game on May 6, 2007. She threw the ball from the pitcher's mound over the home plate! Esther is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Carol and Vail Miller; and her son and daughter-in-law, Albert and Margaret Vontz. Her grandchildren are Vail Miller Jr. (Leslie), Brooke Hice (Sean), Michael Miller (Marissa) and Albert Willi Vontz IV. Her great-grandchildren are Grayson and Annie Miller, Rocco and Mason Hice and Wyatt Miller. Mary Ellen Betz is a much loved niece. All her family and her many friends mourn the loss of this most remarkable lady. Rootsie Tootsie, Old Granny! You are loved more than you know. A private service with family only, will be held at Woodland Mausoleum. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 26 Broadway, 14th floor, New York, NY 10004.

E. Leone Downs

age 103, of Oakwood, passed away on Saturday, March 27, 2010. Leone was an elementary school teacher in Cambrange City, IN., a disc jockey at WFEM/Wing Radio, and finished her career in Air Technical Intelligence at WPAFB. She is preceded in death by her sisters Opal and Alice

Downs and Gladys Avey. Leone is survived by niece Maradell Avey-Willmot; great niece Kathryn Hawks, and Barbara (Scott) Cripe; great-grand niece Stephanie Swingle; great-grand nephews Everett and Dell Cripe; and great-great-nephew Ethan Colee; and Maggie Street. Funeral services

were held Thursday, April 1, 2010 at Routsong Funeral Home, 2100 E. Stroop Rd., Kettering. Contributions may be made to Crossroads Hospice, 4360 Glendale-Milford Rd., Cincinnati OH 45242. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.routsong.com.



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Robert (Bissell Bob) Pretzinger

slipped free of this mortal coil on March 31, 2010, thereby ruining his final April Fool's day prank. His passing will leave an unfillable void for those of us who were privileged to have known and loved him, as well as an unnamed and unknown sorrow for those who never had the pleasure of his company. His love of life, quick wit, and solid values will be sorely missed. He was preceded in death by his father, Freeman, mother Laura,

step-mother Dorothea, brothers Albert and Richard, and infant son Charles. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann, son Robert (Marilee), and daughter Christy (Greg) Schlake, as well as grandchildren Marie, Joseph, and Benjamin. To provide a complete litany of his personal and professional accomplishments would result in a shortage of newsprint. In its place, let it be said that his most valued treasures were family and friends, that the legacy of his

work will stand the test of time, and that he lived as good and moral a life as one could ever ask. In a final act of generosity, Bob donated his body to Wright State School of Medicine so others could continue to learn from him. A celebration of his life will be held at 4:30 p.m. on May 7th at St. Paul's Episcopal Church (Oakwood, OH). In lieu of flowers, please donate a pint of blood to your local community blood bank so others may have the gift of life.

Robert C. Schenck, Jr.

age 72, of Dayton, passed away on Thursday, April 1, 2010. Born March 21, 1938 in Dayton, Ohio, Bob was the son of Robert C. Schenck and Jane Mead Schenck. He grew up in Dayton, attended school in Oakwood, graduated from Westminster School in Simsbury, Connecticut and Union College in Schenectady, New York and served two years in the US Army. Bob worked at Duriron Company for 25 years, then left with partners to start Cercona, Inc. He enjoyed fly fishing, traveling and was an avid car enthusiast and built two cars in his retirement years. Bob especially

enjoyed the camaraderie of the Wednesday night dinner group and the Tuesday breakfast meetings. From childhood he enjoyed spending as much time as possible at Number Four New York, always describing it as "a little slice of heaven." Bob is survived by his loving wife, Barbara; two sons, Jim of Wareham, MA and Robert of Austin, TX and daughter Jane and fiancé Jorge Flores of Chicago, IL; two sisters, Carol Smith of Philadelphia, PA and Gertrude Embree of Shreveport, LA; step-brother John Parrott and step-sister Peggy Power both of Colorado; and several nieces

and nephews. A Memorial service will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at 10:00 am at Woodland Mausoleum Chapel, 118 Woodland Ave, Dayton, OH 45409. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Ave., Dayton, OH 45420; Dayton History, 1000 Carillon Blvd., Dayton, Ohio 45409; or the charity of your choice. The family would like to express special thanks to Hospice of Dayton and Fidelity Health Care aides Tim and Candy. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.routsong.com

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Super scores for OHS seniors

Jim Uphoff
Ed. D.



A recent article with a 4 or 5 county chart showed our Oakwood High School 'test takers' (Ohio Graduation Test) to have scored the highest in the area with 97% at or above the Proficient level on ALL FIVE EXAMS. While that is wonderful news, my own past experience told me that there was more. The late Paul Harvey used to say, "Now for the rest of

the story!" The website: <http://ilrc.ode.state.oh.us/> gave me the full story. Please join me in reading the 'celebration data' below which now completes the story!

Yes, our current seniors ('10) scored at or near the top of the state. But there is even better news! Proficient is a key level of performance, but above that is the Accelerated level and at the top is the Advanced level. It is also important to know how our students have done at these two upper levels. The BETTER NEWS follows!

In Reading, 41 percent of our current seniors scored at the Accelerated level and 48 percent were at the Advanced level. Our

comparative districts had 39 percent and 36 percent. In Math, OHS had 17 percent Accelerated but 75 percent at Advanced level. Our peer districts' results were 22 and 60 percent. In Writing, our results for Accelerated were 67 percent and for Advanced 20 percent compared to peers at 65 and 7 percent.

In Science, the OHS performance above proficient was 29 percent Accelerated and 55 percent Advanced with our comparison district figures at 27 percent and 42 percent. The fifth Ohio Graduation Subtest was in Social Studies. Our students scored 13 percent Accelerated and a huge 79 percent Advanced. The peer dis-

tricts for OHS were at 22 percent and 53 percent.

Some may suggest that these figures were a fluke BUT the scores for the next class, this year's juniors ('11) are also super. For example: Science = 33 percent Acc and 56 percent Adv.; Math = 21 percent and 73 percent; Writing = 73 percent and 17 percent; Science = 39 percent and 51 percent; and Social Studies = 24 percent Acc. and 64 percent Adv. Clearly both of these classes have performed at very high levels.

Such very good test results are a credit to all involved. Clearly the students have taken their education in the Oakwood Schools very seriously and their parents

have been key supporters in this. The public has used their votes to continue to provide the essential financial resources as support for the schools. The elected leadership of our district has given weeks and weeks of their time to make the programs and policies of the district support these high instructional goals. And finally, the professional educators--teachers and administrators--have continued to add to their own knowledge and skills so as to provide the needed quality classroom learning experiences for our students. Thanks to all who have helped make these results so positive! And now you have *the rest of the story!*

Final Junior Assembly dance

Oakwood freshmen....don't miss the last dance of Junior Assembly to be held on Saturday, April 17 at Dayton Country Club. The dance will be from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. This is an hour earlier than the first two dances because the evening will begin with a sit-down dinner!

Please contact Teri Macaulay at

623-7391, no later than Monday, April 12, if your student cannot attend the dance, or will be late for any reason! It is extremely important that we know of any absences, as it will affect many student's dance cards! Thank you! Hope everyone can join us for the last dance of the year!

Summer school info available

Oakwood Junior and Senior High School will offer summer school classes beginning Monday, June 14, 2010. Summer school packets are now available to students in the Senior High Office, the Senior High Guidance Office, the Junior High Office,

and the Senior High Book. Open enrollment will begin on Monday, March 15 at 8 a.m. and will continue through April 30. A completed registration form with parent signature as well as full tuition and any fees for all classes must be paid in the form of cash

or check made payable to OHS at the time of registration. No refunds after May 12. Please note that checks may not be processed until mid-May. Registration will take place in the Senior High Bookroom. For more information please call 297-5325.

Kindergarten registration and screening to start

Children who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2010, may be registered for kindergarten. Children who will be five years old between October 1, 2010 and January 1, 2011, may be considered for early entrance. Parents interested in early entrance may contact Lange School to request an application and testing

information. Children referred for early entrance should participate in Kindergarten Screening. It is important to note that state law makes Kindergarten a mandatory prerequisite for first grade.

All first graders must have successfully completed Kindergarten. Furthermore, state law requires that

all entering Kindergarten students be screened for hearing, vision, speech and communication, health or medical problems and for developmental disorders.

Parent Orientation will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 7 p.m. at Lange School. The purpose of the orientation meeting is to explain

the Kindergarten Screening procedures, enable parents to make a one-hour screening appointment, and provide an overview of Oakwood's Kindergarten program. This meeting is for parents ONLY. Parents do not need to bring any paperwork to the orientation meeting -- just your calendar.

Kindergarten Screening will be done on an appointment basis only from April 19 through April 22, 2010.

Parents may sign up for appointment times at the orientation session or by calling Lange School at 299-8730 beginning Wednesday, April 15, 2010.

Re: OHS Mulch Sale delivery/pick-up dates

Thank you very much to all of the people who ordered mulch from the Senior Class of 2010 to support this year's Prom! Just as a reminder: Your orders will be in Wednesday, April

14 to Saturday, April 17. Money will be collected at time of delivery to your home, or when you pick it up from behind the school near the stadium's north concession stand. You

may pay in cash or make a check out to Oakwood High School. If you have any questions, call Sarah Oda at 937-479-2402 or send an email to ohsmulchsale@gmail.com.

Speech and Debate Flower Sale underway

Spring is in the air and that means the start of the Annual Speech and Debate Flower Sale! Flowers include impatiens, wave petunias, geraniums, begonias as

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Proceeds from this team fundraiser help pay for tournament costs such as transportation, judges and hotels. Your support is very much appreciated!

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An Open House is scheduled for Saturday, April 10 from 1 - 3 p.m. for families who wish to consider the Montessori Center of South Dayton, located at 2900 Acosta Street in Kettering. Classrooms will be open and teachers will be available for questions. For the past 45 years, thousands of children in the Miami Valley have

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PTO seeking committee members

The OJHS/OHS PTO is planning for the 2010-11 school year. Chair and committee positions are open (see list of committees on pages 15-16 in the OJHS/OHS Directory). The Oakwood Parent-Teacher

Organization is a community of parents and teachers who provide opportunities for parental involvement, volunteering, and funding of unique programs in the junior and senior high schools. If you have time to

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Sports

Varsity baseball off to a fast 2 - 0 start

By Chris Morris

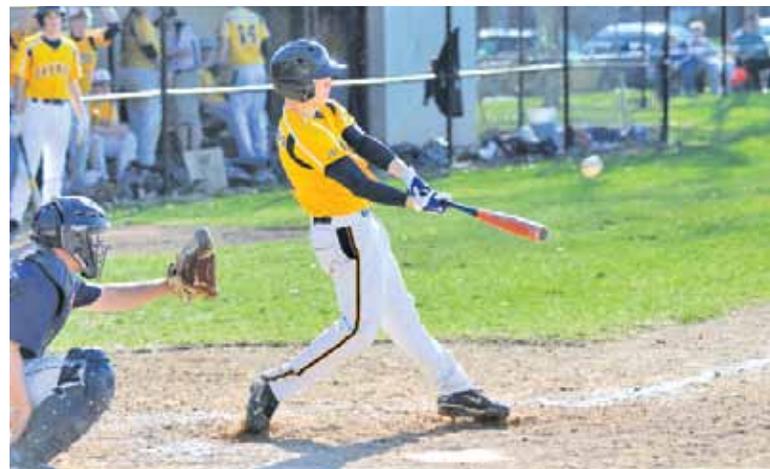
After rain postponed their season opener, the Oakwood Lumberjacks traveled to Springboro on Tuesday to take on the vaunted Alter Knights. Sophomore Coach Nathan Hyatt sent junior Hank Beasore to mound for Jacks. Beasore went the distance for a 8-7 victory. After a quick first

inning for both teams, Alter capitalized on an Oakwood error, three walks, a hit batsman, and a two-out fly ball double lost in the wicked left field sun at Brandt Field to take a 5-0 in the 2nd inning. Oakwood stormed back in 3rd frame with 5 runs of their own. Sophomore Trent Jervis started the rally, legging out an

infield hit. After a strike-out for the first out, Robbie Wagner and Colin Morris loaded the bases with singles. Clean-up hitter Connor Charbat drove in a run, blazing down the base path forcing a bad throw to first on a hard hit ball to short. Greg Ambrose stepped to the plate next, delivering a two run single through a pulled-in infield. Corey Bohache grounded out for the second out of inning, scoring Ambrose from third for the fifth run of the inning.

The Lumberjacks took advantage of two walks, a single by shortstop Michael Galaska, and a mammoth drive to deep centerfield by Corey Bohache to push across 3 more runs in their half of the fourth to take the lead 8-5. Beasore settled in and retired 12 out of the next 15 Knights batsmen thru the bottom of the 6th. Oh Henry used his cut fastball to nip at the outside corner for much of the game. As the shadows lengthened and temperatures dropped, Beasore the Warhorse determinedly took the mound for bottom of the 7th, protecting an 8-5 lead. The Knights mounted a valiant rally, aided by a pair of infield miscues, to score twice, before Beasore struck out the final batter, sealing the 8-7 victory for the Lumberjacks. Coach Hyatt, elated with the victory, exclaimed "We battled all game. While we didn't give Hank great defensive support, he threw a gutsy ball game and worked his way out of a couple of jams. He wanted the ball in the seventh." Robbie Wagner lead the Jacks, getting on base five times with 2 hits and 3 walks, while Zane Pitzer collected 3 hits in defeat for the Knights.

With temperatures soaring into the high 70s, the Lumberjacks returned to Mack Hummon Field for their home opener on Thursday, April 1, against the always tough Valley View Spartans. As it turned out, the April's Fools Day joke was on the Spartans, as Oakwood turned timely hitting and a fine pitching performance by senior ace Ben Roess into a 9-4 victory. Freshman Andrew Zellner got the nod for Valley View, pitching capably in his first career start as a Spartan. The Spartans drew first blood with a single by Murray McGhee and a double in the gap by David Day,



Mike Galaska swings and hits a home run.

scoring McGhee from second in the top of the first. Valley View added another run in the 2nd stanza on a walk to the pitcher Zellner, a double to right center by the nine hitter Andy Aller, and a ground out to first to score Zellner. Jack's centerfielder Connor Charbat led off the bottom of the 3rd for the Lumberjacks with a walk, advanced to third on successive past balls, and scampered home on Bohache's fielder's choice. After the designated hitter Hank "O'Henry" Beasore drew a walk on four pitches, catcher Ian Munn lashed a one hop double off the left field fence, driving in Bohache and advancing Beasore to third. Ahead 0-2 in the count, Zellner challenged Michael Galaska with a belt high fastball. Galaska deposited the ball some 362 feet away in the football bleachers beyond the center field fence for a 3 run dinger, his first of the season, giving the Lumberjacks a 5-2 advantage. The Jacks added a run in the third inning, keyed by a torrid line drive into the left corner by Charbat. Senior third basemen Greg Ambrose advanced Charbat to third with one out with a nice piece of hitting to the right side of the infield, putting the swift Charbat in position to score on a wild pitch with two outs for the 6th run for the Lumberjacks. The Spartans threatened in the top of fourth, advancing a runner to third with one out, but a strike out on a crafty change-up from veteran Roess and a superb defensive play by shortstop Michael Galaska on a high chopper quelled the rally.

The Spartan freshman hurler tired in the fourth, walking the bases loaded, with Galaska scoring on a past ball. Chris Allen relieved Zellner and got the final out of the inning on a line drive scorched to the shortstop by third sacker Ambrose. The Jacks continued their scoring barrage in the fifth with a single by Bohache, an error on a sacrifice bunt, followed by walks to Beasore, Galaska, and Morris to score their final two runs, pushing the score to 9-2. Ben Roess quieted the Spartan bats through the sixth, striking out five and scattering five hits. Roess gave way to senior Jeff Beall, who pitched the 7th for the Jacks. Right fielder Trent Jervis made the web gem of the evening with a sliding catch on a slicing drive down the right field line to help extinguish the Spartan 2 run rally in the final frame. Valley View's Andy Alter led all hitters with a perfect 3 for 3 evening, and David "Blue" Day contributed a pair of doubles for the Spartans. Michael Galaska led the Jacks with a home run, four RBIs, and two runs scored. Coach Hyatt commented after the game, "6 or 7 players contributed to the offense today, and we're going to hit the ball better as the season unfolds. Roess gave us a solid outing, and the defense made several outstanding plays in the field. It's nice to start the season 2-0." The undefeated Jacks return to action on Monday, April 5, against the Eaton Eagles at the friendly confines of Mack Hummon Field. Tickets are still available for the 5 p.m. start.

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For information on these or other classes at the Oakwood Community Center, please call 298-0775, or stop by 105 Patterson Rd. to register today! Our brochure can also be found on the City of Oakwood's web site www.ci.oakwood.oh.us.

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By Lance Winkler

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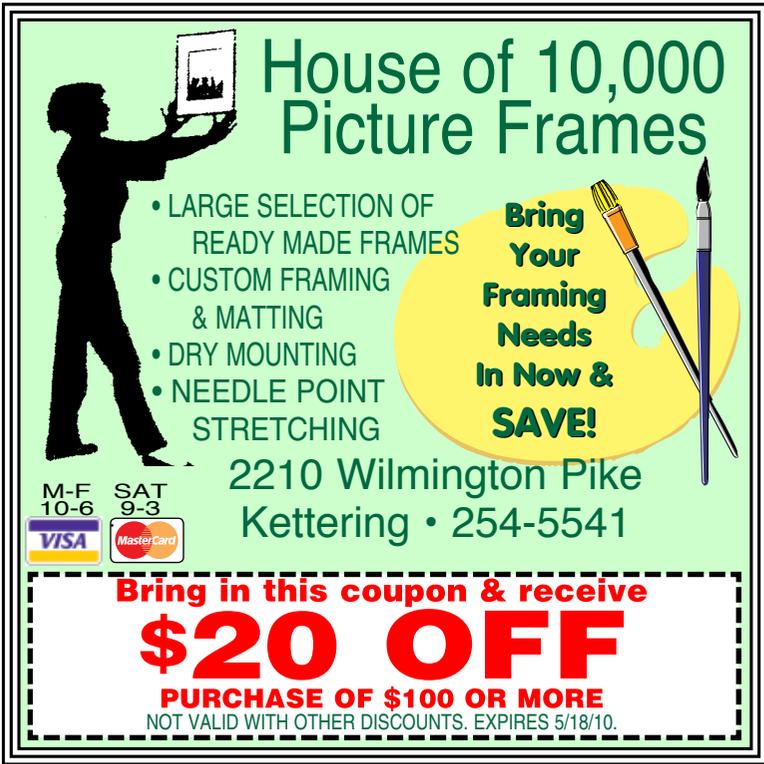
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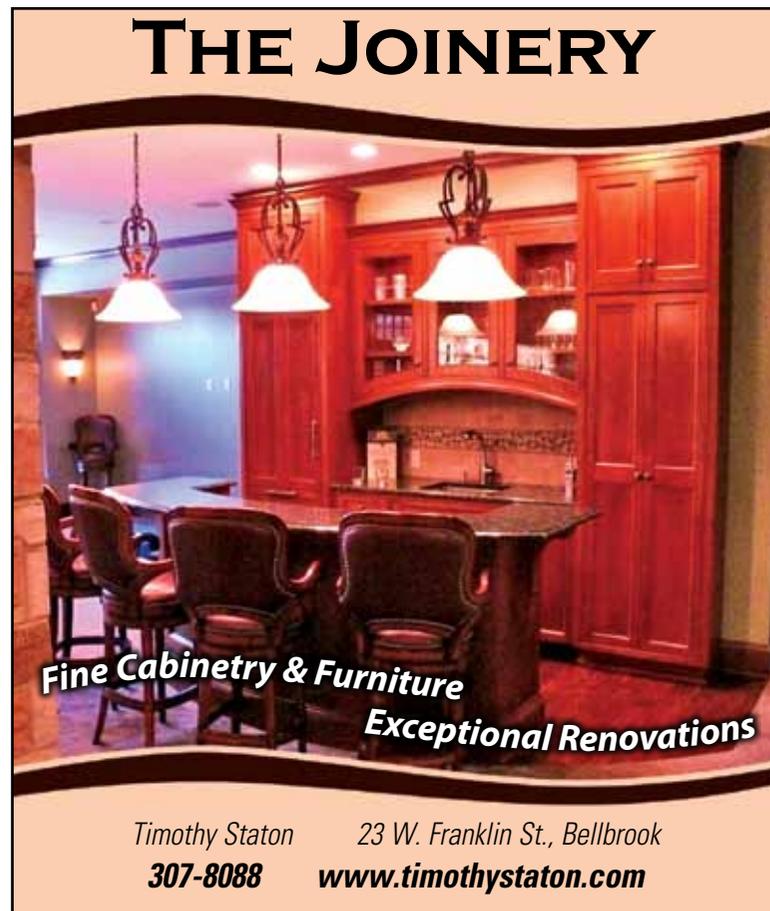
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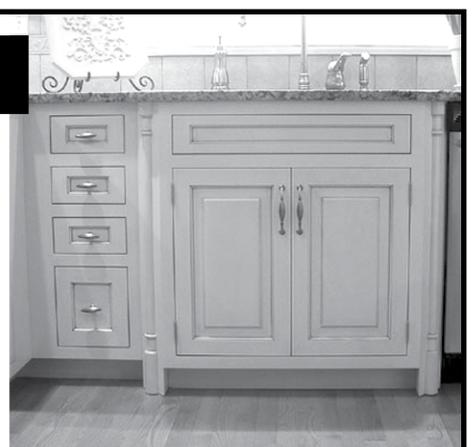


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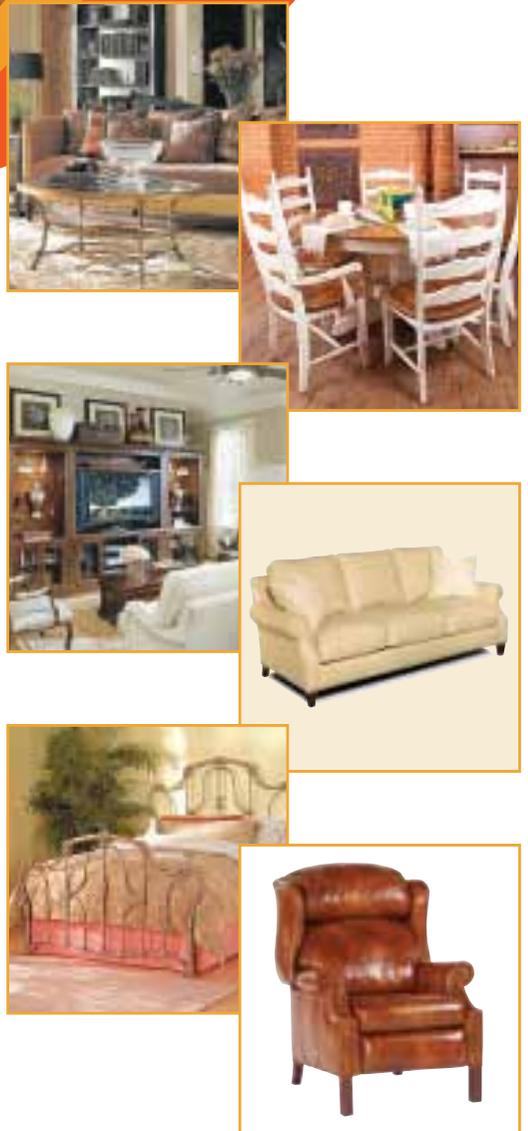
The front doorway is original and opens into an ornate anteroom that in-turn opens into the main entry hall. The entryway floor is made of white marble with a reddish grain pattern and red marble tile inset into the floor in evenly spaced intervals. The rest

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Manor from page 17 on the first floor next to the Great Room.

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Home sale prices up 19 percent from last year

The single-family average sale price for February increased over the same period last year almost 19 percent, from \$93,762 in 2009 to \$115,450 this year, generated from a sales volume of \$65.7 million. This is now the eighth consecutive month of increases in year-over-year comparison for home values in our area.

The median sales price for the month rose 24.2 percent from \$75,001 to \$99,000. The percentage sale/list price was also up again this month at 95.2 percent compared to 93.4 percent last year, an increase of nearly 2 percent.

For the first two months of 2010 the average sale price is up 13.6 percent from \$98,620 to \$114,155. The median sales price has also risen 15.4 percent over the 2009 January-February period from \$79,900 to \$94,500.

The number of sales transactions in February declined in year-over-year comparison by 11.6 percent, from 635 last year to 569 this year. This decline can be attributed at least in part to the harshness of the weather. The number of monthly sales has either remained equal to or increased

compared to the previous year in eight out of the last nine months.

Single-family listings added to the inventory in February totaled 1,782 compared to 1,677, an increase of almost 6 percent compared to February 2009. Year-to-date listings total 3,505 up 3.7 percent from last year's 3,374. Listings submitted have been up in each of the first two months in 2010, after being down in 10 out of 12 months in 2009.

The overall single family inventory shows 8,082 listings available and represents a 14.2-month's supply based on February's pace of sales. This is up from January's 7,835 listings, but the supply ratio has dropped from January's 15 month supply, when only 520 properties sold.

Last year at the same time there were 8,612 listings available, but the supply was slightly less at 13.5 months due to the sales pace also being slightly higher. The inventory has been easing steadily down compared to the same month in the previous year, but based on simple "supply and demand" this fact has helped stimulate the increase we've seen in home values.

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	2010	2009	% Change
Single-Family Listings	1782	1677	5.89%
Sold	569	635	-11.60%
Total List Price	\$69,006,003	\$63,751,455	7.61%
Total Sale Price	\$65,691,158	\$59,538,720	9.37%
% Sale/List Price	95.20	93.39	1.90%
Median Sales Price	\$99,000	\$75,001	24.24%
Average Sales Price	\$115,450	\$93,762	18.79%

Program on Oakwood architecture April 25

Wright Library and the Oakwood Historical Society will present "The Classic Architecture of Oakwood Homes" on Sunday, April 25, at 2 p.m. in the library meeting room. Oakwood is fortunate to have many well-preserved examples of early 20th century architecture in its tree-lined neighborhoods. This program will explore the exteriors of those houses, their remarkable artistic details and some of the historical stories associated with many of the homes.

The program will be moderated by Mark Risley, current Oakwood Historical Society board member and past president. Advance registration is required and is limited to the first 50 people. Registration started on Thursday April 1. To register for this program, contact the Wright Library Reference Department at 937-294-7171.

Wright Memorial Public Library is located at 1776 Far Hills Avenue in Oakwood. The website is www.WrightLibrary.org.

MARCH KETTERING AND OAKWOOD PROPERTY SALES (Zip Codes 09 19, 29 only)



KETTERING

3108 Waltham Ave - \$88,000 - William V. Henry to Deutsche Bank Natl.
 1117 Hollendale - \$124,000 - Mark L. Goode to Amanda L. Myers
 2429 Acorn Dr. - \$69,000 - Nedialko Delchinov to Tamra Bair
 333 Rockhill - \$52,511 - Huntington Natl. Bank to PHM Properties LLC
 224 Rockhill Ave. - \$132,500 - Brandi M. Butterbaugh to Jonathan C. Hauge & Collette C. Cervany
 2411 S. Dixie Hwy. - \$113,000 - Bhattian Inc. to B&J Mini Mart, Inc.
 1572 Bowman Ave. - \$119,100 - Roselyn E. Bosnak to Shun E. Worcester
 1418 Elm Dale Dr. - \$108,000 - Emily L. Pohl to Steven M. & Jennifer B. McAfee
 2938 Glenmore Ave. - \$95,000 - Kelly Vennekotter to Anne K. Brinkman
 1364 Central Park Ave. - \$28,000 - Cavid E. Thacker to PNC Mortgage
 908 Cottonwood Rd. - \$202,000 - Robert J. Blommel to John E. & Ann E. Miller
 1825 Hazel Ave. - \$28,900 - Bank of America NA to Reginald Franklin
 1449 Horlacher - \$89,500 - Matthew B. Ford to Diane D. Banks
 1208 Devon Ave. - \$79,999 - Jane F. Miller to Nora Monnin
 248 Greendale Dr. - \$159,500 - Antonia M. Bron to Amy L. Van Danabeele
 333 Winding Way - \$184,000 - Paul J. Seim to Patrick C. Beeman
 3090 Lenox - \$134,900 - Barbara J. Holbart et al 3 to Alane K. Leever
 608 Schyler Dr. - \$55,000 - Real Estate Resources to Shelter America
 2501 Hampton Rd. - \$40,000 - Richard D. Mitchell to Fannie Mae
 2916 Rushland Dr. - \$20,000 - Anthony F. Capertino to Citimortgage, cin.
 2825 Rushland Dr. - \$30,500 - Jimmy L. Berry to David Hatton
 2825 Gaylord Ave. - \$26,500 - US Bank NA Tr to Fadi Ibrahim
 2812 Hazelwood Ave. - \$56,000 - Claudia M. Jordan to Citimortgage, Inc.
 650 Broad Blvd. - \$58,000 - Federal Home Loan Mortgage to Premier Properties Investment
 2705 Colonial Ave. - \$127,000 - Alison J. Hickman to Colleen Radford
 3087 Regent St. - \$105,500 - Clayborn L. Whitworth to Katie Seitz
 3116 Regent St. - \$98,000 - Patrick Clark to Jordan Frel
 1344 Ridgeview Ave. - \$143,900 - Don & Marjorie Nelsn to

Anthony P Green & Cindy M Hutchinson
 1212 Waving Willow Dr. - \$142,000 - Thelma L. Foley to Jason O. & Karrie C. Hale
 3814 Longridge Dr. - \$113,000 - John Kihm to Benjamin O. Schooler
 4824 Far Hills Ave. - \$62,000 - Emad Alabdy to Liberty Savings Bank
 2808 Woodman Dr. - \$28,000 - Frank Neal to Federal Natl. Mortgage Assn.
 2840 Fields Ave. - \$38,000 - Dustin D. More to Federal Natl. Mortgage Assn.
 1440 Phoenix Place - \$251,440 - Inverness Group Inc. to Virginia C. Tangeman
 4261 Upham Rd. 0 \$155,844 - Mark Murka, Tr. to Jeffrey T. & Jill A. Shrader
 970 Gardner Rd. - \$169,000 - Janice L. Titus to Jennifer R. Schafer
 3899 Waterbury Dr. - \$73,000 - Roger I. Gordon to Nicole Gordon & Daniel Meiring
 2232 Acosta St. - \$54,000 - Timothy w. Olson to Huntington Natl. Bank
 1704 Dorothy Lane - \$64,000 - Allison N. Heether to Federal Natl. Mortgage Assn.
 3109 Larue dr. - \$89,000 - Milo Noble t Kelly A. Noble
 4825 Sunray Rd. - \$60,000 - Barbara A. Leis to John T. McCormick
 540 Elderwood Rd. - \$229,900 - Joan M. Brown to William A. & Lynn G. Shepard
 1120 Laurelwood Rd. - \$190,000 - Patsy J. Logan to Lee S. Isom
 2612 Santa Rosa Dr. - \$68,000 - Jon C. Smolinski to Federal Natl. Mortgage Assn.
 3000 Santa Rosa Dr. - \$68,000 - Garrett D. Green to PNC Mortgage
 975 Sharewood Ct. - \$146,000 Robert M. Marshall to Michelle L. Belna
 4716 Eagleview Dr. - \$173,000 - William P. Carey to Adam B. Birecki
 2821 Mohican Ave. - \$115,000 - Nina Elliott to Eric J. Hysinger
 1756 Beaver Creek Lane - \$66,500 - Citimortgage, Inc. to Carl Edwin Skinner III
 1020 Rio Lane - \$189,000 - todd D. Penrod to Joshua R. Schierloh
 600 Enid Ave. - \$290,000 - Primacy Closing Corp. to Pasquale & Annita Cristiano
 600 Enid Ave. - \$370,000 - Barbara A. Westgagte to Pasquale & Annita Cristiano
 4518 Troon Trail - \$240,500 - Kenneth W. Thiele to Joann K. Beckmann, Tr.
 539 Eagle Cir. - \$380,000 - Lynn G. Shepard to Michael & Christy Manchester
 574 David Pkwy - \$255,000 - Joseph C. Statt to Jason E. &

Gretchen M. Treherne
 574 David Pkwy - \$255,000 - Aurora Loan Services LLC to Jason E. & Gretchen M. Treherne
 441 Shaw Farm Ln. - \$255,000 - HBS David Reserves LTD to William H. & Julie M. Zink, Trs.

OAKWOOD

148 Lookout Dr. - \$370,000 - Leigh Jennifer LeBoeuf to James T. Uhlman & Anne D. Dombeyer
 521 Shafor Blvd. - \$235,000 - Kenneth e. Hamilton to Mark R. Waltersheide
 518 Irving Ave. - \$129,300 - Scott McVay Davis to Nicholas M. Smith
 517 E. Schantz Ave. - \$115,000 - Richard V. Luthas to Federal Natl. Mortgage Assn.
 303 Volusia Ave. - \$225,000 - James w. Harlan to Ryan D. & Mary L. Stitsinger
 246 Irving Ave. - \$150,000 - Charles C. Beardsley to ATRD LLC
 14 Schantz Ave. - \$159,000 - Robert Gooch to Christopher & Junko N. Agnew
 1100 Oakwood Ave. - \$370,000 - bank of America NA to Eric & Stephanie Soller
 1515 Wodstock Dr. - \$450,000 - Jon Paul Rion to David K. Burnap Jr.
 2700 Ridgeway Rd. - \$680,000 - Ran Neiger to Bryan R. & Elisabeth S. Ludwig
 117 Oak Knoll Dr. - \$135,000 - Marsha S. Miller to Yaser Aldineh
 245 Orchard Dr. - \$126,500 - Joseph E. Carey to Mishal B. Peterangelo
 327 Wonderly Ave. - \$119,500 - Debra J. Lucas to Maki Alieh Nasehi
 245 Hadley Ave. - \$85,000 - Mykael Tran to Schoenfeld Investments LLC
 338 Hadley Ave. - \$124,000 - Debra A. Frei to Mary E. Reid
 403 Forrer Blvd. - \$162,000 - Melodie G. Leeds to Jeffrey M. Conroy
 349 Forrer Blvd. - \$165,000 - Joy Erd Smallwood to Tedd Mitchell Miller
 259 Aberdeen Ave. - \$169,000 - Deitmar Trutzsch to Walter Osborne
 309 Spirea Dr. - \$75,000 - Diane Schock to Thomas A. Bartlett
 251 Spirea - \$157,000 - Mary F. Cunningham to Michael & Jennifer S. Whittaker
 1211 Far Hills Ave. - \$78,000 - Patricia Foxwill to Deutsche Bank Natl. Trust
 1211 Far Hills Ave. - \$36,500 - O'Ryan-Turney LLC to Samuel J. Rosengarten
 2200 Far Hills Ave - \$67,500 - Arash Moradmam to Ron & Ehteram Schultz

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Concert from page 7 of the opera. Eric failed to mention that the beautiful Audrey plays the part of a young man!

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CREATORS NEWS SERVICE By Charles Preston

ACROSS

1 Duple-time dance

6 Ewe's youngster

10 One-liner

14 Exotic

15 Pons solo

16 Bear, on high

17 Taking it easy

19 "___ Rhythm"

20 Hewer

21 Don Juan's mother

22 Gross fractions

24 Start the steak

25 "Puttin' on the ___"

26 Fits

29 Throw overboard

33 Fearful

34 Regan's father

35 The hip

36 Ovid's others

37 Frivolous

38 Droughty

39 Lunch time

40 Poised

41 "___ France"

42 Den

44 Yell

45 Pantry stock

46 Rather spare

47 Eye part

50 New Zealander

51 Miss Piggy's word

54 Kind of sch.

55 Tryst

58 See 59 Across

59 With 58 Across, obsessive thought

60 Haunted

61 Emplaces

62 Pindar's forte

63 Thick-headed

DOWN

1 A Roosevelt

2 Ma Bell's boy

3 Marathon unit

4 TV's Arthur

5 Apprehensive state

6 Subsequent

7 East of Calif.

8 "O Sole ___"

9 Brigandage

10 With puzzlement

11 Yen

12 "... the frost ___ the punkin ..."

13 Butter dabs

18 Literary snippets

23 Cooperstown's

Mel

24 Vernal occasions

25 Domain

26 Arkin and Alda

27 Actor Alain ___

28 The vowels

29 Bread spread

30 City on the St. Lawrence

31 Binary compound

32 Consumers' champion

34 Masters of misinformation

37 Shooting script

41 Like salt in water

43 Schnapps

44 Joe Palooka's Anne

46 Continues

47 Ency. and dictionary

48 Peace Nobelists

49 Schoolbook

50 Leg joint

51 Sunrise, poetically

52 Yeses, in Ypres

53 Words of ken

56 TV's Byrnes

57 Neckline

Police Report

MARCH 23

Citations
Margaret Frey, speeding
Patrick Howard, speeding
Ramon R. Redmond, operating under suspension, signs on windshield/window of vehicle

MARCH 24

Citations
Margaret Garitson, speeding
Kelly Altom, speeding
Jorge Wanderley, speeding

MARCH 25

Citations
Mark Caskey, expired plates
Beth Adelman, speeding in school zone
Natasha Hufford, speeding in school zone, seat belt required

Incidents
THEFT – In the 400 block of Monterey

Ave. a Samsung red and black smart phone was reported missing. Under investigation.

MARCH 26

Citations
Andy Seyfang, speeding
Leighann Bayliff, speeding
Jerry Puterbaugh, speeding in school zone
Nicole Williams, speeding
MARCH 27

Citations
Judith L. Coloutes, speeding
Kenton Levalley, speeding

Incidents
FELONIOUS ASSAULT – In the 0-99 block of Hadley Ave. police were dispatched on report of subject that had been burned. Investigation pending.

POSSESSION OF DRUGS – In the 100 block of Lookout Ridge police responded on a report of subjects drinking alcoholic beverages. Subjects were apprehended in the 100 block of E. Thruston Blvd. and

found with marijuana. Both subjects were arrested.

MARCH 28

Citations
Reubin Beavers, expired registration, driver's view and controls obstructed
Julia Chamberlain, failure to control

Incidents
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – In the 500 block of Schantz Ave. juvenile became unruly with parent when conversation became heated. Juvenile arrest made.

OPEN CONTAINER – Near the intersection of Forrer Blvd. and Shroyer Rd. vehicle was stopped on signal violation and officer noticed both driver and passenger had open beers.

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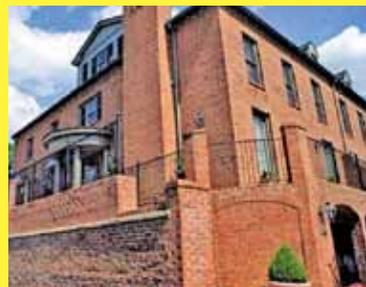
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