

Yiddish Fiddler on the Roof Extends Again

The off-Broadway production is directed by Joel Grey.

Author Bethany Rickwald

Locations Off-Broadway September 20, 2018



Raquel Nobile, Rosie Jo Neddy, Rachel Zatcoff, **Stephanie Lynne Mason/ Stephanie Iannarino '05**, and Samantha Hahn in a scene from Fiddler on the Roof.

The National Yiddish Theatre Folksbiene has announced that it is extending its Yiddish-language Fiddler on the Roof for 14 more performances. The production, presented with English and Russian supertitles, has already been extended twice since its July 4 debut, and will now play through November 18. In addition to the extension, there will be a special event to mark the 104th show — celebrating NYTF's 104th season — on November 10 at 7pm that includes champagne and dessert reception.

Directed by Joel Grey, Fiddler on the Roof is executive-produced by Chris Massimine. Sheldon Harnick, the musical's lyricist, and Harold Prince, the musical's original director, serve as consultants on the project.

Featuring a book by Joseph Stein and a score by Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick, Fiddler on the Roof is inspired by Sholem Alecheim's stories of the milkman Tevye, who tries to hold on to "tradition" as the world around him and his family in the little village of Anatevka changes. The Yiddish translation was crafted by Israeli actor-director Shraga Friedman in 1965 and made its world premiere in Israel more than 50 years ago.

Steven Skybell leads the cast as Tevye alongside Jackie Hoffman as Yente and Jennifer Babiak as Golde. They are joined by Joanne Borts as Sheyndl/Understudy for Yente, Fruma-Sarah, Grandma Tzeitel; Doug Chitel as Understudy for Mendel, Avrom, Nokhum/Mordkhe, The Rabbi and The Constable; Michael Einav as

Ensemble/Understudy for Motel Kamzoil, Perchik, Fyedka and The Rabbi; Lisa Fishman as Grandma Tzeitel/Understudy for Golde and Sheyndl; Lydia Gladstone as Grandma Tzeitel/Understudy for Golde and Sheyndl; Jessica Rose Futran as Ensemble/Understudy for Tzeitel, Hodel and Chava; Kirk Geritano as Avrom; John Giesige as Male Swing; Josh Kohane as Male Swing; Abby Goldfarb as Female Swing; Maya Jacobson as Bielke; Cameron Johnson as Fyedka; Ben Liebert as Motel Kamzoil; Moshe Lobel as Nokhum/Mordkhe; **Stephanie Lynne Mason/ Stephanie Iannarino '05** as Hodel; Rosie Jo Neddy as Chava/Dance Captain; Raquel Nobile as Shprintze; Jonathan Quigley as Dancer/Ensemble/Understudy for The Fiddler; Nick Raynor as Yussel/Dancer/Ensemble; Grant Richards as Yussel/Dancer/Ensemble; Bruce Sabath as Lazar-Wolf (Company); Drew Seigla as Perchik; Adam B. Shapiro as The Rabbi/Ensemble/Understudy for Tevye and Lazar-Wolf; Jodi Snyder as Fruma-Sarah/Ensemble; James Monroe Števkó as Mendel; Lauren Jeanne Thomas as The Fiddler; Bobby Underwood as The Constable/Ensemble; and Rachel Zatcoff as Tzeitel.

The production features scenic design by Beowulf Boritt, costume design by Ann Hould-Ward, choreography by Staś Kmiec, lighting design by Peter Kaczorowski, sound design by Dan Moses Schreier, hair and wig design Tom Watson, and musical direction and conducting by Zalmen Mlotek. The creative team also includes Merete Muenther (assistant choreographer) and Matthew (Motl) Didner (assistant director).

Readers pass along memories of visiting all 50 states

The Columbus Dispatch

Posted Sep 23, 2018 at 5:01 AM

Steve Stephens is the Dispatch travel writer.

During the summer, I wrote about visiting all 50 U.S. states and the Best for Last Club in Fargo, North Dakota.

For many travelers, it seems, the Peace Garden State is the last stop on the list of 50. The Fargo-Moorhead Visitor Center in Fargo gives new members of the club a goody bag of souvenirs and features him or her on its Facebook page.

Several readers emailed their own memories of hitting the big 5-0. Today, we highlight a few:

A hero's welcome

Michael Hallet '70 and his wife, Joyce, were in Minnesota when she decided to surprise him with a quick side trip to North Dakota, his 50th state, he writes.

Like other new members of the Best for Last Club, Hallet, 66, a New Albany resident, received the royal treatment in Fargo. Hewas interviewed and photographed by a Fargo newspaper and was treated as a celebrity at a county fair there.

“The people of Fargo were extremely friendly,” he reports.

Doubly fun

North Dakota was also the only state lacking for Heath resident Carol Hill, who discovered that the state would also finish up the set for a fellow member of her church, Kathy Mehler.

The two decided on an impromptu road trip. And, instead of making a brief hop across the border, Hill and Mehler spent several days in North Dakota, riding an antique trolley in Mandan to Fort Lincoln State Park, touring the Knife River Indian Villages National Historic Site, attending the famous Wild West-themed outdoor musical variety show in Medora and exploring the magnificent badlands of Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

“We started out as acquaintances but became great friends with wonderful memories,” writes Hill, 80.

A family milestone

Jeff Ruth, 65, of Marion and his 33-year-old son, Bryan, of Westerville were both stuck at 48 states when they decided that an Ohio State road game would be a great way to hit 50.

“We got the last two states together,” writes the elder Ruth.

In 2016, the father-and-son flew from Columbus to Wichita in Kansas (state No. 49) and then drove a rental car to Norman in Oklahoma (state No. 50) for the Buckeyes football game on the campus of the University of Oklahoma.

An impressive run

One of the most impressive 50-state stories came from Terry Pescosolido, a retired computer programmer who lives near Hilliard.

Pescosolido, 62, has not only visited every state but also has run a marathon in each.

He began his quest in 2003 when he discovered a website dedicated to runners shooting for the goal, he writes.

At that point, he had run marathons in just three states, but he jumped into the pursuit in a big way. With encouragement from his wife, Karen Lucas, he signed up for the Honolulu Marathon that December — and, from there, was off and running.

“Over the next seven years, all our vacation time was used to travel to marathon events and see sights in the states visited,” he writes.

During his quest, Pescosolido ran as many as 10 marathons a year. He hoped to finish at the 2010 Boston Marathon but was shut out of registration for that year’s race.

Instead, he ran the Cape Cod Marathon in Massachusetts that October and, at the Manchester City Marathon in New Hampshire the next month, hit state No. 50.

“New Hampshire will always hold a special place in my heart,” he writes.

The big 5-0 usually does.

Columbus Academy Roundup: Facciolla winding down illustrious career as AD

By FRANK DIRENNA

THISWEEKSPORTS.COM

Posted Sep 17, 2018 at 1:36 PM

Updated Sep 17, 2018 at 5:06 PM



Gazing out his office windows at the Columbus Academy campus, **Dominic Facciolla P'13** can't help but reflect on his 20 years as athletics director.

He has seen numerous teams and individuals capture state championships, and he has fostered a culture in which administrators, teachers, coaches, student-athletes and parents all feel like members of an extended family.

But after two decades of leading the Vikings on a prosperous course, Facciolla has decided to retire. He announced last month that this would be his final school year.

"It was basically a gut feeling and intuition to say it's time," Facciolla said. "This is my 20th year at the school, close to 40 in education. ... Every day I pull up and see how beautiful this campus is and it's stunning. I feel lucky to have worked here for 20 years. It's a great school in every way."

Part of that greatness, according to Facciolla, is how everyone at Academy works together to achieve goals. That camaraderie helped create his leadership style.

"There's a culture among the students, parents and coaches," he said. "There's a similar culture where effort is everywhere. Kids come here and everybody works hard. They try hard whether it's the classroom or the athletic fields. It's just a culture where everybody gives their best. You work for the coaches; you try and complement what they do. That's my job."

By having his finger on the pulse of the school, Facciolla has earned the respect of coaches and students.

"(Facciolla's retirement is) a massive loss," boys basketball coach Jeff Warstler said. "He's too humble. He's the consummate professional times 10. He understands professionalism to a T. He's been a huge mentor for me, for all of us. We really value what he thinks and the way he goes about things. He's classy. He's super family first."

One of the many highlights during Facciolla's tenure is the football team winning the Division V state title in 2003 under coach **Mark Barren '78**.

Barren also is part of Facciolla's saddest moments. He died in 2011 after suffering a heart attack while jogging near his home in Worthington.

Under Facciolla, the Vikings have earned team state titles and runner-up finishes in eight sports, with 2005 being the lone year a team did not finish first or second in the state.

The field hockey team has won 10 state titles, with the most recent coming in 2013. That team is coached by Anne Horton, who also is an assistant athletics director at the school.

“The one thing when Dominic came in and took over is his best interest is what’s best for these programs. That’s what’s made him so well-loved and respected by all of the coaches here,” said Horton, who also coaches the girls lacrosse team. “He’s here for us and that’s what’s made him so special. ... He allows and empowers the coaches to be able to stretch their wings as they lead the programs.”

The boys track and field team won Division III state titles in 2012 and 2013 with Facciolla’s son, Dominic, being a key member of both squads.

Football coach Robin Miller, who is in his fourth season, appreciates Facciolla giving him the opportunity to guide a program for the first time.

“It’s going to be a tough job to fill,” Miller said. “He’s just unbelievable at his job and I’m forever indebted to him for bringing me on and taking a chance on a young guy, an unproven guy.”

Maureen Belcher, an administrative assistant in the athletics department since 2004, said Facciolla “treats everyone fairly and with a lot of respect.”

Another proud moment for Facciolla is an end-of-school-year ceremony to recognize student-athletes who are going on to compete at the collegiate level.

“I’ve said this every year for about five or six years that when we recognize our graduating seniors who are playing sports in college, we triple the national norms every year,” Facciolla said. “I’m repetitive every year. We triple the national norms for public and private schools. I’m proud of it, but I’m bragging about the school. That isn’t because of me.”

A national search has begun to find Facciolla’s successor.

“This isn’t about me,” Facciolla said. “I want to brag about the athletic programs, not about me. Whoever takes this job is coming into a place that is excelling in every phase. The culture is so strong here. There’s so much support here. The resources are great.”

Facciolla is a 1972 graduate of Denby High School and a 1980 graduate of Wayne State University, both in Detroit.

He accepted his first school administration position at University Liggett School in Grosse Pointe Woods, Michigan, in 1983 before heading to Europe to earn his master’s degree from Kingston University in London. He also served as an athletics director, physical education teacher and coach at the American Overseas School of Rome and Marymount International School in London.

While in Italy, Facciolla met his wife, Bernadette. Their only child, **Dominic ’13**, was born while they lived in England.

“When I came (to Academy) in 1999, I was from Detroit and all I knew about Columbus was you rooted against Ohio State. But what a great town,” Facciolla said. “Twenty years later, we raised our kid here and we’re in a great school.”

Facciolla is unsure what retirement will bring, but he’s certain he will remain a loyal follower of Academy athletics.

Versa's new coworking space in the Arena District

By Tristan Navera – Staff reporter, Columbus Business First
Sep 20, 2018, 1:51pm EDT Updated Sep 21, 2018, 6:17am



Kyle '80 and April Katz. Photo by Walker Evans.

Versa's second coworking location has opened its doors, giving the Arena District a hub with a unique, stylish vibe.

Owners April Zimmerman Katz and **Kyle Katz '80** led a tour of the space Thursday morning for Columbus Business First, showing off the many details that make the building unique for its old charm and new look.

Business First had occupied the building until February. You can still see the giant, metal rolled-up newspaper on the roof.

While it's about half the size of Versa's "mothership" Grandview location at 1201 Dublin Rd. a few miles away, the Katzes said the space will build up its own community among the many people in downtown, Grandview and beyond who want to work in the Arena District.

"We're local and we care about the history of the city and the buildings like these, because there just aren't too many of them in town," said Zimmerman Katz, who is Versa's creator.

Angie Green of Dupler Office helped the Katzes furnish the building, but the couple said finding many of the decorations – from wallpapers and carpets to old maps of Columbus neighborhoods and artwork – was a passion project.

"This is something we love to do together ... giving it a sense of personality," Zimmerman Katz said.

The building, which first went up in 1943, now features 39 office spaces and room for 112 people. The space can host events and group meetings, too.

The building marries industrial history with modern amenities, with a nod to the warehouse district that once dominated what is the Arena District today. The building had 12,500 square feet of floor space, but gained some with an expanded mezzanine.

David Keyser, principal of DKB Architects, led the renovation plans. Loth Inc. provided some architectural walls, storage and seating for the space.

Katz has worked in this neighborhood for decades and is familiar with how the area has changed. He said the space needed to honor its past.

"We wanted to take the space, the hospitality, the artwork, and dial all of it up to 11," Katz said. "We want to be a point of pride for the city."

As for the newspaper on the roof, the Katzes said it will feature artwork.

Zimmerman Katz said the culture of Versa's coworking membership will continue to evolve, with the hope that each location will have its own local community, while small businesses and freelancers can go from location to location, depending on their mood. Memberships start at \$99 a month.

"It's evolving, and it's going to be a really great sense of community," she said.

The planned patio on the front of the building is still to come, and with some other final finishing touches planned for the coming weeks, Zimmerman Katz said.

The Katzes said that Versa plans to expand its brand.

While they had a Clintonville site in mind, they've since decided the building there was too small. They're looking for new locations and unique buildings in the range of 12,000 to 40,000 square feet.

Everyday Heroes Babette Feibel

At 81, she fights for parents and kids in family recovery court

The Columbus Dispatch

BY RITA PRICE, THE COLUMBUS DISPATCH | PHOTOS BY ROB HARDIN, DISPATCH MAGAZINES

The choice was inconvenient but not difficult. Babette Feibel could stay and tend to the 50-some people gathering at her home for a Fourth of July celebration, or she could excuse herself and rush to the aid of a recovering drug addict desperate to find an open pharmacy that would refill her treatment medication.

"I couldn't tell them what I was doing," Feibel said of her guests. "But I had to go with her."

Feibel's husband, four children and 13 grandchildren are accustomed to seeing their 81-year-old matriarch dash out the door to help someone with needs she considers paramount. An inclination toward aid and compassion has always come naturally to Feibel. Her response to fortune is duty.

"I'm just a person who has to have a purpose," she said. "My life is rich. I don't want to play golf."

Feibel has long taken on some of the toughest volunteer jobs a community has to offer, and she doesn't intend to slow down now. After decades as a foster parent—she and her husband provided care and a loving home to more than 100 young children — Feibel has spent the past several years as a parent advocate in Franklin County Family Recovery Court.

The specialty docket serves drug- and alcohol-dependent mothers and fathers who have lost custody or are at risk of losing custody of their children. Most of the parents have a history of unsuccessful attempts at sobriety; many have a co-existing mental or emotional disorder. Their pasts are pocked with criminal charges and evictions, homelessness and unemployment.

They're the hard cases, court Magistrate Susan House said. The program that seeks to ready them for reunification with their children is intense.

"Our participants don't have any family support anymore," House said. "They have burned all those bridges, or their family members use with them. Babette becomes their support."

She picks them up at home and drives them to all manner of appointments, all over the city. She advocates at health clinics, treatment centers, schools and government offices. She buys lunch. She shares laughter and tears. And when they come back to House to report on their progress, Feibel is in the courtroom, too.

House is in awe of her dedication. Others in Feibel's position—elderly, affluent and with decades of good deeds behind her—might sit back and rest, content to have done so much for so long. They might simply write checks to charity.

"I'm sure she could, and I'm sure she does," House said. "But she just keeps giving in all these other ways. Babette is a gem."

Recovery court personnel regularly sit down with social workers and others, including Feibel, for updates. They pore over urine-test results and employment interviews, apartment searches, utility bills and counseling reports.

Feibel doesn't coddle, but she fights alongside court participants. She tries to tend to snags and missteps before they blow up the case and, along with it, the chance for a child to know the love of a stable, healthy parent.

"When we started this 15 or 16 years ago, we didn't have heroin," Domestic Relations and Juvenile Court Judge Dana Preisse said.

At one point, with the court facing a shortage of providers willing to prescribe opioid-treatment medications such as Vivitrol and Suboxone, Feibel persuaded a reputable health center to step up, House said. Then she offered to drive people there.

Feibel also used her connections to get one of Columbus' top defense attorneys to come to the aid of recovery-court participants. House can't help but laugh a little at the one-sided conversation. "Look. My girl is working hard and doing a good job, but she's got this case..."

Amanda Hopkins and Austin Maselli, recovery-court participants who were working this summer to regain custody of their four children, said Feibel helps people believe in themselves. "She's been there every step of the way," said Hopkins, 30.

Maselli, 24, said Feibel seems to know when to deliver a lecture, when to offer encouragement, and when to step back. "She had faith in us."

Feibel, a former trustee for the Franklin County Children Services board, smiled as she talked about the Hilltop couple's journey. Hopkins is a wonderful person, she said. "She just needs to keep it glued together to get those kids back."

The hard work of rebuilding lives rarely discourages Feibel, who even managed to shrug it off when a distraught court participant punched her as they drove to an appointment. "I wasn't scared," she said.

Only once has the pain become so great that Feibel wasn't sure she wanted to continue. "I had one die of a heroin overdose, and I thought I was going to die at her funeral," she said. "It was so devastating. She had two little boys."

Part of Feibel's passion for volunteerism likely was picked up at the dinner table, her husband said, as she grew up in a family heavily involved in both the Jewish and wider Columbus communities. The rest is a matter of her irrepressible personality.

"Whether it's being a wife or a mother or a grandmother or a community person, it's always all in," said **Jim Feibel, 85 Class of 1951**. "Her attitude is, 'We're only here for a short time, and you might as well make the most of it.' "

She wasn't quite 3 years old and he was just 6 the first time he saw her, playing in a sandbox with her twin sister. They live on the Far East Side and recently celebrated 62 years of marriage. "We're a team," Mrs. Feibel said.

Mr. Feibel '51, an attorney, has long donated his services in the community. He helped the recovery court establish a charitable organization so that it could collect donations to benefit participants and their children, and he continues to prepare the annual tax return. Thanks to his wife, Mr. Feibel also has appeared in court to assist recovery-court participants with eviction cases.

He was unsurprised when Mrs. Feibel asked everyone in their family to skip the gifts for her 80th birthday and instead make a contribution to Family Recovery Court. "She's impulsive in a good way," Mr. Feibel said.

Mrs. Feibel has served on the boards of numerous organizations over the years and is grateful for the recognition and awards she's received, even if she's not one to list them. She's more apt to talk about children, about justice and about the difference one caring and determined person can make.

She's still proud that she pushed back, years ago, against the devastating diagnosis given to one of her young foster children. "They thought he was brain-damaged and deaf when he came to me," she said. "And I knew he wasn't."

He made great strides, as did so many of her foster babies. Mrs. Feibel won't stop believing in the potential of the parents in recovery court, either.

"I'm 81 years old, and this energizes me," she said. "My philosophy in life is, I'm going to die with my boots on."

Commentary: Who has a plan to address Chicago's social isolation?

Chicago Tribune

By **Andrew Buchanan '84**

The incongruously named Johnny Outlaw works with former prison inmates on Chicago's South Side, helping them get job interviews and register for classes, and directing them to mentorship programs and other services in the community. He sees firsthand the struggles of ex-inmates, who often lack education and job skills, and return to neighborhoods with little opportunity and many barriers. Often the will is there for ex-inmates, Outlaw says, but the necessary resources and social skills are not.

"I had one guy who was going downtown to a restaurant (that) had agreed to interview him, and we got his resume ready," Outlaw said. "He ran out of here so happy and excited." But within five minutes he had returned. "Mr. Outlaw," the young man asked, "where's downtown?"

The story is an example of the incredible social isolation experienced by many people and neighborhoods in Chicago. Statistics explain the city's stark racial and socio-economic segregation, and while it's not as easy to measure the impact of this social isolation, no doubt it is devastating.

One effort to overcome this exclusion brought my wife and me to the West Side on a weekend that ended up being one of the city's most violent in years. Seventy-five people were shot during that first weekend in August and a dozen of them died, another tragic and shameful chapter in Chicago's history.

We were in North Lawndale that Saturday for a program hosted by the nonprofit My Block, My Hood, My City, on whose board I serve, where students enrolled in the My Block program gave tours of their neighborhoods. Tour participants and the students met for breakfast and conversation, followed by the tour — we visited the site of the apartment complex where Martin Luther King Jr. stayed in 1966, stopped at a neighborhood garden, had a snack of sub sandwiches from the corner store the kids frequent (where patrons pay through bulletproof glass) and visited their school, Collins High, and the football field where a few of the students proudly spoke of their exploits. Vacant lots and empty storefronts suggested distress in the neighborhood, but we also saw signs of hope. We saw many people working on their homes, one of whom looked up and smiled as we passed. "Thank you for coming," he said.

When's the last time that happened to you in a North Side neighborhood?

While the neighborhood tours gave the My Block students a chance to show off their own communities, normally it was those students experiencing something new. The program takes students from under-resourced communities on educational and exploratory field trips, exposing them to parts of the city they ordinarily wouldn't see and opening them to new experiences. They've visited Loop office buildings, museums and West Loop tech companies. They've sampled food from many of Chicago's ethnic neighborhoods and taken boat trips on Lake Michigan.

My Block founder Jahmal Cole has a motto: Exposure is key. Much of the violence in our city, if not almost all of it, is born of hopelessness. Very rarely does someone with hope — someone who sees an opportunity for a positive future — pick up a gun or join a gang. So Cole has dedicated his life to taking isolated youth out of their neighborhoods and showing them the vast possibilities and opportunities in other corners of the city. These kids, some of whom had barely ever been out of their own neighborhoods, can now envision success.

LeBron James gets it. When the NBA star and his partners gathered for the opening of a new school in his hometown of Akron, Ohio, earlier this summer, I was struck by one thing the incoming students will each receive — a bicycle. James remembers from his youth how his bike allowed him to explore his town and see possibilities beyond his impoverished neighborhood.

So, a bike for every child in Chicago? It's doubtful any of the many candidates running for mayor will propose that, but do they, like LeBron James, get it? Where are the concrete, realistic strategies to overcome the social isolation that has created two Chicagos? The ideas for comprehensive, sustained development in under-resourced communities, not just the one-off projects we see now? Who has a Marshall Plan for Chicago?

Business and civic leaders will roll their eyes and say I'm naive, that there's simply no money for such initiatives. Yet we always somehow find funding to support new stadiums, convention center expansions or tourist-friendly projects, and we are offering a huge package of tax incentives and infrastructure improvements to woo Amazon, one of the richest companies in the world and headed by the world's wealthiest person (by some estimates, the wealthiest person ever). The next time a child is murdered in Chicago, maybe these local leaders can go look into the eyes of that child's mother and tell her, "Sorry, there are just no resources for your community."

Besides, does anyone really believe that bringing Amazon here is going to benefit Englewood and Austin? We need bold, creative solutions to the slow-motion tragedy unfolding in our city, ones that look beyond downtown and deliver solutions to parts of Chicago that have for too long been isolated from hope and opportunity.

Andrew Buchanan, of Chicago, is a former reporter who works in strategic communications and serves on the board of directors of My Block, My Hood, My City.

JPMorgan Chase celebrates its 150th anniversary in Columbus with McCoy visit

By Mark Williams

The Columbus Dispatch

Posted Sep 12, 2018 at 5:45 AM

Updated Sep 12, 2018 at 5:56 AM



Banking behemoth JPMorgan Chase & Co. dates its connection to Columbus back 150 years. And nearly half that time, a McCoy was in charge. The last of those McCoy's, **John B. '61**, was back at the operations center at Polaris that bears his family's name on Tuesday to mark that anniversary and the role that his family played in the growth of the former Bank One, which Chase acquired in 2004.

"Three generations is a long time," McCoy told about 500 people who gathered to hear him tell stories about Bank One and talk about his family in an interview-style format. "I have a ton of stories. Some I can tell. Some will wait."

McCoy, 75, was greeted warmly by employees who came up to him before and after the event, many to share a few words with him and to have their photo taken.

John B. along with his father, John G. McCoy, and his grandfather, John H. McCoy, were responsible for turning the once-tiny City National Bank & Trust in Downtown Columbus into one of the nation's largest banks, Bank One, through a series of acquisitions and investments in innovation such as credit and debit cards.

At the time, City National was a small bank compared with its chief rivals. John G. McCoy recognized the potential for using acquisitions to help the bank grow along with some unorthodox techniques for banks to build the bank's brand, such as using comedian Phyllis Diller in radio and television commercials, telling board members: "Gentlemen, it's very simple. You can have either dignity or dividends. I vote for dividends."

Chase dates its history in Columbus to 1868 with the founding of Sessions & Co. Downtown, with decades of purchases and mergers following.

John B. McCoy orchestrated the biggest of the bank's acquisitions in 1998 when Bank One bought First Chicago NBD for \$21 million, a deal that created the nation's sixth-largest bank with assets of \$230 billion and 1,950 branch offices in 13 states.

But the deal required Bank One to move its headquarters to Chicago, a move that he acknowledged wasn't popular in central Ohio at the time.

"I was very comfortable with what I did," he said. "It was the right thing."

He resigned the following year after credit-card losses divided the bank's board. JPMorgan Chase bought Bank One in 2004 and Jamie Dimon, Bank One's top executive, took over the top role at Chase.

The three generations of McCoy's ran Bank One for 64 years.

During his visit to Columbus on Tuesday, McCoy discussed a variety of topics ranging from his father and grandfather — "I never saw him without a coat and tie," he said of his grandfather — to the father's investments that resulted in things such as credit and debit cards, the ATM and drive-through banking. "My father always believed we should experiment," he said.

The name Bank One was adopted in 1979 as the bank sought to come up with a new name to better recognize its growth and acquisitions. "The first time you hear it, (you're thinking) whoa, are we really the No. 1 bank?" he asked.

When the bank needed an operations center, it selected the Polaris site at a time "when nothing else was out here," McCoy said.

The bank was able to buy the land cheaply because developers were struggling early on with the area, he said.

"I should have bought more," he said.

Today, the office is filled with about 10,000 workers. At 2 million square feet, the building has about the same square-footage as the Empire State Building and has become Chase's largest work site.

"I'm thrilled to see the building still works," he said.

Among those in attendance Tuesday was Elba Wilson, 79, who has worked for 50 years for the bank in Zanesville as a teller. It marked his first visit to the McCoy Center.

"Whatever he talks about is all right," he said before the event began.

Since his retirement from Bank One, McCoy has spent time serving on corporate boards, helping start-ups and doing volunteer work. He also serves on the PGA Tour board of directors.

He told the workers that he continues to feel good about Chase and where it is going, noting that he continues to hold his shares of stock in the bank.

“You’re in the sweet spot,” he told them. “I’m just happy to be part of it.”

Too Juul for school: FDA considers regulations as teen vaping rises

BY CAROLINE ANDERS '17

Indiana Daily Student

Published Sep 12, 2018 10:09 pm

High schoolers hotbox their moms’ cars with mango-flavored clouds, working up the energy to face the first bell. Discarded flavor pods litter parking lots.

Juul culture has descended upon Indiana and the rest of the country.

This year’s Indiana Youth Survey found nearly 30 percent of Indiana high school seniors reported vaping in the last month. This is a 45 percent increase compared to the survey’s 2017 findings.

“People do it in class, people do it in the bathrooms, people do it in the halls,” Carmel High School junior Sean Burgess said. “You just wouldn’t believe it.”

The Food and Drug Administration commissioner released a statement Wednesday calling youth use of the Juul and other vapes an “epidemic” and announced a new “enforcement blitz” to keep the products out of teens’ hands.

Notices sent to five leading e-cigarette manufacturers Wednesday morning, including Juul Labs, require the companies to submit action plans to curb underage use within 60 days.

Failing to do so could result in e-cigarettes being pulled indefinitely from shelves nationwide.

Across the state, high schoolers and college students alike have taken to vaping, especially using the Juul, a sleek, USB drive-shaped vaporizer with the same nicotine concentration crammed into one JUULpod as an entire pack of cigarettes.

“The sad thing is, when people start I don’t think they do it for the nicotine,” Bloomington High School North senior Christian Gettelfinger said. “They just get hooked on it.”

Juul Labs markets its product as a satisfying alternative to cigarettes for those trying to quit smoking. Though the company plasters warnings all over its packages and website, the elegant little devices are sneaking their way into high schools nationwide.

“It’s all from the Juul,” Homestead High School senior Ashley Federoff said. “It’s just easy to get ahold of.”

Federoff looked over during her AP Calculus exam last spring to see a boy she’d known since elementary school taking rips from his Juul. She also knows guys who schedule time out of their day to go to the bathroom and curb their nicotine cravings together.

Roncalli High School senior Ben Schwab said freshmen ask him to buy them pods all the time. Across high schools, minors lean on older siblings and peers as suppliers.

“It’s kind of the same thing as alcohol,” Schwab said. “But it’s probably a lot easier to go into the gas station and say, ‘Oh I forgot my ID,’ and get away with buying a little tobacco product than a bottle of vodka.”

Federoff said it’s easy to see who’s buying and selling pods – just look for Venmo transactions labeled “Mango” or “Cucumber,” two popular flavors.

Though Schwab doesn’t know anyone his age who smokes cigarettes, Federoff said some of her peers started out with the Juul and moved on to cigarettes because of the cost.

“The pods get expensive, so if they can’t buy pods, they’ll buy cigarettes,” she said.

This contradicts the mission posted on Juul Labs’ website.

“We did not create JUUL to undermine years of effective tobacco control, and we do not want to see a new generation of smokers,” the website reads. “We believe JUUL can accelerate cigarette displacement.”

Munster High School junior Sophie Hand found someone’s Juul — with their name carved in it — in her study hall. She said her teachers started putting the school’s no-tolerance policy for vaping in their syllabuses.

Sophie’s twin brother Ben Hand said he’s seen plumes of vapor in certain bathrooms in the school during lunch or between classes.

“I do think it needs to be addressed because there’s really no reason for it,” Ben Hand said. “It’s a distraction from the school day because you have kids leaving class to hit their Juuls.”

As school administrators grapple with the new and discrete device, different policies have sprouted up across the state.

The Monroe County Community School Corporation’s spokesman Andrew Clampitt said the district has a strict ban on any kind of vaping or smoking in schools.

Jake Thurman, dean of student affairs at University High School in Carmel, Indiana, said this problem needs to be addressed at its source.

“It’s almost like anything where society might prefer abstinence, like drugs or alcohol or sex or Juuls,” Thurman said. “I don’t think that telling kids they shouldn’t do it and can’t do it in draconian terms is very useful.”

University High School is planning an assembly this week on vaping, Thurman said, but they’re hoping to turn it into a larger discussion about student wellness.

“Clearly something about this is appealing to kids, just like smoking was or cigarettes were when I or these kids’ parents were in high school,” he said.

Schwab said using a Juul is just a sign of the times, and Burgess said it’s what high schoolers do to fit in now.

“When someone is Juuling and you’re around them, you want to do it,” Burgess said. “It really gets to you.”

Some people, however, just don't think using a Juul is cool anymore.

"I can't help but laugh when I see someone do it because it looks so ridiculous," Thurman said. "You're sucking on a flash drive."

Thurman then paused for a moment.

"I just can't imagine what our culture would be like if Humphrey Bogart sucked on a flash drive," he said.

New craft brewer now distributing, plotting 6,000-square-foot taproom

Columbus Business First

By Dan Eaton – Staff reporter

Sep 21, 2018, 11:11am EDT Updated Sep 24, 2018, 7:22am



Despite its name, Outerbelt Brewing is a little beyond the outerbelt.

The new Central Ohio craft brewery, just north of Lancaster at 3560 Dolson Ct. in Carroll, isn't yet open to the public, but head brewer **Dan Griffin '07** is brewing daily and his creations are getting tap handles around Central Ohio.

So while you can't visit yet, you can taste it. There's a tap takeover tonight at Prost Beer & Wine Cafe, for instance.

Griffin is one of several partners in the business. The ownership group also includes brothers who own a warehousing and logistics business and were looking to diversify into other areas, which Griffin said is how the brewery plan came about. The name is a nod to the transportation roots of his partners.

Those brothers acquired three buildings on Dolson Court last year. All were empty. One now houses a cross-fit gym and one is being repurposed for retail use.

“One year ago there were maybe six people between these buildings,” Griffin said. “Next year there could be a 100 or so on any given day.”

The brewery building is the third. It is a 25,000-square-foot former Lowe’s Home Improvement store, but it doesn’t look it from the outside. It was a 1980s-era Lowe’s back when it was more of a store for contractors and professionals than a retailer to the public.

The store was only in that space a few years before moving to a bigger spot. The building has housed a furnace filter manufacturer and a cardboard bundling business in the intervening years.

Outerbelt is starting in 12,000 square feet of that building including 6,000 square feet for a taproom and events with the remainder for production. The extra space not only is room to grow into, but also additional potential event space.

“No solid plans yet, we want to get open first, but it could be used as some sort of venue,” Griffin said.

There is no kitchen. Food will come from food trucks. The taproom is expected to be open this winter.

The larger of Outerbelt’s two brewing systems is being set up now. The smaller, pilot system is up and running and producing the beer out now.

IPAs will be a big focus and account for much of what is out there now under the brewery’s name. Griffin’s love of that style, however, won’t limit the selection.

“We don’t want to be closed off about anything,” Griffin said. “I’m amazed at the breweries that are unwilling to jump into a new style. I want to jump in with both feet.”

Outerbelt also will be packaging. It won’t have a canning system of its own and will use mobile canner Ironheart Canning. Beers will be in 16-ounce cans and sold in four packs. The hope is to be on store shelves by spring.

Griffin is a Central Ohio native, but he’s had a nomadic professional beer life. He graduated from the prestigious brewing and distilling program at Heriot-Watt University in Scotland (the same school the produced BrewDog founders James Watt and Martin Dickie) and worked at Bridgewater, Vermont-based Long Trail Brewing Co. as a brewer and cellarman.

He and his wife Julia, who will lead sales at Outerbelt, returned to Ohio to take the head brewing job at Gordon Biersch in Columbus. It’s a role he had until the opportunity with Outerbelt came up.

“Honestly, I’d probably still be there,” he said. “They’re part of craft beer history, but I don’t think they get enough credit from people.”



PHOTO

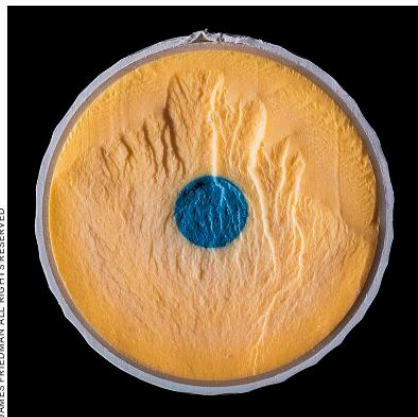
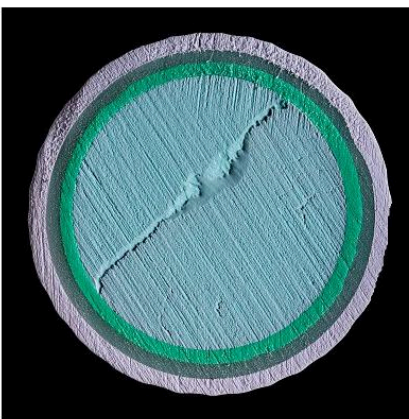
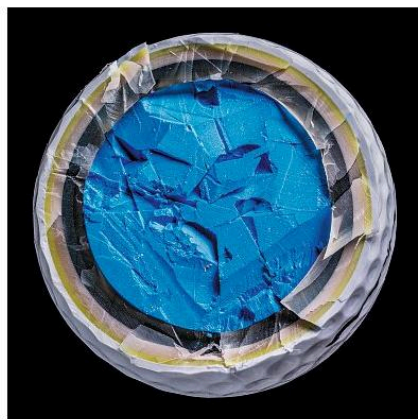
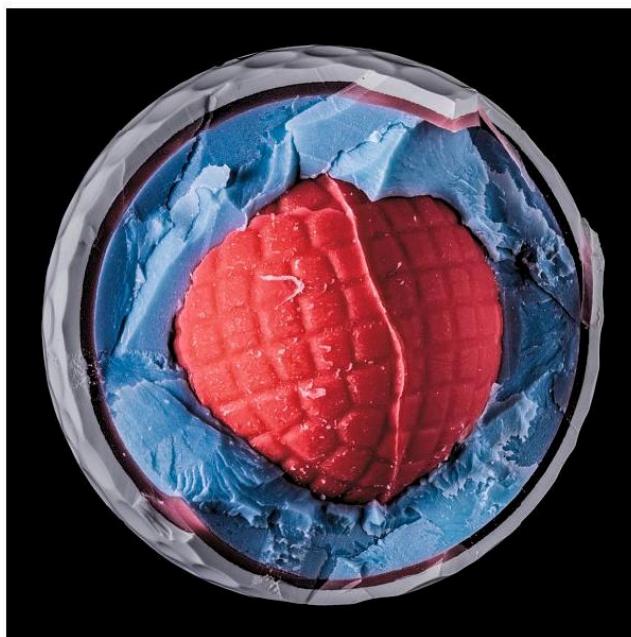
BEAUTÉS INTÉRIEURES

Qu'y a-t-il dans une balle de golf? Avec sa série « Interior Design », l'Américain James Friedman nous fait découvrir un monde haut en couleur.

Photographie: James Friedman

Il ne joue pas au golf et n'avait a priori aucun penchant pour l'abstraction: c'est par hasard, sur un forum d'équipementiers, que le photographe James Friedman, 67 ans, a découvert qu'une petite sphère de 43 mm de diamètre pouvait receler « une structure aussi aléatoire qu'exquise et un assemblage de couleurs passionnant », raconte-t-il sur son site. Spécialisé dans le portrait ou le documentaire, l'artiste et enseignant américain qui vit dans l'Ohio a plusieurs fois

été primé et ses travaux exposés, notamment sa série sur les camps de concentration (« 12 Nazi Concentration Camps », 1982) ou celle sur la vie et la mort de sa mère Dorothy (« 1029398 Cigarettes »). En débutant sa série « Interior Design », James Friedman découpait les balles à la scie. Il en a ensuite « sculpté » la matière avant de les photographier au zoom (x36). Révélant la beauté inattendue d'étranges petites planètes.



JAMES FRIEDMAN ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

CRITICAL NEED ALERT



Critical Need Alert: Our Kids

As part of our Critical Need Alert initiative, we invite you to learn more about the issues facing some of our youngest and most vulnerable populations. Please join us for a powerful exploration into the importance of the first five years of a child's life with the screening of the documentary *[No Small Matter](#)*.

Learn about the state of early childhood education in the United States, and hear a compelling case for the importance of high quality education for children ages 0-5, and how it influences the direction of a child's life for many years to come.

After the screening, stay for a conversation on early childhood education with Foundation staff as well as co-director of *No Small Matter*, [Greg Jacobs '87](#).

No Small Matter

Thursday, September 20

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

The Columbus Foundation, Davis Hall

Seats for this screening are available on a first-come, first-served basis. RSVP by emailing events@columbusfoundation.org by Tuesday, September 18.

"This is not the first time in our national history that widening socio-economic gaps have threatened our economy, our democracy, and our values. The specific responses we have pursued to successfully overcome these challenges and restore opportunity have varied in detail, but underlying them all was a commitment to invest in other people's children. And underlying that commitment was a deeper sense that those kids, too, were our kids."

—ROBERT PUTNAM, AUTHOR OF *OUR KIDS*