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Weekly Specials from Kierston's Coffee Stop -- For June, July and August, the following weekly specials will be available at Kierston's Coffee Stop: Tuesdays \$1.50 iced coffee; Wednesdays, \$1.50 Chai Tea (hot or cold); Thursdays, \$2.75 Smoothies, Frappes, Milkshakes, and Strawberry Lemonade; Fridays, \$4 Iced Turtle Lattés and Tuesdays-Saturdays, \$3.50 small iced or hot coffee and a muffin from 7:30-10 a.m. Kierston's is located at 12 S. Main St. in West Alexandria.

Preble County District Library Announces COVID-19 Archival Project, Seeks to Preserve Local History

The Preble County District Library is asking members of the community to share their stories, pictures, experiences, and more of their life during the Coronavirus pandemic. Submissions will be accepted online (<https://bit.ly/COVIDpcdl>) (case-sensitive) and will be added to a physical book, which will be made available for public viewing at the Preble County Genealogy Room once the library reopens. Submissions can also be submitted on paper. Contact the PC Room to arrange pickup of the paper form. The library and the PC Room are closed to the public until further notice. At this time the PC Room is currently accepting research requests via phone and email only.



Pictures of signs, inside stores, special events, community events, and anything similar pertaining to COVID-19 and its effects in Preble County is the primary focus of this project. The archival project is not limited to just pictures; journal entries and diary entries of Preble County citizens are also a fantastic addition to our project as well as recipes, first-hand stories, screenshots of social media posts, captures of classroom work given online, daily schedules of parents working from home, or even videos or recordings of events, classes, etc. from the community that show changes in society due to the virus.

Participants have the option of uploading photos, written stories, and/or audio recordings of up to 30 minutes in length. Questions should be directed to the Preble County Genealogy Room at 937-456-4970 or pcroom@preblelibrary.org. PC Room staff members are happy to offer more information and answer any questions, Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. A printable submission form can be found [HERE](#).

June 10 reopenings permitted

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine released information yesterday afternoon regarding the reopening of additional facilities including certain entertainment facilities, with health and safety restrictions.

"As I've said, Ohioans are able to do two things at once. We can continue to limit the spread of COVID-19 while we safely reopen our economy. It is up to each of us to do what we can to keep each other safe and choose to keep six feet of social distance, wear masks, and maintain good hand hygiene." DeWine said in a press release. "The threat of COVID-19 remains and while it's our responsibility to keep each other safe, business owners and employees should do their part to ensure customers visit safely, by cleaning and sanitizing surfaces regularly."

Day camps and residential camps may open at any time. Entertainment venues listed below may open beginning Wednesday, June 10 if they are able to follow Retail, Consumer, Service & Entertainment Guidelines and other applicable additional guidance: aquariums, art galleries, country clubs, ice skating rinks, indoor family entertainment centers, indoor sports facilities, laser tag facilities, movie theaters (indoor), museums, playgrounds (outdoor), public recreation centers, roller skating rinks, social clubs, trampoline parks and zoos.

The Retail, Consumer, Service & Entertainment Guidelines can be found [HERE](#). Additional sector specific operating requirements can be found [HERE](#) as well.

Coming up next:



Chamber Energy Program: Our partners at Community Energy Advisors are scheduled to speak with our members on Tuesday. Many business owners are struggling to cover their bills and are asking for help and wondering what they can do. We offer the Chamber Energy Program to our members to help reduce their utility costs. On average, members are saving 15-20 percent. Learn how to reduce your costs so you can immediately put money back into your business! Join us from the comfort of your own home or office to learn more about this program, Tuesday, June 9, at 2:30 p.m. **Register [HERE](#)** .

Find additional resources & upcoming meetings at

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