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Kent council split on Ward 3 candidates

■ WILSON, TURNER EACH RECEIVED DONATIONS FROM CURRENT, FORMER CITY LEADERS

By MIKE SEVER | STAFF WRITER

Current and former members of Kent City Council were choosing sides in the city's Ward 3 Democratic primary, according to election finance reports.

Incumbent Wayne Wilson, council's senior member, raised and spent \$2,531 in his unsuccessful bid to stay on council. The bulk of the money (\$1,368) came from donations of \$100 or

less at a fundraiser.

Wilson, who first was elected to council in 1991, lost to former Councilman Robin Turner.

Among Wilson's contributors were Mayor Jerry Fiala, Councilmen Roger Sidoti and Michael DeLeone, former Mayor John Fender and former Councilman Erik Valenta. Wilson spent \$1,987 on newspaper advertising, signs and campaign literature.

Turner, who resigned his at-

large council seat in 2012 and was mounting a comeback in the ward where he has been a longtime resident, raised \$1,790 for his campaign. He spent \$1,473 on newspaper ads, postage, signs and other printed materials.

Among Turner's donors were Councilwomen Melissa Long and Heidi L. Shaffer. Long defeated Turner in the 2013 primary for a council-at-large seat. Turner also was sup-

ported by former Councilman Rick Hawksley.

Former Mayor Kathleen Chandler, now a Portage County commissioner, donated to both Wilson and Turner. She defeated Turner in a run for Kent mayor years ago.

Others who contributed to Turner's campaign included Dr. Marlene Dorsey, a member of the Kent Board of Education, Christopher Mallin, a past candidate for county office, and Ravenna Township Trustee Henry T. Gibson.



TURNER



WILSON

In Kent's Ward 2 Democratic primary, neither candidate filed campaign expense reports, indicating they spent

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Suffield students finding the 'Leader in Me'

Elementary school gets grant to implement new leadership program in the fall

By KELLY MAILE | STAFF WRITER

School is out for the summer, but teachers and staff at Suffield Elementary School will give four days of their vacation in August to train to implement a new leadership program.

Suffield officially will become a Leader in Me school this fall, implementing the seven habits of healthy kids into the curriculum. Leader in Me schools draw from "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" by Stephen Covey and promote his leadership qualities among students. Those qualities are: Be proactive, begin with the end in mind, put things first, think win-win, seek first to understand, synergize, and sharpen the saw.

"My favorite habit is synergize because I like to work together in groups whenever I'm in school," said first-grader Andrew Hudson.

"My favorite habit is being proactive because you're being the boss of yourself," said Daniel Hudson.

Suffield Elementary is the recipient of a \$42,000 Leader.org grant, which will cover leadership training costs for the first three years.



Suffield Elementary LEAD groups met for the final time for the school year on Leader Day.

"We wanted to implement the Leader in Me program," said Suffield Elementary Principal Shawn Bookman. "It was quite costly. We didn't have the funds to do that. We've been waiting to hear back since April. We received word on our teachers' last work day. We are so excited. If we would have not gotten the grant we would not be doing this."

Through watching video clips on theleaderinme.org and visiting other Leader in Me schools, teachers and

staff learned about Covey's seven habits and how to implement them in the classroom.

"It is a language that our staff will use and integrate in everything that we do," Bookman said. "We have been studying the Leader in Me for the last couple years as a staff. We've been doing our own trial versions."

SEE LEADERS, A2

Streetsboro road project is moving forward

■ CITY SEEKING BIDS FOR ETHAN AVE. IMPROVEMENTS

By BOB GAETJENS | GATEWAY NEWS EDITOR

Streetsboro is ready to solicit bids to improve Ethan Avenue as part of the Philipp Parkway Extension project.

The project includes resurfacing, adding new curbs, gutters and a new traffic signal "to handle the volume of traffic we're going to have there" after the Philipp Parkway Extension is complete, said Joe Ciuni, who serves as the city's engineer.

Construction is a little more than halfway done on the new road which will connect Philipp Parkway to Ethan Avenue, which will provide truck traffic and workers a way to get from S.R. 43 industrial businesses to Interstate 480 and the Ohio Turnpike without cutting through the center of Streetsboro, said Mayor Glenn Broska.

The Ethan Avenue project will be paid for by a \$584,000 grant from Ohio Turnpike Mitigation Fund.

According to Broska, Ethan Avenue's improvements will bring it up to the same standard of the new

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GOOD MORNING

A special good morning to Record-Courier subscriber Frank Schaenck of Aurora



Crestwood valedictorian graduates twice

■ EARNS ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE FOR POST-SECONDARY WORK

By DIANE SMITH | STAFF WRITER

When Crestwood High School valedictorian Miranda Beatty walked across the stage at her high school graduation, she probably was one of the only members of her class who was participating in graduation for the second time this month.

Miranda got her high school diploma on June 4, three weeks to the day after she claimed an associate's degree from Cleveland State University. She has been a post-secondary student at Cleveland State for the past three years, and chose to fulfill her requirement by studying at CSU rather than a four-year

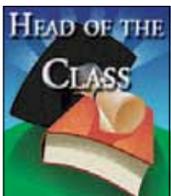
university, and earned 75 credit hours. Her years of post-secondary activity meant she wasn't very involved in high school activities, and limited her college activities to the Phi Theta Kappa honor society.

Her associate of arts degree means that when she goes to the Ohio State University this fall, it will take her only about two years to earn her bachelor's degree in psychology.

Miranda said she wants a psychology degree because she thinks it will serve her well in her eventual career as a lawyer.

"I want to work with children and work in the juvenile courts, helping kids that are in any kind of trouble," she said.

She said her aspirations don't stem from any situation she's been close to, nor a career path



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SEE GRAD, A3 Miranda Beatty is the Crestwood High School Class of 2015 valedictorian.

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