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The Noble Gent in downtown Toledo, owned by Connor DeCavitch, offers higher-end business casual clothing, hair styling, waxing, dyeing, and beard care. It will soon offer massages.

Store aims to transform men

Owner shares importance of looking, feeling good

By JAMES TRUMM

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Connor DeCavitch thinks men should be treated like kings at least once a month.

"Men are taught to work their butts off and that pampering is for women," he said.

He is on a mission to disabuse men of that notion. And he's motivated by a

passion for making people look and feel good.

Mr. DeCavitch is the proprietor of the Noble Gent, a haberdashery and men's salon on South Huron Street in Toledo's Warehouse District. The business opened on June 1 in a building that in the 19th century housed the Haughton Foundry & Machine Co., the forerunner

of the Haughton Elevator Co.

By 1924, Haughton had moved out and a produce company moved in. The building was eventually occupied by Al Peake & Sons Wholesale Fruits and Vegetables. It was sold to IBC Inc., a Toledo real estate redevelopment and investment company, in 2021.

"That building had it all — exposed brick, an industrial-modern finish, and a blank slate where Connor could create what he wanted," said Ryan Miller, a commercial real estate agent with the Reichle Klein Group who introduced Mr. DeCavitch to the red-brick structure.

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Ohio weighs bill about sex offenders

By DANNY ELDREDGE

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COLUMBUS — Legislation that would prohibit sex offenders from living within 2,000 feet of their victim is moving through the Ohio General Assembly.

Ban on living near victims

House Bill 102, co-sponsored by state Reps. Roy Klopfenstein (R., Haviland) and Josh Williams (R., Sylva Township), would also apply to individuals

convicted of certain non-sexual crimes against children, such as kidnapping, abduction, and unlawful restraint. In addition to banning these offenders

from living within 2,000 feet of their victim, the bill would prohibit such offenders from loitering within 1,000 feet of their victim.

The legislation was

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House OKs funding bill to reopen

Trump to sign measure, bringing end to closure

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WASHINGTON — The House passed a bill Wednesday to end the nation's longest government shutdown, sending the measure to President Trump for his signature after a historic 43-day funding lapse that saw federal workers go without multiple paychecks, travelers stranded at airports, and people lining up at food banks to get a meal for their families.

House lawmakers made their long-awaited return to the nation's capital this week after nearly eight weeks away. Republicans used their slight majority to get the bill over the finish

line with a mostly party-line vote of 222-209.

The Senate has already passed the measure.

Democrats wanted to extend an enhanced tax credit expiring at the end of the year that lowers the cost of health coverage obtained through Affordable Care Act marketplaces. They refused to go along with a short-term bill that did not include that priority.

But Republicans said that was a separate policy fight to be held at another time.

"We told you 43 days ago from bitter experience that government shutdowns

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DEMOCRATS RELEASE EVIDENCE

Epstein emails implicate Trump

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WASHINGTON — Jeffrey Epstein wrote in a 2019 email to a journalist that Donald Trump "knew about the girls," according to documents made public Wednesday, but what he knew — and whether it pertained to the sex offender's crimes — is unclear, and the White House quickly accused Democrats of selectively leaking the emails to smear the President.

Democrats on the House Oversight Committee released three emails refer-

encing Trump, including one Epstein wrote in 2011 in which he told confidant Ghislaine Maxwell that Trump had "spent hours" at Epstein's house with a sex trafficking victim.

The disclosures seemed designed to raise new questions about Trump's friendship with Epstein and about what knowledge he may have had regarding what prosecutors call a years-long effort by Epstein to exploit underage girls. The

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Glass for Libbeys

The Toledo Museum of Art is crafting glass urns for Libbey monument at the Historic Woodlawn Cemetery.

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David Briggs

Inverness Club's groundskeeper tested his dad with once-in-a-lifetime results.

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TPS announces Head Start pause

Letter details temporary shutdown

By KELLY KACZALA

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Toledo Public Schools says the district is being forced to pause a majority of its Head Start and Early Childhood Education programs because of the prolonged government shutdown.

The temporary suspension will affect more than 1,000 students enrolled in TPS-sponsored programs, as well as 124 employees.

Head Start is funded directly by the federal government and goes to local Head Start grant recipi-



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ents, which are renewed annually at different grant cycles. The Toledo Public School District is a lead federal grant recipient for

Head Start. It receives \$16.7 million every year on Dec. 1, when its annual grant cycle begins.

As a result of TPS not re-

-ceiving its Dec. 1 federal award notification, operations will be temporarily

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Tanikka Harris, with her grandchildren Damerre Ullis, 2, and D'ream, 4, worries she could lose her job if she has to stay home with D'ream if his Head Start program shut down.

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