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Thumbs up to Townsend Community School

Thumbs up to the new \$2 million Townsend Community School, which has become such a popular choice for families, the charter school is already planning a 13,000-square-foot expansion. Want to check it out? There is an open house from 4-7 p.m. Monday at the student learning center, 209 Lowell St., Castalia.

Thumbs up to the new Ohio historical marker recognizing the Sandusky Library as the former home of the Erie County Jail. The jail was built in 1882-83 and remained open until the modern jail was built in 1990. In 2004, the old jail building became part of the renovated and expanded Sandusky Library.

Thumbs down to the 10 area convenience stores that sold alcohol to minors during a recent compliance check by Perkins police, Erie County deputies, the Erie County Health Department and Partners for Prevention. Each clerk that sold alcohol to minors was issued a citation and court date. Thumbs up, however, to the 15 businesses that properly checked IDs and didn't sell to minors.

Thumbs up to George Gast, who donated a white baby grand piano that belonged to his late son, Scott, to the Firelands Symphony Orchestra to promote music education for children.

Thumbs up to yet another successful Woolly Bear Festival in Vermilion. This year's event, the 43rd annual event since it was created by Fox 8 meteorologist Dick Goddard in 1972, was marked by perfect fall weather and the promise of a mild winter ahead by the color of the fuzzy caterpillars at the festival. We hope they're right.