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*Darke County and the Miami Valley's Free News & Information Service*

## **Basic Fact Sheet**

County News Online  
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- County News Online went “Live” on January 15, 2011. In its first month it had a little over 7,000 hits (page views). Not quite 18 months later, CNO traffic had climbed to over 109,000 hits per month with more than 27,000 unique visitors.
- County News Online is a non-profit fundraising arm of the Senior Scribes Scholarship Fund, a 501c3 not-for-profit corporation. SSSF was established to provide college scholarships to Darke County students planning to enter a communications-related field.
- Since 2009, SSSF has given nearly \$18,000 in scholarships to high school graduates from Franklin Monroe, Versailles, Mississinawa Valley, Greenville and Ansonia. Application packets are sent annually to all school districts in Darke County.
- Since its inception, County News Online has contributed more than \$5,000 to SSSF from its net proceeds. These are funds raised through Display and Annual sponsorships of local businesses and community members, with all profits designated for the scholarship fund.
- In addition to Community News, Sports, Opinion, Events and Information, and brief looks at the state and national scene, CNO provides a publication forum for Darke County’s youth. A domain has been provided for Greenville High School’s Digital Waves, a web site developed and maintained by students in the GHS IMTV program. CNO also publishes East School’s student newspaper and news and commentary from local Teen Scribes. A recent addition to the site is a weekly column from Youth for Christ member Kalista King.
- Since much of CNO’s readership crosses county lines, and considerable news is published about the area’s local college, Edison Community College, SSSF has recently approved a bylaws change that will allow sponsorships from other counties to designate those proceeds be awarded to students from those counties.

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