



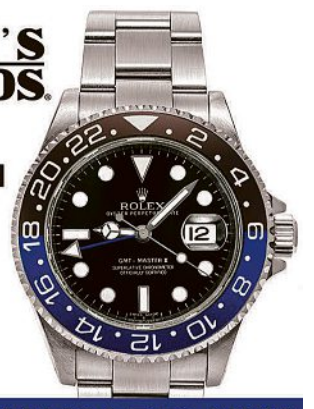
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Troy Parsh shows his collection of old amusement park pieces in Grafton on April 22.

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Collector hopes to create amusement park museum

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It doesn't look like much just yet. But tucked under the tarps and boxes are pieces and parts of childhood memories for generations of Ohioans. These relics of the past are stacked from floor to ceiling inside of a garage

and an outbuilding. And there's more peeking out from under tarps in the yard. A Lorain County man is quietly collecting amusement park memorabilia with the hopes of opening a museum someday. This is not an odd assortment of old tickets, trinkets and the like. Troy Parsh is collecting and preserv-

ing old roller coaster train cars, giant signs from bygone amusement parks and even whole miniature villages that were once part of a kiddie train ride. The growing collection includes coaster trains from bygone parks like Chippewa Lake, Euclid Beach Park and Geauga Lake - and some from current

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Hospital fights contract clauses

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Columbus Dispatch
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Dr. Katherine Able-Perkins loves being a primary care doctor in Athens, Ohio.

She was drawn into primary care for its variety and the ability to build relationships with patients, from normal check-ups to severe illness, from births to deaths. While Able-Perkins doesn't want to leave Athens, her home of 20 years, she does want to leave her current employer, Ohio-Health O'Bleness Hospital, for Memorial Health System in the same city.

If she isn't released from a non-compete clause in her current contract, however, she's afraid those relationships she's built and the care her patients get could be at risk. Under her contract, she couldn't work in Athens for at least a year upon leaving Ohio-Health, something she worries would dissuade her patients from seeking her care or finding a new doctor at all.

Able-Perkins is one of hundreds of thousands of doctors and other highly skilled health care workers across the United States beholden to noncompetes. These clauses can lock them out of the communities they've served for months, or sometimes years, if they want to leave for another job.

The issue is under scrutiny by the Ohio legislature, where two bills aimed at addressing it have been introduced.

Critics of noncompetes say they harm patients and doctors by disrupting continuity of care, forcing patients to find new doctors and exacerbating

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Ohio University Lancaster celebrates 136 graduates

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Lancaster Eagle-Gazette
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Ohio University Lancaster honored 136 graduates during its recent Graduation Recognition Ceremony. The event celebrated the accom-

plishments of students who completed their degrees during the 2025-26 academic year, according to a community announcement.

The ceremony, held during the campus's 70th anniversary year, highlighted

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A. Victor Jones walks across the stage as he was presented the 2026 Phi Theta Kappa Professor of the Year Award. PROVIDED BY OHIO UNIVERSITY LANCASTER

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