

Athletic/Recreation Master Plan has 4 sites, 7 options

#### By Lance Winkler

Progress on the proposed athletic/recreational master plan is being made with a brochure having been printed and about to be mailed to 3800 households and 200 businesses in the Oakwood area. The brochure depicts seven different options on the five sites located in Oakwood. Three different layout plans for the Oakwood Community Center and two different proposals for the Old River soccer fields are included.

Irving Field includes plans for new spectator seating, a small plaza and service building for restrooms, concessions, storage, etc.. A natural grass field will be maintained for field hockey and potential new sports such as lacrosse. Parking will be expanded along the entrance driveway.

Creager Field plans include a new fenced area for an open dog park providing areas for both small and large dogs. A new access walk and shelter is also in

the works. The pocket park and cardboard recycling drop-off area will remain.

The Old River Fields have two very ambitious options. The most optimistic plan is depicted above and includes construction of a multipurpose synthetic turf field with spectator seating and a regulation size track; Construction of a three-court field house for basketball, volleyball, etc. and a potential indoor track along with a field house; Walking paths, a playground, on-site parking and a service building are also in the works.

The Oakwood Community Center has three separate site plans ranging from modest renovations to extensive. In one plan, removal of all six tennis courts and a long-term lease with UD for use of their tennis courts adjacent to Old River Fields is proposed.

From March 23 through April 13, a telephone survey will be conducted with 300 households.



Old River Field, Option 2

Additionally, interviews with 26 individuals during the week of March 26 will be conducted.

A committee meeting will be held on March 23 and April 27 to assess the data gathered from the

telephone survey and the interviews

A first draft of the Master Plan document is slated to be completed by April 16 with the final draft ready to be presented to the council in mid-May.

Two community meetings are planned with information sharing and input occurring on April 29 and a plan presentation to the public on May 24.

# Academic Decathlon team 1st in division at state

The Oakwood High School Academic Decathlon team took first place in the medium school division at the Ohio Academic Decathlon State Competition on March 5 and 6. The competition was held at Lake Erie College in Painesville, Ohio. The team attained its highest score to date with an outstanding 40,509 points and will advance to represent Ohio in the Medium School Online Nationals on April 8, 22, and 23.

Additionally, for the first time, Oakwood won the Super Quiz Oral Relay with the highest team score in the state across all enrollment divisions. The Super Quiz topic this year was the history of the French Revolution.

Academic Decathlon, a national nonprofit scholastic competition for high school students, is unique in that the nine-member teams are composed of students from three different G.P.A. categories: "A' (honors), "B" (scholastic), and "C" (varsity). Teams compete



Pictured: Bottom Row (left to right): Coach Lori Morris, David Holdren, Nick Grilliot, Sterre ter Haar; Middle Row (left to right): Sidney Holdren, Gabe Robinson. Ethan Kissock. Top Row: Joshua Johnson, Jonathan Pearson, Yusuke Miyoshi.

disciplinary study of one topic; Revolution. The students take

in 10 events based upon inter- this year's topic was the French

timed multiple-choice exams in (4 - essay, mathematics, sciart, economics, language and literature, mathematics, music, science and super quiz and participate in judged events in speech, interview, and essay.

Recognized for earning the prestigious Golden Eagle award for the highest overall score in the state in their individual G.P.A. categories were Sterre ter Haar, grade 11, and David Holdren, grade 12, with individual scores of 6, 631.1 and 7, 120 points respectively. Each received a \$500 monetary scholarship for his/her achievement. Furthermore, David Holdren attained the highest overall individual score on Oakwood's team.

In addition to winning first place in the medium school division, the following students received individual medals for high scores in select subject areas: Yusuke Miyoshi (6 medals - science, super quiz, economics, mathematics, music, art), Jonathan Pearson ence, economics), Nick Grilliot (1 - speech), Joshua Johnson (5 interview, science, mathematics, super quiz, music), Sterre ter Haar (6 - super quiz, essay, economics, science, art, language and literature), Sidney Holdren (3 - super quiz, language and literature, essay), David Holdren (9 - super quiz, language and literature, music, science, art, mathematics, economics, essay, interview), Ethan Kissock (7 interview, super quiz, speech, art, economics, language and literature, essay), and Gabe Robinson (1 - mathematics).

The following students competed on the OHS team this year: Yusuke Miyoshi (11), Jonathan Pearson (12), Nick Grilliot (11), Joshua Johnson (11), Sterre ter Haar (11), Sidney Holdren (10), David Holdren (12), Ethan Kissock (11), and Gabe Robinson (12).

Lori Morris, an English teacher at Oakwood High School, coaches the team.

# — Business -

## 'Elephant in the Living **Room' premiere March 22**

Recently awarded "Best Documentary" at the Sedona International film festival, The Elephant in the Living Room takes viewers on a journey into a world where the most dangerous animals on the planet are kept as common household pets. Ohio filmmaker Michael Webber follows Tim Harrison, an Oakwood police officer, who is recognized as one of the leading authorities on the rescue and capture of

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exotic pets, as he works through the flood of calls he receives each day.

The Elephant in the Living Room will be shown in Dayton on Monday night, March 22 at the Schuster Performing Arts Center. Tickets are free but seating is limited, so you must register and RSVP online or by phone in order to attend. To learn more go to: www.theelephantinthelivingroom.com/rsvp or call 877-360-RSVP.

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#### **Buddhist center Grand Opening slated March 21**

The Dharma Center of Dayton is located at 446-B Patterson Road in the Patterson Park Plaza on the west side of the building. On Sunday, March 21 the center will have its grand opening starting at 10 a.m. They will begin with readings from the Lotus Sutra and meditation.

At 11 a.m. a one hour presentation on the book How God Changes Your Brain will be given by Dr. Jane Perri. The presentation will be from 11-noon.

The Dharma Center of Dayton is an all inclusive learning center that welcomes everyone. They offer a lending library, bookstore most important offering is discussion and the opportunity for members to grow and develop on their spiritual pathway. On their library shelves people will find books from all of the major religious traditions and some minor ones. Additionally there are many books on spirituality in general, new age genre, holistic health, herbal remedies, men's focus, management and of course Buddhism. Donations of books in these areas will be greatly appreciated; please consider sharing.

In addition to the library, the center will be holding discussions on how to improve one's life through the practice of Buddhism. Every Sunday from 10 a.m. to

noon the public is invited to stop in. Sometimes they will begin the discussion with reading selected passages from the Lotus Sutra followed by a period of meditation. Other times the center will offer an hour of meditation or mindfulness. The last hour will be time for discussion supporting each other through the teaching of Buddhist traditions.

The Center will also offer training in mediation, mindfulness, and stress reduction. Healing Touch therapy is available by appointment too. We are hoping to find a group of people interested in participating in drumming sessions once a month.

#### site of a 500-acre 18th century plantation in a lush, tropical and Wi-Fi hotspot; however, their valley that sweeps down to a pristine white sand beach. Prices from \$211,000 - \$782,000 (40% below current market value). Chef David Lease returning to L'Auberge Gary Player Signature Golf Course and Hotel, 30 days personal use per year for property owners. French haute cuisine restau-100% financing option, and only \$1,600 to reserve. rant L'Auberge has named David 10% rental guarantee first two years after completion. Lease as new chef and partner in followed by a 50/50 room rate share contract with the For further the Kettering eatery.

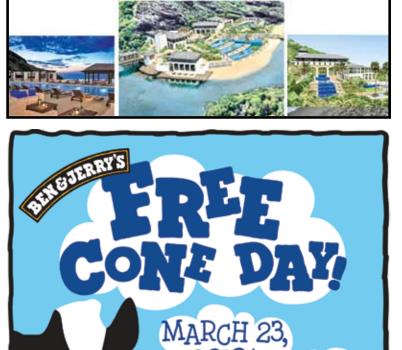
Lease originally started his culinary career at the restaurant as a protege of then-Executive Chef Dieter Krug 30 years ago.

"Following in the footsteps of Chef Dieter, David went to Germany for three years working at the Michelin Star gourmet restaurant at the five star Hotel Kempinski in Frankfort and the leading hotel of the World Group at the Historic Resort of Bad Sachen. After that he went on to receive culinary training at the Culinary Institute of America, Giuliano Bungiali's cooking school in Florence, Italy, Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., and also completed a course Patissier-Chocolate from in the Culinary Academy of San Francisco," according to a release issued by the restaurant.

During his 30-year career, Lease has worked at hotels and restaurants throughout the world, including Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, Cambodia, Hong Kong and at the Ritz-Carlton San Francisco.

"I have seen the world and now I want to bring my knowledge and experience home to Dayton and continue in the footsteps of my mentor Chef Dieter Krug and pick up where he left off," Lease said.

Lease will be replacing Chef Jared Whalen, who is leaving to take over as executive chef of The Kenwood Country Club in Cincinnati.



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## Lincoln presentation at Patterson Homestead

The Lincoln Society of Dayton and the Patterson Homestead present the third in their joint series "Sunday Afternoons at the Patterson Homestead." on Sunday March 21 at 2 p.m. This month Gary Kersey, his wife, Sharon and two other women, all coming from Wilmington, Ohio, will do an original readers theatre presentation about Mary Todd and Abraham Lincoln's courtship.

This afternoon's program is without charge and open to the public. It is especially appropriate for students of all ages. Lisa Kell, hostess at the Homestead, will serve as moderator for the day. Light refreshments will be available during informal continued conversations.

Mr. Kersey is known as a fine LIncoln historian who enjoys researching little known facts about the Lincolns. He has

written a two-act play on the Last 24 Hours of Lincoln's Life which has been produced at the Murphy Theatre in Wilmington. He is known to Dayton audiences as a spellbinding presenter, making history come alive by delving beyond the common stories and historic record. The three women accompanying him on the 21st all were part of the cast for his play and share his interest in all things Lincoln.

## Historical society to present program on history of gypsies

Leon Bey, a local historian and retired librarian, will be coming on March 31 to present Dayton's Rich Gypsy History. The program follows the Stanley gypsies from England to America in 1856, which includes details of their unique settlement in the Dayton area and photos and stories of the most sacred gypsy burial spot in the U.S., located in the Woodland Cemetery along with a newspaper account about gypsy Queen Matilda

Stanley's funeral, which was attended by over 25,000 people.

The program will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 31 at the Oakwood Community Center.

Participation is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Kjirsten Goeller, Chair of Program/Events for the Oakwood Historical Society, at 298-1268 or kjirsten.goeller@sinclair.edu

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# Engagement

# Segato - Saccaggi

Alessandra Marco and Saccaggi of Oakwood are pleased to announce the engagement of their son Giovanni Saccaggi to Federica Segato. Giovanni is a 2002 graduate of Oakwood High School. He received his M.A. in Engineering from the Politecnico of Milano, Italy in 2008. He is currently working as an analyst at Opera Venture Capital in Milano.

His fiancee` Federica is the daughter of Sergio and Emma Segato of Varese, Italy. She earned her B.S. in Engineering at the Politecnico of Milano in 2008 and will receive her M.A. next July.



Federica Segato and Giovanni Saccaggi

A wedding is planned for November 27th, 2010 at St. Evasio Catholic Church in

Varese. After the wedding the couple will reside in Milano, Italy.



# **Letters to the Editor**

## Apology owed

I read your editorial in the February 23 Oakwood Register regarding the sexual offenders in your area. I was fairly in agreement with your complaints and worries because it certainly is a subject of deep concern. However, you lost me completely near the end of the article when you wrote about " ...the cultural and moral

morass that is found in the urban jungle outside of our community,"

Such arrogance! I think you owe an apology to Kettering and Dayton residents. Granted, Oakwood is a great place to live but it is not above all else.

Jean Collett Dayton

## Palin out of touch

It's obvious from the last letter to the editor that James J. Mischler sent in that he only chooses to see what he wants to see. He claims to have read the book "Going Rogue" by Sarah Palin and several magazine articles on her and then declares by his skewed standards that she is fit to be President and would be a Godsend to this country. It's clearly obvious to even the casual observer that he has not read the recent poll numbers which states that 70 percent of the American public don't want her. The radical 30 percent of conservative Republicans that do want her are as out of touch with mainstream thinking as he is. Why doesn't he (Mischler) trim his overgrown bushes and leave politics alone.

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## **Dancing Stars**



Anne Ross and John Bucholz won the Habitat for Humanity Annual Valentines "Dancing with the Stars" Feb. 12 event! According to friends, the pair practiced their moves above and beyond the call of dancing. They truly earned the trophy.

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Notes from the edge... **No Worries** 

Niel Lorenz

People in New Zealand have a great expression that covers almost any situation. "No worries" is the phrase and Kiwis use it in reply to almost everything. Someone's going to be late? No worries. Break a glass? No worries. Step on someone's foot, accidentally bump them, sit in the wrong seat, take the last muffin, or spill something and when you try to apologize the answer will invariably be "no worries" and off they go.

I've decided that 'no worries' is a great attitude to have mainly because most things take care of themselves very well thank you without my help or interference. I, for example, am not worried about acid rain because global warming is going to cause lots of flooding which will wash it all off anyway. I am further not worried about air pollution because I am already wearing a mask to avoid getting H1N1. See? It's working.

I'm not worried about identity theft because hacking into my bank account will net the thief about \$4.38, so if someone really wants it that badly they can just go ahead and have it. I'm not worried about wrinkles because I think by the time they get really bad I won't be able to see them anyway. I'm not worried about I can use. I'm not worried about getting enough exercise because I drive very close to the gym several times a week and I feel tonier already. I'm not worried about getting enough veggies because Michelle planted us a garden, and I'm not worried about being hijacked because most of the airplanes get stuck in a queue on the runway and never take off anyway. I'm not worried about

cholesterol because if I get too much of it I will just have it

liposuctioned out with the rest

I'm not worried about being too stupid to operate my smart phone because I still have the manual for my VCR and there must be something in there

of the flab.

anthrax because I have no idea what it is and I'm not worried about tooth decay because I have a new brush thingy with a timer that tells stupid me how long to scrub. I, in other words, am covered...ergo...no worries.

OK...maybe I worry a little. I worry that our great teachers don't get paid enough and I worry that Congress is a mess. I worry that kids, family, friends, and soldiers everywhere will be OK. I worry about having cute shoes and a good haircut....OK, I admit it...I also worry that I am shallow and vain.

So..."No worries". Try saying that the next time someone inconveniences you and see how well it works. It says, "no problem, mistakes happen, and have a good day." It works. No worries.

# Round Town

John Heck, Oakwood High School '71, was visiting from his home in Washington and was in PNC on business when he saw someone bearing down upon him looking very familiar. "Hello John, I'm Chip Seidl...I taught you at OHS years ago ... " The two had a great conversation. Seems Chip was the wrestling coach and also taught Biology.

Later on during his weekend at home John and his Mother and Jane Heywood were having dinner at the Oakwood Club when the owner Lance Stewart, came to the table. "Lance was in my Class of '71 too," John explained to the ladies. Lance said "...there's another Class of '71 across the room...Dave Rudwall and his sons Jim and Chuck." John and Dave hadda great reunion.

George Liston appeared at the table. "I've been meaning to call you," he said. "I've got a spelling question for you. How do you

"Ought Women to Aviate?" In

1911 The Detroit Free Press posed

this question to a society in which

"the new woman" (along with her

quest for the vote, her ability to drive

an automobile, and her bloomers)

was seen as a threat to the dignity

of womanhood and the social order.

Even the Wright Brothers were ini-

tially hesitant to allow women to

attend the Wright School of Aviation that they opened on Huffman Prairie

Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park will cel-

ebrate Women's History Month with a free special presentation, "Women on the Frontier of Flight," on Saturday, March 27 beginning

at 10 a.m. Come learn how these

courageous aviatrixes met and con-

quered physical, societal, and emo-

Flying Field in 1910.

spell the plural of 'Rolls Royce'?" Now that's going to require some research.

When Jane Mitakides and her family stopped to say 'Hi' on their way to their table - they did not have any burning questions.

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An invitation from the 'United States Air Force Academy' arrived for the dedication of the 'Statue and Reception for Charles E. Taylor, 1868 - 1956 at the Academy on March 2nd. Taylor was the builder of the aircraft engine used by the Wright Brothers in the world's first successful powered flight on December 17, 1903.

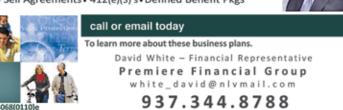
Knowing that Ginny Hess had created this portrait-statue of Charles Taylor - a call to Ginny followed. "Yes, we went out to Colorado for the reception ... my daughter, Christina Mason of Seattle, and my son Peter, and Jim McCov

came with me. The Mechanics of American Airlines Assoc. have made Taylor their Patron Saint and they've bought seventeen 'busts' of Taylor from me and placed them all over the country...including the Smithsonian that has two. The reception was at the 'Falcon's Nest' - the Officers' Club, and the MC was Brig. Gen. Dana Born

brain-storm by Pam McGinnis. It will be at St. Paul's Church on Sunday March 21st from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. There will be hors d'oeuvres, a silent auction, Neal Gittleman will be modeling, and the renowned jazz pianist Jerv Janney will be entertaining. A donation of at least \$20 will be accepted as admission. All proceeds go to Haiti relief efforts. RSVP by March to Pam McGinnis at 369-1450 or pgmacginnis45419@ yahoo.com. You've gotta be there!

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## Wright Library 'Big Read'

Wright Library will be hosting two book discussions of this year's Big Read community reading selection, Dreamers of the Day by Mary Doria Russell. The first event will be an afternoon book discussion on Sunday, March 28 at 3 p.m. The program will be held in the library meeting room, and light refreshments will be offered.

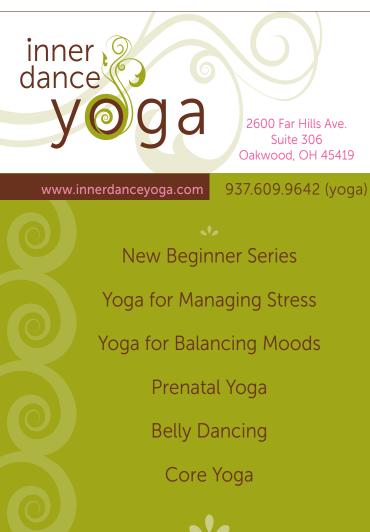
On Tuesday, April 6 at 7 p.m. the Wright Library On-The-Road Book Club will discuss Dreamers of the Day at the Starbucks in Oakwood. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy coffee and conversation.

Questions? Contact the Wright Library Reference Department at (937) 294-7171.

tional hurdles to open the world of aviation to women. In this program, a ranger will relate inspirational stories of such pioneers as Ruth Law, Marie Marvingt, and the Stinson sisters.

Women and flight lecture Ma rch 27

This special program will be presented at the Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center, located at 16 South Williams Street, Dayton. Directions to the Wright-Dunbar Interpretive Center: from either North or South I-75, take the Third Street exit and proceed west along Third Street to Williams (nextstreet light after Edwin C. Moses Boulevard). Turn left onto Williams. The building is on your left. For more information, call the National Park Service at 937-225-7705.





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### **Booster fundraiser and silent auction March 20**

The Oakwood Athletic Boosters Association will host their Annual Spring Fundraiser and Silent Auction on Saturday, March 20 from 7-10 p.m. at the Oakwood Community Center. This event features entertainment, complimentary beverages, and appetizers. The Silent Auction features items generously donated by community businesses.

There are listed over 150 other items in the silent auction. Some of the larger items include: a motor scooter, a time share to the Cayman Islands, a week's stay in a home on SeaBrook Island, a UD Men's Basketball package that consists of eight home games, six tickets to a Red's game behind the dugout, that includes dinner and refreshments, rounds of golf at Dayton Country Club, NCR, and Moraine Country Club, Dayton Dragons tickets, and a night in one of the Suites, Two framed prints from the Wright Family, and a tour of Hawthorn Hill.

Other items include:

- Restaurant certificates to over
- 15 Dayton area restaurants
- Tennis memberships KTC/ Quail and Hollinger
- Photography session
- Wine baskets and baskets from
- several local grocery stores & restaurantsHome football parking passes
- Week stay at Wags Inn (for your pet)...and several other pet grooming items
- Notecards and monogrammed items from local residents
  Several spa and exercise bas-
- kets
- Majority of Oakwood retailers have donated products and gift certificates

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- Scuba lessons

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Teri Macaulay at 299-6482, Shelley Miller at 299-2076, or Joe Dempsey at 293-5428. The Boosters support all Junior and Senior High Athletics. This year's proceeds will support the Boosters' current multi-year fundraising effort to replace "THE PIT" floor, an important facilities improvement project that will benefit every Junior and Senior High student.

# The Kids' Sale March 20 at CUMC

Christ United Methodist Church is gearing up for The Kids' Sale to take place on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>! The regular sale will be held from 8 am to 11 am with a discount hour from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm. The sale will be held in the Activity Center of the church located at the north end of the building. The Kids' Sale offers more than 6,000 square feet of quality new and gently-used clothing, furniture, baby items, toys, maternity items, books, videos, games and more. This sale includes merchandise from over 60 sellers and a portion of all proceeds benefits local children's charitable organizations.

The Kids' Sale offers families an opportunity to purchase new or gently used items for their children at affordable prices, which is an ideal arrangement in these current economic times. "Our goal is to provide our sellers with an opportunity to recoup some of the costs of raising their children while providing the community with affordably-priced clothing, toys and other items for their children. It is an added bonus that we are able to support local children's charitable organizations in the process," said The Kids' Sale Co-Coordinator, Carrie Hauser.

Christ United Methodist Church is located at 3440 Shroyer Road in Kettering. For more information on The Kids' Sale, contact Christ United Methodist Church at 937-293-3151, email thekidsale@christumc.org, or go to www.christumc.org.







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The Miami Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America has kicked off the 2010 Scouting For Food Drive with the goal to collect over 100 tons of canned goods for pantries in Montgomery, Miami, Preble, Shelby, Clark, Greene and Darke Counties in Western Ohio.

The food is distributed to established community agencies that provide the food to families in need. For example, food would be provided to area pantries like the Life Enrichment Center in Montgomery County. While food drives are traditionally very successful in filling local pantries during the holiday season, many area families depend on assistance with basic nutritional supplies year round. The current difficult economic conditions have contributed to an increased demand.

Local Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts have distributed yellow plastic collection bags to area residents on March 13 and will return on March 20 to collect filled bags. Oakwood residents are asked to have their donation on the stoop by Saturday at 9 a.m. and be mindful of scouts in the streets that day. Residents who did not receive a bag and wish to donate are encouraged to leave their street address on the answering machine at 937-723-8514 to make arrangements.

## After Prom Party seeking donations

This year's After Prom Party is set for Saturday, April 24. It will be held at the RecWest facility, at 965 Miamisburg-Centerville Rd at the corner of McEwen. This is the first time Oakwood is using this facility, and we think the kids will love it. It has a large, safe and welllit parking lot and lots of room for games, food, and fun. The event will run from 11:30 p.m. until 2:30 a.m. We hope your student will join us for this safe, alcohol and drug-free event to wind up a memorable prom night.

All Junior and Senior students are invited to attend After Prom, whether or not they attend the Prom. In order for After Prom to be successful we need the financial help of our Junior and Senior parents. We have many volunteer opportunities for those who would like to get involved. We are contacting local businesses to ask for their support by contributing to the event or donating prizes. There are three different ways you can participate:

• *Monetary contributions*: Please send your contribution to Debbie Sherk, 1345 Devereux Drive, Dayton, Ohio, 45419 by March 22, 2010. Any contribution would be greatly appreciated and there is no contribution that is too small (every little bit helps). Please make your check out to: Oakwood High School/ After Prom.

• Business contacts or donations: If you would like to give a gift certificate or know a business owner who might be willing to give us a certificate or donation, please let us know who to contact. If you would like to request the certificate yourself, please do so and send it to Debbie Sherk by March 22.

• Volunteer Opportunities: We have many volunteer opportunities we need to fill to make this event a success. Please email Sara Feldmiller at Sara@Sara22.com if you are interested.



#### Mulch Sale to benefit OHS Prom

The Oakwood High School class of 2009 is currently fundraising for its Prom, "Grecian Garden." The dance, scheduled for April 24, will take place at the Dayton Art Institute. The senior class is selling Black Medallion mulch to offset the expense.

Oakwood High School students will be taking orders until April 1st. Black Medallion mulch is of the highest quality, perfect for any spring garden. The cost is \$4 per bag with pick up. However, if you want students to deliver your mulch to your residence, the

cost will be \$4.50 per bag. Pick up and delivery dates are April 14th-17th.

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#### Gardening lecture slated March 17

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This program is free and open to the public and sponsored by the City of Oakwood, Oakwood

we are again having two deliv-

ery dates and sites. The first one,

Saturday, March 27, will be at

Lutheran Church of Our Savior

in Oakwood from 9:30 a.m. to

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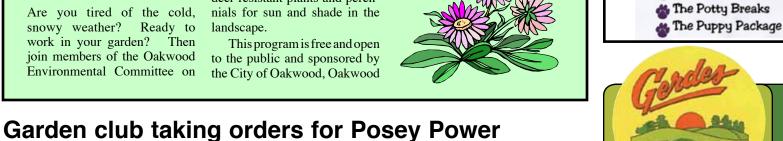
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# Center. Refreshments will be served. For further information,

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## **Animal art** contest starts

Youngsters around the country will celebrate Endangered Species Day 2010 by entering the Endangered Species Art contest. The art contest is part of the fifth annual national Endangered Species Day, celebrated on and around May 21, 2010. The deadline to enter is March 26.

Winners will be chosen in four age categories (K-Grade 2, Grades 3-6, Grades 7-9, Grades 10-12), and the winning artwork will be displayed at the Ogden Museum/ University of New Orleans. One national winner will be honored at a reception in Washington, D.C., and the winner's name will be engraved on a special trophy. Initial judging will be conducted by the Ogden Museum of Southern Art, a Smithsonian Affiliate.

Artwork should highlight one or more endangered species: mammal, bird, reptile, amphibian, fish, plant, and/or invertebrate (insect, spider, snail, coral, crustacean or clam) found in the United States. Entrants are encouraged to depict local species.

For more information on the contest and a list of endangered plants and animals, visit http://www.fws. gov/endangered/





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# **Obituaries**

### Betty S. 'Salsie' Chaney

passed away March 9, 2010 at Walnut Creek Campus, Kettering. Born August 18, 1923 in Dayton, Ohio. Betty was preceded in death by her husband Dick Chaney, companion David Reese, parents Verne & Daisy Salisbury. She is survived by daughter Sukey (Bo) Brown of Kettering; son Bump (Barb) Chaney of South Bend; grandchildren Aimy Young of Lithia, Fl; Steffen A. Brown III of Missoula, Mt.; Elizabeth Rose & Anne Brown of Oakwood; Marybeth Clarke of Harrisonburg, Va; niece Peach Macey of Lakeland, Fl. Chris, Scott & Rick Chaney of South Bend; sister Jane Brown of Atlanta; greatgrandchildren Piper, Tatum & Bo Young, Elle Clarke; Good friends Laurie & Paul Rockhold, Gerry Brown, Pat Goodrich. She was a resident of Toorak, Melbourne, Aust. for 15 years and Oakwood; Oakwood class of 1941; member of St. Paul's, Australian - American Assoc., American Women's Auxiliary for the Royal Children's Hospital, committee for the Coral Sea Ball, 1956 Olympic Navy Ball; private service at Woodland Cemetery; In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Dayton, 324 Wilmington Ave, Dayton, Oh 45420 (Hospiceofdayton. org).



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#### **Helen Davis**

of Kettering, died suddenly on Wednesday, March 10, 2010. She was 85 years old. Helen was born on March 4, 1925, in Juda, Wisconsin, to Adolph and Jenny Sommers. She grew up in Wisconsin and married Allen C. Davis on April 26, 1946 who survives, along with their four sons. The family settled in Dayton in 1969, and after her sons were raised, Helen was employed by AAA of Dayton and enjoyed travelling the world as a tour director. She was active throughout her life, and belonged to numerous bowling leagues and card clubs. Helen was a member of the Lutheran Church of Our Savior in Oakwood for many years, and enjoyed participating in church sponsored activities with her husband and friends. In addition to her husband, Helen leaves sons Richard Davis (Sharon) of Lancaster, VA; Scott Davis, of Centerville; Jay Davis, of Grapevine, TX; and Martin Davis, of Kettering. Grandchildren include Kepler (Amy) Davis, of Evans, GA; Casse (Matthew)

Rose, of Grand Ledge, MI; Cori Davis, of Centerville; Jason (Kelli) Davis of Denver, CO: and Hailee Davis, of Kettering. Surviving great-grandchildren are William, Elizabeth and Andrew Davis of Evans, GA; and Alex and Kyle Rose, of Grand Ledge, MI. Helen was preceded in death by her sister, Regina Alfonso, of Dayton, and is survived by her sister, Irene Figi, of Palm Desert, CA. Helen was both a devoted wife to her husband and mother to her sons. They will miss her infectious laugh, her strong faith, and her sincere love of all of her family and friends. A memorial service for Helen was held at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior, 155 East Thruston Blvd., Oakwood, on Monday, March 15, 2010. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lutheran Church of Our Savior Foundation in Helen's name. Arrangements in care of Tobias Funeral Home, Far Hills Chapel. Condolences my be made to www.tobiasfuneralhome. com



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## **Obituaries**

## John W. "Jack" Garst

age 94 of Dayton, passed away Thursday, March 11, 2010 at Walnut Creek Nursing Center. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth, in 1989. He is survived by a daughter, Nancy Shelton and husband Jonathan of Oakwood and three grandchildren: Jonathan and wife Jennifer Shelton of Cincinnati, Erin Woessner and husband Adam of Oakwood and David Shelton and fiancée Heather Armstrong of Bellbrook. Five great-grandchildren also survive him: Dominic, Ysabella, Mary, Luke and Sam, as do many cousins, nieces, nephews and his special friends: Larry Frank, Paula Hawthorne, and Fred and Betty Cecil. Jack was a US Army Air Corps Veteran of World War II and retired from Kraft Foods following thirty years of service. He enjoyed fishing, traveling and spending time with his Bob Evans and Golden Nugget "families" and his fellow "counter critters". A special thanks to the nurses and staff at Walnut Creek for their excellent care and family support. Funeral services to be held at the

Tobias Funeral Home, Belmont Chappel, 648 Watervliet Ave. at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, March 16 with the Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff officiating. Interment will be in Glen Haven Memorial Gardens. Contributions may be made to either Honor Flight, Inc., Attn: Diane Gresse, 300 E. Auburn Ave., Springfield, OH 45505 (online at www.honorflight.org/ donate) or to the charity of the giver's choice in Jack's memory. Condolences for the family may be made at www.tobiasfuneralhome.com.

#### **Rebecca Sherk Steen**

of Oakwood, passed away Thursday, March 11, 2010. She is preceded in death by her first husband, Jack Rogge, second husband, Earl D. Creager Jr. (Chuck), and her parents Dr. Edgar Sherk and Willa McKay. Rebecca is survived by son, Hutchings Rogge, daughters; Rebecca Allen (Matthew), Elizabeth (nee Rogge) Stein, stepdaughters; Dawn, Joan, Joel, sister, Nancy Schooley (Hyland), brother, Dr. William Sherk (Maridel), grandchildren; Brooke Allen, Katherine Allen, Chadwick Allen, Michael Stein, Jeffrey Stein and numerous nieces, nephews and step-grandchildren. Rebecca enjoyed monthly meetings at La Club, volunteered at Wegerzyn

Garden Metroparks, was a member of Junior League and attended St. Paul's Episcopal Church. A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at St. Paul Episcopal Church, 33 West Dixon Avenue, Dayton, OH 45419. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Acclaim Hospice, 7887 Washington Village Dr., Suite 350, Dayton, OH 45459, SICSA, 2600 Wilmington Pike, Dayton, OH 45419 or The Alzheimer's Association, 3797 Summit Glen Dr., Dayton, OH 45449. Services in care of Tobias Funeral Home-Far Hills Chapel. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.tobiasfuneralhome.com.

#### Willard (Bill) Edgar Mockabee

age 94, of Kettering, died peacefully surrounded by family on Saturday, March 6, 2010. Bill was preceded in death by his wife Julia C. (Elliot) Mockabee, his parents Tom O. and Lilly (Prether) Mockabee, his brothers Thomas, Raymond, Ralph and sister Marie Long. He is survived by daughters Judy Parken of Austin Texas; Janet Fryman of Charleston, SC: son, Larry E. Mockabee of Orlando, FL.; and his brother, Donald Mockabee of Arlington, Texas; six grandchildren, Becky Sorensen, Ted Parken, Matt Fryman, Bill Fryman, Scott Mockabee, Lauren Bartz; and 11 great grandchildren. He was a resident of Centerville and Oakwood for most of his life until shortly before his 90th birthday when he moved to Orlando, FL to be with his son, Larry and family. He was a long-time member of David's Church, serving as a deacon and treasurer many years ago. He also

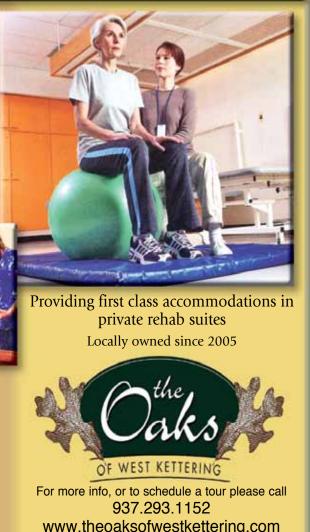
served in the US Army during WW II. He will be greatly missed by friends and family. Visitation was held on Friday, March 12, 2010 at Routsong Funeral Home, 81 N. Main St., Centerville, OH. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 13 at David's Church, 204 W. David Rd. Interment at David's Cemetery. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to David's Church. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.routsong.com



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## **Pianist Leon Bates connects with orchestra and audience**



Let's begin this review with a short quiz. The questions: Where is there a fabulous symphony orchestra? Where is there an amazing per-

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formance hall with acoustics rivaling any such space in the world? Where is their a dynamic maestro who has excellent musical taste, a spirit of exploration and innovation and leads an ensemble of gifted and dedicated musicians?

I know that these are difficult questions but try hard to conjure up the correct answers. OK, I'll give you a hint - it is in the birthplace of flight and in a city of



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great innovators.

Still perplexed? Attendance at last week's series of Dayton Philharmonic concerts with Leon Bates as featured pianist would have been a dead giveaway. The orchestra's gifted musicians and Maestro Neal Gittleman served up a week that was proof positive of the enigmas posed in the first paragraph.

The program included three challenging works: Richard Strauss Death and Transfiguration, Samuel Barber's Pulitzer Prize winning Concerto for Piano and Orchestra and Robert Schumann's icon of Romanticism, the Rhenish Symphony.

From first to last notes, the program was enthralling. Strauss used the tone poem genre to perfection. He was an opera composer who loved to tell a story no matter how difficult. In Death and *Transfiguration*, he expressed the dying hero and his life in art - a very meaty subject that has led to wide musical interpretation.

Maestro Neal and his artists captured the multicolored nuances of this great work to absolute perfection. The music "sneaks" into our consciousness and expands and contracts fulfilling the composer's dreams and making the audience one with the music. Every instrument was featured in this magical blend. Every passage was done with consummate artistry.

The Barber Piano Concerto is played less often than his great violin concerto. After hearing, and seeing, the musical athleticism demanded by the score, its scarcity on concert stages is understandable.

To play the piano solo in this athletic work, Leon Bates, himself a great athlete and body-builder, was the perfect choice. Handsome Leon has the look of a NFL running back with a winning smile. I have seen him make presentations to very young school children. He connects immediately and on every level.

At the piano, Leon connected with the orchestra, the complex and demanding score and the audience. The work has a construction expressing the 20th century but hearkens

back to the great Romantics. Every section of the orchestra made itself clear and prominent as well as supportive and subservient.

Maestro Neal gave the work a reading where not a note was lost. The piano, from the opening strident solo passage, cajoled the orchestra with powerful phrases, luminous jocularity and sheer musical magnificence.

Every major phrase had the piano introduced and enhanced by the instruments of the orchestra. Leon took his clues and colors from the flute, oboe, French horn, muted trumpet and magnificent woodwind choir.

The piano was often the rhythmic support of the orchestra making amazing runs, cross-handed acrobatic passages and soft, lyrical reveries. The frequent mini-cadenzas displayed the power of the piano and pianist.

The work could be described as not melodious but entirely musical. The effect must be described as intoxicating.

Leon is not finished with his Dayton experience. This coming weekend he is the featured artist of the Superpops concerts. He will play Gershwin's famous Rhapsody in Blue and the I Got Rhythm Variations. Need I say - do not miss this experience.

The Schumann Rhenish Symphony is more familiar and melodic. For its description, I have run out of superlatives but not the need for them. Suffice it to say, it was marvelous and a joy to experience.

#### **Dayton Playhouse** Stage Struck

I've been to many 50th reunions: high school, college, graduate school. They seemed all to be rolled into one when the Dayton Playhouse celebrated their half-century with "Stage Struck" at the Marriott on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

The devoted supporters of the Playhouse were all reveling in their accomplishments. Many iconic figures returned to help us celebrate. Notable among the faces and voices of the past were Judge Art Jackson and lovely wife Sue, Barbara Kerr, Roger Watson and Pam Galloway Anderson.

The entertainment was spectacular. Odd couples became odd trios and quintets. Each belted out songs bringing smiles and thunders of applause. Renee Franck Reed and Joan Harrah, The Broadway Broads, added a few tears to the smiles in their beautiful medley from The King and I. Saul Caplan, Chuck Larkowski, Brad Bishop and Dave Williamson sang "A Little Tin Box" from Fiorello explaining politics perfectly.

Singing physician Mike Marcus led a stirring tribute to those "Playhousers" who have left us. Now, all remaining will begin rehearsing for the 75<sup>th</sup>!

#### WSU Arts Gala

I was able to get a foretaste of the Wright State's upcoming Arts Gala. On April 10<sup>th</sup>, for the 11<sup>th</sup> year, many hundreds of happy guests will take over the entire Creative Arts Building on the WSU campus.

There, the most fun evening in all of Dayton's celebrations, food, smiles, beautiful performances by effervescent young talents will keep us carousing until we drop.

The foretaste was a concert by the WSU Wind Symphony under conductor David Martin Booth. The concert hall was filled with the clarion sounds of shining brass and tootling woodwinds.

To add a very non-brassy touch, Kim Warrick, director of the Opera Department, sang five songs, each with a different ethnicity and language. It takes a brave soprano to sing with fifty or more horn players. Kim did it wonderfully.

You will be able to hear this again on April 10<sup>th</sup>, along with a non-stop extravaganza in every corner of the Arts Center. An extra added enticement - Vicki Pegg, commissioner extraordinaire, will conduct the Wind Symphony. Now that's an absolute don't miss!

To join the revels, call 937-777-5512 or go to cyber-space at www.wsu-artsgala.com

## **DAI sponsors free admission March 18**

The Dayton Art Institute's popular Free Third Thursday returns on March 18, offering free admission to the special exhibition All Things Bright & Beautiful: California Impressionist Paintings from the Irvine Museum.

The exhibition brings together 60 important California Impressionist paintings from the collection of the Irvine Museum, which is the only museum in California dedicated exclusively to the preservation and display of California Impressionism.

Also on March 18, The Dayton Art Institute's Chief Curator, Will South, will present the talk Why Eden? Arcadian Art and the California Dream at 6:30 p.m. in the NCR Renaissance Auditorium. South, who is one of the country's leading experts on California Impressionism, examines both the state and its mythology through the lens of some of its most beautiful art, that of the California Impressionists.

The talk is free to museum

members and \$8 for non-members. Reservations are encouraged - call 937-223-5277, ext. 318 or e-mail hartsock@daytonartinstitute.org. Following the talk, South will be available for a book signing in The Museum Store, for his book California Impressionism.

In conjunction with Why Eden? Arcadian Art and the California Dream, a California Wine Tasting will be held in the museum's General Motors Entrance Rotunda, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. that evening.

# - Arts

#### SuperPops to feature 'Gershwin on Broadway'

The Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra's 2009-2010 PNC SuperPops Series will continue with concerts featuring music by American music legend George Gershwin on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20, 2010, both performances at 8 p.m. at the Schuster Center.

In his short lifetime, George Gershwin, along with lyricist brother Ira, spanned the worlds of jazz, Broadway, and classical in a way no one had done before. "Gershwin on Broadway" will unite the talents of pianist Leon Bates and guest vocalists Cedric Cannon and La-Rose Saxon with the DPO and Music Director Neal Gittleman in a fast-paced tribute to the composer's incredible legacy.

Conductor Gittleman and the DPO will start the festivities with the lively *Cuban Overture*. Vocalists Cannon and Saxon will be featured in a variety of Gershwin tunes and

medley of selections from the landmark opera *Porgy and Bess*. Pianist Bates will perform the *I Got Rhythm Variations* and, as the concert's grand finale, the ever-popular *Rhapsody in Blue*. Concertgoers are sure to enjoy this upbeat, melodic salute to one of our country's great musical treasures.

Tickets for the concerts range from \$27 - \$75 and are available by calling (888) 228-3630 or by ordering on the web at www.daytonphilharmonic.com.



#### Yiddish Theatre troupe to perform March 21

The Traveling Troupe of the National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene, the longest-running Yiddish theatre in America, will bring its popular "Mama's Loshn Kugel" revue to Dayton for one performance only on Sunday, March 21, 2010 at 2 p.m. at the Engineers Club of Dayton. The performance is sponsored by the

Yiddish Club of the Dayton Jewish Community Center, with generous support from the Dayton Jewish community.

The revue, performed in Yiddish with English and Russian supertitles, includes songs and sketches from such luminaries in the Yiddish Theatre as Sholom Aleichem, Abraham Goldfaden, Molly Picon and others. The troupe is made up of young actors, singers and musicians who are all in their 20's and 30's.

For more information or tickets, which are \$10/adult or \$8/student and include a reception after the show, contact Karen Steiger at 937-853-0372.

## Dayton Jr. Philharmonic concert March 21

On Sunday, March 21 at 3 p.m. the Dayton Philharmonic Junior String Orchestra will present a free concert at the Kettering Seventh-day Adventist Church. This concert is the second in the 2009-2010 season.

The March 21 concert will feature string orchestra music from four centuries. Vivaldi's Concerto for 4 Violins from the Baroque period features antiphonal effects between solo violins and the orchestra. Music from the 18th century follows with an adaptation by JSO conductor Dr. Betsey Hofeldt of a string quartet by Joseph Haydn. It includes rustic, Viennese melodies and one of Haydn's best-known slow movements known as *Serenade*. The Romantic period is represented by Grieg's *Holberg Suite* which uses dance forms from the 1600s along with rich Nordic harmonies and peasant- inspired melodies. Closing the program is *Psalm and Fugue* by the Armenian American composer Alan Hovhaness. In this work Hovahness draws upon Middle Eastern and Indian musical elements and melds them into his signature mystical and reverential style.

The JSO membership includes 51 students in Grades 6-11 from 25 area schools. These talented young musicians, chosen through competitive audition, come together once a week on Sunday afternoons throughout the school year for rigorous three-hour rehearsals. According to JSO conductor Dr. Betsey Hofeldt, "JSO brings some very diverse students together to master music at a high concert level. It is remarkable that these kids from different schools, with wide variations in maturity and experience can quickly learn to interpret and communicate the music of the great composers together in a unified performance. They are so fun to work with!"

Don't miss this free opportunity to be awestruck by the talents of young musicians in our community.

### OHS arts calendar website launched

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ARTS BRIDGE

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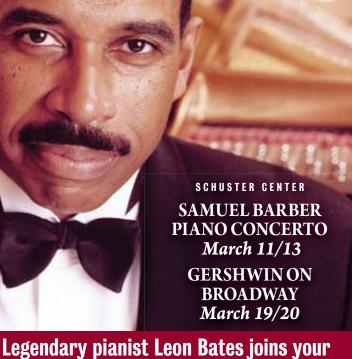
This volunteer group of parents is dedicated to coordinating and supporting participation in and appreciation of the performing and visual arts for all Oakwood students and the greater community. This calendar can be currently accessed on the district website: http://www.oakwood. k12.oh.us/oakwood/Welcome. html; scroll down to the Quick Links on the bottom right and click on the Performing and Visual Arts button. In the near future this link will be available on each individual school's Quick Links.

Events and information for the following areas are included:

The entire year's calendar of events is included to provide a complete picture of the many opportunities that our district provides during a typical school year. In the Bridge to the Community section, there are links to community offerings where many of our students participate such as Muse Machine, Dayton Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, K12 Gallery for Young People, Miss Camille's Dance Program, and many more.

For anyone interested in joining the Oakwood Arts Bridge, new members will be welcome at our monthly meeting on May 11. Contact Lori Mitchell at Imarmitch@aol.com for more information.





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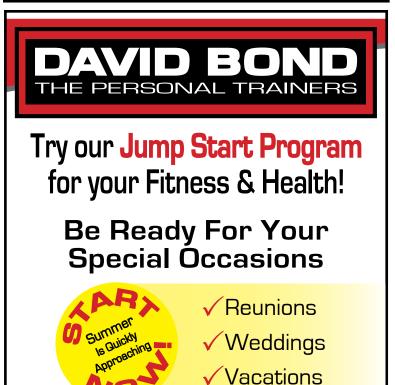
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#### Oakwood Gold finish season at 18-3



<u>- Sports</u>

Connor Dinkler (1) hits a '3' while David Joseph (12) and Brendan Talarczyk (21) react

The Oakwood Gold 4th grade boy's basketball team ended their 2009-10 season on a good note, sharing a Trent League Championship with the Dayton Airmen who both finished at 6-2. Including an undefeated Kingdom League and preseason tournament, the Gold ended their season 18-3 competing against some of Dayton's best teams.

Oakwood's size, strength and speed made match up's difficult for their opponents throughout the season. On defense, Casey Crowl's height, David Joseph's strength and Andy Neff's quickness allowed the Gold to control the glass. Offensively, Brendan Talarczyk's dribbling complimented Alex Neff's scoring and passing, opening up Connor Dinkler and Jake Kollars for 3-point shots, which they hit with regularity. With every player capable of scoring at any time, opponent's had a difficult time stopping the Gold's offense.

The Gold was led in scoring by guards Alex Neff, Connor Dinkler, Brendan Talarczyk and forward Andy Neff, each who scored over 100 points. Inside, center David Joseph led the team in blocked shots and defensive rebounds while forward Andy Neff led the team in offensive rebounds and was second in blocked shots. Power forward Casey Crowl also patrolled the low post and joined David, Alex and Andy by grabbing over 100 rebounds for the season. On the outside, Talarczyk, Dinkler and Kollars shot 3's, dished out assists, forced turnovers and led the fast break.

In a season where each Gold player scored double-digit points at least once, a different hero emerged nightly. Their unselfishness, combined with a dedication to tough defense and making the extra pass, contributed greatly to the success of their twin Championship season.

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#### Girls Field Hockey, Grades 4, 5, & 6

It's time for another great season of Field Hockey! In cooperation with OHS, the program will start indoors, at OHS West Gym. It will move to Irving Field on Irving Avenue next to Patterson Park Little League Complex. This fun, fastpaced sport is open to girls grades 4th through 6th Learn the basics of this exciting sport in a safe and educational atmosphere. Mouth guards, shin guards, and gym shoes are required. All other equipment will be provided. Mitch Miller coach of OHS Girls Field Hockey team will again be coaching this year along with the high school varsity and JV players. Please indicate shirt size when registering.

#### Kickball

Kickball is a wonderful way to introduce your child(ren) to organized sports. Kickball is fun, fast moving, and exciting. Designed especially for children age 5-grade 1. Emphasis is on education, sportsmanship, and teamwork. No league or individual standings or statistics will be maintained. Space is limited and volunteer coaches are needed.

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#### program was a natural fit."

Rd. to register today!

As a Gold Star Partner the AAC will serve as a systemic, role model partner and help drive the cultural change that is the goal of the GetUp Program.

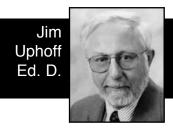
The 5-A-Day Miami Valley program offers more information on its website www.5adaymv.ning.com.

## AAC joins county fitness program

The Asian Arts Center has joined the Montgomery County GetUp program promoting the "5-2-1-Almost None" campaign as a Gold Star Partner.

"We were already teaching selfdefense against obesity, diabetes and heart disease by encouraging our 240 students to have at least five servings of fresh fruits and vegetables a day," said AAC Executive Director Matt Pasquinilli. "Our goal in 2010 is to expand the program by carrying the message to the students we work with in area public schools and to the community at large. So partnering with Montgomery County's "5-2-1-Almost None"

## **Revision of NCLB bipartisan?**



A February 18, 2010 article in *The Washington Post* was headlined, "Lawmakers to launch bipartisan effort to rewrite No Child Left Behind." The word, "bipartisan," caught my attention as that seems to be totally absent in Washington, DC these days. Watching congress at "work" is more like watching highly competitive upper elementary to high school youth play against each other in various games including electronic ones.

Too often I see persons who claim to be leaders focused on how best to score points against the others rather than concentrating on the problems which nearly all agree are plaguing our nation. But how does this condition impact the need to revise in significant ways this piece of major education legislation? Sen. Lamar Alexander, (R-TN),

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Sen. Lamar Alexander, (R-TN), calls for a sharply focused and smaller bill which will address elements which most agree need to be changed. Both the Democratic and Republican leaders of the House Education and Labor Committee agreed in a joint statement that pledged a "bipartisan, open and transparent effort to rewrite NCLB--a law that we all agree is in need of major reform." George Miller (D-CA) and Kline (R-MN) plan to hold hearings soon with the goal of a focused bill acted upon yet this year. What needs to be fixed in the law?

Among the major problems of the law have been the following: 1. Too much time and money spent on testing. 2. Too much emphasis on test scores which, in reality, only represent a "snapshot" of what exists at that moment in time. 3. Funding inequities caused by the federal government paying far less than it authorized when the bill was passed which has 'dumped' the high costs of testing and tutoring onto local taxpayers. 4. Too much variation from state to state in terms of content standards and methods of assessing student performance on those standards that do exist.

What about Ohio? I have generally been pleased with Ohio's efforts to develop solid content standards and then an assessment system that was tied/connected/related to those subject expectations. Such alignment of content goals and various tests is not found in all states.

I am not convinced that the "one size fits all" push for National Content Standards is the right way to go. It sounds simple, but the effort which has produced draft documents in some subject areas, is already receiving major criticism from content specialists and educators alike. For example, one major issue within the debate centers on those who value critical thinking vs. those who salute memorization of details. The memory group will find it much easier to create tests, but will not be able to claim that their winners can solve the problems of life.

I really hope that the bipartisan approach being tried in Congress

## Neighborhood meeting with the Superintendent

The Oakwood School District's *Staying in Touch* program is designed to provide opportunities for residents to speak with the Superintendent and representatives of the Board of Education

about school matters. Currently a neighborhood meeting and luncheon for residents *who do not have children in school* is scheduled for Friday, March 26 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Harman School. If you are interested in attending this luncheon *R.S.V.P. no later than March 19* to Sandy at the Oakwood Board of Education at 297-5332 or maresh.sandy@oakwood.k12.oh.us.

### OJHS girls serve lunch at House of Bread



Sitting To Serve is a group of Oakwood Junior High girls that donate a percentage of their babysitting money to charity. Every six months they pool their money and choose a new charity to receive the donation. This time, the girls not only donated their earnings to The House of Bread, but they also went down and helped serve lunch. The girls had a great time and everyone was very appreciative of their help. The group just completed its first year of existence. They were able to help donate \$800 in their first year and are setting their goals even higher in 2010.



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Intro to Backpacking 6:30 - 9pm Get an introduction to backpacking and find your comfort zone in terms of trips and gear selection. Registration required. Cox Arboretum

The Aluminum Show 8pm (see 3/17)

Rounding Third 8pm (see 3/17) 3/19 Fri

Boys of The Lough 7:30pm Grammy nominated Celtic band. Clark State PAC 300 S. Fountain Ave., Springfield 328-3874

Dayton Philharmonic: SuperPops -Gershwin on Broadway with Leon Bates 8pm Guest pianist Bates and vocalists Saxon and Cannon will perform many Gershwin favorites. Also 3/20 Schuster Center One W. Second St.

Dayton 228-3630 We Care Arts Annual Auction: Singing in the Rain 5:30pm Hope Hotel,

WPAFB 252-3927 ArtStreet's Friday Night Film: The Hurt Locker 9pm From blockbuster musicals to thought-provoking documentaries - a different film every Friday lescent outsiders vying for the spelling championship of a lifetime. Thru 3/27 Kennedy Union Boll Theatre, University of Dayton, 300 College Park, Dayton

229-2545 Steel Magnolias 8pm Set in Truvy's beauty salon in Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done. Filled with hilarious repartee and humorously revealing verbal collisions. Thru 3/28 Dayton Playhouse 1301 E. Siebenthaler Ave., Dayton 424-8477

Romeo & Bernadette 8pm Romeo takes a sleeping potion, and instead of dying, he wakes up a few centuries later and finds himself in Brooklyn, NY. where he is surrounded by sassy dames, warring Dons and some recognizable Italian melodies. Thru 3/21 Beavercreek Community Theatre, 3868 Dayton-Xenia Rd., Beavercreek 429-4737.

#### 3/20 Sat

DAI Sound Bites: Short Talks about Art - Watchtower, Chinese Art 1:30 pm Join veteran docents each week and learn more about art for these free 20-minute

Corigliano String Quartet 7pm First Presbyterian Church, 314 Xenia Ave., downtown Yellow Springs 374-8800 University of Dayton Chorale 3pm South Park United Methodist Church, 140 Stonemill Road, Dayton, 224-1731 The Aluminum Show 2pm & 7:30pm (see 3/17)

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UD Arts Series: Corigliano Quartet 8pm String quartet has won the acclaim of audiences and critics across the US. Sears Recital Hall, University of Dayton, 300 College Park 229-2545

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