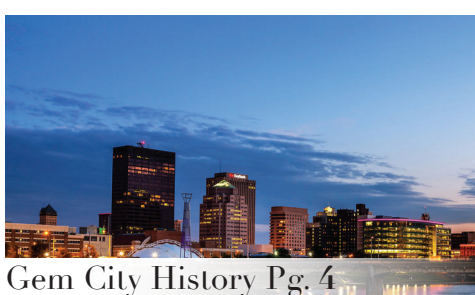




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3RD PERK: SERVING MORE THAN JUST COFFEE



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There's a familiar downtown Dayton coffee destination available to students that's about a 10 minute walk from campus. Located on 46 W 5th St. is 3rd Perk Coffeehouse and Wine Bar, a creation from Juanita Darden-James, an Assistant Professor of math at Sinclair.

evenings," Darden-James said. "Third Perk offers three main experiences. It's a local art gallery, coffee house, and wine bar."
Most commonly it is used as a space for the community to come together, collaborate and to enjoy one another. Since 3rd Perk's creation it has become a hub for the community and in return the community has embraced it.
This is evident in the many poetry readings/spoken word demonstrations held there. The community comes together for these events, saying poems or rhythmic sayings about what's going on in their heads or the latest happenings in their communities.
Another way the establishment celebrates the community is by holding fundraising events. The purpose of these is to help people discover their talents and desires.
The coffee house also truly believes in trying to make young entrepreneurs' dreams come true. This is manifested by the Perk-e-lator event hold by 3rd Perk. It is a elevator pitch

competition which so far can boast providing \$7,500 to help entrepreneurs start their business.
Entrepreneurs will have 90 seconds to deliver their business pitch to a group that will give them constructive feedback and help refine their business concept. After a vast decision process they will award funding to those young entrepreneurs if their business plan and ideas are valid.
Many participants will have the opportunity to earn a grant to utilize as capital to fund their entrepreneurial dreams. This has been made possible by donations from the Dreamers Gala, a fundraising event whose mission is raising money for these local entrepreneur startups.
3rd Perk has a system put in place that allows it to maintain a mom and pop store feel, while having a corporate style state of mind so it can provide the funds needed to put on community events and make dreams come true. One cup of coffee at a time.

Deciding Day at Sinclair

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Reporter

As students work their way through higher education, they may find it difficult to settle on a path and program right for them. With many choices of career paths ranging from healthcare to engineering, some students may find the whole process overwhelming.
Deciding Day at Sinclair aims to solve this problem, offering students an avenue to the different programs offered.
The event is hard to miss, taking place in the library. Tables full of information are setup and separated by program, all surrounded by helpful faculty and spokespeople for the programs.
Students are immediately greeted by helpful and welcoming staff, who guide them to the first table where they can take what's called a Career Pathways Assessment. This test asks questions specific to the individual, such as whether they enjoy being a leader or where they like to work.

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# Deciding Day at Sinclair

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The outcome of this test helps students to determine what “Career Community” they would fit best with.

Career communities include business & IT, creative arts, health sciences, liberal arts & social sciences, law & public safety and STEM.

As stated in the pamphlet handed out at the event, career communities give students a chance to explore career options, meet other students interested in the same field, interact with faculty within a field and learn about the resources available at Sinclair.



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Each table had a person knowledgeable in that specific career community to assist students plan the next steps in their career paths.

Every table had at-a-glance sheets, which showed the programs within the career community and the requirements, salary and a general idea of the type of work involved.

Each at-a-glance sheet had specific information about the career. For example, the liberal arts sheet had a column that detailed the type of admission of a program while the STEM sheet had a column specific to student certifications.

As well as at-a-glance sheets, some tables had small cards that detailed specific careers within the program. For example, the health sciences table had a nurse card that gave an outline of the responsibilities of nursing, as well as the average state



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wage and program options. The tables also offer insight into the different extracurriculars a student can join within the program.

The creative arts table had information on activities such as ensembles and lesson opportunities.

A concern some students may hold about college level education is the amount of time it takes to get a degree. Programs where a student can obtain a degree in 15 months were mentioned at the event.

Some benefits of this program mentioned include a small class size, available financial aid, online

advising appointments, priority registration and of course the ability to get a degree within 15 months as opposed to alternative methods that can take a great deal longer.

The Deciding Day event is an opportunity for students to gauge their future in education as well as the workplace.

The faculty and information at the event set out to make sure that students received a clear idea of the programs offered at Sinclair, as well as the opportunities and paths a student can take outside of the school.

## Tartan Spotlight: Anne Henry

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Anne Henry has been a professor of geology at Sinclair since the fall of 1992. Henry started as part time faculty, but later in April of 1994 she accepted a full time teaching position.

Henry originally went to school for geophysics. Her dream job at the time was to work with nice computers at a big oil company and tell them where to drill.

She said she’d always had a “typical nerdy science fascination,” that’s part of why she chose the field she did. Additionally, Henry has always had a love for rocks and how the Earth worked. She used to have a shoe box full of rocks she had collected, hidden behind the couch as a kid.

“I would go to school and my mom would throw the rocks back in the driveway, and I would get home and go find them again.” Henry said. Throughout Henry’s educational career she kept hold of the dream of working in geophysics, but over and over people kept telling her she should teach.

In high school Henry tutored math and latin, and in college she tutored business classes and calculus. Repeatedly her students asked her if she was going to teach, and when she said no, they would say “But your so good at it.”

Continuing into grad school Henry was a teacher’s assistant for a lab section, and once again students insisted she should teach. Then in her last year of grad school an opening popped up to teach an Earth science class at Sinclair.

“Being a penniless college student I thought; are they gonna pay me? Yep, alright I’ll do it.” Henry explained. And two years later when a full time faculty position became available, Henry decided she was good at it and the pay wasn’t bad, so she would give it a try.

Even though it isn’t a comfy office job at a big company, with a big salary and fancy machines, Henry doesn’t necessarily regret her decision to become a teacher. Working at Sinclair allows for a flexible schedule, let’s her stay local and she enjoys working with her students.

“It’s one of those things where you have to do what you enjoy doing, you can’t be just in it for the money, because the money don’t mean as much unless you enjoy it.” Said Henry.

When asked about her favorite part about being a teacher, Henry laughed and said, “It’s not grading, I’ll be honest with you.”

Henry enjoys the “Ah-ha moment,” as she describes it, that she sees in her students.

It’s when she sees utter confusion on the faces of her class, and then she explains it more or in a new way, and all of a sudden the wheels start turning and the students begin to understand the concept.

“So many students come in so science phobic, and they think they can’t do it, or they have been told they can’t do it, and to see that confidence come out... I enjoy doing that.” Henry explained.

Henry is also quite known for her analogies in the classroom. These analogies range from food items such

as fudge or marshmallows, to cats. She said one of her favorites was using making rice krispies to explain the texture of molten rock.

Henry enjoys teaching because she enjoys helping her students learn, her witty analogies and one liners engage a class in the topic and lighten the mood of a lecture day. One such topic Henry manages to make engaging is the importance of dirt, and in the words of Anne Henry “Did you appreciate your dirt this week?”





# Trump signs \$1.3 trillion bill

Henry Wolski  
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On March 23, President Trump signed the latest omnibus spending bill created and sent to him by Congress. The bill is expected to be among the final major pieces of legislation to pass Congress before the fall midterm elections. It costs \$1.3 trillion and is 2,232 pages long. It includes actions that will increase spending and give more funding to several key institutions. This includes \$380 million for election security grants, funding that can be used for the Gateway project, which aims to bolster railway infrastructure between New York and New Jersey and \$4 billion to help combat the opioid crisis.

It also includes an increase in Child Care and Development Block Grants, an increase in the daily pay for federal jury duty from \$40 to \$50, an expansion of the low income housing tax credit, funds for the National Park Service, more money for veterans' hospitals and veterans' homes, a pay raise for the troops and \$2.3 billion for school safety, among others.

Omnibus bills typically pack together multiple items and issues that would normally be contained in a single

appropriations bill, in an attempt to get certain actions passed and/or to avoid a government shutdown. They became more popular in recent years, with the first being signed in 1985.

These bills are often criticized for being full of unnecessary or wasteful spending that pleases specific causes, such as politician's constituents or a special interest group. This kind of spending is called pork.

Another criticism is the length of the bill, which is usually longer than 1,000 pages. This particular bill is 2,232 pages long. A similar example is the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005, which consisted of 3,016 pages.

Critics of these bills state that the length allows lawmakers to fit in measures that would normally not get approval, but can be missed due to the length or sacrificed for another item included in the bill as a bargaining tool.

In the days before signing the bill, Trump had threatened several times to veto it. He was talked into it by his advisors in an effort to avoid a government shutdown.

It was reported by The New York Times that several people close to Trump spent time convincing him that the military

and veteran spending contained in the document, was a "win." These included Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, Secretary of Defense Jim Mattis and Vice President Mike Pence, and several unnamed others.

However, the president was not happy with the bill and made his frustrations about signing it known in a statement on March 23.

"There are a lot of things that I'm unhappy about in this bill," Trump said. "There are a lot of things that we shouldn't have had in this bill. But we were, in a sense, forced — if we want to build our military — we were forced to have. There are some things that we should have in the bill."

In another statement he labeled the process that led to the bill "this ridiculous situation." He then stated that "I will never sign another bill like this again — I'm not going to do it again."

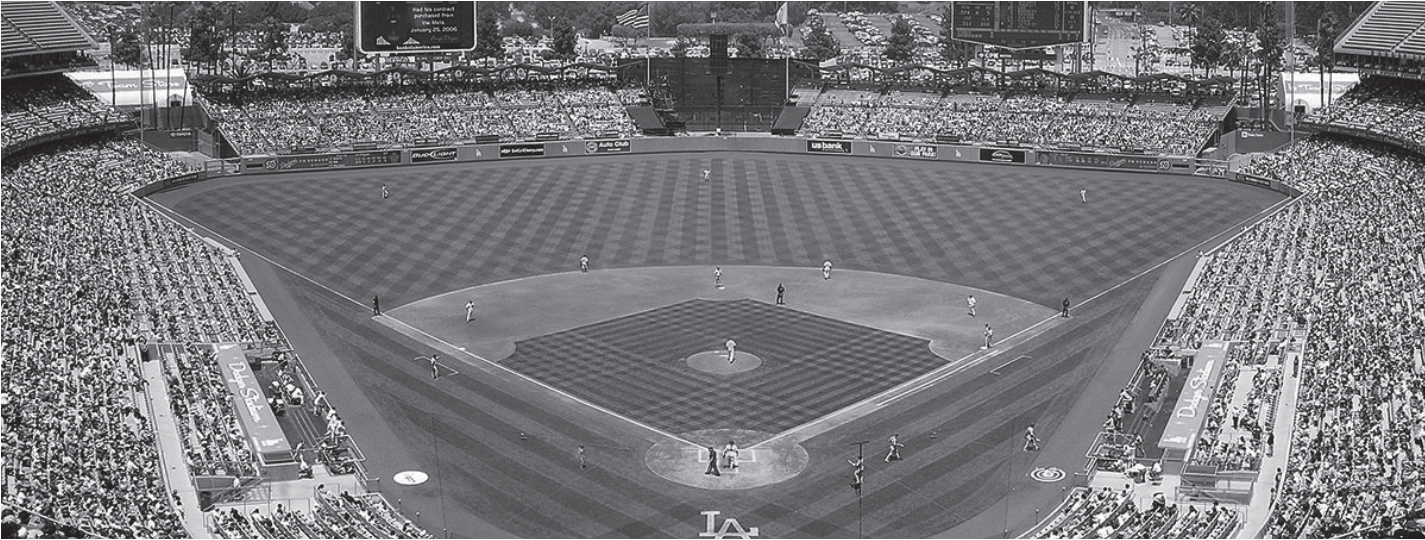
One major reason Trump disliked the bill was the lack of funding for his U.S.-Mexico border wall, which the administration requested \$25 billion for. Instead, \$1.6 billion was given for border security, including new technology and repairs to existing barriers. It also prohibits building concrete structures.



The whirlwind caused by Trump's reluctant signing of the bill was seen as a win by Democrats in Congress, who celebrate it as a rebuttal of Trump's ideals.

"In sharp contrast to the devastating cuts called for in the Trump budget, the omnibus contains robust funding to combat homelessness, create new affordable housing and promote community development," Nancy Pelosi, Democrat of California and minority leader, said in a statement. "The omnibus also rejects the Trump administration's cruel anti-immigrant agenda," she added.

# MLB Opening Day 2018



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There were 13 baseball games played Thursday as the 2018 MLB season officially kicked off with Opening Day.

First up, the Cubs were in Miami facing the Marlins. They started things off well with Ian Happ hitting a homerun on the first pitch of the year. The Cubs would go on to win 8-4, with home runs also coming from Anthony Rizzo and Middletown native Kyle Schwarber.

"I was thinking fastball first pitch there," said Happ after the game. "Historically I've seen [Jose Urena] pretty well the last couple of times I've faced him. He got me a couple times after that, but I saw that one well."

The Mets took down the Cardinals in St. Louis 9-4, with a strong showing from starting pitcher Noah Syndergaard. Syndergaard had 10 strikeouts and no walks in six innings.

This was Mets manager Mickey Callaway's first game as a manager, and his lineup produced well.

"It feels great," Callaway said. "What a ballpark. All of us, the coaches, were sitting there going, man, this is something special. This is a different place than most."

The Orioles beat the Twins with a walkoff homer from OF Adam Jones in the 11th inning, giving them a 3-2 lead. This marked Baltimore's eighth straight opening day win, which is the longest active streak in the MLB.

Home runs seemed to be the story of the day, as Giancarlo Stanton hit two HRs in his Yankee debut to lead the Yankees to a 6-1 win over the Blue Jays. Houston RF and reigning

World Series MVP George Springer also hit a leadoff homer in his second straight Opening Day, making him the only player in MLB history to do so. The Astros would go on to win 4-1 over the Rangers.

"It's weird, it's cool," Springer said about the stat. "I'm happy to set the tone right there for our team."

The Red Sox fell on some hard times, despite an inside-the-park homerun from Eduardo Nunez in the 2nd inning and a 4-0 lead entering the 8th inning. The Red Sox bullpen gave up six runs in the 8th, giving the Rays a 6-4 win.

Also having a rough day was two-time MVP Mike Trout of the Angels, who went 0-6 in a 6-5 loss to the A's. This is the first time in his career that Trout had at least six ABs and not had a hit in his career.

Rounding out the day was the Phillies dropping to the Braves 8-5, the Brewers winning 2-1 in 12 innings over the Padres, The White Sox with a dominating 14-7 win over the Royals, The Giants outlasting the Dodgers 1-0, the Diamondbacks winning at home over the Rockies 8-2 and the Indians losing in Seattle 2-0. The Pirates-Tigers and Nationals-Reds games were both postponed.



# Gem City History: 25 Quick Dayton Facts

Henry Wolski  
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For this week’s edition of Gem City History we’re gonna mix it up a bit. Instead of focusing on a single topic I’ll just throw some fast facts that are interesting enough to be need to know, but not long enough for a full fledged article.

So enjoy some rapid fire information from all time periods of Dayton history.

- 1) Dayton was located by colonists on April Fools Day. It was April 1, 1796 when Benjamin Van Cleve and 11 settlers discovered the Miami Valley.
- 2) Dayton was officially founded and colonized in 1805, seven years before Ohio would be ratified as a state.
- 3) Dayton is the sixth largest city in Ohio.
- 4) While Dayton might get snow every now and then, the city’s maximum single fall recorded was nine inches.
- 5) During the ice age, two thirds of northwestern Ohio was covered by glaciers. As the glaciers melted large ridges of sand and gravel, called eskers, formed by meltwater depositing sediment in cave systems below the ice. Eskers were prevalent in the area south of Carillon Park and have been an important source of sand and gravel for the Dayton area. Remnants of these eskers are visible as “The Bluffs” towering high over the south end of Carillon Park.
- 6) The city houses more than 900 churches representing all denominations.
- 7) There are 26 colleges in the Dayton area.
- 8) Dayton has the most inventions



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- per capita of any city in the nation.
- 9) The Civil War Soldiers Monument was unveiled in the middle of downtown in 1884, and still stands to this day. The crowd that turned out to attend the ceremony consisted of 100,000 people, a huge number compared to the actual population of Dayton, which was reported at 40,000.
- 10) The model for the monument was Pvt. George Washington Fair, a carpenter and bricklayer who was born in Dayton.
- 11) Wilberforce University, founded in 1856, is the country’s oldest private historically black university. It is named in honor of William Wilberforce, an 18th century abolitionist.
- 12) The world’s first speeding ticket was written in Dayton. It was written by the Dayton Police Department in 1904, according to the Dayton Police History Foundation. The ticket was issued to Harry Myers on West Third Street for traveling 12 mph.
- 13) Dayton is home to the first soap box derby race competition, held in 1933. They raced on Burkhardt Avenue, and the event was conceived by Myron Scott, a photographer for the Dayton Daily News. The attendance

- was estimated to be over 40,000 people.
- 14) Magician Harry Houdini made several stops to entertain Daytonians in the early 1900’s. One trick included hanging from the Dayton Daily News building by his ankles, and in another, he escaped from a box made by carpenters from the NCR company.
- 15) The Rolling Stones performed at Hara Arena in 1964, just two years after the band formed. They bombed and were panned by critics, with one from the Dayton Daily News mocking their “rag-tag” appearance, and describing the music as “their brand of noise.”
- 16) Dayton’s tallest building is the Kettering Tower, which was built in 1970. It has 30 floors and is 405 feet tall.
- 17) There are a few former Indian burial grounds located in the city: one at the corner of Water Street (now Monument Avenue) and Beckel Street (Beckel Street still currently exists in part, but no longer intersects with Monument Avenue), one on the Fairgrounds Hill, one on a knoll in Woodland Cemetery, one at the north end of the Dayton View Bridge, and one at the west end of the Third Street

- Bridge.
  - 18) Kettering Fairmont High School is attended by approximately 2,500 students, making it the sixth largest high school in Ohio.
  - 19) The Miami Valley Aquifer is estimated to hold 1.5 trillion gallons of clean water. This has led to an abundance of water that the city encourages local businesses to use and is a draw for new businesses to form. It’s most often used by the many breweries in town.
  - 20) While the Dayton Arcade is a shell of its former self, it used to be a major trading hub in its heyday. It had more than 200 vendor stalls, and for those who weren’t interested in buying the normal commodities like coffee, bread and ice could buy some exotic items such as Jamaican bananas, Messina lemons and parakeets and canaries.
  - 21) Many Fortune 500 companies were founded in Dayton, including Dayco, Delphi (previously Delco), Reynolds and Reynolds, the Mead Corporation, NCR, IAMS pet food and Huffy (maker of bicycles).
  - 22) The U.S. Air Force Museum is located in Dayton, and is the largest free admission museum in the country.
  - 23) Dayton hosts the HAMvention, which is the largest gathering of Ham radio enthusiasts in the nation.
  - 24) Dayton at one time had more auto workers than anywhere in the U.S. outside of Detroit and Flint, Michigan.
  - 25) Dayton is one of the few cities in the country that still utilizes an electric trolley bus system.
- These were 25 facts about Dayton you may or may not have heard of, but I hope you found out something new and had fun reading this edition of Gem City History.

## Here’s Henry: A political rant

Henry Wolski  
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One thing I can’t stand is debating politics with people. It’s kinda sad, but in this current political period most of the time you can’t talk about it for longer than two minutes before it becomes personal and your character starts being attacked.

No matter the platform, be it Facebook, Twitter, YouTube or Reddit, the comments section on any article or political piece will be a toxic wasteland of slurs, threats and vulgar language. I don’t know when or why this has

become the case, but it got especially bad around 2015 though (granted that’s when I got started really following news). Every discussion becomes an all or nothing situation where you’re either a stupid liberal with no concept of the real world or you’re a racist conservative with no empathy towards the plights of those less fortunate than you.

For example, especially since the Stoneman Douglas High School shooting, you cannot talk about gun control without it blowing up into a personal attack and a potential screaming match.

There are very few people sitting in

that middle ground that realize that not everything is black and white. Sometimes you have to have empathy but put things in practical terms as well to find a true solution to a problem.

It only highlights what I see as a major flaw of our political system, the two party system. By drawing a line in the sand, so to speak, people can excuse their behavior because they’re being loyal to their party. They have blinders in their minds that change their perspective and make everything the other party does seem wrong, and show theirs as the right thing.

This a major reason that in his farewell address published for his

citizens during the final days of his presidency, George Washington spoke about the dangers of establishing political parties.

“In contemplating the causes which may disturb our Union, it occurs as matter of serious concern that any ground should have been furnished for characterizing parties by geographical discriminations—northern and southern—Atlantic and western; whence designing men may endeavor to excite a belief that there is a real difference of local interests and views.”

“One of the expedients of party to acquire influence within particular districts is to misrepresent the opinions and aims of other districts. You cannot shield yourselves too much against the

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# Letter to the Editor: Israel and peace

*This letter is a follow up on Professor Finkelstein recent presentation on Gaza at Sinclair.*

Dear Editor,

As a faculty member at Sinclair, I believe it is incumbent upon educators to educate our students about global issues and the degree to which we interact with world affairs and conflicts. The subject about Israeli-Palestinian conflict is a significant one because of American interests in the region and the massive US support and aid to Israel.

Historically, both US media and foreign policy have been pro-Israel, and the Palestinian narrative has not been heard or given fair, equal, and balanced approach. I will start by stating facts (can be researched and verified through UN and International human rights organizations, publications and governmental sources), then followed by thoughts, opinion, and suggestions for conflict resolution.

Israel occupied the Palestinian West Bank territory (including Gaza and East Jerusalem) in 1967. Israel has not formally or legally annexed the Palestinian territories; as such, Palestinians never became Israeli citizens and found themselves living under Israeli military rules and laws. Israel launched an Apartheid and ethnic cleansing campaign depriving Palestinians from basic human and civil rights, driving them out of their ancient homeland.

Over the years, Israeli soldiers and armed Israeli settlers have systematically killed and injured thousands of Palestinians, demolished thousands of Palestinian homes, confiscated their lands, destroyed their farms and crops (uprooted thousands of acres of fruit and Olive trees). Israeli soldiers and armed settlers have carried out extrajudicial executions at military checkpoints. Thousands of Palestinian men, women, and children are held in Israeli prisons, subjected to systematic torture and inhumane treatment.

Palestinians are banned and need special permit to visit Jerusalem or Israel. Palestinians are banned from living in Israeli settlements and are prohibited from using same roads, highways, and airports that Israelis use. As Professor Finkelstein indicated in his presentation, some Israeli peace groups and soldiers gave testimonials about the brutality of Israeli oppression of Palestinians.

Israel occupation policies have crumbled the Palestinian economy. Palestinian unemployment and poverty rates are among the highest in the world. Israel built a segregation wall, enforces barriers and military checkpoints to disrupt the free movement of people, resources and goods, undermining infrastructure and socioeconomic development. Israel deprive Palestinians from using and receiving their fair share of water resources; Palestinians have to go hours and at times days without water or power. Israeli farmers are allowed to market and sell their crops in Palestinian markets; however, Palestinian farmers are not permitted to sell their crops in Israeli markets.

Supporting and financing occupation is illegal and immoral. As our tax money, military, political, and economic aid to Israel finance occupation make us complicit in the long standing Palestinian suffering. It is immoral, racist, and evil for companies, groups, and individuals who are profiteering or receive financial gains from the occupation. Boycott and divestment from the government of South Africa have helped ending the Apartheid and facilitated socioeconomic development of the country as nations and corporations increased their foreign investments. It can be argued that similar measures toward Israel can produce positive change.

I totally reject the notion that if you are critical of Israel then you are anti-Semitic! Nothing further from the truth. There are many notable and honorable Jewish individuals and groups who are critical of Israeli policies. On the contrary, it is an insult to the Jewish faith and Jewish moral tradition to equate Israeli oppressive policies as being Semitic!

Palestinians and Israelis deserve to have equal economic and political rights, to enjoy freedom and democracy, and to live in peace. Israel can choose to end the occupation and allow Palestinians to have their own independent Palestinian state as one path to solving the conflict; another potential path is for Israelis and Palestinians to live in one democratic state where everyone can enjoy justice, equality, liberty, and freedom as the core foundations for building peace.

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## A political rant

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jealousies and heart burnings which spring from these misrepresentations. They tend to render alien to each other those who ought to be bound together by fraternal affection.”

If our first president knew the danger political parties would cause, why do we still lean on them to decide our elections over 200 years later?

This political divide is also not helped by the fact that the media picks sides as well. Every site, channel and station has a bias, some larger than others. To get the real truth, you have to pick through both sides and see

what stays constant.

But how many people actually do that? Not enough, most likely.

Granted, it’s difficult and time consuming to do that and is an unnecessary amount of work to get this information. Especially when it’s from a medium that’s whole purpose is to be fast, simple and unbiased in the first place.

Furthermore and maybe most



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important, people are just stubborn. It’s in our nature. “I am right and you are wrong!” That’s why attempts to clear something up for a person by showing them the other side

of the argument will cause defensiveness. We don’t want to be wrong or look stupid.

These factors limit actual arguments and hinders people from talking through the facts and coming to a mutual understanding, which is the whole point of arguing. They aren’t

meant to end in name calling and bad feelings.

I don’t know what the solution here is. Do we just stick it out and keep pushing and making chinks in the armor of the person with 20 guns, a rebel flag and a MAGA cap who’s too proud and stubborn to admit they’re wrong?

Or do we sit through the temper tantrum and constant interruptions of the person who’s a vegan liberal that won’t rest until guns are banned from the face of the Earth?

Of course I’m exaggerating and using stereotypes of both sides here to prove my point, but in the end there are just some questions that don’t have an easy answer, or any answer. And the more questions you ask the fewer answers you’ll get.



# YAKUZA: THE SONG OF LIFE



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“Yakuza 6: The Song of Life” (called “Ryū ga Gotoku 6: Inochi no Uta” in Japan) is to be released worldwide on April 17, 2018. The release comes over a year after the original Japanese one, which came out on Dec. 8, 2016. It’s an action adventure video game that is developed and published by Sega for the Playstation 4.

The game was originally

free copies of the game were all revoked. The incident was properly rectified on March 19, 2018 when the real demo was re-released into the Playstation store.

The gameplay follows the same formula and set up as the previous installments. It takes place in an open world environment and is played in a third person perspective. As normal, exploration and over the-top arcade style combat are included. The player once again takes the

wheel as the main (and only playable) character: Kazuma Kiryu. The game has been given generally favorable reviews at this point, the lowest

about the life of a Yakuza. While struggling to find a platform for the project, it caught Sony’s eye.

The series focuses mostly on Kazuma Kiryu, a Yakuza of the Tojo clan. While he does odd jobs for the clan, he also is searching for another way of life in the form of raising orphans. The game revolves around either confronting enemies or doing various tasks to gain experience.

Since its release, the series has become a critical and commercial success. As of 2017, Sega has reported that over 10.5 million digital and physical copies have sold since its debut 12 years prior.

The mass sales in the original Japanese market even sparked expansions of the franchise into other mediums, including a film adaption in 2007.

“Yakuza” as a series, with its success, has never earned anything under a C across several gaming magazines. Magazines with 40 point scales have consistently given the games middle to upper scores in the 30’s, percentage based ratings are always above 76 percent and have been on the cusp of a B several times, and ones out of 100 have given nothing below a 75, a solid C.



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announced back at the Tokyo Game Show on Sept. 26, 2015. The release date was left ambiguous and only known as Autumn 2016, a prediction that ended up being false due to “Yakuza 6” coming out in the winter instead.

However, there was an error made on Feb. 27, 2018. Instead of the demo that was supposed to go up in Playstation stores, the entire game ended up being released for free. Upon discovering the mistake, the demos and

score overall landing at a 7 / 10 from Destructoid. The first week of its release in Japan ended with 218,168 copies sold. As of Dec. 23, 2016, “Yakuza 6” had sold nearly 50 thousand more between then and the original release. Combining these sales with ones from the rest of Asia, the game shipped over 500,000 copies across the continent.

The Yakuza series began back on Dec. 8, 2005. The series came from Toshihiro Nagoshi’s desire to make a game that would tell



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# Sea of Thieves

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If you have ever had the thought that being a pirate would be fun, the new game “Sea of Thieves” might be for you.

“Sea of Thieves” is an open world, massively multiplayer online (MMO) game that allows you to play as a pirate trying to get as much “booty” as possible by taking on quests called voyages.

There are three factions in the game, with each giving you different

mixed reviews, yet almost everyone has only good things to say about sailing in it. Sailing in the game is made to be as close to real life as possible, making you raise anchor, set sails and steer just like you would have as a pirate back in the early 1700’s. This also means that it’s best to set sail with a crew, rather than trying to go solo.

Every time you start the game it gives you the option to choose from two ships. The galleon is the larger of the two, made for a crew of four, and the sloop is the smaller ship, made

the ship moves with the waves is extremely tough. Having a crew that works well together is paramount in these battles.

The fighting is not limited to firing cannons at each other, and sometimes it’s best to abandon that route and try to take over the enemy ship instead. You do this by boarding their ship and killing their crew. To board another ship you could just try swim over to it and climb up, but it’s much more fun to fire yourself out of a cannon to land on their deck! Typically, though, your aim will be a little off and you’ll have to climb up anyways.

Combat on foot is also pretty fun. You have the choice of four weapons; a cutlass and three different guns. You can hold two at a time, and most players agree that the cutlass should be one of those. The three guns are the pistol, blunderbuss and the Eye of Reach, which is a rifle. Each gun can only hold five rounds, so you need to make them count.

“Sea of Thieves” may provide a lot of fun moments through this combat, but the game is lacking in many other aspects. When you first start playing, you are pretty much left to yourself to figure everything out as there is almost no tutorial to speak of. This can be frustrating as the mechanics of the game can be complicated.

This lack of direction alone is not enough to deter most gamers from playing, but when you add in the fact that

there is no story (and I mean absolutely none at all), the game starts to lose its appeal for many. You also need to be prepared to do the same things over and over again, as each voyage from a faction is going to be almost exactly the same task just in a different location.

The repetitive nature of the voyages, and having no storyline, make it hard to keep going back to play “Sea of Thieves,” but the game’s developer, Rare, has already promised new content very soon. Some of the content Rare has mentioned are minor, such as the ability to get pets and the possibility of limited-time events that will give exclusive rewards, but they have also promised larger content drops in the future.

In its current form, “Sea of Thieves” is considered by many critics an incomplete game. Even with a lack of content it is still quite entertaining, but if Rare does not hold up to the promise of more content the longevity of it comes into question.

Currently the best option to play the game is through Microsoft’s Game Pass. If you have Game Pass you can play “Sea of Thieves” for free, and if you don’t have Game Pass you can get a 14 day free trial. However, if you’re not set on playing it yet, you might want to wait to see what new content comes out first.



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types of voyages. The Gold Hoarders faction sends you out to look for buried treasure, the Merchant Alliance wants you to find supplies and deliver resources and the Order of Souls wants magical artifacts that are guarded by undead armies.

As you finish voyages for each of the factions you receive gold and gain levels with them, which opens up harder voyages that give more gold. This leveling system is unique as you don’t gain any new abilities, or even better equipment, as you level up. Currently all the gold you get can only be used to buy cosmetic upgrades for your ship, weapons and characters.

“Sea of Thieves” has received

for a crew of two. Each ship has pros and cons, so you should choose whichever fits the number of people you’re playing with. However, if you want a larger crew you can group up with random people in the game.

As you’re out sailing you will most likely run into other players. These encounters can be a chance to make new friends, but it’s more likely to turn into a battle.

Combat on the high seas is where this game truly shines. Not only do you have to keep control of the ship, but trying to hit another ship with your cannons is no easy task. You will have to grab cannonballs from barrels, then load the cannons before you can fire, and trying to aim while



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# Sinclair Cares Counseling Services

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and we wanted to make sure you knew about all the activities that will be happening on campus.

Campus & Community Green Dots

Wednesday April 4, 11am-1pm Rooftop Plaza:

Campus & community resource & awareness fair with information about how Green Dots can change social norms.

What's your Green Dot?

Wednesday April 18, 1-3pm at various campus locations Helping students, faculty, and staff identify what are their proactive Green Dots and how they can utilize the Green Dot 3Ds when needing to respond in Red Dot situations Sinclair Talks: Me Too presentation

Wednesday April 18, 3-4pm Building 8 stage

A Humanities and World Religions Professor at Sinclair gives a presentation on Me Too, sharing some of her own experiences, discussing the power of our collective voice and the importance of overcoming fear to tell our stories. Further support will be available from Sinclair Counseling Services.

Changing Campus Culture Climate Survey

Thursday April 19 via email

Please complete the survey to help the college understand student perspectives & experiences related to sexual misconduct. The information gained will be used to enhance education and prevention efforts of the College and strengthen existing services. Title IX and Counseling Services will have outreach tables located in the Tartan Marketplace on the following dates:

Tuesday April 3, 10-11 am

Wednesday April 11, 2-3 pm

Tuesday April 17th, 1-2 pm

Wednesday April 25, 10-11 am

Monday April 2, 9-10 am at the Englewood Campus

Wednesday April 4, 9-10 am at the Huber Heights Campus

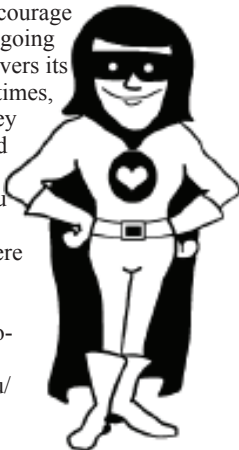
Please note, while building 10 is under construction our office will be located in 4331. Our phone number is the same, 512-3032. Please call us if there is anything that we can help you with.

Contributed by Emily Hudson

# Ombuddy Corner

This week the Ombuddy wants to encourage you to keep on trying even when the going gets tough. It's no secret that life delivers its fair share of rough patches and hard times, but pushing through them is a sure key to success. A famous author once said "Don't worry about failures, worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try." Keep pushing, and your day in the "big room" will be here before you know it.

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# Your Voice

Do you think your emails and stored computer data is for your eyes only?



Juan Encarnacion

“Yes, is nobody else’s business what I am doing unless a crime is committed.”

- Sarah Crosby  
Biology/PreMed

“Yes, they’ve always been able to get into our Cloud, email, etc. Just now, they can do it legally.”

- Beyonce’ Swanson  
Social Work



Juan Encarnacion



Juan Encarnacion

“Yes, what I put in my personal computer/email is personal. If I want to share it, I would post it in public.”

- Aja Howard  
Modern Languages

“No, if you put it on the internet you should know that everyone can see that, so, you should be knowledgeable of what you put on the internet.”

- Brooke Cyphers  
Liberal Arts



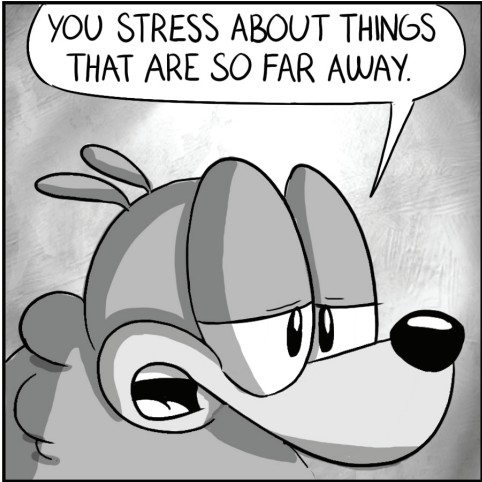
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## My Voice: The CLOUD Act and its ramifications

Kali Macklin  
Reporter

On March 23, 2018 President Trump signed a \$1.3 trillion government spending bill that will also affect the privacy of our content. Included in the omnibus 2,300 page document is the CLOUD Act, which permits police from other countries free access to our content without the requirement of obtaining a warrant.

CLOUD stands for Clarifying Overseas Use of Data. The U.S. president can sign “executive agreements” which allows both nations to retrieve data stored in the other country, regardless of privacy laws. These agreements do not require congressional review or approval.

The CLOUD Act was tacked on this bill and it was not passed by legislation. It was added to an ominous bill that is necessary to keep the government open. The bigger the

bill and the more it entails, the higher its chances of getting passed.

The way this works is if another country, say the United Kingdom wanted access to a U.S. citizen’s data content for a court case, they can have full access to whatever they need. UK officials can enter into an argument with the President, State Department or Attorney General which would grant the UK permission to directly contact companies such as Google or Facebook to request data stored in the U.S.

The way this used to work was that if the U.S. wanted access to content from overseas, they would have to sign a mutual legal assistance treaty (MLAT). With an MLAT nations put in writing exactly how they are willing to help each other with legal investigations. Then, the Senate voted on each MLAT and they were to receive a two-thirds approval to go in effect.

So, what does this mean for us?

It means our content is no longer as private as it used to be. Foreign police can wiretap people’s communication from U.S. companies and collect data without our citizens being notified. If criminal content is found, the foreign police can notify the U.S. police and charge a person with crimes without ever obtaining a warrant.



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The CLOUD Act was introduced to the Senate and the House of Representatives on February 6. This is just another situation where the citizens nor legislation was involved in the process.

This is said to be a good thing, because the classic MLATs could take nearly 10 months to pass and the CLOUD Act ensures quick recovery of data since no permission is required. This means that since data can be accessed easily, it can speed up the prosecution process. It allows countries to contact tech companies such as Facebook or Google and demand content.

However, the trade-in is our content privacy, which is basically nonexistent now. None of your personal messages or posts are

private anymore, so be extra mindful of the content you post.

This act is supposedly going to make our citizens safer, but how come no citizen was a part of this change? If a tech company wants to deny the government access, the government could threaten localization and pressure the company to turn over the information.

There are no human rights organizations supporting this act. The fact that a foreign government can access our content without even notifying the U.S. government is wrong and I believe this will cause problems in the future.



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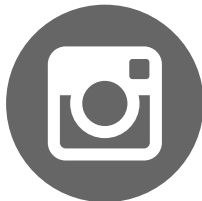
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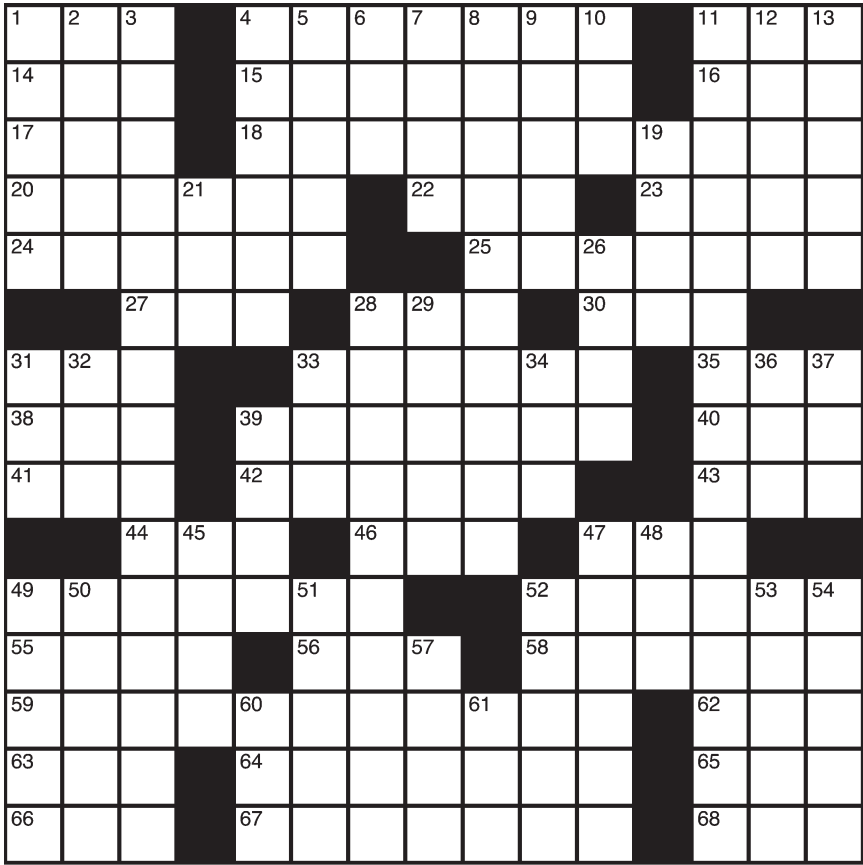
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Crossword Puzzle



- Across

1 Sound from Rover

4 Quite anxious

11 Canada's most populous prov.

14 Corporate VIP

15 Pudding choice

16 Canada's least populous prov.

17 Mess up

18 \*Sci-fi energy ray that grabs ships

20 Set of guidelines, as for grading papers

22 Big stretch of time

23 Pay to play

24 Tattle

25 Cheer on

27 \_\_\_ Moines

28 Hailed car

30 Sign before Virgo

31 "Then what happened?"

33 Sang 29-Down

35 Tattle

38 "Joltin'" DiMaggio

39 Puts in new film

40 "Dawg!"

41 Columnist Landers

42 Sees right through

43 Salt Lake City athlete

44 Family cat, e.g.

46 In medias \_\_\_

47 "Big Brother" channel

49 Soda can feature

52 Yacht spot

55 Word of lament for "poor Yorick"
- 56 \_\_\_-pitch softball

58 The "U" in "MVEMJSUN"

59 Small, influential group ... and a hint to the word hidden in each answer to a starred clue

62 Suffix with ranch

63 "Norma \_\_\_": Sally Field film

64 Witty remarks

65 ID on a W-9 form

66 Concorde, e.g., briefly

67 Martyred bishop of Paris

68 "Ha! Told ya!"
- Down
- 1 Taiwanese laptops
- 2 Syndicated sitcom, say
- 3 \*Sci-fi classic featuring Robby the Robot
- 4 Top stories
- 5 Durable wood
- 6 Mental health org.
- 7 Beans go-with
- 8 \*Vessels pulling water-skiers
- 9 Budget, in product names
- 10 Patriotic women's org.
- 11 \*Sign outside a new store
- 12 "That's awesome!"
- 13 Sometimes egg-

shaped kitchen gadget

19 Diminish

21 Numbered rd.

26 Auto pioneer

28 \*Unable to tell red from green, say

29 Without company

31 "How to Get Away With Murder" actress \_\_\_ Naomi King

32 "Smoking or \_\_\_?"

33 French "his"

34 Tokyo, once

36 Word after op or pop

37 Foot part

39 "Hud" director Martin

45 Ultimatum word

47 Tender touch

48 Sports \_\_\_

49 Socks from the dryer, hopefully

50 Radii neighbors

51 Fancy neckwear

52 Vitamin prefix

53 Rehab center staffer

54 Synchronously

57 "It's her \_\_\_": relationship ultimatum

60 NFL playmakers

61 Cheat

Poetry Pick

Just Woman!

By Artist known as JJ

Dont deprive the woman in me based on what you see.

See my apparell doesn't varify my womanhood.

Dig into my mind to understand whats misunderstood.

Phenomenal woman, phenomanally.

I am woman. Woman is me

Sudoku Puzzle

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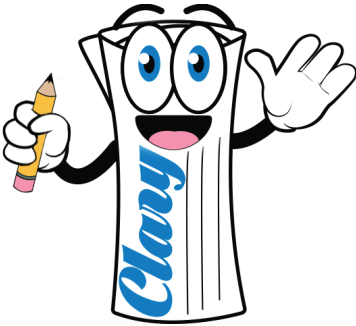
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Anamark Weekly Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Guest	Qdoba Mexican Grill	Lee's Famous Recipe Chicken	Panda Express	Gyro Palace	
Simmer	Hearty Chicken Gumbo/ Turkey Chili	Pasta Fagioli Soup/ Turkey Chili	Cheddar Bacon Potato Chowder/ Turkey Chili	Vegetable Rice Soup/ Turkey Chili	Lemon Garlic Chicken Soup/ Turkey Chili
Sizzle	Jalapeno Pepper Panini/ Moroccan-Spiced Grilled Chicken Sandwich	BBQ Turkey & Cheddar Melt/ Moroccan-Spiced Grilled Chicken Sandwich	All-American Garden-burger/ Moroccan-Spiced Grilled Chicken Sandwich	Italian Roast Pork Melt/ Moroccan-Spiced Grilled Chicken Sandwich	Grilled Cajun Salmon/ Moroccan-Spiced Grilled Chicken Sandwich
Pizzazone	Margherita Stromboli	Taco Whole Grain Pizza	BBQ Chicken Mini Rolletto	Grilled Vegetable Pizza	Sausage Pizza
Deli	Skyline Conneys/ Thai Chicken Wrap	Skyline Conneys/ Thai Chicken Wrap	Skyline Conneys/ Thai Chicken Wrap	Skyline Conneys/ Thai Chicken Wrap	Skyline Conneys/ Thai Chicken Wrap
Main St. Cafe	Homestyle Mashed Potatoes/ Sauteed Zucchini & Yellow Squash	Chili-Rubbed Spare-ribs/ Roasted Corn	Collard Greens	Buffalo Chicken Wings	

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Riddles

What walks on four legs in the morning? Two legs at noon? And three legs in the evening?

What gets wetter as you get dryer?

What starts with the letter "T" is filled with "T" and ends in "T"

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Horoscopes

**Aries: March 21 – April 19**  
Make plans and reservations for future travels and studies over the next few days. Organization now saves time, effort and money later. Envision and dream.

**Taurus: April 20 – May 20**  
Opposites attract. Support your partner with financial management. Review reserves, and stash provisions for the future. Stockpile and organize resources. Talk it over.

**Gemini: May 21 – June 21**  
Join forces to collaborate and update plans. Adjust to suit recent changes. Keep secrets and confidences. Share what you really want. Support each other emotionally.

**Cancer: June 22 – July 22**  
Plan your actions before taking them to avoid obstacles. Work has your attention. Keep your regular fitness routines for energy and stamina. Guard time for yourself.

**Leo: July 23 – Aug. 22**  
Relax, and take it easy. Plot some fun for after conditions improve. Work could interfere with play. Wait for a distraction to pass. Practice your arts.

**Virgo: Aug. 23 – Sept. 22**  
Settle into domestic comforts. Beautify your space, reduce clutter and raise peace of mind. Paint makes a big difference without breaking the bank.

**Libra: Sept. 23 – Oct. 23**  
Creative projects engage your attention. Determine expenses before committing to them. Get approvals for communications before making public statements you might need to correct.

**Scorpio: Oct. 24 – Nov. 21**  
Things could get profitable if you avoid expensive detours or distractions. Run into something you don't know how to do. Avoid impulsive reactions and consider.

**Sagittarius: Nov. 22 – Dec. 21**  
You've got confidence, but don't just power on blindly. Resolve misunderstandings before advancing. Take time for yourself. Outdoor recreation is within the realm of

**Capricorn: Dec. 22 – Jan.19**  
Rest, recharge and plot upcoming actions. Careful planning provides ease and peace of mind. Clarify to avoid miscommunications. Re-evaluate and consider practicalities.

**Aquarius: Jan. 20 – Feb. 18**  
Friends provide the missing link. Support a shared effort by making and keeping promises. Keep communications transparent and simple. Slow until everyone gets the plan.

**Pisces: Feb. 19 – March 20**  
Focus on professional goals. Use grace and diplomacy to diffuse a tense situation. Take things one step at a time. Slow and steady wins the race.

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# Honor Flight Dayton

Kelsey Fitzpatrick  
Reporter

On April 14 at the Dayton International Airport more than 110 veterans across the area will be returning from their visit to our nation’s capital. The veterans will have visited Washington, D.C. to see monuments with incredible impedance to them. Some of these veterans fought in wars like the Vietnam War, World War Two, and the Korean War.

These veterans do not know that when they return to Dayton International Airport, they will be greeted by nearly 700 patriots cheering them on and welcoming them home.

Often Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps, JROTC, from all over southern Ohio come in large details saluting them with color guards and banners. Local Boy Scout Troops come dressed in their uniforms, and a group, the Patriot Pin Up Girls, come wearing outfits that are themed around the 1950’s era.

The Honor Flight program has existed for 13 years this year. It began with Earl Morse, a retired pilot and physician,

who realized many of his patients were dying without getting recognized for their service. He proposed the idea of an honor flight and the rest is history. Today the program is nationwide.

Many veterans who go on these trips have memories of awful homecomings. Many were spit on, called names, and sometimes even physically attacked. Many veterans would choose not to wear their uniform home for fear of protest. This program gives them a second, more uplifting, welcome home.

While they are gone they spend one day visiting their memorials for the very first time. This event though needs help. Many veterans needs pushed in wheelchairs or help carrying oxygen tanks. The event is open to “guardians.” Visit the website at the bottom of this article to get more specific information on volunteering for this position.

The program works hard to get support there the night of their return for big welcome homes. Often times, some people cannot attend because the event occurs late into the night.

One way you can support is by



donating money. The program is completely free to all the veterans attending.

If you know a veteran who has served you can also submit names for people to attend these trips. Veterans who are terminally ill are given top priority, then it is first come first serve.

If you are curious about what veterans do while away on this trip you can visit [honorflightdayton.org](http://honorflightdayton.org) to get more information.

If you are interested in supporting at one of these events, the next honor flight is April 14 at 10:00 p.m. The program encourages attendees to come bearing banners, signs, and wearing red, white and blue outfits.


There are more honor flights scheduled as well for the 2018 year. All events are at 10:00 p.m. at Dayton International Airport and occur as follows: April 14, May 19, Sept. 8, and Oct. 27.

# Clarion Corrections

In the previous edition of the Clarion, there were some errors present in the article “Gem City History: Dayton’s Got the Funk.”

The Ohio Players first hit was called “Pain” and released as a single in 1972. Also, their 1974 hit was titled “Skin Tight,” instead of “Skin Deep.”

Finally, Roger Troutman and his brothers called Dayton their home but were born in Hamilton Ohio, which wasn’t stated in the article.




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