

Community roundup

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Fremont FFA attends national convention

INDIANAPOLIS - The Fremont FFA, along with the Clyde FFA, traveled to Indianapolis for the 90th Annual National FFA Convention.

FFA members from across the United States meet once a year to recognize accomplishments in agricultural experiences, including the American FFA Degree ceremony.

Activities at the Oct. 24-27 meeting included motivational speakers, musical talents and the election of new officers.

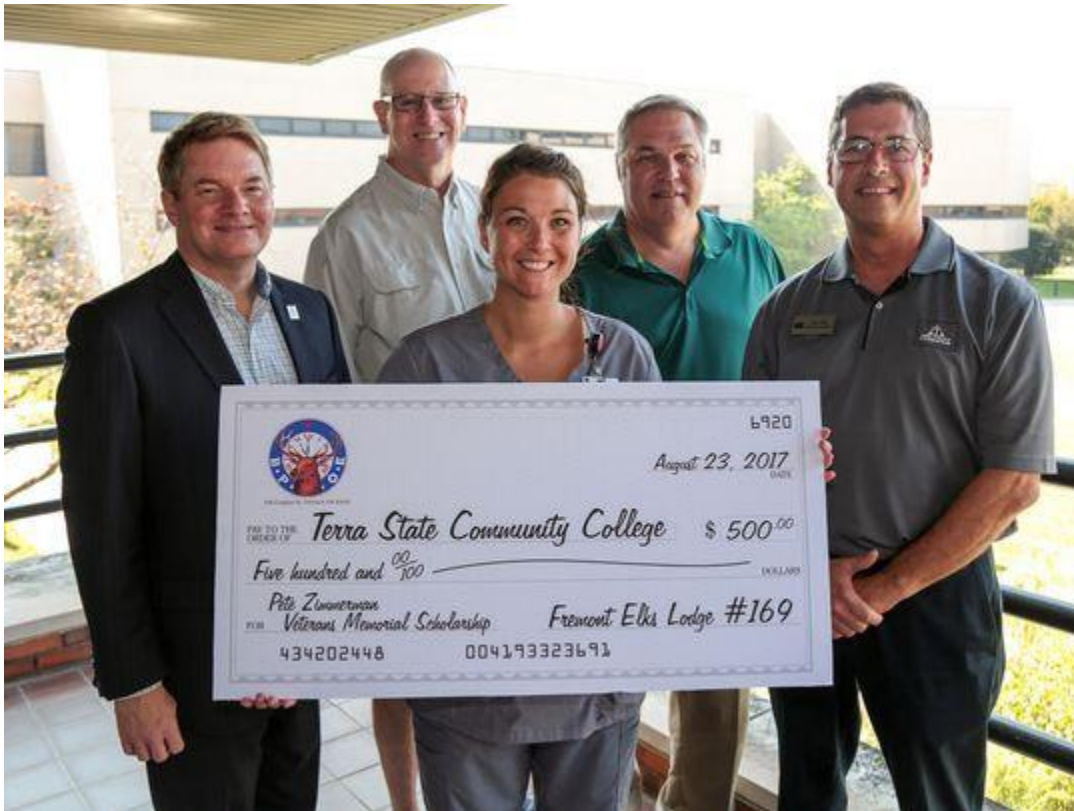
Along the way, local FFA members toured Unverferth Manufacturing Company, Inc., Universal Lettering, and Select Sires. Members also visited Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Lincoln Technical Institute, and Conner Prairie.

The chapter members were part of the more than 67,000 people who attended the opening session of the convention

First National Bank holds 2017 food drive

BELLEVUE - First National Bank employees and customers will again celebrate the rivalry between The Ohio State University and the University of Michigan by running a food collection for local pantries through donations through Nov. 17.

Residents who would like to make a donation can stop in any First National Bank area locations in Fremont, Port Clinton, Bellevue, Clyde, Catawba, Put-in-Bay and Sandusky.



Scholarship winner Heather Ross, center, is accompanied by, from left, Terra State President Jerome Webster, Elks members Mike Kelly and Rick Frank, and Lonnie Shuey of the Terra College Foundation. (Photo: Submitted)

Fremont Elks award veterans scholarship

FREMONT - Fremont Elks Lodge No. 169 has awarded its first annual veterans scholarship to a local woman enrolled at Terra State Community College.

The Pete Zimmerman Veterans Memorial Scholarship was established this year in honor of the late Pete Zimmerman, a military veteran and longtime Elks member who passed away in 2013.

The inaugural scholarship was awarded to Heather Ross, 36, a former U.S. Marine and a mother of three. Ross, of Fremont, is enrolled in Terra's nursing program and intends to become a registered nurse upon graduation in 2019.

Ross said she hopes to work in a hospital in labor and delivery after graduation, but added that she's also be open to other opportunities.

The 2017 scholarship is funded in part from the proceeds of the Fremont Elks Annual Golf Outing, which was held this summer. The scholarship is available to veterans or members of their families who live in Sandusky or Ottawa counties.

Walking program available at Port Clinton High School

PORT CLINTON - The Port Clinton High School Hall Walking Program will start on Nov. 14.

Community members interested in walking at the high school should arrive between 8:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Thursday morning when school is in session.

Doors of the PCHS Performing Arts Center open at 8:15 a.m. and ends at 9:30 a.m.

Parking is available adjacent to the performing arts center off of Tenth Street.

For more information call Jan Gluth, director of student, staff and community development at 419-732-2102, ext. 8.

Decorate a holiday tree for charity

PORT CLINTON - Businesses and organizations are encouraged to participate in the 2017 Gift of Lights by decorating a tree for charity.

Businesses and organizations may purchase a tree for a \$30 donation.

The trees will be located at Adams Street Park in downtown historic Port Clinton.

People will vote for their favorite or best-decorated tree for a dollar donation. The donations will determine this year's winner.

Organizations and businesses may decorate their trees beginning on Nov. 24. All trees should be completed by Dec. 1. Voting begins on Dec. 2 during Community Christmas.

Ballot boxes will be available at the Main Street PC/Chamber office, City Hall, Coffee Express, Perfect Color Hair and Tan, Slater's Madison Street Pub, and the Wide World Shoppe.

The deadline to vote is noon Dec.15.

Those interested in decorating a tree may contact Main Street Port Clinton at 419-734-5503.

Latta honored by American Conservative Union

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congressman Bob Latta, R-Bowling Green, has been given the Award for Conservative Excellence from the American Conservative Union, a leading conservative group.

In 2016, Latta received a score of of 92 percent on the ACU scorecard based on his voting record.