

Auditor Kovack's Weekend Update

July 26, 2017

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Township trustee's

Greetings!

There are a lot of fun activities going on this week around the county - summer's almost over, get out there and enjoy them!

Joe Rogers and the Wadsworth American Legion are hosting their annual pig roast down in Wadsworth (info below). You can check out the new Wadsworth Brewing Company while you're downtown!

What a treasure we have in the Medina Community Band! Their last concert of the season is this **Friday at 8:30 pm** on Medina's Public Square. The concert will be dedicated to longtime member and historian **Donald Wilder**, who passed away May 4. Stop on out for the last concert of the summer!

Congratulations to 7 year old **Tristan Sopkovich**, son of Brunswick Hills police chief **Tim Sopkovich**, who had an outstanding run at the recent Akron Soapbox Derby. Read the story at Cleveland.com.

And most importantly - Monday starts **MEDINA COUNTY FAIR WEEK!** Don't forget to get your [Coloring Contest Entries](#) in. We're giving away prizes to children and adults!

Have an outstanding week! Take the time to make someone smile today!

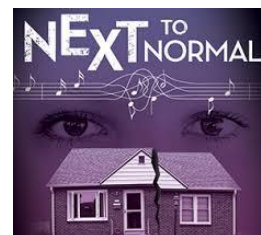
Mike Kovack

**It is the simple things of life that make living worthwhile,
the sweet fundamental things such as love and duty,
work and rest, living close to nature.**

Laura Ingalls Wilder

Cameo presents "Next to Normal"

Catch the last weekend of Cameo's 2017 show, "Next to Normal," at the **Medina Performing Arts Center Thurs., Fri. and Sat. July 27-29 at 8 pm and 4 pm on Sun., July 30.** Cost is \$20/adult and \$15/student, senior, and military. This play is recommended for mature audiences. [INFO](#)



Mini Train Rides at Lester Rail Trail

death ruled undetermined

The death of former Lafayette Township trustee Bryon Macron has been ruled "undetermined," but authorities say the case remains under investigation.

Macron, 45, was reported missing Dec. 16 and his body was found Feb. 21 in Chippewa Lake.

Yet Medina County Coroner Dr. Lisa Deranek said during a news conference Monday morning at the sheriff's office that no water was found in his lungs.

"I cannot substantiate if Macron was or was not breathing when entered the water," she said.

"I think there are some other factors that are involved ... the cold temperature, hypothermia," Deranek continued. "There also could have been some aspect of his death dealing with the water, but I cannot substantiate that with the autopsy (reports)."

County sheriff's Capt. David Centner said investigators believe no one else was involved in Macron's death.

Read [Halee Heironimus's](#) full story at [The Gazette](#).

Bring your family and friends out to Lester Rail Trail, 3654 Lester Rd., Medina from **4-8 pm on Saturday, July 29** for train rides around a miniature railroad and station house. Adult and children alike will delight in the ride! Free. No registration required.



Pro Bull Riding in Burbank

Help celebrate the National Day of the American Cowboy at Buckin' Ohio, 8154 Garman Rd., Burbank on **Saturday, July 29**. Pre-show activities run **4 - 7 pm** including Mutton Bustin' at 5:30 pm. **Bull riding begins at 7 pm**. Tickets \$18 at the gate, \$16 online. Kids 6-12 \$7, 5 and under free. [INFO](#)



It's movie night on the Square!

Bring your blankets, bring your chairs and enjoy the 5th annual Cool Beans Movie Night on Medina's Public Square! Sponsored by **Laura Parnell and Honey Bee Bakery**, the movie **SING!** will begin at dark (**about 9:15 pm**) on **Saturday, July 29**. It's a free event and pop, water, candy and popcorn will be available in the gazebo for a charge.



Medina County Amazing Race

Medina County's first ever Amazing Race is being **rescheduled to September 23** from its original July 29th date. Cost to for a team of four to compete is \$100 or \$250 for a Gold Team sponsorship. Read the full story at [Cleveland.com](#).



Mantrell Price Scholarship Foundation

The first annual \$1000 reverse raffle will be **Saturday, July 29** from **5 to 9 pm**. There will be split the pot, a lottery tree, a dinner buffet, raffle baskets, and DJ Greg Love will be spinning some tunes. It will be at **Medina Eagles, 696 Lafayette Rd**. Tickets are \$20 and all proceeds go to the Mantrell Price Foundation. For tickets contact Hertistine Price at **330-203-0938** or Deb Price at **330-241-0765**.





Error by commissioners halts county sales tax issue

Medina County commissioners learned Tuesday they can't place a 0.25 percent sales tax increase request on the Nov. 7 ballot because of a "legal technicality" in the filing process.

County Administrator Scott Miller explained that when commissioners advertised the two public hearings on the issue, a section of the Ohio Revised Code was referenced that covers the sales tax for county schools.

Voters approved the 0.5 percent sales tax increase for schools in 2007 and revenue is earmarked specifically for permanent improvements.

"For that reason, we cannot put it on the ballot because that particular code is already used for the schools,"

Commissioner Pat Geissman said Tuesday. "It's just unfortunate that it occurred that way."

The earliest commissioners now can place an issue on the ballot is the May primary because there isn't enough time to meet the Aug. 9 filing deadline for the November ballot and

The Medina County Fair!

It's Medina County Fair Time! The fair opens **Monday, July 31 and runs through Sunday, August 6.** Demolition derby, motocross, rough truck contest, rides, animals and more! Special musical guests **Gary Allan** and the **Brothers Osborne** perform on Thursday. Get the complete fair schedule [HERE.](#)



Cook Out with a Cop

Join **Chief David Arbogast** and the officers of the Medina Township police department for a cook out on **Tuesday, August 1!** There will be food, games, demonstrations and more from **5 - 8 pm** at the Police Station, 4877 Fenn Road.



Singin' in the Rain Jr.

Fred Hargrove Young Artist and Buckeye Community Theatre are proud to present Singin' in the Rain Jr. from **Friday, August 4 to Sunday, August 6.** The show will



take place at the **Medina High School Middle Stage, 851 Weymouth Rd.** (follow signs to parking lot D and enter through D4 doors). The show will be at **7:30 pm on Friday, 2 pm and 7:30 pm on Saturday, and 2 pm on Sunday.** Cost is \$10/adult and \$8/students and seniors. [MORE INFO](#)

2017 Medina County Race Calendar

Like running? Check out the races coming to Medina County the next few weeks!



Nathan's Run 5k, Wadsworth Memorial Park, July 29. Info: [HERE](#)

Giddy Up 5k Coach Hunter Scholarship, Brunswick High School, August 5. Info: [HERE](#)

Glow with the Flow 5k, Medina Co. Career Center, August 11. Info: [HERE](#)

Other Events:

conduct required public hearings.

Read **Halee Heironimus's** full story at [The Gazette.](#)



Carlisle Brake & Friction breaks ground on expansion of Medina plant

Carlisle Brake & Friction held a groundbreaking ceremony yesterday for a \$28 million expansion of its manufacturing facility on Lake Road.

The 158,000-square-foot expansion will create up to 70 new jobs and \$3 million in annual payroll, said Karl "Ted" Messmer, president of Carlisle Brake & Friction.

The new plant will produce severe-duty brakes, clutch and transmission components for customers in the aerospace, agriculture, construction, military, mining, motorsports and industrial markets.

Once completed next spring, the expanded manufacturing facility at 920 Lake Road will total more than 360,000 square feet and employ more than 320 people.

Wednesday, July 26

Hear the music of "Fat Dog Down" at **7 pm** at **PJ Marley's, 119 Public Square, Medina.** Don't miss their lead singer - **Jeremy Levine**, Executive Director of Main Street Medina!

Wednesday, July 26

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy **Rudy and the Professionals** at a summer lawn concert, **6 to 8 pm**, at **Western Reserve Masonic Community, 4931 Nettleton Rd., Medina.** Admission is free and open to the public. More info: Call Kimberly Valco at **330-721-3264.**

Thursday, July 27

Chippewa Lake Historical Society meeting at **7 pm**, Chippewa Lake Community Center, 24 Circle Crest Dr. 330-725-8169 for more info.

Friday, July 28

Wadsworth American Legion Post #170 invites you to their annual Pig Roast! Sandwiches with one side for \$5 or \$10 gets you a sandwich, 3 sides & dessert. **Starts at 11 am, live DJ at 5 pm.** 129 Main Street.

Friday, July 28

Meet the Wadsworth Grizzlies Marching Band! The band will perform at Art Wright Stadium starting at **3 pm.** Tailgate food available for purchase. Admission is free. Join us for this annual tradition! [INFO](#)

Friday, July 28

Friday Night Wines at Skyview Lodge. **Doors open at 7 pm** and entertainment begins at 8 pm. Sample wines from several different regions with light snacks provided. Admission is free. Charge for drinks. [INFO](#)

Saturday, July 29

Hinckley Historical Society antique appraisals by **Eric Pandrea from 10 am - 2 pm** at Hinckley Town Hall, 1410 Ridge Rd. \$5 per item. No furniture, clothing or guns. 216-287-4754 for information.

Saturday, July 29

Happy 200th Birthday, Weymouth, Ohio! Potluck Dinner will be starting at **6 pm.** Please bring a covered dish to share. Birthday cake, drinks, and table setting will be provided. More info: [HERE.](#)

Saturday, July 29

Come view the night sky up close using the Cuyahoga Astronomical Association's telescopes from **9 to 11 pm** at **Letha House Park West, 5800 Richman Rd., Chatham Township.** FREE. More info: [HERE.](#)

Sunday, July 30 Chippewa Lake Flea Market and rummage sale, 9 am - 3 pm at 333 Lake Road. Live music and a barbecue as well.

Read **Ann Norman's** full story at Cleveland.com.



Worden house demolished despite preservation efforts in Hinckley Township

More than 150 years of history is no longer standing in the township. Cleveland Metroparks this week razed what once was the Worden Heritage Homestead at 895 Ledge Road.

"We're quite upset," Medina resident Leslie Ciammaichella said. "We didn't expect them to do this."

Ciammaichella was one of 335 members who joined the Facebook group "Save the Worden Homestead Committee" that hoped to organize a nonprofit or trust fund to preserve the home.

Metroparks spokeswoman Jacqueline Gerling said Friday in an email to The Gazette that the park district moved forward with demolition "since no viable option has come to fruition."

Read **Halee Heironimus's** full story at The Gazette.

Friday, August 4 through Sunday, August 6 What makes bees our friends rather than foes and how can we help them survive? Come to the Susan Hambley Nature Center, **1473 Parschen Boulevard, Brunswick**, between 12 and 5 pm each day to learn about the "buzz on bees" through a variety of activities. All ages are welcome and no registration is required. For more info visit [HERE](#).

Every Saturday

The **Northern Ohio Railway Museum, 5515 Buffham Rd., Seville** is open every **Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm**. Admission is free, donations gratefully accepted. The public may visit a restored 1954 Cleveland Transit System Rapid Transit Car and ride a streetcar on the **second Saturday of each month**. Rides cost \$4 for adults, \$2 for children, and free for children younger than 5. Rides will begin at **11 am** and end at **3 pm**. For more info, call **330-769-5501** or asknorm@northernohiorailwaymuseum.org or visit their Facebook page or website [HERE](#).

Every Saturday through October 14

Medina Farmers' Market **9 am - 1 pm**, on the square downtown. [INFO](#)

Every Saturday through September 30

Main Street Wadsworth Farmers Market at **Central Intermediate School, 151 Main St. from 9 to 12 pm**. [INFO](#)

Every Sunday through October 8

Brunswick Farmers Market **11 am - 2 pm** at Heritage Farm, 4613 Laurel Road. Proceeds benefit Brunswick Historical Society. [INFO](#)

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Music in Medina County



Medina schools looking to flip switch on LED lighting

The Medina City School District is planning to spend about \$1.8 million to switch its buildings to LED lighting.

At its July 10 work session, the Board of Education heard a report from David Smith of the Brewer-Garrett Company, a Middleburg Heights-based engineering firm that oversees the district's energy savings program.

"We have done an assessment of the district's lighting, inside and outside. The timing is now to pull the trigger on LED lighting," said Jon

Burkhart, the district's director of business affairs.

The current light bulbs - installed in 2007 and 2008 - are reaching the end of their natural life, he said.

Read **Ann Norman's** full story at Cleveland.com.



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Employment Opportunities

Click on links below for more opportunities.

Repair Person, Medina City Schools - Civil Service exam on August 15. Applications July 24-August 10. [INFO](#)

Project: LEARN Board Members - Monthly meetings and "hands on" activities including fundraisers, assisting staff, accounting, community outreach. Currently in particular need of people with PR/marketing backgrounds. Contact wbyhelan@gmail.com for info & board member application. Click [HERE](#) for more info on Project: LEARN.

Medical Assistant - Health Department - Full time. High school diploma or GED and completion of a certified medical assistant program and NRCMA certification required. [INFO](#)

Bus Drivers - Highland School District seeking full and PT drivers. Will train. \$16.50 hourly. [INFO](#)



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