

Photos that tell Ada's story



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The Icon posted hundreds of photos in 2016. As a final look at the year we bid farewell to, here's some of our more interesting feature photos.

There is one for each month (two for June, including our cover photo). Our photos are by Monty Siekerman, Fred Steiner and Ken Collins.

About our cover photo

Three years, a lot of hard work, and \$200 worth of seeds gets you a quarter acre of countless blooms.

Tammy (pictured) and Mike Bradshaw have developed an eyecatching display in front of their home in the country midway between Ada and Bluffton.

In late June the wildflower meadow garden bursts into yellow. Soon, other colors will emerge. You'll find bachelor buttons, daisies, and more. (Monty Siekerman photo)





January It's an Ada, Ohio, sunrise. This photo taken from an Ohio Northern University Instagram, reads: "A snowy campus and a beautiful sunrise makes for a gorgeous campus."



FebruaryThat's a Super Bowl TD and that's an Ada-made football our arrow points toward. Like we all say, "You can't have a Super Bowl without Ada, Ohio."





April

"That's how you do it, pet the snake with two fingers," says James Craker, 3, who attended an ONU Earth Week program at the pharmacy building Friday afternoon. Four members from the Toledo Zoo put on a program about conservation and care of animals as well as telling about strides made at the zoo in recent years. (Monty Siekerman photo)



May

Ohio Northern University photographer Trevor Jones won first place in the general features and illustrations category of the May University Photographers Association of America monthly image contest with this photo. His photograph "Chairs" was taken at Honor's Day this year and features fifth-year pharmacy student Shannon Kraus walking among the empty chairs before the convocation ceremony.



June

The first time in decades that a full moon ("Strawberry Moon") has appeared on the summer solstice as seen from Ada Monday evening. The next such event? 2062. (USA Today, Christian Science Monitor, and other news services) Ken Collins took this photo.



July

Hey, there's a guy on the Ada watertower! A crew from L.C. United Painting, Sterling Heights, Mich., is giving Ada's watertower a new look this summer. The watertower was constructed in the late 1930s. It may take up to 150 gallons of paint before the job's completed. There's two more photos of the painting below that you won't want to miss.



August

The Duck family of Ada enjoys a free lunch this week. They'd probably enjoy just about any handouts. Ken Collins came upon the meal and offered this interesting photo for Icon viewers.



September

Ada Mayor Dave Retterer and Faith Griffith cut the ribbon during the rededication of Ada's Pennsylvania Railroad caboose on Saturday morning.



October

Alex Morgan obviously enjoys his halftime gig with the Ada High School band. Here's a photo of the band performing last Friday at Bluffton.



November

The College Republicans and the College Democrats gathered for an election watch party Tuesday night at The Inn. Here, Maddie Kimmel shows her support for her guy while Lydia Heinlen cheers for her gal. The photo was taken early in the evening, thus everyone was smiling at that point.

December

Markenna Conaway, 11, adds some candy canes to a fruit basket on Tuesday morning. The Ada Church of Christ and First United Methodist Church made 116 fruit baskets which were delivered Tuesday and Wednesday to senior citizens, shut-ins, and people with disabilities. Donations for the annual gift-giving project come from the two churches and Kroger's and Rudolph's in Findlay. Dana Walters has headed up the project for many years. (Monty Siekerman photo)

