

Business Briefs

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(Photo: Submitted)

Newtown promoted at Century National

ZANESVILLE - Jason Newton of Century National Bank has been promoted to banking officer.

Newton joined the bank in June 2013 and was last promoted to manager of the Brandywine office in October 2017. He's a graduate of Zanesville High School and has a bachelor's degree in business and accounting from Muskingum University.

Houser becomes director at Rea & Associates

ZANESVILLE - Doug Houser of Granville has become the director of construction and real estate services at the Zanesville office of Rea & Associates, a regional accounting and business consulting firm.

He has a bachelor's degree in accounting from Wittenberg University and a master's degree from Ohio State University. He brings more than 20 years of public accounting and commercial banking experience to his new position, including experience in the private sector as a chief financial officer.

Trucker honored for safety milestone

ZANESVILLE - Michael L. Williams of Zanesville has been honored for 28 years of safe, accident-free driving of a commercial tractor-trailer by the Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association.

OOIDA started in 1973 and has 158,000 members across the U.S. and Canada. Member drivers are available for a safe driving honor based upon the number of years they've operated a commercial vehicle without being involved in a preventable accident.

JD Equipment acquires Cahall Bros.

LONDON - JD Equipment has acquired two Cahall Bros. locations in Georgetown and Flemingsburg, Kentucky.

The company took over the John Deere dealerships on June 7. Dan Hodges will manage the Georgetown store and Todd Hickerson will manage the Flemingsburg store.

This adds to the stores JD Equipment has in London, Washington Courthouse, Marion, Lancaster, Hilliard, New Albany, Wilmington and Zanesville.

Insurance agency expanding

COLUMBUS - AAA Ohio Auto Club has merged with McKee-Treadway Insurance Agency with offices in Zanesville and Newark. The merger expands the number of insurance carriers available to local customers and the locations will soon also offer AAA services.

Both offices will maintain their current names, locations and employees. The Zanesville office is at 601 Market St. and can be reached 740-452-2735.

Helen Purcell executive earns certification

ZANESVILLE - Melissa J. Miller, director of Resident Health and Administrative Services at Helen Purcell, has completed the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners program and received credentials as a Certified Dementia Practitioner.

Miller is a graduate of Ohio University as a registered nurse and has been at Helen Purcell for 31 years. The assisted living retirement community at 1854 Norwood Blvd. opened in 1885.

Electric Cooperative has meeting

NEW CONCORD - The Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative recently held its 81st annual member meeting at Larry Miller Intermediate School in New Concord.

Incumbents Brian Hill and John Enos were re-elected to the board of trustees to represent District 1 and 4, respectively. Jeff German, with 31 years of service, and Beth Motta, with 26 years of services, retired as trustees in the past year and were recognized for their service.

Operation Helping Others community service fund has donated approximately \$345,000 to local charitable causes since 1999.

For 2017, the cooperative returned \$953,000 in capital credits to members, the largest amount in the cooperative's history. The Renrock substation was put into service last year and the cooperative has invested \$4.2 million in improvements and maintenance, including inspection and treatments of more than 5,000 poles in the distribution system.

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