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Revitalizing American Manufacturing and Innovation

By U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown
Guest Column

One of my most important jobs is to advocate for working families in Ohio. Middle-class families have felt squeezed by the number of jobs going overseas, especially in the manufacturing sector. A report released last week from the Economic Policy Institute found that from 2001 to 2013, the U.S. lost 2.4 million manufacturing jobs to China alone.

Ohio has long been a leader in manufacturing, but in order to remain competitive we must invest in the future. That means investing in advanced manufacturing that will help American companies out-compete and out-innovate our foreign competitors. Last week, Congress took a large step toward making that investment by passing my bipartisan legislation, the *Revitalize American Manufacturing and Innovation Act* (RAMI).

RAMI – which I introduced along with Senator Roy Blunt (R-MO) – would create a National Network for Manufacturing Innovation to establish a public-private partnerships between small businesses, industry leaders, and research institutions, giving them the tools they need to compete on a global scale. These regional, industry-led hubs could create thousands of high-paying, high-tech manufacturing jobs for next-generation workers. The legislation passed both the House and Senate last week, and now heads to the President's desk for final signature.

The Ohio State University's (OSU) Center for Emergent Materials (Center) is a prime example of how collaborative partnerships can bolster manufacturing. The Center – which will receive more than \$17 million in funding from the National Science Foundation (NSF) over the next six years – is part of a network of material science labs across the country working together to encourage innovation. The Center also partners with local private enterprises like Lake Shore Cryotronics in Westerville on research and development to advance the field of magneto-electronics. This is the kind of effort that can collaborate with a National Network of Manufacturing Innovation.

Earlier this year, the American Lightweight Materials Manufacturing Innovation Institute (ALMMII) – the sort of National Network for Manufacturing Innovation that will be created by RAMI – was announced by the Administration. Co-led by OSU, the University of Michigan, and Columbus's Edison Welding Institute, this ALMMII will promote advanced lightweight materials technology – efforts that will advance manufacturing, like the technology being developed at the Center for Emergent Materials. This project is estimated to create more than 10,000 new jobs in the next five years. With this investment in our workers and businesses, the United States will once again lead the world

in manufacturing and innovation.

The first manufacturing network created was *America Makes* in Youngstown and President Obama has established other institutes across the country.

Innovation is key to our nation's economic competitiveness. We have the knowledge and expertise right here at home to lead the world in next-generation manufacturing. I'm proud of the message that passing RAMI sends: The United States will not settle for second place when it comes to manufacturing. Made in the USA is here to stay.



Sen. Sherrod Brown

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Community Calendar

January 1, 2015
Happy New Year!

January 3
Phillips Temple CME Chili and Cornbread Cook-Off; 2 to 5 pm: 419-902-3772 or 419-242-7906
3rd Annual Saturday Youth Skate: Hosted by Councilman Tyrone Riley; 10 am to 1 pm; Ottawa Park Ice Skating Rink

January 11
True Vine MBC First Pastoral Anniversary; Pastor Cecil Jerome Graham; 4 pm service with guests Rev. John E. Roberts and Indiana Avenue MBC; 419-539-9104

January 24
Warren AME 2015 Annual Gospel Extravaganza; 4 pm; "Praising God by Loving Our Neighbor; Featuring Young Voices of Greater Toledo and praise dancers, soloists & musicians: 419-381-1558 or 419-243-2237

January 25
True Vine MBC First Pastoral Anniversary; Pastor Cecil Jerome Graham; 4 pm service with guests Rev. Cullian W. Hill and Greater Concord Baptist Church: 419-539-9104

Tips to Heat Your Home Affordably This Winter

Special to The Truth

Climate control accounts for almost half the energy use in a typical U.S. home and is also the largest energy expense for most people -- but it doesn't have to be. With a few simple solutions, you can be friendlier toward your wallet and the environment this winter.

Weather-Proof Your Home

Cracks, gaps and joints can cause drafts that will undermine your heating efforts and send your utility bill through the roof. Caulking, insulating and weatherstripping can help curtail the waste so you can enjoy a warmer, more comfortable winter.

Older homes may lack sufficient insulation. Based on where you live and how you currently heat your home, a contractor can help you determine whether your attic, floors and walls need more insulation.

Investigate Heating Alternatives

More than one million U.S. homes are currently heated with pellets, and it's no wonder why -- pellet stoves eliminate 75 percent of the carbon emissions associated with fossil fuel heating. That's roughly three times the impact of driving a hybrid car and saves consumers \$400 to \$1,500 or more each year, according to the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association. Plus, some state and local municipalities even offer a tax credit for heating all or part of a home with biomass fuels.

Additionally, because pellets are made from renewable resources like residual forest waste and agricultural byproducts, they absorb nearly as much carbon growing as they give off when burned, making them carbon neutral, according to the Pellet Fuels Institute.

To maximize cost savings, look for a high efficiency, free-standing pellet stove, like the XXV from Harman Stoves. This stylish pellet stove delivers controlled heat thanks to its distinct cast iron details and advanced room-sensing technology, which automatically adjusts heat output to maintain a consistent room temperature.

You can also cut costs by replacing a drafty, masonry-built fireplace with an insert, like the Harman Accentra 52i which offers powerful and consistent heat with low maintenance and fuel-saving technology.

The Toledo Unit of the NAACP will be holding its General Membership meeting at 1326 Collingwood.

The monthly meeting will take place Tuesday, January 13th at 7 pm. All are welcomed to attend.

To learn more about energy efficient, cost-saving alternatives for home heating, visit www.HarmanStoves.com.

Dress for the Weather

Your extremities are where heat is lost from your body. While wearing gloves indoors is impractical, you should definitely cover up your feet. Invest in a good pair of slippers and some warm socks to keep your feet and the rest of you warm. By dressing warmer indoors, you will be able to keep the overall central heat temperature down, resulting in real cost-savings.

New Windows

Heat loss through windows can account for a whopping 10 to 25 percent of your heating bill, according to the Department of Energy. If you have older, single pane windows, it may be time for an upgrade. Look for double-pane windows that are ENERGY STAR qualified. It's a one-time expense with a true return on investment.

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The Bookworms' Best of 2014

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

The Truth Contributor

So many books, so little time.

It's easy to feel that way when faced with an entire bookstore full of possibilities. How do you pick? How do you know what's good?

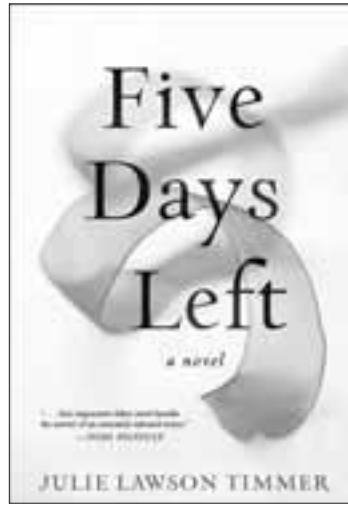
Start here, with the Bookworm's Best of 2014...

Let's start with FICTION.

Throughout the year, every time something bad happens, you're reminded to hug the ones you love. *Five Days Left* by Julie Lawson Timmer, the story of a woman who is at the end stages of a terminal disease, and a man in another state who has fallen in love with a child he's fostering, will actually make you want to do that. Bring tissues. That's all I'm saying.

My list wouldn't be complete without my annual nod to Emma Donoghue. Her novel *Frog Music*, a big story of murder and lust set in 1870s San Francisco is a must-read for this year. It's a gauzy tale – in fact, it seems at times like a dream, as though the main character, Blanche Beunon has imagined the whole friendship she had with Jenny Bonnet and the reason for Jenny's death. Bonus: it's based loosely on a true event.

I almost guarantee that you won't see *The Last Time I Died* by Joe Nelms



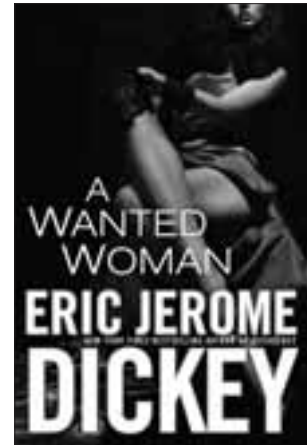
on any other Best Of list. It's here because it was one of those books that just struck me: Christian Franco, a loser in life and love, learns that he can re-visit his childhood by being brought back from the edge of death. Early trauma left him with holes in his memory. Reviving gave him answers. But he had to die again and again and you won't be able to put this book down until you know what happens.

They say we all have a doppelganger, and *Recognition* by O.H. Bennett is based on that idea: on a rainy night, as a young widow heads home to pick up her son, she sees a beggar who is her late husband's double. Many years ago, he went missing and was presumed drowned – but did he? You'll wonder, too...

And finally, a tie: *A Wanted Woman* by Eric Jerome Dickey and *I Am Pilgrim* by Terry Hayes are both thrillers; I couldn't decide which I liked better. Be aware that the Dickey book leans toward violence and profanity, while the Hayes book is more espionage-like. Both kept me on the edge of my seat for days...

And then there are my NON-FICTION PICKS...

The Baby Boom by P.J. O'Rourke will bring back memories for anyone born between 1947 and 1964. O'Rourke recalls the usual things that Boomers will remember – playing outside til dark, getting that first Color TV – but



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African Art Has Arrived!!

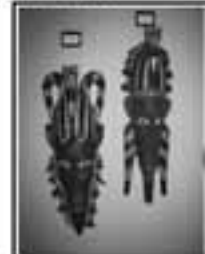
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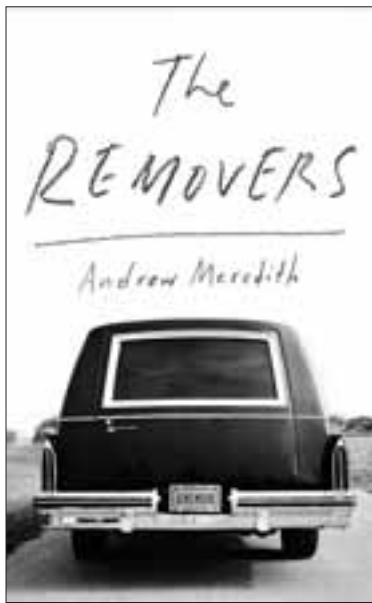
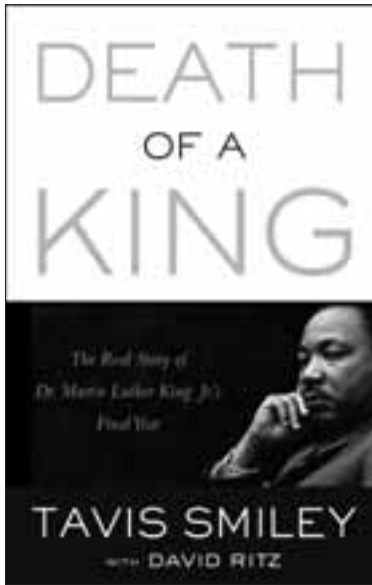
the real appeal comes when he finds something you've long-forgotten, and he expounds upon it. This book is like time-travelling to your childhood.

Lovers of the Old (or new) West will love *Badluck Way* by Bryce Andrews, the story of cowboying, ranch life, and the end of both. It's also a tale of conservation: wolves were a big problem on the ranch where Andrews worked, and they cost his employer a good amount of money. But where's the happy medium between raising cattle and being a steward to the land and its wildlife? This book doesn't have all the answers, but it'll make you think.

I'm normally not a big fan of biographies that include recreations, but *Death of a King* by Tavis Smiley was a great exception. In this book, Smiley envisions the last year of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: his friendships, his dilemmas, the heartbreak he knew and caused, the work he did, and that which he might've wished he didn't do. I liked this book because it's thoughtful, and because it makes Dr. King into an ordinary man. Smiley makes King approachable.

If you've read other Best Of lists this year, you've probably found *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande there – and for good reason. It's about the end-of-life, aging, and how medicine perceives both. Gawande urges readers to take charge of the end of their lives. That's powerful stuff, in a powerful book.

And lastly, another tie: *The Removers* by Andrew Meredith, *Smoke Gets In Your Eyes* by Caitlin Doughty, and *The Skeleton Crew* by Deborah Halber all deal with bodies. Dead ones. The Meredith book is a father-son memoir in a coming-of-age way; the Doughty book is a memoir about her years working in a crematory; and the Halber book is about how everyday people spend their time comparing missing persons lists with online lists of unclaimed bodies. I liked 'em all. I couldn't decide ...



And then my Best of CHILDREN'S BOOKS:

For the littlest kid, *Don't Push the Button* by Bill Cotter is a near-guaranteed gigglefest. There's a monster inside this book, and a red button. Whatever you do, well, read the book with your favorite three-to-six-year old and see.

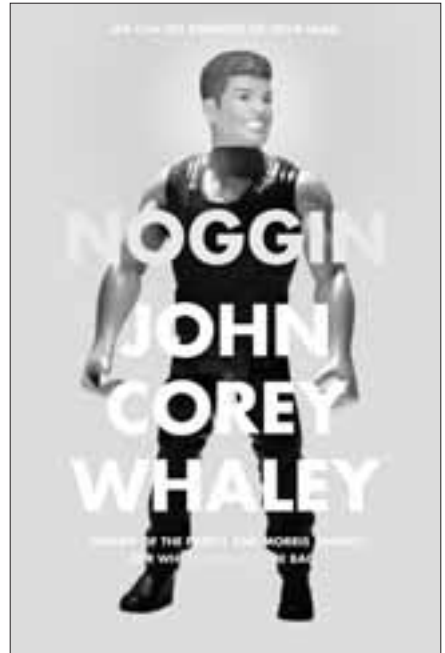
Post-apocalyptic novels have been done to death, but *H2O* by Virginia Bergin really struck me as unusual. The premise of this book is that planetary dust has caused contaminated rain. Anybody who gets wet dies – bloody, painfully, and fast. That includes the heroine's parents, sibling, friends, neighbors, and everyone she loves. Or maybe not, because there's a wicked cliff-hanger here and I loved it.

I also liked *Noggin* by John Corey Whaley, a disturbingly plausible book about a young man who's suffering a terminal illness. His only hope is to have his head cryonically frozen and to wait for a donor body. But can everybody in his life wait for him to return?

As I read *Endangered* by Jean Love Cush, I wasn't sure whether or not it was an adult book or a teen read. I decided it was both: it's the story of a young teen who gets arrested for a murder he didn't commit, but it's also the story of his mother, who tackles the justice system, the law, and everything she never thought she'd have to deal with on behalf of her son. Timely and sobering, this is another one of those books you just can't put down.

And finally, *Skink No Surrender* by Carl Hiaasen is a great way to introduce your teen to the humor of this adult author. In this book, a teen goes missing and it's up to her cousin and a Vietnam-veteran-former-mayor-possibly-insane-conservation-minded madman to find her. What's not to like, hm?

And there you are: 15 books you just can't miss. The Best of the Year. Happy Reading!



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AKA's Hold Holiday Luncheon at Kent Branch

Special to The Truth

On December 13, 2014, members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Zeta Alpha Omega Chapter held a festive holiday luncheon at the Kent Branch Library following their monthly chapter meeting. Members enjoyed Christmas music, fellowship and a delicious lunch including the famous "green cake" prepared by Vice President Margaret Huntley.

The Zeta Alpha Omega Chapter was chartered in Toledo, Ohio on April 25, 1952 in the home of Reba Harris. Charter members Helen

Cohen and Anna Marie Bolden are still active in the chapter. The chapter hosted a fall fundraiser held at Holland Gardens with proceeds to benefit scholarships to local high school seniors and community service endeavors.

Chapter leadership includes President Katina Johnson and Vice President Margaret Huntley. Zeta Alpha Omega is a graduate chapter and supervises two undergraduate chapters—Iota Iota at Bowling Green State University and Alpha Lambda at the University of Toledo. Danielle Avery and Richelle Watkins are the graduate advisors, respectively.



Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® was founded on January 15, 1908 on the campus of Howard University. This year marks 107 years of sisterhood and service. In July 2014 the organization installed Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson as international president who will lead 60,000 members worldwide.

The 2014-2018 International Programs, "Launching New Dimensions of Service", includes Target 1- Educational Enrichment-Target 2-Health Promotion, Target 3-Family Strengthening, Target 4-Environmental Ownership and Target 5-Global Impact. For more information on Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and "Launching New Dimensions of Service Programs visit www.aka1908.com.

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MTV Host Zuri Hall Visits Shapemy Jeans

By Carla Yvette



MTV Host Zuri Hall during her personal fitting by Alesia and Arlinda of Shapemy Jeans

After serving as grand marshal for this year's Holiday Parade held November 15, Toledo native and Emmy award winning MTV host, Zuri Hall, took the time to be fitted for a pair of handmade custom jeans by the mother and daughter team of Shapemy Jeans, Alesia and Arlinda Lawson. "I'm obsessed with wearing jeans so when my uncle Chauncey Whitehead who is friends with the owners suggested I check them out I didn't hesitate." Said Hall

Hall, a 2006 graduate of Maumee Valley Country Day School, started her career at a local television station in Indianapolis upon graduation from The Ohio State University. In addition to hosting for MTV, Hall has appeared on E!'s "Fashion Police" and Vh1's "Big Morning Buzz LIVE" and hosted the show *Million Dollar Maze Runner*. She currently resides in New York City.

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Fabulously Fit's Annual Christmas Party

Special to The Truth

More than 50 women attended the annual Fabulously Fit Christmas Party this year on December 13 at the Brandywine Club House.

The attendees experienced the variety of tastes provided by the Fab Fit sisters.



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The Alpha Phi Boule Holiday Party - December 6 at Brandywine Country Club



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Calvin and Vicki Lawshe

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Local 500's Christmas Party

Special to The Truth

Photos Courtesy Julian Venegas

On Friday, December 19, 2014, LIUNA Laborers' Local 500 celebrated the holidays and their membership with a Christmas Party with maximum capacity at Gesu's Sullivan Center. Local 500 stands on the principle of giving all year long and has donated to many worthwhile organizations. The leader and business manager of this organization, David Fleetwood, acknowledges the highs and lows of the construction industry but takes every opportunity to let his membership know that they are appreciated.

One way is in this now greatly anticipated Annual Christmas Party. The membership, their guests and several local dignitaries were treated to a spectacular soul food style buffet including carving stations and wonderful desserts

by Chef Marla, music by an extraordinary band The Jamm, DJ Impress playing great dance music between sets, and of course an array of holiday spirits.

This year, David Fleetwood, on behalf of the membership introduced their "Distinguished Lifetime Service Award" to honor someone who has been a proven leader in the community and is also considered a friend of Local 500. This inaugural award was given to Jack Ford who has been successful not only as Toledo city councilman, Ohio State representative and mayor of Toledo, but also as someone who lives every day of his personal life showing us all what it means to serve others.

Local 500 wishes everyone a safe and prosperous new year!



Alisa Fletcher



Councilman Jack Ford and Local 500 Business Manager David Fleetwood



State Rep. Michael Ashford and Fleetwood



James Smith and friend



Fleetwood and grandsons

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Make plans to join together in commemorating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the Fourteenth Annual

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Klaus Friedrich and Amanda Bryant-Friedrich



Judge Ian English with wife Municipal Clerk of Court Vallie Bowman-English



JeTahn and Olla Danielle Avery



Isadore and Linda King



Paul Hubbard and Robin Barclay



Nellie and Brown Leonard



Mother and daughter Carol and Naomi Thompson



Mallory and Patrice Williams



Kwaku and Connie Nantwi

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Wallace K. and Jeanette Young



Marilyn and Larry Stegal



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Santa (Guy Daoust) and Councilmen Theresa M. Gabriel and Larry Sykes

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Former gang members Devonne Fagan, current D4D board member and owner of Pinnacle Autobody, and Dedra Brown helped organize the event. Brown, Founder of David Davis Youth Center, an after school program with a focus on intervention and prevention on gangs and bullying, lost her brother to gang violence and says she partnered with Ross and Haynes because her passion is to help children avoid the life she lived.

Former gang leader Willie Knighten, Facilitator and case manager for The Ridge Project, an organization that specializes in healthy families, responsible fatherhood and healthy marriage along with men of TYRO, an accountability community for ex-offenders, says they were honored to be a part of the event when approached by organizers and donated over \$200 in toys to help less fortunate children.

The event started with a children's basketball game between the Count Change Celtics and Team Early Bird before the featured D4D games. Performances by the Scott High school dance team, The Imagine Clay Drill and Drumline, aspiring rapper Yung Jo Jo and The Flintstone Kids entertained the crowd of over 500 between games.



Dorothy Haynes and Dedra Brown Founder of David Davis Youth Center



Jovonte Hill and Starr Edwards with son, Yung Jo Jo



Imagine Clay Drill and Drumline



Team Gaudy



Dunkin' for Donations



Coaches Greg Thompson and Jerry Easter with Team Early Bird

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Guest enjoyed a buffet-style dinner as spoken word artist Michael Barringer recited his original, rich, poetic words. Later in the evening, comedians Demeco Lewis and Moka's sidesplitting comedy entertained the crowd. TV's and tablets were part of the raffle and door prize give-aways and DJ Keith Success was on hand doing what he does best.

One couldn't help but notice the decked out, matching attire of The Harley Boyz and Girlz which added to the evening's elegant and classy all black affair.

The Toledo Harley Boyz & Girlz Social Riding Club was founded in 2009. Part of their mission is to effectively find ways to give back and strengthen their community, and raise awareness of the sport of motorcycle through sponsored rides, fundraisers and special events. The Toledo Harley Boyz & Girlz promote unity by joining as an organization in support of both personal and community growth.



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Ethel, David and Andre Vaughn with Sherry White and John DeVait Jr.



Doug Duke and Kevin Staples

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Incredibles MC Christmas Party and Toy Drive

By *Carla Yvette*
Society Editor

Dressed in their holiday attire and with gifts in hand, bikers from all over attended the 6th annual Incredibles MC Christmas Party and Toy Drive, December 20 at the Infinity Lounge. Bikers enjoyed an evening of music, fun and dancing while spreading Christmas cheer to those less fortunate. The toys collected were donated to Abundant Life Ministries for children in need. Ladyz In Traffik MC were on hand to help with a pizza party, pictures with Santa and distributing toys to the children.



Greg Gardner of Blvd Boys MC and Shelli-sa "Queen" Bulls of Ladyz in Traffik MC



Joya "Ruff Diamond" Johnson, Tashonda "No Limit" Greenwade- Minniefield with Nicole "Majik" Greenlee of Ladyz In Traffik




Denise "SuggaShane" Williams and Lamont Jones with Leonard "Dirty Red" Chandelor and Mark Chapman Griffen



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The sixth annual Cookie/Ornament Exchange was hosted by Clara Petty on December 19, 2014. In addition to baked goods, guests brought socks to be donated to The Monroe Street Neighborhood Center where Petty is the executive director. Sixty-five pairs of socks were collected this year.



Toledo Club's Festival of the Trees

The Toledo Club gathers holiday trees from a variety of sources and invites the public to tour the facility and view the seasonal beauty. After the holidays, the trees are auctioned off.

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Jeffrey Vaughn with wife Doris Anderson-Vaughn



Leshe and Wendy Robinson



Penny Rouse, Jennifer Bemby, Deborah Barnett, Marcia Scott



Jasmine Reid, Wilson Boyz and Jacob Wilson



Ramon and Donnette Tiggs



Mother and daughter Bobby Hornbeak and Cereda



Mike and Annette Greason



Tam Smith, Jenell Goolman and LaVonya Jones



Sharise Harris with Karen and Mickey Vaughn



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CLASSIFIEDS

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Pastor Wanted

Southern Missionary Baptist Church is now accepting resumes for Pastor. Send resumes to PO Box 70516 Toledo OH 43607 or southern-mbc1968@gmail.com

LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION FOR BID

Sealed bids will be received by the Fallen Timbers Field Office of Toledo Area Metroparks, 6101 Fallen Timbers Ln., Maumee, Ohio 43537, no later than 1:00p.m. local time, on **Monday, January 15th, 2015**, and thereafter will be publicly opened, read, and recorded for Painting Services work at various Parks through the **Toledo Area Metroparks**.

Scope of Work: The successful bidder will provide Metroparks of the Toledo Area with interior and exterior painting services on an as needed basis. Approximately \$70,000 of Painting Services is anticipated through the award of the contract for 2015. Metroparks intends to award the bid based on the following:

1. Price per hour for a two (2) person crew up to 20' elevation.
2. Price per hour for a two (2) person crew for elevated work 20' to 55'.

All bidding documents may be obtained by bidders, at **Toledo Area Metroparks Planning and Construction Headquarters**, 6101 Fallen Timbers Ln., Maumee, Ohio 43537 free of charge or by emailing jim.cassidy@metroparkstoledo.com. If you have any problems accessing the information, please contact the Park Services Department at 419-460-1289 or by e-mail.

Notice of Public Hearings

Public Hearings, in accordance with Sections 5739.026 and 5741.023 of the Ohio Revised Code, will be held by the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio, for the purpose of hearing comments on levying an increase in the sales and use tax of one-fourth of one percent to provide additional revenue for the county's general fund.

Public Hearings will be held as follows:

Monday, January 12, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, One Government Center, 1st Floor, Toledo, Ohio.

***Monday, January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the EMS Training Center, 2127 Jefferson Street, Toledo, Ohio (*additional evening meeting added)**

Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, One Government Center, 1st Floor, Toledo, Ohio.

Comments will be received by the Board until 1:30 p.m., local time, January 20, 2015. All written comments should be emailed to: Commissioners_Admin@co.lucas.oh.us.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners, Lucas County, Ohio:

Carol Contrada, President
Tina Skeldon Wozniak, Commissioner
Pete Gerken, Commissioner

Adopted: December 22, 2014

NOTICE TO FIRMS

SEALED LETTERS OF INTEREST marked "IsaacLudwigMill Stabilization" will be received at the Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area, Fallen Timbers Field Office, 6101 Fallen Timbers Lane, Maumee, Ohio 43537, until

**1:00 PM Local Time on
Friday, January 9, 2015**

Letters of Interest received after the specified due date and time will not be considered. In General, THE SCOPE OF SERVICES consists of providing professional construction services required for the structural stabilization of the Isaac Ludwig Mill, Providence Metropark, Grand Rapids, Ohio. Construction work will be closely coordinated and monitored by the Metroparks-provided criteria-structural-engineer. Information packets for the Letter of Interest requirements may be obtained electronically as an email attachment by contacting Jon Zvanovec, Project Manager at jon.zvanovec@metroparkstoledo.com, (419) 407-9732. Three (3) paper copies and one (1) PDF copy of the Letter of Interest must be sealed, marked and submitted as above. The Metropolitan Park District of the Toledo Area will directly select a firm based on the Letter of Interest.

By order of the Board of Park Commissioners METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT OF THE TOLEDO AREA
Stephen W. Madewell, Director

Notice to Bidders: Inquiry # FY15-36, (Project # 0028-15-965) for Engineering Technology - Advanced Manufacturing Training Center for the University of Toledo. Sealed bids for this project must be clearly marked with the project number on all inner and outer envelopes and/or shipping containers. Bids must be addressed and delivered to the University of Toledo, Facilities and Construction, Plant Operations, Room 1100, 2925 E. Rocket Drive, MS 216, Toledo, Ohio 43606 before 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 13, 2015. Bids will be publicly opened that same day at 2:05 p.m. in the Plant Operations Building, Room 1000. Copies of Plans, Specifications, and Bid Forms may be obtained from Becker Impressions, 4646 Angola Road, Toledo, Ohio 43615. Call 419-385-5303 for an appointment to pick up bid package. A cost of \$150.00 will be charged per set. Any further information may be obtained from Kate MacPherson of MacPherson Architects at 419-243-8145. One Pre-Bid Conference will be held on Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. on the Scott Park Campus, ET Bldg., Room 1112, at the University of Toledo, 200 West Scott Park Drive, Toledo, OH 43607. Total Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond are required per section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. EDGE Participation Goal: 10%. Project Estimate: \$850,500.00; Breakdown: General Const: \$430,000.00; Plumbing: \$40,000.00; Fire Protection: \$50,000.00; HVAC: \$28,000.00; Electrical: \$302,500.00.

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Dunkin 4 Donations – From Gangs to Giving Back

By Carla Yvette
Society Editor

Five years since their first Dunkin 4 Donations (D4D) Benefit Concert and Tournament, founders David “GUTTADAVE” Ross and Tracy Haynes are still making a difference in their community.

“Round 5” of Dunkin 4 Donations was held December 21 at Scott High School’s Ben E. Williams Field House. Founded under the brand, Hands Over Hearts, the basketball charity event is held each year to raise money and collect toys for local shelters and less fortunate and needy families.

The purpose is also to show central-city youths positive role models and positive alternatives. Ross says, “What we’re doing is showing the community what can happen when we come together. Instead of protesting and tearing up our own neighborhoods, let’s come together and build up our own people.”

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Coach Jovonte Hill and the Count Change Celtics



The people who made it happen, Host Charlie Hampton, Co Founder David Ross, David Davis Youth Center Founder Dedra Brown, Sponsor and Board Member DeVonne Fagan and Co Founder Tracy Haynes.

The Toledo Harley Boyz & Girlz Blackout Party

By Carla Thomas
Society Editor

The Toledo Harley Boyz & Girlz Social Riding Club held their second annual Blackout event Saturday November 29 at Gardenlake Hall, Dorr St. The event was to benefit their Adopt A Family program. Club President Wayne Blanchard said, “This year we adopted a single mom with three kids and all of the proceeds that we generate from this event will go to our family”.

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Toledo Harley Boyz and Girlz



Albert and Brenda Hunter



Anthony and Terri Fletcher

The evenings entertainment was provided by comedians Demeco Lewis and Moka and Spoken Word Artist, Michael Barringer