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"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

With the month of November upon us we are entering into the holiday season. Thanksgiving is getting close. As it gets closer, I am reminded that it is one of my favorite times of the year. Growing up I loved Thanksgiving. It was another time to get together with all of my cousins and play. When I become a priest, Thanksgiving is the one holiday that we are always able to get away for. It is a time of the year that reminds us to do our best to be thankful and to give thanks to God.

Saint Paul wrote the following to the Thessalonians, "Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." Our job as Christians is to stop and say thank you to God for everything. We are to be always paying attention to the ways he has blessed us. We are to do our best to be reminded of His presence in our lives. We give thanks in order to be reminded that even though things may not be perfect, God is at work. In Fr. Alexander Schmemann's last sermon, which he preached on Thanksgiving Day of 1983, he said the following, "Everyone capable of gratitude is capable of salvation and everlasting joy!" When we are grateful, we are humble and when we are humble, we are open to God working in our lives.

My friends and my family in Christ as we enter into another holiday season, I am thankful that God has blessed me and my family with all of you. I am thankful for the ways that you work for God's glory. I am thankful for the ways you look to help others.

A Blessed Thanksgiving!

In Christ,

Father Larry Legakis

HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CALENDAR

November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	Oct 31		2 mathes	3 Daughters meeting Bravo's		
			Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	7:00 PM Ahepa meeting 7pm		4:30 PM N.Petros wedding
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Greek Kitchen Galaktol Hope and Joy meeting		9:00 AM Archangels	Adult GS Class	6:00 PM Men's Ministry		GS Youth Classes 11:00 AM Zink Baptism
	14 Greek Kitchen Assortment Prep 6:30 PM Philoptochos Board meeting 7:00 PM Philoptochos General meeting	15 Nativity Fast Begins 6:00 PM Orthodoxy 101	16 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	17 6:00 PM Young at Heart	18 Daughters Dolmathes Greek Kitchen Order P 7:00 PM Parakesis	Pick up ick up GOYA Decorate Church-Lunch at Spaghetti Warehouse GS Youth Classes 3:30 PM Gawronski
20	21	22	23	24	25	Baptism 26
Daughters Dolmathes Pick up Greek Kitchen Order Pick up Stewardship Sunday	9:00 AM Entrance of the Theotokos Orthros Divine Liturgy 10 am		Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot	Young Adult Taverna Talk 9:00 AM Saint Katherine Orthros 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am	Parents of Young Children Ministry
27 Bank a Sunday Daughters Decorate Tree J. Dionyssiou Memorial + Coffee 4:00 PM GOYA Coffee Talk-Sip		1:00 PM Warm Hands		Dec 1	2	3
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HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CALENDAR

December 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	Nov 30	1 Daughters meeting Beirut 7:00 PM Ahepa meeting 7pm	2 6:00 PM Dinner & Discussion (Adults)	3 GS Youth Classes 2:00 PM Trakas Wedding
4 Hope and Joy Christmas Retreat	5 6:00 PM Parish Council	6 9:00 AM Saint Nicholas Orthros 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am	7 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	8 6:00 PM Men's Ministry	9	10 Community Christmas Party GS Youth Classes
Elections 4:00 PM GOYA Coffee Talk	6:30 PM Philoptochos Board meeting 7:00 PM Philoptochos	13	14 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	15 9:00 AM Saint Eleftherios Orthros 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am 6:00 PM Young at Heart Christmas Party	16 Greek Kitchen Order P Daughters Order Pick Up 7:00 PM Parakesis	ick up
18 Greek Kitchen Order Pick up SS Christmas Pageant	General meeting 19	20	21 Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	22		24 Christmas Eve Vesperal Liturgy 6 pm
25 No SS Classes 9:00 AM Christmas Day Orthros Divine Liturgy 10 am 4:00 PM GOYA Coffee Talk-Sip	26	9:00 AM St. Stephan	28 Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	29 6:00 PM GOYA Christmas Party	30	31
Jan 1	2	Notes		<u> </u>	holytrin	itytoledo@gmail.com

HOSPITALIZED Tina Papalekas – Dora Kokolakis Gust Elmer

WEDDINGS John Lung & Kelly Wrobel September 10, 2022 Sponsor: James Lung

Michael Grenier & Dayna Dionyssiou September 30, 2022 Sponsor: Maria Pappas

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES Congratulations to: Gerald & Pauline Biernacki – 67 years Dimitri & Virginia Bubulya – 58 years Andreas & Tasoulla Proestou – 53 years Andrew & Shelly Dionyssiou – 34 years Michael & Cristina Pappas – 23 years Father Larry & Presbytera Jenny – 19 years Michael Thompson & Elainie Lillios – 18 years Jacob & Stephanie Franklin – 11 years

BAPTISMS

Gianna Temple – October 1, 2022 Parents: Elijah Temple & Mierah Burtis Sponsor: Andrei Irinia

FUNERALS

Stratos Kondos – September 27, 2022 Mildred R. Andrews – October 10, 2022 May Their Memory Be Eternal

MEMORIAL SERVICES Antonia Tom – 40 days Nicolaos Verikakis – 40 days Stratos Kondos – 40 days Stavroula Bekos – 1 year Thomas G. Pelphrey – 23 years *May Their Memory Be Eternal*

MEMORIAL GIFTS

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IN MEMORY OF ROBERT DRAKEY

Mrs. Mary Drakey Mrs. Maria Melas Mrs. Ann Mulopulos Mrs. Olympia Ntakos Mrs. Despina Pelphrey Ms. Maria Tzanakis Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wade

IN MEMORY OF STAVROULA BEKOS

Mrs. Stavroula Bekos

IN MEMORY OF ROULA MANTON

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<u>IN MEMORY OF MEAGAN MAUREEN</u> <u>SEKULSKI</u> Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros

OTHER DEATHS: Helen Dunlap of Sylvania, Ohio May Her Memory Be Eternal

As a reminder, donations received after the 15th of the month will be in the next month's registry.

President's Report by Emmanuel T. Yakumithis

Thanks to all who participated in our Parish Assembly on October 23. Participating in these meetings helps direct the parish council make decisions, knowing the thoughts of the community. We have listened to you and continue to move our parish in the right direction.

Parish Council elections are to be held in December. If you were not nominated at the parish assembly, but wish to be considered, please fill out the nomination form and return to Carole. We need people who want to share their knowledge and try and represent all demographics of our parish.

November to me is always a month where I take time to think about all of my blessings. As we move toward Thanksgiving, retrospection is natural. I am truly thankful for the support that this parish has shown to Father Larry and his family, and to the parish council. I am thankful for the efforts, both action and word, that this community has gifted. I am also thankful and grateful for the support that our parish has shown me personally over the past six years as your president.

On behalf of my entire family, I wish you all a very blessed Thanksgiving.

Philoptochos News by Kelly Yakumithis

PHILANTHROPY FOR GENERATIONS

Philoptochos 2022-2023 calendar is off to a great start. We held our first ever Philoptochos "On Tap" welcome event at the Blarney downtown. We were able to welcome many new and perspective members of Philoptochos to discuss the future of our community organization, the events and charities we are looking forward to working with.

Philoptochos is still welcoming new members, and we would love to have every woman of our parish become a member. Maria Kopan is the membership chairman, or you can speak to any current Philoptochos member.

We will once again be hosting a community Christmas party on December 10. Contact Debbie Morris if you would like to decorate a table centerpiece for the friendly competition. Joann and Greg Cook will once again prepare a delicious meal, followed by dinner and dancing.

We are in need of bakers! Paximathia are needed regularly when there is a Makaria, and the Christmas Sunshine Box program is coming up. Please contact Pres Jenny Legakis if you can assist in baking for Makaria, and Maria Kopan if you can bake paximathia, koulourakia or korumbiethes for the Sunshine Boxes.

Vasiloptia will be held on January 8, 2023. More information will be coming out as we approach the holiday season.

Daughters of Penelope News by Stacia Dimit

Greetings from Dodona Chapter #24 Daughters of Penelope!

The monthly meeting was held on Thursday, October 6, 2022 at the Black Pearl Restaurant on Heatherdowns Boulevard. An initiation ceremony was held for Christina Temple. We are happy to welcome her into the Daughters of Penelope. Congratulations to Sister Christina!

Our next meeting is scheduled on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at Bravo Cucina Italiana at Franklin Park Mall on Monroe Street. We will celebrate Founders Day and honor the past presidents of the Daughters.

The National Convention was held in Orlando, Florida in July 2022. Sister Kathy Lawrence represented the Toledo Chapter in person.

The District Workshop was held in Dayton on Saturday, September 17, 2022. Attendees could also participate on-line via Zoom. Sisters Dawn Anagnos, Joyce Anagnos, and Kathy Lawrence represented the Toledo Chapter via Zoom.

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Walk to End Alzheimer's which took place in Toledo on October 8, 2022. The Daughters of Penelope Holy Trinity Team raised over \$300 for this worthy cause. Thank you to Sister Alexia Hickman who chaired this event again this year.

This year the Daughters supported the Trunk or Treating event sponsored by Holy Trinity's Goya. Thank you to everyone who helped decorate and provided treats for the kids!

Membership dues of \$45 for current or past years can be sent to Treasurer Sophie Stathopoulos at 6535 Cornwall Court, Sylvania Ohio 43560.

AHEPA News by Tony Capranica

Our next meeting will be on Thursday November 3rd at 6:30 PM at Holy Trinity Veronie Community Hall. During this meeting we will be suspending our regular meeting to have a meeting of the AHEPA Ypsilanti Chapter No. 118 Property Foundation. This Foundation is responsible for the Central Property. During this meeting we will be electing seven members to the Board of Trustees. If you would like to serve as a Trustee on this Foundation, please be at the meeting. If you can't be at the meeting, you must provide a signed letter stating that you would accept a position if nominated.

We will make Zoom available, but you are encouraged to attend in person.

If more than seven Brothers are nominated, we will elect seven from all those nominated. If fewer than seven are nominated, the Brothers nominated will be elected and will fill the remaining Trustee position(s) by appointment.

For those brothers who have paid their 2022 dues – Thank You! For those that have not paid their 2022

dues the officers ask that you do so as soon as you can. It is very important that we get the dues paid early in the year. \$45.00 of our dues goes to National Headquarters to support administrative costs and the various causes AHEPA provides funds to. \$10 goes to the Buckeye District #11 Lodge to support their philanthropic causes.

Statements were mailed to those who haven't paid their 2022 dues. Please make every effort to pay your dues by October 31.

The Super Bowl blocks will soon be available! We will be selling the block tickets for \$15 a square with 100 blocks available. First and third quarter winners receive \$125, half time winner receives \$250 and the final score wins \$500. The officers will have tickets after Sunday Liturgies or you can call Tony Capranica at 419-540-1150 for tickets.

We are also considering an additional board this year that will have a larger payout. The details will be announced shortly.

Although for many students, school has just started, students should be thinking about the various scholarships available to high school and undergraduate university students.

The local AHEPA chapter has three scholarships, the local Daughters chapter has two scholarships. These are all available to graduating seniors.

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral has scholarships available to graduating seniors. The AHEPA Buckeye District #11 scholarship is available to all children of Ahepans and Daughters or members of the Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena. These scholarships are available to graduating seniors and any undergraduate currently enrolled in a university.

AHEPA National also has scholarships available to members and children of members. All of these scholarship applications will soon be available and notifications will go out.

Holy Trinity Greek Kitchen by Connie Mynihan

Christmas and get-togethers are just around the corner. Order now and have your baking needs ready. Order forms will be available Sundays. You may also go to and Order on line: http://www.holytrinitytoledo.com/greek-kitchen/ Twenty-four pieces of delicious Baklava - \$30.00 Chocolate Baklava - \$30.00 Spanakopita - \$20.00 Tiropita - \$20.00 Twelve pieces of Galaktobouriko - \$15.00

Orders are due in by Sunday, December 11th, 2022. **Pick up** is at Veronie Community Center on Friday, December 16th, Saturday December 17th, and Sunday, December 18th between 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. If you need further information or have any questions, please contact Connie Mynihan at 419-250-4899 or email: cmynihan5@gmail.com.

<u>Please be generous as all proceeds are given to the church.</u>

Thank you to all the workers who made this and every fundraiser possible. Your generosity of time and talent is greatly appreciated.

Embrace the holiday season ▲ Merry Christmas ▲

Holy Trinity Cookbook by Phyllis Manton

Happy Thanksgiving

A holiday of cooking, baking, eating and sharing is upon us. There is no doubt that turkey will be served along with foods with Greek flair. The cookbook has tasty stuffing to try. The savory flavors of meat and rice are worth a try: Greek Rice Stuffing on page 297 Chestnut and Pine Nut Stuffing, on page 298. A decadent mashed potato recipe worth every calorie is on page 217. Many blessings for this holiday and always.

Warm Hands to Warm Hearts

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You, To all who have contributed to this Ministry.

Our next meeting is **Tuesday November 29th, at 1 PM** at the Veronie Hall.

Everyone is welcome to come whether you can knit or crochet or are not able to. There are many jobs to do so you can help. If you want to learn to knit or crochet, bring with you a size 8 or 9 pair of Knitting needles or size K or 6.50 Crochet hook. Yarn and directions will be provided.

Continue knitting and crocheting 7x9 inch rectangles. The pieces are all different colors, different stitches and different kinds of yarn, but go so good together. Some are all one color, some are mixed up colors, some variable colors and all are so pretty.

It takes 25 pieces to make a Lap Blanket. If you just want to knit a blanket, a Baby Blanket size is 35x36", a Lap Blanket is 35x45". We welcome whatever you can do. I am sure they will be appreciated.

We are still in need of yarn any color, any kind and any amount. There are a few skeins of yarn at the church, and if you don't knit or crochet and would like to donate some yarn, we would be happy to have them. Just drop them off at Church. If you have some pieces finished and can't get them to the church, give us a call and we will make arrangement to get them. This should keep us busy all fall & winter. For questions call Dorothy Yakumithis 419-867-0734 Maria Petros 419-473-2387

Stewardship Report Parish General Assembly October 23, 2022 Kathy Chaka V. Pres./Stewardship Chairman

If you were unable to attend the October General Assembly meeting, the following is what I presented to those in attendance...

Recently, Metropolitan Nicholas came to our Church to visit us the weekend of the festival, and we engaged in a conversation about our Stewardship program. I was very proud of our community as I told him that we have continually met and surpassed our Stewardship goals consistently for the last five years. He asked what we bring in every year and when I told him, he said, "Where do you get the rest of your money to meet your yearly budget?" He of course knew the answer... the festival. He then made a comment that I want to share with you that he later used in his sermon that day. He said, when referring to using the festival as a main money source, "Do you invite guests to your home and serve them food, and then charge them for it in order to pay your monthly bills?" Holy Trinity is our home...

I. Goal for the 2022 Stewardship Campaign: \$275,000

II. Status of Current 2022 Holy Trinity Cathedral Stewardship Campaign As October 21, 2022...

242 Stewards have filled out pledge cards and paid Stewardship totaling \$210,542 27 Stewards giving, but have not filled out pledge cards totaling \$10,628 269 Total Stewards Pledging and Giving *Monies collected to date \$221,170

III. This same time last year - As of approx. October, 2021...

234 Stewards had filled out pledge cards and paid Stewardship totaling \$200,464 53 Stewards giving, but had not filled out pledge cards totaling \$17,949
287 Total Stewards Pledging and Giving *Monies collected to date \$218,412

It is important to note: This time last year, we had more Stewards pledging less money. This year, we are \$2,758 in monies collected ahead of last year with less Stewards. Though we are excited to be ahead of last year, we don't want to be losing Stewards even though our existing Stewards are stepping up and doing their part.

IV. Last year, after four previous successful campaigns of hitting our goal of \$250,000, we surpassed our first-time new goal of \$275,000 and hit an amazing total o\$282,000. <u>God willing, it is realistic to assume if all</u>

things continue as they are going, that we will achieve our goal of \$275,000 again, and we are on track to surpass it once again.

V. 2023 Stewardship Campaign Kick-Off and Stewardship Sunday Brunch

On Sunday, November 20th, we will once again be celebrating Stewardship Sunday with the blessing of the pledges by Father Larry in Church to thank God for His many blessings. We would also like to cordially invite **EVERYONE** to a "complimentary lunch" provided by Parish Council and your Stewardship Committee after Church in the Social Hall. Please look for the Online Kick-Off of the 2023 Campaign. We would love to see everyone make their 2023 pledge online, but for those who find this difficult we will be sure to send you your pledge card in the mail. What's most important is that everyone has access to making their 2023 Stewardship pledge in the way they find easiest. We look forward to seeing everyone on November 20th fill the Church as we kick-off our 2023 Holy Trinity Stewardship **Campaign!**

Closing Remarks...

After 8 years of being your Stewardship Chairman, I'd like to think that one thing that I brought to the table in this position is transparency. I do not believe when talking about money and finances for our Cathedral that it is a good idea to give people a false sense of security. I feel like if everyone understands our financial situation, then we will all do everything in our power to do what is best for our beloved Holy Trinity. At the same time, I also feel it is very important to praise people when good work is being done. To that end, I am continually thankful that for the last five years our community continues to hit its Stewardship goals and surpass them. We are never better as a community than when we are working together towards a common goal. The question is always, "Are we doing enough?" You will see today as we present the new budget and you hear the important part that our Stewardship program plays in our Strategic Plan for Holy Trinity moving forward, that of course the answer will always be, we need to do more. Until Stewardship becomes the main source of funding for this Cathedral and not the festival, we need to continually strive towards drawing in new Stewards and making them feel welcome in our ministries. Then and only then will ALL Stewards take on the responsibility for financially supporting Holy Trinity and sustaining it for future generations.

Respectfully Submitted, Kathy Chaka

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2022 Stewardship Update through October 21, 2022 - Our Stewardship goal for 2022 is \$275,000 So far 242 Stewards have pledged for a total of \$252,276 Please prayerfully consider the needs of our Parish and do your best to give in 2022 at least the same in Stewardship as last year

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Dear Parents

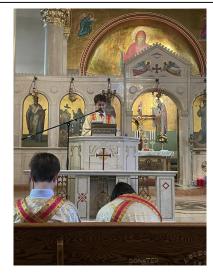
As I write this short note to you we are entering into the month of November. This month we begin to prepare ourselves for the holidays. It all begins with Thanksgiving then we go into Christmas. We can already hear the commercials talking about all the sales and the places where we can get all the best gifts for our family. As the month goes on it becomes more and more hectic. During this month there is a wonderful feast of the Theotokos the we celebrate called Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple.

The scripture for this feast is one of my favorites. It is the scene where Martha and Mary are hosting Jesus and some others. Jesus is teaching, Mary is listening, and Martha is working. Marth gets upset and says, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve you alone? Tell her then to help me." Jesus responds with these words, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." I offer this to you because I can imagine that very soon we are going to be like Martha running around trying to make sure all is ready and everyone has what they need. I urge you not to forget the "one thing" that "is needful" and that is to first seek Christ. When we do this we will see that everything else will be taken care of and so will our families.

Dear parents, I pray this blessed season is one where you and families receive many blessings. I also pray that you remember to be present with them so all of you can receive the "one thing" that "is needful".

In Christ,

Father Larry





Important Dates: GOYA:

Nov. 5th- Hero Hustle Nov. 19th -Decorate Church/ lunch at Spaghetti Warehouse and Coffee Talk Nov .24th: Turkey Trot

Hope and Joy: Nov. 6th - Monthly Gathering

Sunday School: Nov. 27th - Bank a Sunday

YOUTH Greek School all Classes are on Saturday mornings. Kindergarten 9:20-10:00 Level 1/First Grade 10:00-10:40 Level 2/ Second Grade 10:50-11:30 Level 3/Third Grade 11:40 -12:20

CATHEDRAL ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

DINNER AND DISCUSSION

Dinner and Discussion meets on the 1st Friday of the Month. Our next meeting will be on November 14th at 6 pm. We will meet at Brandywine Country Club 6904 Salisbury Rd, Maumee, OH 43537

ORTHODOXY 101

Orthodoxy 101 is great for those who are Interested in the Orthodox Church and for those who are Orthodox and would like to learn more about their faith. Taught by Father Larry Classes begin Tuesday October 4th through November 15th. No Class on November 1st.



All Classes will meet on Wednesdays

The morning class will meet at 10 am Evening study will meet at 7 pm

We will continue with Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans

Happenings





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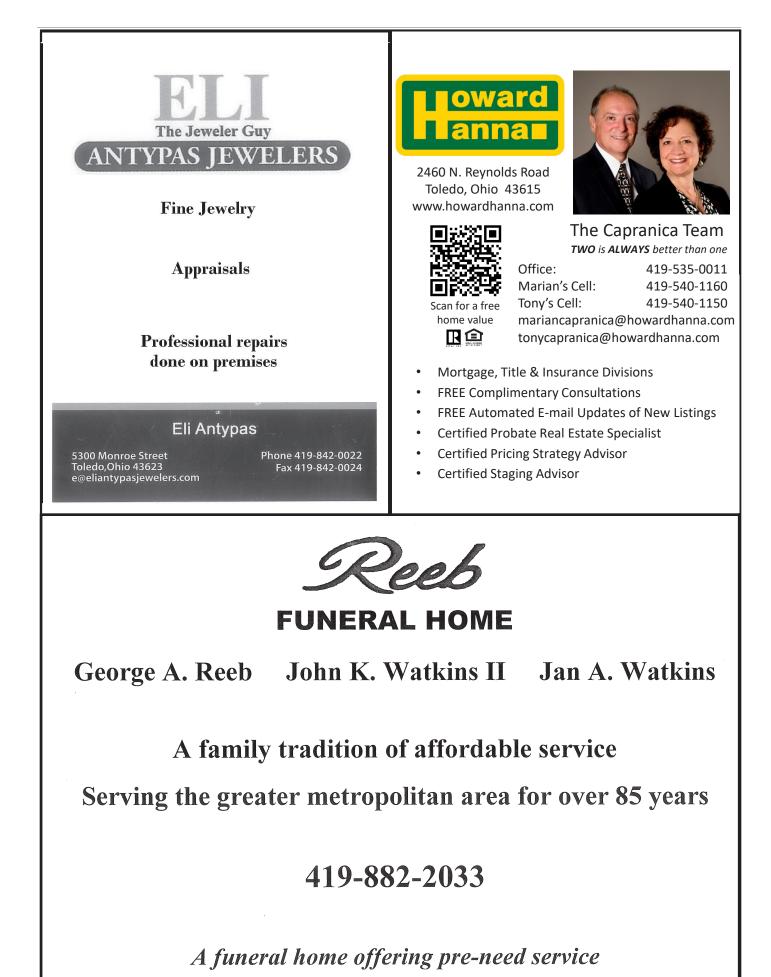
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