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Will brunt of monster miss us?

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East central Ohio is expected to duck the latest punch from Mother Nature in the "December to remember."
A blizzard that blanketed a swath of

the nation from Colorado to Wisconsin early in the week is forecast to move into the Great Lakes region today. But meteorologists are predicting the bulk of the storm to steer north of Guernsey and surrounding counties.

That doesn't mean that wintry weather won't be felt here. The National Weather Service issued a hazardous weather outlook for east central Ohio, southwest Pennsylvania, northern West Virginia and the northern panhandle of

West Virginia, as follows:
"Winds can gust to over 40 mph Wednesday afternoon and night in the wake of a strong cold frontal passage. Some slippery conditions can result
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Good day! Weather

Cloudy tonight with a chance of snow showers. Little or no snow accumulation. Blustery with lows in the lower 20s. Southwest winds 20 to 25 mph with gusts up to 45 mph. Partly sunny Thursday, and much cooler with temperatures in the mid 20s. West winds around 20 mph with gusts up to 35 mph. Details on page A-9.

Say 'Hello!'

On Thursday, a group from Grace Gospel Church of Huntington, W.Va., is scheduled to visit Cambridge and its Dickens Victorian Village. If you see them, say "Hello!"

'Breakfast with Santa'

Byesville Rotary Club on Saturday, Dec. 12 is offering local families "Breakfast with Santa" at the Stop Nine Senior Center from 8 to 11 a.m. Breakfast is \$5 for adults. Children age 5 and under are free. Santa and a photographer will be on hand to take pictures with the kids. Photographs are free with the purchase of a breakfast.

Christmas train rides

Byesville Scenic Railway's "Spirit of Christmas" will be 1 and 3 p.m. Dec. 12 and 13 with narrators on board enlightening the passengers about the lives of early time coal miners and the type of Christmas the miners experienced. Santa Claus will ride along on the train. Visit www.bsrw.org for additional information.

Death

Dorothy Burris, Cambridge

Thought for the day

Why are ye come unto me now when ye are in distress? *Judges 11:7*

OFF THE GRID

Turbine captures energy from air

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THE DAILY JEFFERSONIAN

Look to the wind charts and you will see that much of Ohio, including southeastern Ohio, offers little promise to those who would pull energy from the air.

But Joe Kalt sensed that his rural Guernsey County property differed from the rule.

"For the 13 years I have gone up on that hill, there was always wind," Kalt told Tom Whitby last week.

Whitby, an engineer, is renewable energy manager of Renewable Energy Solutions, a subsidiary of Lake Erie Electric, Inc.

On Nov. 27, Renewable Energy Solutions completed installation of a wind turbine on Kalt's property. The turbine caps a 100-foot tower on the crest of the windy hill.

The direct current generated by the turbine began flowing into a line of inverters inside a barn on the property. (Inverters convert direct current to the alternating current commonly used in households.)

Kalt's faith in his observations was vindicated.

What if the wind, though, should yield to a calm?

Kalt has a solution for that, too. An array of solar panels



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Tom Whitby, l, of Renewable Energy Solutions, walks with Joe Kalt and his dog, Cooper, near Kalt's recently-erected wind turbine at his home in eastern Guernsey County.

atop the barn also generates direct current. And, if the wind dies during the night, a series of batteries will return saved current to the system. Kalt has enough batteries to run essential appliances for a period of six to eight hours.

If all else fails, the system is connected to the grid, and Kalt can draw power from AEP.

Kalt believes there has never been a better time than now for electrical power users —

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Charge filed in poisoning of family pet

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A Cambridge woman at the center of allegations that she poisoned her neighbor's dog has been charged by the Guernsey County dog warden with poisoning animals.

Julia K. Swan, 77, of Westchester Drive, was served with the fourth-degree misdemeanor offense Tuesday at the Cambridge Police Department.

The dog that was allegedly poisoned by Swan died on Nov. 25 at a local veterinarian's office. Blood samples confirmed the male dog, Kovu, died as a result of antifreeze poisoning.

Kovu was part of the Jeff and Sally Dyer family.

According to the Dyers, a check of the neighborhood for the source of the antifreeze following Kovu's death resulted in a bowl containing antifreeze being found in Swan's yard.

The Dyers contacted Cambridge police, Guernsey County Dog Warden Dave Robinson, PETA, the Humane Society, Cambridge Law Director William Ferguson's office and the Cambridge-Guernsey County Health Department regarding the discovery.

In a letter to *The Daily & Sunday Jeffersonian*, Mrs. Dyer said Swan allegedly admitted the substance in the bowl was antifreeze when a representative of the Humane Society

and Robinson visited her home in the days following Kovu's death.

Swan allegedly told authorities the antifreeze was placed in her yard to help control the squirrel and chipmunk population in the neighborhood.

The Ohio Revised Code states "... no person shall maliciously, or willingly and without the consent of the owner, administer poison, except a licensed veterinarian acting in such capacity, to a horse, mare, foal, filly, jack, mule, sheep, goat, cow, steer, bull, heifer, ass, ox, swine, dog, cat, poultry, or any other domestic animal that is the property of another; and no person shall, willfully and without the consent of the owner, place any poisoned food where it may be easily found and eaten by any of such animals, either upon his own lands or the lands of another."

Other residents in the Westchester Drive area have reported pets missing recently, but no connection has been established between the disappearances and the antifreeze allegedly placed out by Swan.

Robinson filed the misdemeanor charge against Swan with the Cambridge Municipal Court on Dec. 4, and a warrant was issued for Swan. She is slated to appear in the court on Dec. 15 to answer to the charge.

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Spectacular!

The home of Tom and Janice Kenworthy on South Fourth Street in Byesville is aglow with thousands of Christmas lights this holiday season. The decorations span three homes they own along the street. There are plenty of inflatables and other holiday paraphernalia to make this scene look like a miniature North Pole.

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