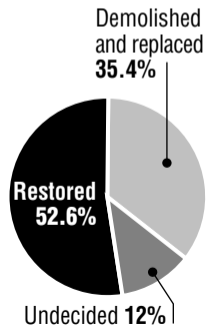


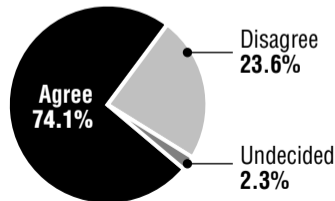
# POLL RESULTS

A Blade-commissioned Zogby International poll of 426 likely voters in Seneca County asked residents seven questions about the fate of their 1884 historic courthouse. The poll respondents were first asked a straight, up or down question, about whether the courthouse should be demolished and replaced or renovated. They were then asked five questions that provided information about the views of Gov. Ted Strickland, the county commissioners, and a historic preservation expert concerning the courthouse. At the end of the poll, which had a 4.9 percent margin of error, respondents were again asked whether they supported demolition or renovation.

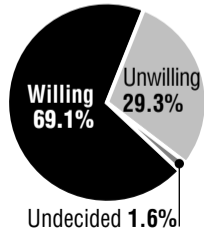
Do you think Seneca County's historic courthouse should be demolished and replaced or restored?



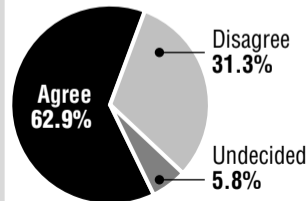
Gov. Ted Strickland said he would like Seneca County to hold off on demolition of the county's historic courthouse until he and state officials have time to explore whether state money is available to help pay for restoration of the courthouse. Do you agree or disagree that the county commissioners should delay demolition until Governor Strickland has time to explore options for financing the historic courthouse renovation?



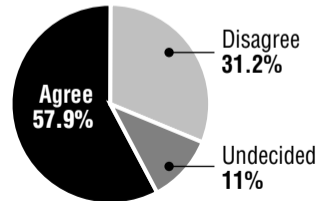
State officials said it could take up to a year to find state money to help restore the courthouse. Are you willing or not willing to give the state one year to find money to help Seneca County pay for restoration of the courthouse?



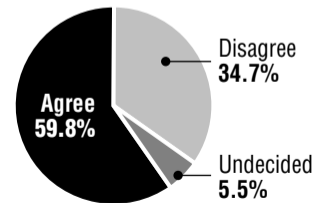
Recently, the head of the Texas Historic Courthouse Commission came to Tiffin, toured the county's courthouse, and said the structure was in fairly good shape, worth restoring, and valued at between \$30 million and \$50 million. Does that assessment make you agree or disagree that the Seneca County Courthouse should be restored?



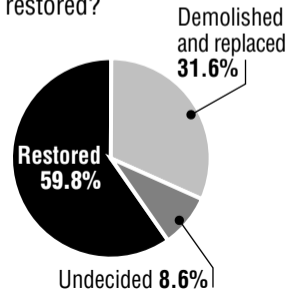
A review of county records by The Blade found that county commissioners Ben Nutter and Dave Sauber have been overestimating the cost of restoring the courthouse and underestimating the cost of building a new courthouse building. Does that information make you agree or disagree that the Seneca County Courthouse should be restored?



Seneca County records show that it would cost about \$6.1 million to demolish the county's historic courthouse and build a new, smaller, box-style courthouse, and would cost about \$7.4 million to restore the historic courthouse. Do you agree or disagree that the county should spend the additional \$1.3 million to restore the courthouse?



After all the information that has been published by the media and the commissioners about the courthouse issue, do you think Seneca County's historic courthouse should be demolished and replaced or restored?



# COMMISSIONERS' POLL



**Dave Sauber**



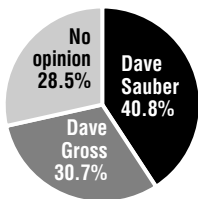
**Ben Nutter**



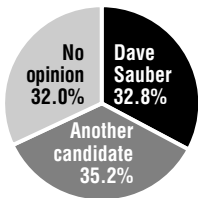
**Mike Bridinger**

In the November, 2004, election for Seneca County Board of Commissioners, Republican Dave Sauber defeated Democrat Dave Gross and Democrat Ben Nutter defeated Republican Charles Ardner. In November, 2006, Republican Mike Bridinger defeated Democrat Joe Schock. A poll of Seneca County residents last week showed that if the same candidates faced off today, the results would be much different.

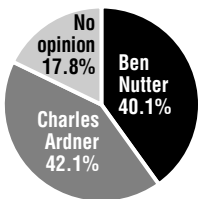
If the election for Seneca County Commissioner were held today and the candidates were Republican Dave Sauber or Democrat Dave Gross for whom would you vote?



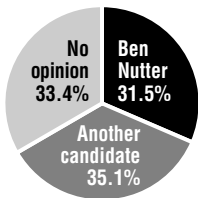
If another candidate were to enter the race for Seneca County Commissioner for whom would you vote — Dave Sauber or an unnamed candidate?



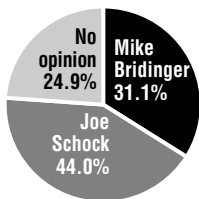
If the election for Seneca County Commissioner were held today and the candidates were Democrat Ben Nutter or Republican Charles Ardner for whom would you vote?



If another candidate were to enter the race for Seneca County Commissioner for whom would you vote — Ben Nutter or an unnamed candidate?



If the election for Seneca County Commissioner were held today and the candidates were Republican Mike Bridinger or Democrat Joe Schock for whom would you vote?



If another candidate were to enter the race for Seneca County Commissioner for whom would you vote — Mike Bridinger or an unnamed candidate?

