

# Auditor Kovack's Weekend Update

December 6, 2017

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## Greetings,

Former Browns quarterback **Bernie Kosar** will be signing copies of his book, "Learning to Scramble" tonight, Wednesday, December 6 at the Drug Mart at 5923 Wooster Pike in Montville Township from 6-7:30 pm.

Congratulations to Medina High School physical education teacher **Terri Searle**, who won the school district's Distinguished Service Award! She is a veteran of Garfield Elementary and Claggett Middle School before taking her current position at the high school.

Congratulations to Waite Elementary School fourth grade student **Cheyenne Booth** - her essay earned her dog **Bella** the title of "**Top Dog**" in Medina County! You can read more about Cheyenne and the other winners of the contest in a news story below. The contest is held as a reminder that it's dog licensing season! **Between now and January 31st Ohio law requires all dogs be licensed.** You can get your tag online, at any of 28 satellite stations around the county or at the auditor's office in Medina. **Annual tags are only \$10** and the penalty for not being licensed is \$100. So remember, not only is it the law - it's also your pet's ticket home if they get lost!

The City of Medina has openings for a Planning Commission alternate and two openings on the Historic Preservation Board. If you're interested in serving on either, please contact **Jonathan Mendel** at the City of Medina by December 12 at [jmendel@medinaoh.org](mailto:jmendel@medinaoh.org) or 330-722-9023.

**Mike Kovack**

**A dog is the only thing on earth  
that loves you more than he loves himself.**

**Josh Billings**



### Perky papillon is Medina County's

### Top Dog

This year's finalists in Medina County Auditor **Mike Kovack's** Top Dog Essay Contest included two rescue dogs, a hero and a member of a menagerie of exotic pets.

But the first-place winner was a little dog with a big heart that welcomed a foster child into her family with affection and unconditional love.

The Top Dog of Medina Cou



nty is a papillon named Bella, whose mistress is **Cheyenne Booth** of Medina.

The Ralph E. Waite Elementary School student was one of nearly 400 Medina County fourth-graders to participate in the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual contest, which kicks off the dog-licensing season.

## Medina HS Holiday Concerts

Join Medina High School students at the **Medina Performing Arts Center, 851 Weymouth Rd.**, as they present their holiday concerts on the Main Stage. \$6 Adults/\$4 Students and Senior Citizens. For more info, call (330) 636-3400.  
**Concert: Thurs., Dec. 7, 7:30 pm**  
**Band Holiday Concert: Thurs., Dec. 14, 7:30 pm**



**Choir Holiday**

## Mud Mothers Annual Studio Open House

Mud Mothers Pottery's Annual Holiday Studio Open House takes place on **Friday & Saturday, December 8/9 from 10 am to 5 pm & Sunday, December 10 from Noon to 4 pm.** Choose those unique holiday gifts from offerings of nine of Medina County's most talented artists. Pottery, body care items, jewelry and knitted scarves are just some of the items available! [INFO](#)



## Santa Express Train Rides



**Ride the Train to Santa's Place!** After a group story, each child will have the opportunity for one-on-one time with Santa, including photos and a small treat. Bring your camera. **Saturdays and Sundays through December 23 from Noon to 5 pm., Thursdays December 21 through Saturday 23, Noon to 5pm and Sunday, December 24 from Noon to 3 pm.** Walk-in meet and greets are available on special dates- call ahead. Pricing for both events: Ages 12 months and under free; everyone else \$7. **This event is at Ohio Station Outlets at 9911 Avon Lake Road in Burbank.** [INFO](#)

## Akron Symphony Holiday Pops Concert

Join the Akron Symphony Orchestra and the Akron Symphony Chorus at **7:30 pm Saturday, December 9** for a holiday celebration featuring the revered and extraordinary vocal talents of Helen Welch, one of Akron's most beloved entertainers as she leads an evening



Cheyenne met Bella when she first arrived at her foster home five years ago. She has since been adopted, and she and Bella are fast friends.

Read **Ann Norman's** full story at [Cleveland.com](http://Cleveland.com).



### Scandals are not surprising to women of a certain age - Whit & Whimsey

Are any women age 40 and older surprised by the revelations of sexual misconduct by well-known men? Back in the day - let's face it, I'm old - who would have believed us if we told anyone but, perhaps, a best friend? No other man I can think of would have taken it seriously. Even rape victims faced daunting obstacles trying to prove her claims. And, I know, it wasn't just women who faced these kinds of problems.

My daughter and I were talking about it and when I was a teen, my own mother took me to a medical specialist who acted inappropriately. I

of celebration and inspiration. There may even be a special North Pole visitor! Concert takes place at the **Medina Performing Arts Center**, 851 Weymouth Road. Tickets \$15-\$25. Available at [akronsymphony.org](http://akronsymphony.org) or by calling 330-535-8131.

## Nutcracker Ballet in Wadsworth/Medina



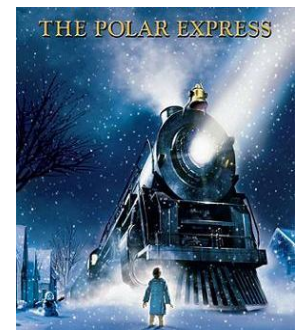
Northeast Ohio Dance, Inc. will perform *The Nutcracker* at the OJ Work Auditorium, **151 S. Main St., Wadsworth on Saturday, December 9 at 7 pm and Sunday, December 10 at 2 pm.** The ballet will also be performed at the Haddad Theater, **144 N. Broadway St., Medina on Saturday, December 16 at 7 pm and Sunday, December 17 at 2 pm.** Tickets are \$13 pre-sale or \$15 at the door. Senior tickets are \$6. Ask about group discounts. Call 330-336-6640 to reserve your seats.

## Cloverleaf Community Choir Concert



The Cloverleaf Community Choir, along with the Cloverleaf High School Swing Choir, will present their second Christmas concert **Saturday, December 9 at 7 pm at the Seville United Methodist Church, 74 W. Main St., Seville.** Popular & traditional holiday music will be performed.

## Polar Express stops in Medina



All aboard the Polar Express! Boarding takes place on **Friday, December 8 at 6:30 pm at the Medina Community Recreation Center located at 855 Weymouth Road in Medina.** Grab your pajamas and blankets for a fun evening enjoying his classic tale of holiday believing. Passengers will make a fun holiday craft and visit a pop-up library filled with Christmas books sponsored by the Medina County District Library. There will be hot chocolate and popcorn and even a very special visit from Santa. **\$5 for Rec Member Families and only \$10 per family for non-members. [PRE-REGISTER](#)**

could never have told her about it. After a few visits, I just pretended to be better so I didn't have to go back.

Someone she insisted I date because "he's such a nice guy" ended up with a bloody nose because he wasn't a nice guy. I never told her. I don't think she would have even known how to handle it.

While I often long for the good old days. Those are days I'm glad are gone and, thankfully, many women and men have come to realize what is acceptable and what is not.

Read the rest of **Sam Boyer's** column at [Cleveland.com](http://Cleveland.com).



### Wadsworth's Baughman named Ohio's Mr. Football

Wadsworth senior **Joey Baughman** forever will be considered an Ohio football legend. The quarterback's jaw-dropping accomplishments this season were impossible to ignore. Baughman has the hardware to prove that, but nothing is or will be bigger than Wednesday, when he was named Mr. Football as

## McJak Holiday Candy Factory Sale



Medina's own candy factory, McJak Candy, will hold its annual holiday sale on **Saturday, December 9** at the factory at **1087 Branch Road**, from **9 am to 1 pm**. 50% off retail price on all fudge, lollipops, toffee, cotton candy and caramels! Hurry in early for the best selection!

## Christmas in the Valley



The Northern Medina County Chamber Alliance presents Christmas in the Valley, beginning with its Annual Holiday Sing-A-Long, **Saturday evening, December 9 at 6 pm**, hosted this year at **LifeSpring Community Church, 1638 Lester Road in Valley City**. Refreshments will be enjoyed by all. **On Sunday December 10, the Liverpool Township Historical Society** will be hosting **Santa at the Depot from 1 to 4 pm**. Santa comes to town down Center Road via holiday horse drawn wagon at **12:30 pm** led by the Buckeye High School Marching Band. Come enjoy crafts for the children, cookies and hot chocolate and a complimentary horse drawn wagon ride. [MORE INFO](#)

## Holiday Craft Shows



Check out the local craft shows in your area to get a jump on your holiday shopping while helping local vendors.

### Saturday, December 9

Sharon Center UMC will host its annual Cookies and Craft sale from **9 am to Noon**. Cost is \$9/lb for cookies and treats, with craft items sold at varying prices. Stop by and let them do the baking! Event located at **6407 Ridge Road in Wadsworth**.

### Saturday, December 16

Your favorite local artisans, bakers and retailers with amazing offers for all of your holiday shopping needs. The boutique will be held from **10 am to 4 pm** at the **Knights of Columbus Hall at 148 N. Lyman Street in Wadsworth**. Door prizes and holiday snacks. Children are welcome. Email [glittergirlvinyil@hotmail.com](mailto:glittergirlvinyil@hotmail.com) for more information.



the state's top player.

Mr. Football was awarded previously by The Associated Press but now is being presented by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association. Each of the state's eight districts nominated players for the honor, which was decided by a statewide vote.

Previous winners include NFL players **Mitchell Trubisky** (Mentor, 2012), **Delone Carter** (Copley, 2005), **Tyrell Sutton** (Archbishop Hoban, 2004), **Maurice Clarett** (Warren Harding, 2001), **Tony Fisher** (Euclid, 1997), **Andy Katzenmoyer** (Westerville South, 1995), **Charles Woodson** (Fremont Ross, 1995), **Curtis Enis** (Mississinawa Valley, 1993), **Mark Edwards** (Norwood, 1992), **Bobby Hoying** (St. Henry, 1990) and **Robert Smith** (Euclid, 1989, '90).

"(Emotions) have been up and down all day. I don't know, it's kind of crazy to me," said Baughman, who was informed of Mr.

Football by Wadsworth athletic director **Brad Musgrave**.

"It's more than just a singular award. It's definitely a team award. I've got so many people around me who have gotten me to this point, and I can't thank them enough for that.

Read **Albert Grindle's** full story at [The Gazette](#).

## Santa Brunch



A Santa Brunch will be held on Saturday, December 9, at **Cloverleaf High School, 8525 Friendsville Rd., Westfield Township** from **10 am to noon**. In addition to food, there will be crafts, cookie decorating and a visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus. \$7 for adults, \$5 for children ages 4-12, under 3 free. [INFO](#)

## County Historical Society Christmas Tea



The annual Christmas Tea will be held at the John Smart House, **206 N. Elmwood, Medina, Sunday, December 10, 1 pm**. Enjoy sweets and savories, tour the museum and visit with Santa. Adults \$25, children \$20. Reservations required. For more info, call (330) 722-1341.

## Electrify Your Strings!



Over 400 Brunswick City School District orchestra students have worked with Mark Wood, co-founder of the Trans-Siberian Orchestra, to present concerts for the community at the James J. Hayas Performing Arts Center at **Brunswick High School, Monday, Dec. 11 and Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 7 pm**. [Tickets](#)

## Senior Art Contest Now Open



Attention Medina County artists aged 55 and older! You are invited to create and submit a winter-themed painting for the Gazette's annual Senior Living art contest. Original paintings in any medium should measure no more than **10 inches by 10 inches**, unframed. Drop your entry off at the Gazette office, **855 W. Liberty St, Medina**, Mon-Fri, 9 am-5 pm. All entries must be received **no later than 5 pm on Wednesday, December 13**. The prize-winning painting will be featured in the Senior Living section on

**Thursday, January 4**. The winner also will receive a special gift from *The Gazette*. Two entries per artist are permitted. For more information call Patti Willett at (330) 721-4006 or [pwillett@medina-gazette.com](mailto:pwillett@medina-gazette.com).



## Brunswick's Felician named soccer All-American

**Nick Felician** knew what the No. 21 meant at Brunswick as a member of the Blue Devils soccer team the second he put it on as a freshman.

That Felician made the number formerly worn by **Jesse Marinaro** even greater is a testament in determination and grit.

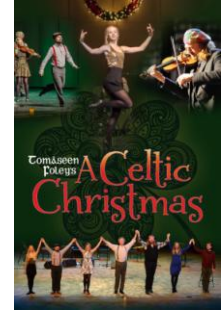
The senior midfielder became Brunswick's first All-American when the United Soccer Coaches announced its 2017 team. He'll head to Philadelphia on Jan. 20 with his family to be honored along with college All-Americans at the 71st annual convention and luncheon.

USC is considered the national authority in soccer, so to be named an All-American is a feat in and of itself.

"The first time (Brunswick coach **Ben Dotson**) handed me the No. 21, he said, 'A lot of goals have been scored in this jersey,'" Felician said. "That was big to me. It's really special to be named an All-American. I'm really excited. It was my goal since last season. It

## A Celtic Christmas

The magic of an old-fashioned Irish Christmas returns to the **Medina Performing Arts Center, Friday, December 15 at 7:30 pm** in the auditorium at **851 Weymouth Rd., Medina**. Tickets sell for \$22 or \$27.



[MORE INFO](#)

## Family Christmas Concert



The Music Ministry of **Our Lady of Grace Church** will present the Third Annual Family Christmas Concert on

**Friday, December 15 at 7 pm at 1088 Ridge Rd., Hinckley.** The Traditional Choir and Youth Choir and several soloists will offer a selection of contemporary and traditional, Advent and Christmas carols. And old-fashioned sing-a-long will conclude the concert. On **Sunday December 17 at 3 pm**, the PSR Program will present the first ever Christmas play presented by grades Pre-K through 5th grade. The Youth Choir will be providing the music for the play, including several solos by choir members. Concert and play are free.

## Wreaths for Western Reserve



The National Day of Remembrance and Wreath Laying is **Saturday, December 16**. Wreath laying will take place at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman. **Volunteers wishing to help lay wreaths may arrive beginning at 9 am. Wreath laying will begin at 10 am.** There will be a ceremony beginning **precisely at noon** at the flagpole lasting approximately 30 minutes. [INFO](#)

## Other Events:

### Thursday, December 7

The **Black River Comedy Club** will hold auditions for its 2018 musical comedy show at **7 pm** at the **Homerville Community Center, Route 301**. For more info contact Barbara Gilbert at [gilbert204@aol.com](mailto:gilbert204@aol.com) or (330) 948-1658.

### Thursdays, December 7, 14, 21

**Hilliard-Rospert Funeral Home** is sponsoring "Santa on the Square" in the **downtown Wadsworth gazebo** from **6 - 8 pm**. Children of all ages are welcome to visit Santa & families are encouraged to bring cameras to

feels cool that I accomplished it."

Read **Brad Bournival's** full story at [The Gazette.](#)



## Two Brunswick students named to All-American Army Band

Two more Brunswick High School students have been named to the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band, bringing the total number of students at the school who have received the honor over the years to seven.

"It is quite an honor for a high school just to get one (student selected to the band) so it is quite unusual for a school to get this many," Brunswick High School Band Director **Jay Wardeska** said. "I think there is only one other school in the nation which has ever had more."

The two BHS students to receive the honor in 2017 are both seniors - **David Saville** is a percussionist and **Cordelia Hoffman** is a clarinet player.

Students selected for the U.S. Army All-American Marching Band are first nominated by their music

capture the memory. The **Wadsworth Lions Club** will be providing refreshments for those in attendance. Free.

### Friday, December 8

Bluegrass Concert by local bluegrass bands every Friday night. Admission is suggest \$3 donation at the door, the **kitchen opens at 5:30 pm** featuring slawdogs, hamburgers, sloppy joes and more with suggested donations. **Music starts at 7 pm** event held at Lafayette UMC located at **6201 Lafayette Road in Medina.**

### Friday, December 8

Wadsworth's Soprema Cafe', at the high school/YMCA complex, will hold Customer Appreciation Day featuring a \$5.50 lunch with entertainment by the Take 55+ Players **from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm.**

### Saturday, December 9

The Medina County Marine Corps League Auxiliary's Christmas cookie sale will be held from **9 am to 3 pm** at **Pat O'Brien Chevrolet** at the corner of Fenn & Pearl Roads in Medina Township. 330-815-4663 for info.

### Saturday, December 9

Yellow House Cheese, **9733 Wooster Pike, Seville**, hosts a public Shearing Day **from 10 am - 2 pm.** Watch the process and see the fall lambs born at Yellow House. Farm store will also be open for meat and cheese purchases.

### Saturday, December 9

12th Annual Christmas Cookie Sale & Raffle. The Women of Our Saviour Lutheran Church at **1605 Center Rd., Hinckley** host their cookie sale and raffle, 10 am to 2 pm. For more info, call Valerie at (330) 278-4114.

### Saturday, December 9

The American Cancer Society is sponsoring Cookies with Santa from **10 am to noon** at Root Candle Community Room, **623 W. Liberty St., Medina.** \$5 per child covers crafts and cookies for the kids. Bring your camera to take pictures with Santa!

### Saturday, December 9

**Breakfast with Santa** at Applebee's, **4115 Pearl Rd., Medina, 8:30 - 10 am.** Adults \$8; Children \$6. Proceeds will benefit Easter Seals Northern Ohio. For more info or a reservation call 1-888-325-8532, ext. 103.

teachers to participate in the program. The students are then required to complete an application process, which includes an audition video.

Students are then selected based on exceptional musicianship, marching achievement, character and leadership prior to their high school senior year.

Hoffman and Saville were among nearly 1,000 applicants to complete the audition process before being named two of the 100 musicians selected from nationwide candidate pool to perform in this year's band.

Read **Melissa Martin's** full story at [The Post](#).



### Trekking through autumn - Hubbard Valley Park

Abby was on a mission, and was in a hurry to carry it out, whatever *it* might be.

This retrieving-loving dog probably detected water, and there's an abundance of it at Hubbard Valley Park - the winding Hubbard Creek and the 21-acre Hubbard Valley Lake, the result of a flood-control project by the Chippewa

#### Saturday, December 9

A living nativity will be presented by the Chatham Community Church from **5 - 7 pm** at the church, **6324 Avon Lake Rd.**, (Rt. 83). The "journey" is mostly outdoors and takes about 15 minutes. Guests are invited to warm up and enjoy free home-made cookies and hot chocolate in the church after their journey.

#### Saturday, December 9

The Granger United Methodist Church, 1235 Granger Road, is having its 13th Annual Cookie Sale! Pick out homemade cookies from **9 am to 11 am**. Cookies are \$8 per pound.

#### Saturday, December 9 & Sunday, December 10

**Corkscrew Saloon, 811 W. Liberty St., Medina**, will host Photos with Santa, **10 am to noon, on Dec. 9 and 11 am to 1 pm on Dec. 10**. Bring an unwrapped toy and/or a non-perishable food item. For more information, call (330) 461-4653.

#### Saturday, December 9 & Sunday, December 10

Christmas Trees from the Odd Fellows The Medina Odd Fellows will hold their annual live Christmas sale on Saturday, December 9 from 9 am - 6 pm and Sunday, December 10 from 10 am - 6 pm on the north side of the Square. \$30 for Scotch Pine trees and \$45-\$55 for Fraser Firs.

#### Saturdays, December 9 & 16

**Elf Labs** presented by Castle Noel at **260 S. Court St., Medina**. Your children are escorted through 5 unique stations where they will experience the magic of Christmas. Visit with Mrs. Klaus, spend time crafting. See Santa Klaus and take pictures. Cost is \$29 per child and one parent is FREE. [INFO](#)

#### Sunday, December 10

Join ORMACO as it presents The Scenic Route in a concert/lecture titled Girls that Rock - Women in Modern Popular Music **at 2 pm**. at the **Wadsworth Public Library, 132 Broad St**. Free. [INFO](#)

#### Sunday, December 10

Medina United Church of Christ Congregational Christmas Music Program at 10:30 am at 217 E. Liberty Street in Medina.

#### Sunday, December 10

The **Weymouth Preservation Society**, 3314 Myers Rd., Medina Twp., will have an antique toy display from **2-4 pm**. There will be 100 items from a private collection spanning 60 years. 330-697-4320 for info.



Subdistrict of the  
Muskingum Watershed  
Conservancy.

Our joint mission, though,  
was to hike the Trillium  
Trail and Sugar Woods  
Loop.

Near the parking lot, a  
family was taking holiday  
pictures on the bridge  
along the paved All  
Persons Trail that leads to  
a playground and fishing  
pier. Not wishing to disturb  
them, we headed north-  
northwest toward the  
Trillium Trail.

Trees cast spindly, late-  
afternoon shadows on the  
sledding hill waiting for  
winter's embrace before we  
crossed a bridge over  
Hubbard Creek and picked  
up the Trillium Trail. We  
plan to return in the spring  
when the trail's namesake  
will be in full bloom along  
with a wealth of  
wildflowers.

This trail and the Sugar  
Woods Loop meander  
through woods, up and  
down hilly terrain, and by a  
pine and spruce restoration  
area.

The earthy scent of fallen  
leaves kept us company  
along the way.

As in every Medina County  
park we've visited, benches  
donated by families and  
organizations dotted our  
path.

Read the rest of Liz  
Scheaffer's story at [The  
Gazette.](#)



## OSU Extension Academy on Leadership and Government

What does the Constitution say? How is social media impacting the communication between citizens and politicians? The second annual Academy on Leadership and Government hosted by OSU Extension (with the support of Leadership Medina County) **begins on January 4**. This year the entire class series consists of 13 individual classes held on **Thursday evenings, 5:30 - 8 pm**. Dinner and materials are included in the registration fee. Cost for the series is \$395 or sign up for individual classes at \$50 each. CLE's available for attorneys. **Register by December 15 to receive a 5% discount.** [INFO](#)

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