

Monday is last day to register to vote in May 8 primary

Officials of the Stark County Board of Elections are reminding residents that they have until Monday to register to vote in the May 8 primary election.

United States citizens who will be 18 years old on or before Nov. 6, the date of the general election, and who will be a resident of the state for at least 30 days prior to the primary election are eligible to vote.

Voter registration can be done at the Board of Elections office at 201 Third St. N.E. in Canton as well as all Ohio Bureau of Motor

Vehicles offices, public libraries and public high schools.

The board's office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The board has also scheduled special hours for Monday, the final day to register. The office will be open until 9 p.m. to process registrations.

A copy of the voter registration form can also be downloaded from the board's Web site, www.boe.co.stark.oh.us.

More information can be obtained by calling the board of elections at (330) 451-8683.

Stark State College can now remotely access microscopes

By KATE RICH
The Review

Do you see the paramcium?

It is the story of a partnership formed many years ago between The Timken Company and Stark State College and one that has enabled both entities to partner with Ohio Supercomputer Center and The Ohio State University to access multi-million dollar microscopes across OSCnet, Ohio's public broadband network, formerly the Third Frontier Network.

The electron microscopes, including the newest Titan electron microscope, allow researchers to image atoms through a range of magnifications. OSCnet is the first in the nation to successfully develop a program that students and researchers can use to access — in real-time — these powerful and expensive pieces of stationary scientific equipment.

"This is a very important day for all of us ... for Stark State," said Stark State College President John O'Donnell to those gathered in a conference room at the college. "It is a story of partnerships and a story of advocacy ... from the inception of the college there has been a strong partnership with Timken ... and today that partnership has evolved. The academic and work industry has evolved also."

"Using OSCnet, higher education has a new avenue to accelerate collaborations with industry, which will potential-

ly increase the innovation of Ohio companies while providing a knowledgeable workforce in the state.

Locally, the project provides Timken researchers, in collaboration with the Ohio Supercomputer Center, The Ohio State University's Center for Accelerated Maturation of Materials, and Stark State College, with convenient and affordable access to the electron microscopes. At Stark State, Timken researchers can use remote microscopy and access technical expertise via collaborations with researchers from Ohio State. This partnership allows new materials to meet the requirements of increased wear resistance, improved strength, or improved corrosion resistance for advanced applications in the coming decades.

U.S. Rep. Ralph Regula called the project an "explosion of opportunity that we can't even imagine today. Ohio is the bridge to everywhere. This is a significant part of making Ohio the bridge to everywhere ... this makes resources available to the entire state."

"The future of Ohio is to build and produce high-tech products ... to capture the international market. This is a terrific day for the future of our state. I think people will be beating a path to Ohio to take advantage of these technologies."

Stark State students studying material sciences, chemistry and engineering will benefit from access to these learning opportunities while Timken's collaboration efforts on campus will lead to internships and workforce training, increasing the pipeline of trained workers for the industry.

Stark State faculty members are already being introduced to the equipment and will then train their students to use the technology.

"The ability to remotely control an electron microscope, view, and analyze the images it produces will enhance the education of our students and improve the products of our industry partners," said O'Donnell.

"We're just scratching the surface on the potential here," said Regula. "We're launching something that will be extremely beneficial to our community and our state ... this will be a very important part in our getting ready for the world of tomorrow."

Washington Twp. Historical Society plans work days

Members of the Washington Township Historical Society discussed work days, heard about new acquisitions and learned about funeral customs at the monthly meeting March 27.

President Marleen Grant reminded the group of work nights at the playground on the first and third Wednesday of the month and a Ruritans breakfast in May.

New acquisitions were: hats, a child's purse and an auction bill of the Monter sale from Wilda and Jim McCallum; stationery listing items that were sold at the Chas. Burns Store in Maximo and a business card of Mrs. Charles Burns who sold registered Pekingese dogs from Tom Erisey; old newspaper articles and pictures from Neva and Nick Vizuso who had received them from Leila Ruff; old school books that had been given by Lawrence and Jean Wartluft to Carolyn Caskey; copies out of a scrapbook belonging to Lola Orwick; old newspaper articles showing the Maximo School and the Harrisburg School from Helen Paumier Cunin; a map of the northwest quarter of Section 3 and a box of obituaries from Caskey.

Amy Slater was the guest speaker.

Slater, who grew up in the township and was the third generation to go to Washington Elementary School, offered a brief history of funerals.

When we think of mourning, she said, we think of how in the past you dressed in black for sometimes as long as a year and hung wreaths on the front door. Viewing was done in the homes. She showed a picture of an upright casket in the front yard with the family surrounding the deceased.

She gave the history of the Sharer-Stirling-Skivolocke Funeral Home. She explained that in the state of Ohio there is a law that the name of the owner must be in the name of the funeral home.

Philip Sharer started as a cabinetmaker and after coming to Freedom Ohio, he opened a business as a cabinetmaker/undertaker in 1841. Gentlemen who handled funerals services were considered undertakers.

That terminology came from the fact that the cabinetmakers made the caskets and eventually began to "undertake" all the duties for funerals.

Obituaries

Donald J. Baxter

Donald J. Baxter, age 86, of Minerva, died Tuesday, April 3, 2007, in the Great Trail Care Center following an extended illness. He was born Aug. 4, 1920, in Bayard to William and Myrna (LeBeau) Baxter. He graduated from Minerva High School in 1938.



Don was one of the earliest appointed agents with Grange Insurance Co. of Columbus and went on to establish the Baxter Insurance Agency in 1924. The Baxter Insurance Agency is in its third generation, being operated by his grandson Doug. He also served as a general agent with Farmers and Traders Life Insurance Co. of Syracuse, N.Y., for over 25 years with an eastern Ohio territory.

He was a member of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Agents. He was director of the former United Counties Savings and Loan in Minerva. Don was instrumental in the efforts leading to the consolidation of the West Township Schools with Minerva Local School District while serving as president of West Local School District.

He was a 60-year member and past master of Bayard Grange #1878 and the State and National Grange, a member of Bayard United Methodist Church and a past member of the Alliance Country Club. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved fishing, hunting, golf, and traveling in his RV.

He is survived by his wife, Mary (Hoopengartner) Baxter, whom he married Aug. 13, 1939; three daughters, Judy (Robert) Hill of Canal Fulton, Sue (Gary) Obney of Minerva, and Barbara Baxter and Tom Grady of Twinsburg; three sons, Robert (Lynn) Baxter of Alliance, Rod (Kelli) Baxter of North Canton and Roger Baxter of Canton; a sister, Wilma (Binford) Eubank of Sebring; two brothers, Harold Baxter of St. Cloud, Fla., and Richard Baxter of Minerva; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 11:00 a.m. in the Minerva United Methodist Church with Rev. Dale Thomas officiating. Burial will be in East Lawn Cemetery. Calling hours will be Thursday 6-8 PM in the Gotschall-Hutchison Funeral Home in Minerva. Memorial donations may be made to the Tri County Habitat for Humanity at Public Square, Carrollton, Ohio 44615. (Gotschall-Hutchison, 330-868-4900) (4-5-07)

Edward Oden

Edward Oden, age 76, of Alliance, went home to be with the Lord April 2, 2007. He was born Sept. 6, 1930, in McRoberts, Ky., to Sam and Ladie Lee Oden.



Edward was a graduate of Dunham High School where he played sports with the Dunham Blue Devils. After graduation, Edward enlisted and served in the U.S. Army.

Edward loved serving the Lord and was a member of New Zion Baptist Church. He was a devoted member of the Gospel Choir and Male Chorus, a Bible class teacher, and a deacon. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 166 and Disabled American Veterans Chapter 50.

Edward was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Lehman Oden; and sister, Sammie Lee Washington.

Edwards leaves behind a devoted wife of 52 years, Joanne Oden, and two sons, Jerome Martin Oden and Edward Oden Jr., and daughters-in-law, Marshall Augustus and Deborah Oden, to cherish his memory.

He also leaves to cherish his memory his brothers, Wilbur (Patricia) Oden of Milan, Tenn., and John L. Oden and Julius (Sarah) Oden, both of Elmira, N.Y.; his sisters, Mary DeShields of Atlanta, Ga., Levora (Charles) Wade and Lovette (Tom) Goosby, both of Akron, Guth (Francis) Martin of Gary, W.Va., and Sondra Pannell of Rochester, N.Y.; sister-in-law, Katherine Oden of McRoberts, Ky.; grandsons, Darone, Jerrell and Jerome Jr.; and many nephews, nieces, cousins and other relatives and friends.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 7, at New Zion Baptist Church. Calling hours will be 11 a.m. until the time of service. The family will also receive friends at the home of Mrs. Oden, 1035 E. Summit St.

Arrangements are entrusted to Sibley-Murray Funeral Home. (4-5-07)

Mount Union College sophomore receives the 2007 Ping Award

Mount Union College sophomore Luke Messner, a double major in political science and philosophy from Dalton, has received the Ohio Campus Compact (OCC) 2007 Charles J. Ping Award. The first Mount Union nominee for the honor, Messner will receive his award from OCC representatives at the college's annual Honors Convocation on April 19.

In his two years at Mount Union, Messner has dedicated a great deal of time to community service and campus involvement and has logged more than 200 hours of community service since August.

As a Midwest Campus Compact Citizen-Scholar, he receives an education award to use toward tuition in return for community service. He is an active member of the Dowling Mentor Program, mentoring a student in the Alliance City School District, and Alpha Phi Omega, a service honorary at Mount Union. He is a bus aide for the Early Learning School, a volunteer for Meals on Wheels and Alliance Community Hospital, and a member of the newly-charged Service-Learning Task Force at Mount Union.

Messner, who also traveled to Swaziland, Africa, last summer to work with communities in need, earned the Ping Award for his work with the Alliance Neighborhood Center, which Messner describes in his application essay as "a nonprofit organization composed of individuals who exhibit humility and compassion in the truest sense."

The immediate goal of Messner's work with the Alliance Neighborhood Center was to raise awareness for the local Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), a federal energy crisis program with a chapter in Alliance. In the long term, the goal is to create an opportunity for the partnership of HEAP and the Neighborhood Center in an effort to better

address the needs of the Alliance community.

Messner has done a great deal of research on both organizations and the city of Alliance, as well as meeting with affected members of the community and individuals involved in both organizations.

"My work with this project is not close to being finished, but the work that I completed proved to be as beneficial for me as it was to the citizens of Alliance," said Messner in his application essay. "I was instilled with a new sense of humility and a greater sense of awareness of the fact that no matter the community there are individuals in need of help."

Messner was one of 12 Mount Union students selected to travel to Mississippi during spring break to assist in the continual rebuilding in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. He also attended a National Conference on Civic Engagement in Austin with five other Mount Union students in February.

Messner, who plans to attend law school and become involved in politics on a state or national level, had an additional opportunity to learn more about his future career field when he met with John Bocchieri of the Ohio House of Representatives and Robert F. Hagan of the Ohio Senate in the fall to discuss issues pertinent to the state of Ohio. While there, he also had the opportunity to hear from other members of Congress at a luncheon and observe a session of the Ohio Senate.

Messner manages to match his outstanding level of service with high academic achievement, continually earning Dean's List status.

The Charles J. Ping Award was designed to recognize and honor undergraduate students for their outstanding leadership and contributions to community and service-learning on their campus and within their community.

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Briefs

STEAK FRY — Auxiliary members of V.F.W. Post 1036 at 1036 E. State St. will hold a steak fry from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the post home. The public is invited. The cost is \$12 for a strip steak dinner and \$14 for a porterhouse steak dinner.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER — The First Church of God, 505 N. Lincoln Ave., will not have a spaghetti supper on Saturday due to the Easter weekend. The next supper will be held on May 5.

Lotteries

Wednesday OHIO Day
Pick 3: 0-7-1
Pick 4: 7-2-1-8
Night
Pick 3: 5-7-1
Pick 4: 1-1-1-1
Rolling Cash 5: 11-13-23-34-39
Classic Lotto: 15-19-31-34-36-41

PENNSYLVANIA Day

Daily Number: 1-7-3
Big 4: 1-4-4-6
Night
Daily Number: 2-9-6
Big 4: 8-4-4-2
Cash 5: 6-27-30-33-38
WEST VIRGINIA
Daily 3: 7-4-1
Daily 4: 2-0-6-7
Tuesday MEGA MILLIONS
16-26-33-34-46; Mega Ball 38

OHIO
Kicker: 8-3-9-1-7-4

Death Notices

Donald J. Baxter, 86, of Minerva, died Tuesday, Gotschall-Hutchison.

Arlene K. Geon, 82, formerly of East Liverpool, died Tuesday at Altercare of Alliance. Arrangements are being handled by Dawson Funeral Home in East Liverpool.

David Lawrence Glass, 80, of Alliance, died at 7:35 p.m. Tuesday at Altercare of Alliance. Arrangements are pending by Cassaday-Turkle-Christian Funeral Home.

Estella Harris, 73, of Alliance, died at 3:50 p.m. Wednesday at Aultman Hospital. Arrangements are pending by Sharer-Stirling-Skivolocke Funeral Home.

Edward Oden, 76, of Alliance, died Monday. Sibley-Murray Funeral Home.

Death notices are printed as a free service for our readers. Information regarding paid obituaries can be obtained from your local funeral homes.

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FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICE
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75 South Union Avenue Alliance, Ohio 44601
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www.ctcfuneral.com

SHARER - SKIVOLOCKE FUNERAL HOME
Funeral Services - Cremation Services
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1000 S. Union Ave. Alliance, Ohio
(330) 823-2159
HARRIS, Estella - Funeral arrangements are pending with the Sharer - Stirling - Skivolocke Funeral Home.
Obituaries may be viewed & condolences may be sent at www.sharerfuneralhome.com

Walton-Schrader FUNERAL HOME
1131 W. State St.
330-823-9169
SEUFTS, Ruth Ann - Funeral services will be held at the Walton-Schrader Funeral Home on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Friends may call at the funeral home on Thursday from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.
RIDDLE, Dorothy G. - Private services and private calling hours will be held.

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