



Dear Neighbor,

Happy spring! We began the month of April by hearing the Governor’s 2024 State of the State address. We are hard at work to guarantee that Ohioans are supported and have the ability to thrive here in Ohio.

The start of baseball season is a great indication that summer is right around the corner. I had a great time recently at Toledo Mudhens opening day. The Mudhens are doing great work and I wish them the best of luck this year!

On the day of the Governor’s State of the State Address, we were pleased to host Northwest Ohio Day at the Statehouse. Northwest Ohio Day at the Statehouse offered a great opportunity for citizens of Northwest Ohio to learn first-hand about our state government. Attendees met with my staff and I, toured the Statehouse, and had the option to watch the Governor’s address from the Statehouse Museum Gallery.

The week of April 15th—19th was National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week. We were thankful to be able to contribute to that week with resolutions and commendations recognizing the week in Ohio and the work of the Ohio Laborers and by participating in the Ohio Laborers Work Zone Safety Awareness Week kickoff event. It is imperative that everyone do their part to protect our workers by moving over and slowing down when in a work zone. That is why I have co-sponsored HB 429 in an effort to improve construction zone safety for our workers.

Sincerely,

Elgin Rogers, Jr.



Mr. Dickey’s Northwood High School class on Northwest Ohio Day at the Statehouse



Ohio Laborers Work Zone Safety Awareness Week kickoff event



GACC Smart Grid Trip

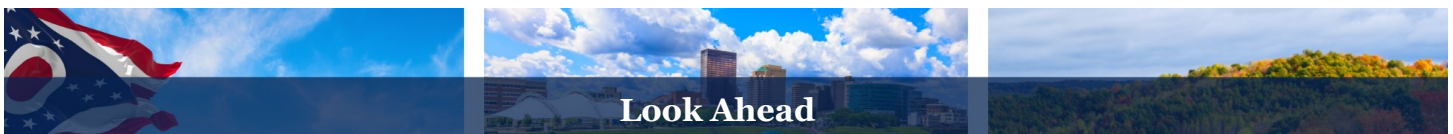
I recently had the honor of being selected as a delegate for the German American Chamber of Commerce's (GACC) Smart Grid Trip to Germany. The delegation was comprised of industry experts, government officials, and experts from the GACC. The trip featured a variety of briefings on electricity and other energy infrastructures in Germany and how they may be applicable to the United States' energy system, opportunities to discuss practices from around the world with industry experts, site visits to examine what the practices discussed look like on the ground-level, meetings with officials at the US Embassy in Berlin and German leaders, and networking opportunities with business leaders who are interested in investing in Ohio. The trip was a great opportunity to learn about how a similarly positioned country intends to plan for the future of their electricity grid as a key part of national energy policy.

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to Peter Garforth and the team at Garforth International for their assistance in preparing me for the GACC trip. I met with Peter and his team to discuss and preview some of the practices that were the center of attention of the trip, and their insight was greatly helpful.



Rogers' Corner

This month for Rogers' corner, we would like to take some time to recognize a business that is doing good for our community. This month we would like to recognize The Sojourner's Truth, a Northwest Ohio weekly newspaper serving the African-American community. Since their founding in 2002, they have grown to over 70,000 regular readers. The work of the Black press is vital to our democracy and the communities that they serve, and that is why we are happy to recognize and thank The Sojourner's Truth this month. Additionally our office has sponsored legislation to designate Ohio Black Media Week during the week of March 16th to ensure that the work of the Black press is properly recognized every year.



Look Ahead

Here are some events that we are looking forward to over the coming month:

- Glass City Marathon—Sunday, April 28th finishing inside of the University of Toledo Glass Bowl Stadium
- Representative Rogers Community Meeting—Saturday, May 11th at 1pm at the Oregon Branch Library (3340 Dustin Road, Oregon, OH 43616)
- The Biggest Week in American Birding—May 3-12 in Oak Harbor, Ohio
- First Siege of Fort Meigs 1813 reenactment—May 25th and 26th at Fort Meigs (29100 W River Rd, Perysburg, OH 43551)
- Keep an eye out for additional Community Meetings with Rep. Rogers that are in the works for Toledo Lucas County Library Branches: Point Place, Mott, Kent, and Reynolds Corner

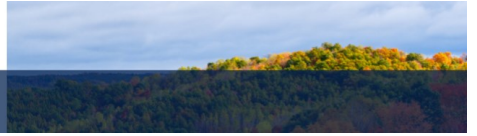


Photo Gallery



On the House floor with our intern within the office, Rayvon Braziel and local high school student after the Governor's State of the State Address



The Bundestag in Berlin, Germany



With our intern Rayvon after the State of the State



The GACC's Smart Grid Delegation



Kevin Jorrey from the Toledo Diocese joined us with a group on a visit to the Capitol

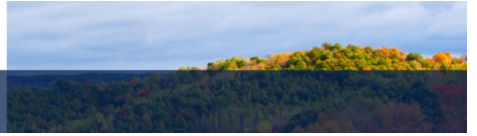


Photo Gallery



Mr. Edward B. Dixon's 80th birthday. Mr. Dixon is the former Scott High School band director



Lucas County Engineer Mike Pniewski, his wife Michele, and Ruby Jarrell—the wife of the late County Engineer Keith Early