



FROM THE OFFICE OF
SUMMIT COUNTY PROSECUTOR
SHERRI BEVAN WALSH

A MESSAGE FROM PROSECUTOR WALSH
ARRIVE ALIVE FOR THANKSGIVING!

Each year around this time, as the temperatures cool and fall and winter begin to take hold, families look to spend time with loved ones for the holidays.

My mission as Summit County Prosecutor is to make our community safe. That includes doing what I can to help prevent tragedy. So once again I am teaming up with Summit County Sheriff Kandy Fatheree to provide FREE or reduced fare rides home for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Arrive Alive is back for 2022! I started the program in Summit County back in 2018 in an effort to keep drunk drivers off the street. Since the program began during the July 4th holiday in 2018, over 2,000 people have used Arrive Alive. The program provides up to a \$20 credit with LYFT for a ride home throughout Summit County.

Thanksgiving Eve is typically one of the top days of the year for drinking alcohol. In fact, the day is known as "Blackout Wednesday" where some people drink alcohol until they black out.

When people gather for the big celebration on Thursday, many will drink an adult beverage. I want to make sure they get home safely. And if you don't drink, I don't want a drunk driver to slam into an innocent person.

This Thanksgiving you might notice two things when you're out and about. Our Arrive Alive flyer has the special code, SUMMITTHANKS22, to input on the LYFT app. Those flyers will be at restaurants, bars, and businesses throughout Summit County.

We are also distributing coasters to bars and restaurants with a QR code. Just take your cell phone camera and point it at the code and then click on the link. The link will take you to our website with the flyer.



PROSECUTOR **SHERRI BEVAN WALSH** & SHERIFF **KANDY FATHEREE**
Present



ARRIVE ALIVE

Celebrate the holidays responsibly!
Have a designated sober driver or use **Arrive Alive**.

A FREE Ride Home in Summit County
From 6pm Wednesday Nov. 23 to 12pm Friday Nov. 25



Use **lyft** for a FREE ride home in Summit County (up to \$20) Use Code **SUMMITTHANKS22** (Limit 400 one-time use codes)

The life you save may be your own!

For more information contact:
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So please remember, if you are going to drink alcohol, get a designated driver. If you can't find one, use our Arrive Alive program to get home safely.

And as always, stay safe!

Sherrri B. Walsh



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IN THE COMMUNITY

The Summit County Prosecutor’s Office was busy during the month of October, spreading safety information throughout Summit County.

Prosecutor Walsh provided safety information to the Barberton Kiwanis. Those who attended were advised on how to avoid falling victim to certain crimes and scams.



Prosecutor Walsh reminded people to pay attention to their surroundings and to not answer the phone if you do not recognize the number.

Prosecutor Walsh spent time at Miami University, her alma mater, and spoke with about 100 members of the School’s Women In Law organization.

It was encouraging to see so many women interested in becoming attorneys.

The group’s mission is to provide tools, knowledge, and mentorship opportunities for undergraduate women pursuing a career in law.



Assistant Prosecutor Zachary Neumann participated in the Trails N Rails event to benefit South Street Ministries.

The Summit County Prosecutor’s Office was a proud sponsor of the 9th annual event. Participants rode bikes from Cascade Park through the towpath trail north to the Botzum Train stop.

Riders could then hop the train for a ride on the Cuyahoga Valley Scene Railroad.



CRIME & PUNISHMENT

TOUGH PROSECUTIONS

These defendants will be locked up for a lengthy period of time thanks to our dedicated Assistant Prosecutors:

Rochelle Paul, 38

- Murder
- LIFE IN PRISON

David Cole, 30

- Rape
- 25 to 30.5 YEARS IN PRISON



GUILTY VERDICTS

October 2022

Congratulations to the following assistant prosecutors for obtaining convictions at trial.

Rimma Avanesyan

Ben Carro

Greg Peacock

Brian Stano

GREAT JOB PROSECUTORS!



AVERY'S CORNER

EQUITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE

Sometimes, it lifts your spirits when you look good. And every time I go to my groomer, my spirits are lifted!

Thanks to Kelsey at Pet Supplies Plus for taking such good care of me.

Pet Supplies Plus provides all my grooming and nutritional needs—all for free!



There is no cost to the citizens of Summit County!

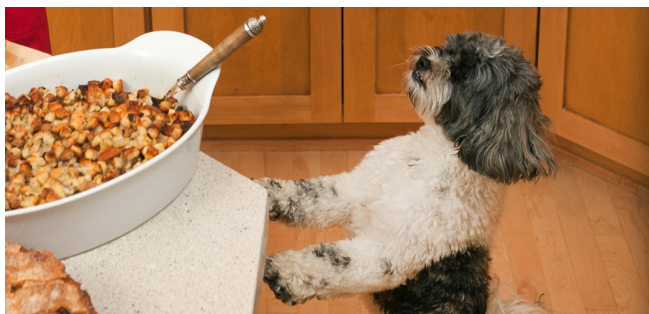
I love Thanksgiving. I get to see lots of my hooman friends. But the holiday can be dangerous for my furry friends.

Please remember to keep an eye on your pets when your hooman friends come over. The little ones might take off through an open door.

Plus, if your four-legged friend gets scared or anxious with lots of commotion, make sure they are in a safe place.

Also, although we love eating just about anything, be careful about what food drops on the floor. Certain foods can really make us sick—like chicken and turkey bones, gravy and other rich foods, nuts like walnuts and macadamia nuts. Also chocolate and coffee are big no-nos!

I want it to be a happy and fun time for all!



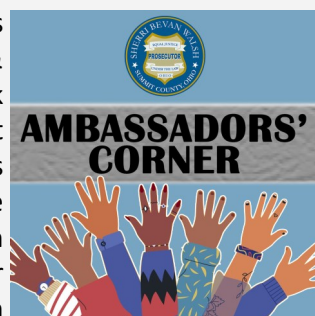
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The Summit County Prosecutor's Office "Ambassadors for Equity & Social Justice" was formed to work toward bringing people of different backgrounds and cultures together. Each month the Ambassadors share thoughts in making our community a better place to live. Here is an article from one of the group's members.



November is National Child Safety and Protection Month. We should recognize the fact that children the world over face numerous risks and possible abuses that are preventable if adequate attention is paid. Ideally, the home should provide children physical safety as well as resilience, self-confidence and social-emotional skills that would enable them to navigate the dangerous environments beyond the home. Unfortunately, this is not always the case as violence, substance abuse, and mental health problems are common risks at the family level that erode the family's ability to nurture their children and predisposes them to abuses both inside and outside of the home.

Children should be safe at home. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, on average, just over 12,000 children, from newborn to age 19, die each year in the United States from an unintentional injury. An estimated 9.2 million children annually had an initial emergency department visit for an unintentional injury. You can prevent some of these injuries by making sure your home is a safe environment for children of all ages.

Thousands of children are treated or hospitalized each year because of accidental poisonings within their own homes. Remember to keep cleaning supplies, medicines, garden chemicals, and toxic art supplies locked away or on a high shelf. Also, have the Poison Control Center's phone number readily available (1-800-222-1222).

Don't forget to check your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms. If you don't have a smoke alarm, check with your local fire department. Many provide smoke alarms for free.

Together we can work to make sure our children are safe.



Help Us Go Green!

Contact Melanie Hart at hart@prosecutor.summitoh.net to receive this newsletter by e-mail



TOP COP

AKRON POLICE DET. ED HORNACEK

NOMINATED BY ASST. PROSECUTOR JON BAUMOEL

In October of 2020, Terrian Wray violently settled a feud by shooting and killing Dee'arius Reese as Reese was trapped outside a locked door at an Akron area apartment. Akron Police found Reese dead on the inside steps of the apartment building.



In the midst of a chaotic scene, lead Detective Ed Hornacek immediately had to locate any eyewitnesses, and preserve a messy and confusing crime scene. Through those immediate interviews with witnesses, Det. Hornacek was able to determine a suspect, and put together a photo array to show a neighbor, who was the only witness to the shooting.

Det. Hornacek continued to search for more evidence. In videos obtained from the apartment building Det. Hornacek noticed an orange Toyota SUV speeding toward and away from the crime scene at the time of the shooting. Det. Hornacek and other officers located a witness who saw the

orange vehicle driving strangely. That witness ultimately saw a man with a gun get into the orange vehicle. Det. Hornacek was able to determine the owner of the orange vehicle and obtained a crucial statement from the driver implicating Terrian Wray.

Finally, after a key witness was killed in the case prior to the trial, Det. Hornacek obtained important cell phone tower records providing crucial information regarding Terrian Wray's location and contacts before, during, and after the killing of Dee'arius Reese. Det. Hornacek's actions helped us secure a conviction and find justice for the victim.

Terrian Wray is currently serving a life sentence with no parole eligibility.

Thank you Det. Hornacek!

GUN BUY BACK EVENT FREE SELF-DEFENSE

Summit County
GUN BUYBACK
AND SAFETY INITIATIVE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2022 - 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

AT THE
ARLINGTON
CHURCH OF GOD

539 SOUTH ARLINGTON STREET, AKRON

OPERABLE GUN - \$150 GIFT CARD
INOPERABLE GUN - \$25 GIFT CARD
Limit 3 guns per person

PLEASE UNLOAD GUNS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL
FREE gun locks and gun safety materials available

GIFT CARDS FOR IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

FREE WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASS

Sponsored by
Summit County Prosecutor
Sherri Bevan Walsh
and
Cuyahoga Falls Mayor
Don Walters
with Certified Instructor
Chad Cunningham

FREE!

Tuesday, November 29, 2022
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
The Natatorium
2345 4th St.
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221

Learn simple techniques that could save your life!

- Verbal techniques
- Free yourself from a choke-hold
- Learn the wrist breakaway
- Escape if pinned to the ground
- Practice kicks and slaps

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NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED!

WHY I'M A PROSECUTOR

JAKE LEIBAS

"Why I'm A Prosecutor" gives our prosecutors the chance to tell their own story and why being a prosecutor is so important to them.

Jake Leibas, an assistant prosecutor in our Juvenile Division, talks about why being a prosecutor is so important to him.



• WHY DID YOU BECOME A PROSECUTOR?

I became a prosecutor because during law school I interned in the legal department at Summit County Children Services. While working there, I saw case after case where children in the community were experiencing very traumatic events that were beyond their control. That experience made me want a career where I could play a role in achieving protection for those who don't have the capacity to do so themselves. I knew that becoming a prosecutor would give me an opportunity to do that.

• WHAT'S THE BEST PART OF BEING A PROSECUTOR

The best part about being a prosecutor, especially in the child protection unit, is reaching the end of a case helping the kids get in a comfortable and happy environment. It's fulfilling when you no longer have concerns that the kids are going to worry about their future.

• WHAT'S THE MOST DIFFICULT PART OF BEING A PROSECUTOR?

Seeing repetition among families who have come through the system. Those situations are always sad to see because you know that the first time was already intimidating and confusing enough for the kids, and now they have to start from scratch and experience it again.

You can watch Jake's complete video on our website, Facebook and YouTube page.

BARBERTON NAACP

Thank you to the Barberton chapter of the NAACP for a wonderful evening at their 45th annual Freedom Fund dinner.

We were proud sponsors of the event and happy to attend.

Assistant Prosecutors John Galonski, Tania Nemer and Katie Tomko were joined by legal secretary Judith Lynn Lee and Ophelia Averitt, coordinator of the dinner.



FAITH & BLUE

The Summit County Prosecutor's Office was honored to take part in the Summit County Sheriff's Office's 2nd annual Faith & Blue event.

The free event brought together members of the community, faith based organizations, and law enforcement.

Faith & Blue's mission is to help build stronger, and safer communities



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