



A legislative update from  
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Dear Neighbor,

Happy Holidays! We wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, and a joyful holiday season!

Our office has continued to work hard for Northwest Ohio this year. We hope that the people we represent are proud to have a Representative that advocates for ways to improve the lives of everyone in District 44 and the state as a whole.

Please allow this legislative update to provide insight on some of the work that we have been doing for you. Over the past month we have been hard at work in committee and session, researching legislation, and attending national and regional conferences to learn about policy ideas from throughout the country.

If there is anything my office can do, please reach out to us by email at [Rep44@Ohiohouse.gov](mailto:Rep44@Ohiohouse.gov) or by phone at (614) 466-1401. Please contact my office with any questions, comments, or concerns.

Sincerely,

Elgin Rogers, Jr.



We wish a very happy birthday to everyone who celebrated a birthday during the month of November. We would like to give special recognition to our seniors who have recently celebrated a birthday. Judithe Bee, Minnie Linzy, Ovella Kelley, Jaunita Terrell, and Damarion Gregory all recently celebrated 90+ years of life!



I wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable holiday season! This is a special time of the year to celebrate our faith and community spirit.



Tracy Cartwright and Michael Reynolds from the National Association of Financial Investors Ohio





## November Highlights

The legislature considers a wide variety of issues that will, for better or worse, have substantial impacts on Ohio and its citizens. Since our decisions make significant impacts, it is important to dedicate time to researching and considering the issues at hand. Over the past month I took time to make several visits to Seneca County on behalf of my constituents and the House Energy and Natural Resources committee to see the arguments being made for and against Senate Bill 119 first-hand. Senate Bill 119 is currently in the House’s Energy and Natural Resources Committee, of which I am the Ranking Member. This legislation, if passed, will impact all of Ohio, specifically Ottawa County, Sandusky County, and Seneca County.

Last week was a great week at the Statehouse. We had the opportunity to have our first and second hearing on House Bill 302 in the House Homeland Security Committee. House Bill 302 would provide support to the Scott High School learning community.

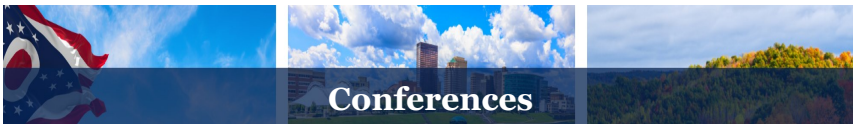
We also had the opportunity to greet and welcome faculty and students from Kent State University at the Statehouse. Some of the students were exchange students from Africa representing Kent State’s Department of Africana Studies.



Seneca County site visit



Members of the Scott High School Community at the Statehouse



## Conferences

I recently was able to represent the legislature, the State of Ohio, and the great people of District 44 at several national and regional conferences. I attended the Council of State Governments' National Conference, the National Black Caucus of State Legislators’ Annual Legislative Conference, and the Council of State Governments’ Midwest Energy Workforce Meeting.

I had the opportunity to sit on various committees to listen and provide input on a wide variety of issues and engage in many productive professional development opportunities. Some of the topics discussed in committees and sessions included: workforce issues, education, healthcare, and much more.

These conferences are great opportunities to meet with elected leaders from across the nation and discuss common challenges and opportunities that exist to address these challenges in our respective states.

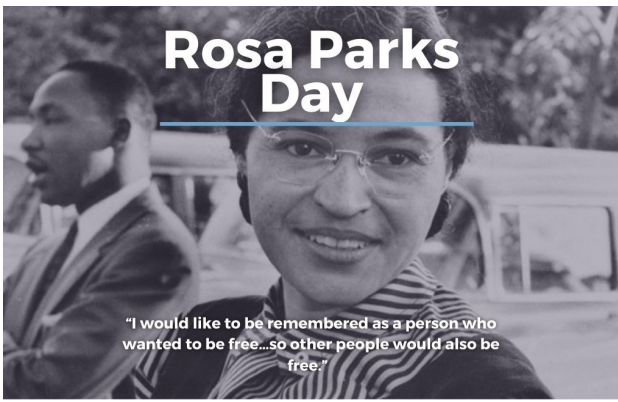


Scott HS Community

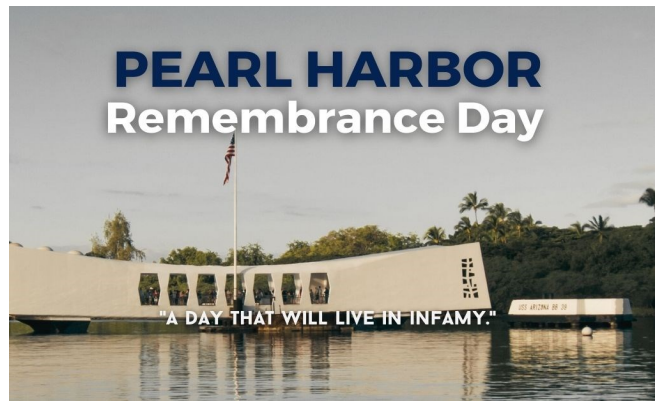


Kent State University

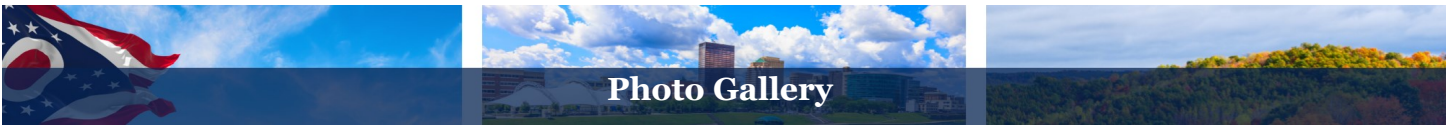




December 1st was Rosa Parks Day. Beyond her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott, Rosa Parks was a fearless champion for civil rights, equality and justice for all. Today, Ohio recognizes Rosa Parks Day in honor of the legendary civil rights leader.



On December 7th, we remember the attack on Pearl Harbor, honor the more than 2,400 service members and civilians we lost on that “date which will live in infamy,” and recommit ourselves to caring for our veterans and their families.



Youth Men’s Day at Second Baptist Church



Students from Miami University on their day at the Statehouse



Always happy to meet new people! With fellow Ohioan Cindy Flaherty in Nashville during the National Black Caucus of State Legislators’ Annual Legislative Conference



Kathleen Mattimoe with Toledo Public Schools