

## MAJOR FLOODING FORCING ROAD CLOSURES; POWER OUTAGES NEXT



Along with May, June has broken rain fall records in Ohio even before this latest weather event. Water is filling streams and rivers faster than can be carried away. At the same time catch basins in towns are also plugging from the debris brought in from the flow.

State Road 49 in Antwerp was closed by ODOT due to flash flooding. Hicksville also has flooding on the same road. Since Sunday the road has been reopened.

Areas around Fort Wayne were seeing flooding from the rain and power outages from the wind which is also traveling towards Ohio and may see the same affects. Many people are still without power as of

this writing.

Flooding can be dangerous. The following are important points to remember when driving in flood conditions: Six inches of water will reach the bottom of most passenger cars causing loss of control and possible stalling. A foot of water will float many vehicles. Two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles including sport utility vehicles (SUV's) and pick-ups.

Hitting a flood at relative high speeds can rip the floor from the bottom of a vehicle.

The best thing to do is AVOID driving through flooded roads. Turn around and find another route to your destination.

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## NHHS CLASS OF '65 - 50<sup>th</sup> REUNION

The New Haven High School Class of 1965 will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-11:00 p.m. at the Hotel Fort Wayne (old Marriott). Contact Denny Herman at 260-449-9670 /email herman\_99@comcast.net or Wayne Sovine 260-749-1716/ email wstormiel@gmail.com

Reservation deadline is July 29<sup>th</sup>.

Lost classmates:

William Blessing, Patricia Browne, Stan Clark, Barbara Day, Leslie Dickenson, David Finton, Wayne Gibson, Mary-Ann Hoff, Judith Hughes, John Kressley, Robert Mellon, Gloria Norton, Linda Reichhart, Denny Swihart, Kenneth Thomas, Cheryl Valentine

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## PAULDING LIBRARY INDEPENDENCE DAY CLOSINGS

The Paulding County Carnegie Library system will be closed July 3rd and 4th in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

## WHISPERING CREEK GC IN NEW HAVEN TEMPORARILY CLOSED

The Whispering Creek Golf Course in New Haven will be closed until at least Thursday. Call the golf course for more information at 260-749-5025.

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## SAFETY FIRST FARM SEMINAR IN PAULDING



Leon Klopfenstein half-buried in grain with firefighters demonstrating the rescue and EMA Director Ed Bohn (left) watching.

Paulding County OSU Extension Office planned a special safety seminar for Paulding County residents. The informative meeting brought people from around the county and taught farms about the potential dangers of grain and how to narrow risks around the equipment and grain.

The Friday evening event began at 6:30 pm at the Fairgrounds. Ed Bohn of the Paulding County EMA and Sarah Noggle of the OSU Extension office in Paulding

County set the educational and training event up.

Farm safety is very important. Educator Kent McGuire said that already this year six people had been killed do to these types of accidents.

One type of farm dangers is the equipment such as augers that don't stop if something other than grain gets in. Kent demonstrated that very quickly an auger can grab loose clothing and suck a person straight into the machine.

Approximately 1500 cases have been documented and entered into Purdue's Agriculture Confined Spaces Incident Database (PACSID), with the earliest case dating back to 1964. Today, too many times, victims of grain entrapment are working in much fuller and larger bins, and things go south so quickly that they're pulled beneath the pile and suffocated literally within seconds.

Nick, who was there with Kent, brought young people

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**PAULDING, OH**  
**John Steven Aloysius Kurkey**, 63, of Paulding passed away Sunday, June 21, 2015 at Paulding County Hospital. His family was assisted by Dooley Funeral Homes of Payne & Antwerp.

**DEFIANCE, OH**  
**Donald R. Hammon**, 81, of Defiance, passed away on Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at his residence, with his family by his side.

He was born on March 22, 1934 to Raymond and Laura (Meyer) Hammon in Florida, Ohio. On November 20, 1955 he married Arleta (Littlejohn) Hammon, who survives.

Don was a lifelong member of St. John Lutheran Church in Defiance. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving from 1956 to 1958. He was employed at General Motors in Defiance for 39 years until his retirement in 1993. Donald was a volunteer with the Auglaize Fire Department, and an Assistant Scout Master with Boy Scout Troop 19 in Oakwood. Don enjoyed camping, fishing, traveling, and spending time with his family and friends, especially his great grandchildren.

Don is survived by his loving spouse of 59 years, wife Arleta Hammon of Defiance, son, Steven (Sonya Yenser-Hammon) Hammon of Oakwood, daughter, Lisa (Terry) Pastor of Defiance, grandchildren, Morgan Hammon, Cassandra Hammon, Ashley (John) Verhoff, Justin (Gabby) Sheaks, 4 great-grandchildren, brothers, James Hammon, Larry Hammon, and Raymond Hammon, and sister, Lois (Bill) Bennett.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Orville Hammon, sisters, Norma Jean Hammon, Dorothy Krantz, and Mary Ann Maass.

Visitation was held from 2:00 to 4:00 pm and 5:00 to 8:00 pm on Friday, June 26, 2015 at Schaffer Funeral Home, Defiance. Funeral services were 11:00 am on Saturday, June 27, 2015, at the funeral home, with Rev. Donald L. Lühring officiating. Burial will follow at Riverside Memory Gardens, with graveside Military Honors accorded by VFW Post #3360.

Memorials are suggested to Hospice of Paulding County.

Online condolences can be given at [www.Schafferfh.com](http://www.Schafferfh.com).

**HARLAN, IN**

**Margaret F. Moss**, 94, died Thursday, June 25, 2015 at The Laurels in Butler, IN. She was born on January 27, 1921 in Woodburn, IN to the late John & Grace (Rogers) Mettert.

Surviving are sons, Michael W. Moss, Fort Wayne, IN; Max L. Moss, Harlan, IN; Grandchildren: Andrea L. Watts, Ft. Wayne, IN; Nicholas J. Moss, Harlan, IN; Sisters: Lucille Richmond, Harlan, IN; Rosemary Mettert, Ft. Wayne, IN; Ione "Tony" Henry, Ft. Wayne, IN; Crystal Duwan, Harlan, IN; Sandra Martin, Hollis, NH

She was preceded in death by a brother, Jack Mettert.

She retired after 30 years as a Postmistress from the Harlan Post Office. She graduated from Harlan High School in 1939.

As per her wishes, there will be no calling or services.

Arrangements by Carnahan-Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, IN. To view an online obituary & sign the guestbook, please visit [www.cb-wfuneralhome.com](http://www.cb-wfuneralhome.com).

**WOODBURN, IN**  
**Lynn Michael "Mike" Emenhiser**, 76, of Woodburn, IN passed away unexpectedly on June 25, 2015 at Parkview Regional Medical Center.

Born September 18, 1938, the youngest of 15 children, to Charles and Irene (Heckler) Emenhiser. Mike retired from BF Goodrich, Woodburn, IN in 1994 after 30 plus years. He was a faithful member of South Scipio United Brethren Church, Harlan, IN.

Mike's love for his family and the Lord was his true joy. He was a friend to all, and never met a stranger. He especially loved children, and was known at church as the "Gum Man". He enjoyed many hobbies including hunting, fishing, woodworking, and stained glass projects. He took great satisfaction in making something out of nothing. He was proud of having traveled to the 48 contiguous states as well as Alaska.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Judy (Gustin) Emenhiser. Mike also leaves to treasure his memory three daughters, Lynette (Rev. Brian) Magnus of Guelph, ON, Canada, Wendy (Randy) Bruick of Fort Wayne, IN, and Shelly Hudson of Houston, TX; seven grandchildren, Lucas (Leslie) Augustyniak of Monroeville, IN, Hilary (Kirby) Carlson of New Haven, IN, David (Amanda) Magnus, Heather Magnus, Holly (John) Ziedinsh, Wendy (Mark) Banks, and Christopher Magnus, all of Guelph, ON, Canada; and three great grandchildren, Jacob and Lucille Augustyniak, and Theodore Ziedinsh. Also surviving are three sisters, Mary Geesaman of Greenwood, IN, Ruth Wonderly of Hicksville, OH and Gloria Inlow of Auburn, IN.

Preceding him in death are his brothers; Ronald, Kenneth, Allen, Charles JR, Stanley, Jerry and Elwood; his sisters Amy Nahrwold, Maxine Voirol, Bertha Gerardot and Lois Peterson.

Funeral services will be Tuesday, June 30, at 11:00am at South Scipio United Brethren Church, 24990 Antwerp Rd., Harlan, IN with calling one hour prior. Pastor Gary Gates will officiate. Visitation is at Smith & Brown

Funeral Home, Hicksville, OH, Monday, June 29 from 2:00-5:00pm and 7:00-9:00pm.

Burial will be at Scipio Cemetery.

Memorials in honor of Mike may be made to Harlan Christian Youth Center or South Scipio United Brethren Church.



**ANTWERP, OH**  
**Anna (Marge) Clem**, 88, of Antwerp passed away Monday, June 29, 2015 at the Community Memorial Hospital, Hicksville, Ohio.

She was born on March 12, 1927 in Chillicothe, Ohio to the late Walter and Lucinda (Carter) Brofford.

On April 6, 1946 she married Rolland G. Clem Sr. in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He died on April 19, 1969.

Anna worked for 14 years at Syncro of Hicksville, Ohio

She was a member of the Riverside Christian Church, The Antwerp VFW Auxiliary, the Hicksville Eagles and the Royal Neighbors.

She was preceded in death by her husband, nine brothers and two sisters.

She is survived by two sons Rolland (Ruth) Clem Jr. — Antwerp, Ohio and Dennis (Lori) J. Clem — Payne, Ohio

Five Grandchildren: Denny Getrost, Reggie Clem, Regan Clem, Ben Clem, Mollie Clem, and 14 Great Grandchildren

Funeral Services will be held Thursday July 2, 2015 at 11AM, at The Dooley Funeral Home of Antwerp with Pastor Regan Clem officiating.

Friends may call at the Dooley Funeral Home, one hour prior to the service on Thursday.

Burial will be in the Christ Lutheran Cemetery, Woodburn, Indiana

Suggested Memorials are to the Van Crest of Antwerp, Activity Fund.

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 7/1 - 7/7**

7/1 - BBQ chicken, baked potato, glazed carrots, banana, WW bread

7/2 - Ham & scalloped potatoes, capri blend vegetables, fresh fruit, cornbread, sherbet

7/3 - Country fried steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, peaches, raisins, dinner roll

7/6 - Pork cutlet w/gravy, sweet potato casserole, corn, pears, WW bread, peanut butter cookie

7/7 - Cheeseburger, broccoli salad, tropical fruit, fruit juice, goldfish crackers

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 7/1 - 7/7**

7/1 - Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Bunco at 12:30 p.m.

7/2 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Blood pressure & toe nail clinic at 9:00 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Turn up at 12:15 p.m.

7/3 - Closed for July 4th holiday

7/6 - Raffle Day; Picnic at Herb Monroe Park at 11:30 a.m.; Shedding Pounds at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Walking Zumba at 10:30 a.m.; Bingo w/Country Inn at 12:00 Noon

7/7 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.



**ADVENTURES ON PROMISE ISLAND: WHERE KIDS DISCOVER GOD'S LIFE-SAVING LOVE! VBS AT ROSE HILL CHURCH OF GOD**

Join the fun on Promise Island! Rose Hill Church of God (corner of SR 637 and Charloe Trail) will be hosting Promise Island vacation Bible school on July 13-17, 2015 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Kids ages 3 years old through 6th grade are all welcome to come to a week of learning where kids discover God's life-saving love.

For more information, contact Rose Hill Church of God, 419-299-3113.

**PAULDING COUNTY CHRONICLES IV**

By: **Caroline Zimmerman**  
 "The Great Black Swamp" Part 2

The Great Black Swamp was formed as a result of the last melting glacier. It was actually about 120 miles long and 40 miles wide at its most dense part, which was the size of the state of Connecticut. The Black Swamp was a thick grove of dense, hardwood trees, and the ground was swampy with thick, decaying vegetation which covered yellow clay. Under the yellow clay, there was a layer of black clay. The water was retained in the rotting swamp which made it smell like sulfur. Human beings avoided it, and even animals did not like to go into the Great Black Swamp. Many times, it was deadly. Insects thrived, and it was said that a person and an animal "could be eaten alive in a matter of minutes" if

**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"The Lord will vindicate me; your love, Lord, endures forever— do not abandon the works of your hands."

—Psalm 138:8



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up to see if they could pull a small platform with a heavy rope tied to it up through garbage can full of grain. Even though Mark Wolfe was able to pull it out, it would be difficult to pull a person who had been sucked down under the grain.

Another danger taught was how grain can build a hard shell on top, almost like ice, and stay there even after the storage has been emptied. Someone might walk on it and then it falls through.

Ed Bohn brought in firefighters for training and to demonstrate how an individual might be saved from being trapped in grain. Leon Klopfenstein from the Scott Fire Department was the person being rescued after the augers had pulled him down to waist level in the corn. The firefighters used these metal containment sections that could be screwed together to make a small confined space around the victim. Then they would use a hose with compressed air where they could vacuum the grain from the area until the person could climb out on their own. Other vacuums could work such



as a shop vac but with the explosive nature of grain dust the motor would have to be outside the bin.

Children and adults are both susceptible to accidents on the farm and minimizing these can ensure success and safety.

Goyings Farms north of Paulding was kind to house the semi-truck and provide the grain for the demonstration units. The program set-up by the county EMA and the OSU Extension office was an excellent reminder of the importance of safety on the farm.

they went into the swamp. Plants thrived in this extremely fertile environment, and it became an overgrown jungle throughout the centuries. After thousands and thousands of years, compression caused limestone to form. That's why Northwest Ohio has limestone quarries.

Present day Paulding County, Wood County, and Ottawa County are the only counties that were fully in what was The Great Black Swamp. It was an oblong puddle that came down from Lake Erie to Fort Wayne. The Northern Moraine, or ridge, ran through Defiance County, Henry County, Wood County, and Lucas County to Lake Erie, and the Southern Moraine, or ridge, ran through Van Wert County, Putnam County, Hancock County, Seneca County, and Sandusky County to Lake Erie.

European immigrants were willing to come in and clear the swamp with all the danger because it was selling for about seven cents per acre. They worked hard to dig ditches and canals, and clear the land for farming. Even today, the land in Paulding County is very much like putty when it is wet, and when it gets hard "it is hard to get Paulding County clay off your boots."

Without drainage, it would not take long to revert back into the swamp land it was 200 years ago. If you drive down "the Canal Road" in Paulding County, you can

picture the swamp-like features in some places that could come back if they are neglected for a few more years. The frogs, turtles, and wildlife love it.

When were the last glaciers here in Ohio? Ohio has experienced four separate ice ages over the last two million years. These glaciers were thick sheets of ice between one and eight-thousand feet thick. They moved very slowly with an average speed of only 160 feet per year. The last glacier entered into Ohio about 25,400 years ago. It took 6,000 years for the glacier to move across Lake Erie and parts of Ohio. It remained here for about 3,000 to 4,000 years before melting off. The glacier covered 56 of our 88 counties. The notorious Great Black Swamp was just the last area of a few counties to dry up.

As the weather warmed up and the glacier began to melt, it left behind ridges of debris that were pushed ahead of it. These ridges are called moraines. The soil left behind by the glacier is very rich usually. Gouges, like rivers and streams, are made by glaciers (the glacial grooves on Kelley's Island in Lake Erie). Fossil remains of plants and animals from other parts of the country can be found where you live because of the glacier pushing ice formations. Stones, seashells, and artifacts are pushed in front of the ice.

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**DIAPER CHAPTERS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**



Kiwanis president, Erika Willitzer and Paulding County Carnegie Library Head of Youth Services, Sara Molitor, deliver Diaper Chapter bags to Health Department representatives Sophia Mobley and Sherry Miller.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library emerging literacy bag, Diaper Chapters, is now available to new parents at the Paulding County Health Department while supplies last. Diaper Chapters encourages new parents to read aloud to their babies and teaches them about the importance of early literacy. It includes a board book of

nursery rhymes, a bib, growth chart and more. There is no charge for a Diaper Chapters bag, but the recipient must be a Paulding County resident. Diaper Chapters is made possible through a partnership of the Kiwanis Club of Paulding County and the library. For more information contact the library at 419-399-2032.

**HITE LEADS EFFORTS ON EDUCATION, PRAISES PASSAGE OF SENATE BUDGET PROPOSALS**

OH State Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) announced the Senate's passage of the state's two-year budget proposal with a vote of 23-10. The bill includes substantial new funding for education and more than \$1.75 billion in net tax relief for hard-working Ohioans and small business owners.

"There are a number of provisions in this budget that will directly help northwest Ohio," said Senator Hite. "I am particularly proud of the way our school funding proposal levels the playing field for rural districts and drives new state dollars to the low-capacity districts that need them without reducing state aid to other districts."

Senator Hite emphasized the inclusion of other provisions, which include:

- Nearly \$1 billion in new funding for K-12 education, including over \$100 million in incentive-based bonuses focused on graduation and literacy rates.
- Removal of a proposed

\$264 million tax on Social Security benefits for senior citizens.

- Two-year tuition freeze at public colleges and universities.
- Increased funding for police training programs, a result of Hite's service with the Police-Community Relations Task Force.

• An extension of the P.I.L.O.T. program for renewable energy projects, which encourages energy growth in Ohio and pushes money to local school districts.

• \$4 million for the reduction of MARCS user fees for local fire departments and first responders.

"This budget represents an opportunity to lower taxes and keep more money in Ohioans wallets," Hite added. "We can make state government more efficient and put less tax dollars to work in even better ways."

Among the major highlights in the bill, the Senate plan:

- Tax Cuts: Reduces Ohio's income tax rate by 6.3 percent, returning \$1.26 billion to taxpayers over the next two years, allowing Ohioans the opportunity to keep more of their hard-earned money.
- Small Business Tax Relief: Eliminates the entire state tax burden on small businesses with income up to \$250,000 and creates an innovative, new 3 percent flat tax for small businesses above that income level. This allows small businesses, the backbone of Ohio's economy, the opportunity to invest back into job creation and infrastructure.
- Reduces Spending: Overall spends less than any previous state budget plan introduced this year. It also reduces proposed overall

Medicaid spending by more than \$1 billion, giving the state the opportunity to focus on finding efficiencies and improved patient outcomes.

• Investing in K-12: Invests more than \$935 million new dollars into students and schools over the next two years (\$351.5 million in FY16 and maintains that additional funding in FY17 and adds \$233 million more), holds all districts harmless to FY15 funding amounts. It provides an opportunity for predictability and sustainability for school districts, driving additional dollars to low-wealth, low-capacity districts while ensuring more districts are on the funding formula. The Senate-passed version of the budget also implements various testing reform recommendations of the Senate Advisory Committee on Testing, such as reducing hours of required testing.

• Higher Ed Affordability and Support: Makes the largest state investment in SSI (state share of instruction) for higher education in eight years. The bill also gives college students and their families the opportunity for a more affordable college education by instituting a two-year freeze on tuition rate increases and requiring Ohio's public universities and colleges to find ways to reduce student costs by five percent.

• Support for Essential Services: Restores or provides additional funding for essential services, such as pregnancy care, breast and cervical cancer screenings for women, foodbank services, various health care and youth programs, all which give Ohioans opportunities to improve their lives, health and economic situation.

The budget bill will now be referred to a conference committee where the House and Senate versions will be reconciled. The Ohio Constitution requires that the budget be balanced, and, by law, the bill must be signed by the Governor by July 1.

**HITE ANNOUNCES SENATE PASSAGE OF SENATE LEGISLATION TO INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR OHIO CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) announced the passage of legislation aimed at increasing accountability and efficiency in Ohio charter schools.

"Ohio's charter schools are an important part of Ohio's education system," said Hite. "The legislation passed today addresses the most pressing challenges facing Ohio's charter school system. This is a comprehensive piece of legislation that ensures that each student receives the highest quality education possible."

Hite serves as chairman of the Senate Finance subcommittee on K-12 Education, which unanimously passed the bill.

The legislation follows months of discussion between the Ohio Senate, the Ohio House of Representatives, and Ohio's charter school professionals. Senate changes to House Bill 2 improve opportunities for char-

ter school students, increase transparency in charter schools, and create performance-driven accountability measurements.

In addition to increased transparency and accountability for Ohio's charter school sponsors and operators, House Bill 2 also provides the Ohio Department of Education with more options to interact with poor-performing charter schools.

"We need to put all of our schools and students in a position to succeed and I believe that these changes do just that," said Hite.

House Bill 2 also adds criteria for who may serve on the governing authority of a charter school, puts an emphasis on transparency and the availability of information to the general public, and ends a number of possible conflicts of interest for charter school sponsors and operators.

On the Senate floor before the vote, Hite reminded his colleagues that, "It's not who's right, but what's right. This is what's right. Please vote for this."

The bill passed unanimously and now goes to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

**REP. LATTA VOTES TO REPEAL MEDICAL INNOVATION TAX**

U.S. Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) joined colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives in passing a key bill in support of American innovation in the medical field, and a repeal on the tax that threatens its growth.

H.R. 160, The Protect Medical Innovation Act, repeals the burdensome 2.3 percent excise tax on the sale of medical devices imposed by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, also known as ObamaCare.

"This is a tax against advances in the medical field. The future of this growing and innovative industry is confronted with much uncertainty following the implementation of the Affordable Care Act including this medical device tax," said Rep. Latta. "As one of the most onerous taxes contained in the health care law, it must be repealed."

Data from a 2014 industry survey shows the tax resulted in employment reductions of 14,000 industry workers through 2013 with approximately an additional

4,500 jobs lost in 2014. Furthermore, the study forecasted the industry will forgo the hiring of over 20,000 employees over the next five years. Overall, the lost jobs and lack of growth caused by the tax will result in 39,000 fewer industry jobs.

From the survey: Applying this ratio to jobs lost or forgone suggests that the impact of the tax on indirect employment could be as much as 156,000 jobs, for a total job loss due to the tax of 195,000 jobs. - Impact of the Medical Device Excise Tax (1/2015)

"This excise tax would have devastating consequences on the medical device industry. This is an irresponsible tax that threatens to stifle American innovation and job creation," Latta continued. "We cannot jeopardize the benefits of medical advances for future generations in order to fill the coffers of the federal government today."

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**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

**By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ**

1. Luke 20:17 - What does this mean the stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone?

2. Luke 20:18 - What does this verse mean?

3. Luke 20:9 - Who is the certain man in this verse? This is the beginning of seeing the spiritual truth in these verses.

4. Luke 20:9 - Who are the vinedressers?

5. Luke 20:13 - Who is the beloved son?

6. Luke 20:16 - This is the question I gave to you last week; "Who are the others?"

7. Luke 20:16 - When they heard the parable the Jews said certainly not they brought \_\_\_\_\_ upon themselves?

8. Luke 20:10 - Who are the servants in this verse and others?

9. Thought question: This parable summarizes what?

Comments or questions? Call James Potter at 419-393-4775 or e-mail at jsp1941@yahoo.com

Jesus loves you and so does the church of Christ.

Answers to questions:

1. The rejecting of a stone shows the builders did not recognize a place for that stone. An architect would have stones hewn out and delivered to the building sight. Here the builders receive it, but reject it. Just as Christ came to the Jewish nation, the leaders could find no place for Christ, so they rejected Him.

2. There are two fates mentioned in this verse: 1). Shall be broken means the Jews was always stumbling over Jesus teaching and they were afraid of losing their authority; 2). on whom the stone falls, this is judgment falling on the Jewish nation, there were thousands upon thousands of dead people and no one to bury them. For those who left Jerusalem before the assault they were scattered like dust to all parts of the known world.

3. God; 4. Jewish nation; 5. Jesus; 6. Gentiles, back when Christ was on earth there were only two classes of people Jew and Gentile.; 7. Judgment on themselves; 8. Prophets that God sent to warn the leaders of Israel; 9. The sad history of the Jews. Loved ones each of us according to this parable know that Jesus is the chief cornerstone and this is what the true church is built upon.

We will see this as we study about the church.

"Ol' Baldy" says bye for

now, but continue studying the New Testament so that you will know the truth. I am truly blessed by the Lord and the West Bend News for letting me study with you so that each of us can help one another.

"Luv Ya!" I truly do thank you; thank you very much.

**SPIRITUAL VERSUS CARNAL**

**By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, Maples United Methodist Church**

"People who are guided by the Spirit can make all kinds of judgments, but they cannot be judged by others. The Scriptures ask, 'Has anyone ever known the thoughts of the Lord or given him advice?' But we understand what Christ is thinking. My friends, you are acting like the people of this world. That's why I could not speak to you as spiritual people. You are like babies as far as your faith in Christ is concerned. So, I had to treat you like babies and feed you milk. You could not take solid food, and you still cannot, because you are not yet spiritual. You are jealous and argue with each other. This proves that you are not spiritual and that you are acting like the people of this world." 1 Corinthians 2:15-16, 3:1-3 (CEV).

The spiritual person was once a natural man, a person that was ruled by their animal nature. Salvation through faith in Christ has transformed them. They were once doomed but now they are delivered. The Holy Spirit teaches and leads the spiritual person to discern and understand all things. They see God at work in the world and in his or her life. The people of the world do not understand the spiritual person as the spiritual person is enlightened and holy. The spiritual person is capable of receiving and knowing the teachings of the Spirit and having the disposition and mind of Christ.

The carnal person is a person that has received Christ but has not made a real commitment to follow Christ. The carnal person is a person that is under the influence of fleshly appetites; coveting and living for the things of this life. These persons know what they should do but do not do it. They are wrong in thought, word and deed. The carnal person clings to the world and things of the world. Confusion, strife, envy, and fleshly desires rule their conduct and they do not readily discern things of the Spirit.

**WHERE IS GOD WHEN THINGS GO WRONG DISCUSSED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ**



How to find peace in the midst of unexpected tragedy will be explored at Lifetree Café on Thursday, July 2 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "When Everything Goes Wrong, Where Is God?" includes a filmed interview with Denise Lauerman, a woman who coped with the death of two children and her husband. In the midst of sadness and brokenness, Lauerman says she feels peace.

"I've stood on the side of mountains, screamed, and thrown rocks," she said. "I've had those conversations with God, and sometimes it's just thinking and not prayer. I

know he hears me, and I get answers."

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Snacks and beverages are available. Lifetree Café is located in The Bachwell at 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Please enter on Court Street. Parking is available in the Courthouse lots.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual coffeehouse-type setting. Questions about Lifetree may be directed to First United Methodist Church at 419-238-0631 or firstchurch@wcoil.com.

Topic for July 9, "Upsizing Life by Downsizing Stuff."

**TAYLOR - SKINNER**



John and Julie Taylor of Antwerp, Ohio are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachael Ellen Taylor, to Andrew Michael Skinner, son of Kathleen and Michael Skinner of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The future bride graduated from Miami University with a Bachelor of Science degree and will graduate with a Doctorate of Audiology from Central Michigan University in May 2016. She is employed at the Cincinnati Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

The future groom graduated from Miami University with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Masters of Arts in Teaching. He is employed as a Technology Sales Executive at ProSource in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The couple will exchange vows on October 3, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at Divine Mercy Catholic Church in Antwerp, Ohio.

**SURPRISE CARD SHOWER FOR ALVERTA CLARK**

Please join us, the family of Alverta (Sproy) Clark, as we celebrate her 90th birthday on July 11, 2015. She has many family and friends who aren't nearby, so we invite you to send her a card or note to include a memory or simply express your good wishes.

Please mail your card to arrive on or about July 11, 2015.

Alverta Clark, 139 Bluffview Dr., Port Bellaire #3 Condo 111, Bellaire Bluff, FL 33770

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**LETTER REINFORCES CALL MADE IN NATIONAL TV AD CAMPAIGN**

**By: David Swanson**

An increasing number of United States military veterans are counseling United States military drone operators to refuse to fly drone surveillance/attack missions - the veterans are even helping sponsor prime time television commercials urging drone operators to "refuse to fly."

In a letter released recently by KnowDrones.com, 44 former members of the US Air Force, Army, Navy and Marines whose ranks range from private to colonel and whose military service spans 60 years, "urge United States drone pilots, sensor operators and support teams to refuse to play any role in drone surveillance/assassination missions. These missions profoundly violate domestic and international laws intended to protect individuals' rights to life, privacy and due process."

Among those signing the letter are retired U.S. Army Colonel Ann Wright, who resigned from her State Department post in 2003 over the U.S. invasion of Iraq, and former Marine Captain Matthew Hoh, who, in spite of pleadings by Obama Administration officials, resigned his State Department post in Afghanistan in 2009 in protest over U.S. strategic goals and policy there. Also signing are former U.S. Army Captain and CIA official Ray McGovern; former U.S. Navy Lt. Barry Lendorf, president of Veterans for Peace; and former U.S. Army Sgts. Aaron Hughes and Maggie Martin, co-directors of Iraq Veterans Against the War.

Speaking to the issue of disobeying military orders, the letter says: "Those involved in United States drone operations who refuse to participate in drone

missions will be acting in accordance with Principle IV of the Principles of International Law Recognized in the Charter of the Nuremberg Tribunal and the Judgment of the Tribunal, The United Nations 1950," that states:

"The fact that a person acted pursuant to order of his Government or of a superior does not relieve him of responsibility under international law, provided a moral choice was in fact possible."

"The people signing this letter know that they are asking drone operators to take a heavy step," said Nick Mottern, coordinator of KnowDrones.com, "but we feel it is perfectly legitimate to advise military people to stop taking part in illegal activity that has killed thousands without due process, is terrorizing thousands more and is wracking their own ranks with moral injury and PTSD."

To advance the "Refuse to Fly" initiative, KnowDrones.com has been airing 15-second television commercials on CNN, FoxNews, MSNBC and other networks in areas near drone intelligence and control centers in the U.S. The paid spots, the cost of which has been partially covered by members of Veterans for Peace, show the human toll of drone attacks and urge drone operators to refuse to fly.

The ads have appeared in Las Vegas near Creech AFB and in northern California near Beale AFB. They are currently airing in upstate New York near Hancock Air National Guard base outside Syracuse and the Air Guard base near Niagara Falls; more showings will be scheduled soon elsewhere in the U.S.

David Swanson writes for PeaceVoice, is director of WorldBeyondWar.org and campaign coordinator for RootsAction.org. Swanson's books include *War Is A Lie*.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The time is overdue for Ohio to follow the lead taken by New York in legalizing the sale and use of certain consumer fireworks. New York is the 47th state to make some level of consumer fireworks legal for sale and use.

The facts are clear that residents of the Buckeye State do not need protection from the legislature in prohibiting them from using consumer fireworks. The time is right for the sale and use of the full line of consumer fireworks in Ohio with strict and common sense regulations.

Since 1994 there has been a 59.3% increase in use of fireworks in the U.S. measured by imports that grew from 117 million pounds in 1994 to 186.4 million pounds in 2013. Against this substantial increase in use of fireworks, the actual number of fireworks-related injuries during the same period dropped by 8.8% as reported by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. If you measure injuries per 100,000 pounds of fireworks used, during the same period the rate per 100,000 pounds of fireworks used dropped from 10.7 to 6.1 or 42.9%.

More than 36% of the reported injuries in the CPSC statistics resulted from illegal firecrackers, public displays, altered devices and unspecified devices that are not consumer fireworks. This makes the reduction in the rate of consumer fireworks-related injuries even more impressive.

This reduction in the rate of product-related injuries is unmatched by any other consumer product with any risk associated with it such as trampolines, motorcycles, jet skis and the like.

In addition to New York, in the past 10 years or so, the following states have liberalized their laws relative to the sale and use of consumer fireworks: Arizona, Connecticut, Georgia, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Minnesota, New Hampshire, and Utah.

The consumer fireworks products are safer today than they have ever been before. The sale of consumer fireworks can raise some badly needed revenue for government.

Americans love fireworks. Fireworks and the celebration of the 4th of July Independence Day are synonymous. Then future U.S. President John Adams on July 3, 1776 in a now famous letter to his wife, Abigail, mused that Independence Day "ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, bonfires and illuminations (fireworks) from one end of this continent to the other, from this day forward forevermore."

Ohio legislators have the power to change the fireworks laws and permit the regulated sale and use of the full line of consumer fireworks. This is too long overdue.

Write or e-mail your legislator and ask for legalization of consumer fireworks in Ohio. Take Ohio out of the consumer fireworks dark ages and into the modern era.

Please enjoy the Independence Day holiday with your family and celebrate safely.

Very truly yours,  
—William A. Weimer  
Phantom Fireworks,  
Vice President

THE IRAN FRAMEWORK: A CASE STUDY IN ENGAGEMENT

By: Mel Gurtov

We have every reason to celebrate the so-called framework agreement with Iran. It exemplifies the best of President Obama's foreign policy, namely, engaging adversaries. Remember when candidate Obama's argument for engagement during campaign 2008 was ridiculed by Hillary Clinton, among many others? Now Obama has two major engagement successes to crow about, leaving behind those who are quick to criticize the deals with Cuba and Iran as anything from foolish to treasonous. Needless to say, neither of those understandings is complete; the devil is always in the details, and there are plenty of them. But to reach this point after more than 35 years when other administrations have either failed to cut a deal or refused to try is nothing short of extraordinary. And in the case of Iran, the nuclear agreement comes at a crucial moment, not merely in terms of Iran's nuclear-weapon potential but more broadly with respect to the chaotic shape of Middle East politics.

John Limbert was a political officer in the US embassy in Tehran when the

nightmare hostage crisis unfolded in 1979. Out of his captivity has come a seminal guide, *Negotiating with Iran: Wrestling the Ghosts of History* (2009), which reflects his deep background in Persian studies and his commitment to dialogue and mutual understanding. His book examines several cases of crisis in Iran and then offers a number of guidelines to successfully negotiating with the Iranians. At a time when we are hearing loud criticisms of the nuclear deal and efforts by Congress members, and Israel, to undermine it, we should pay attention to what experts, like Limbert, have to say.

Limbert proposes 14 negotiating lessons. I have selected seven of them, and added one of my own. Comparing the lessons with the framework just concluded allows us to see how effectively the two countries' diplomats worked together.

• **Avoid legalisms; seek solutions based on "mutually agreeable standards"** that Iran can claim as a victory. Having two MIT scientists who knew of one another discuss technicalities was a key to successful talks. That allowed many details of an accord to focus on science, not politics. As for claiming victory, while Secretary of State John Kerry and other US officials could cite major concessions by Iran, Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif could boast that Iran will keep its centrifuges and nuclear enrichment program, its major nuclear research site at Fordo, and some of its uranium stockpile.

• **"Be aware of Iran's historical greatness" and past grievances based on humiliations by foreign powers.** President Obama, in an interview with Thomas Friedman of the *New York Times* and elsewhere, has shown his attentiveness to Iran's history and culture. He has pointed to the Ayatollah Ali Khamenei's mention of Iran's unhappy history with the US, and has made respectful comments about Iran's greatness and right to acknowledgment as a major regional power. (The interview is a must-read: nytimes.com/2015/04/06/opinion/thomas-friedman-the-iran-interview.html.) Throughout the years of talks with Iran, its leaders have, above all else, demanded "respect," i.e., justice and recognition of Iran's legitimacy. The nuclear negotiations have provided that.

• **Clarify lines of authority: be sure to talk with the right people, but also present a common US position.** This was a challenging lesson to follow inasmuch as the ayatollah deliberately kept in the background, letting his negotiators do their thing but without committing himself to the outcome. On the US side, Republican and others' sniping presented obstacles for negotiators, in particular when 47 US senators signed a letter to the ayatollah warning that any agreement was subject to Congressional review. Nevertheless, the "right people" were evidently at the table and were able to craft an agreement that, on Iran's side, the ayatollah did not negate and, on the US side, amazed even some conservative critics.

• **Understand Iranian**

interests. Obviously, removing the sanctions was essential to a deal, but not at any price. Iran's insistence on keeping fuel rods at home and not shipped to Russia was essential face-saving, and US negotiators did not allow that position to halt the talks. Likewise on the centrifuges issue: The US negotiated down their number (from about 19,000 to 6,000), but Iran still has some 5,000 allowed to operate according to CIA director John O. Brennan.

• **Do not assume the Iranians are illogical, uncompromising, untrustworthy, duplicitous.** US negotiators clearly did not. Hopefully, they kept in mind that many Iranians view Americans the same way.

• **Ignore hostile rhetoric and grandstanding; be businesslike and professional—** and be willing to stay the course.

• **Remember that there were successful US-Iran talks in the past,** for example in 2001-2002 over Afghanistan following the fall of the Taliban.

• **Be ever-conscious of the politics of a deal—the** fact that on each side, it must be sold to wary buyers and outright opponents who want to see it fail. This is why the "optics" of the deal are so important, with each side having a different narrative of the deal's strengths so as to make it more attractive domestically. The message here: Don't interpret public statements about the deal by the other side as backsliding with the intention to subvert it.

The nuclear deal with Iran, if it holds, could potentially open a new era in US relations with the Middle East. Though the Saudis, the Israelis, and some other supposed friends of the US will object, a cooperative US-Iran relationship is a critical piece in the overall puzzle to find a path to something resembling stability. We can see the outlines of cooperation with Iran in Iraq and Afghanistan, where Washington and Tehran have common interests. Simply put, Iran's leaders feel threatened by ISIS, al-Qaeda, and the Taliban. To be sure, there are also places—Yemen, Israel/Palestine, Libya, and Syria—where the US and Iran are at odds. But if the nuclear

deal can move forward, and termination of sanctions can lead to a fruitful economic relationship, the agenda of cooperation may expand and violence-by-proxy may greatly reduce. For the US, an end to one-sided relationships in the Middle East would be a blessing, with positive ramifications for Israel and others.

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ZIEGLER GRADUATES FROM COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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**THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS**

By: Stan Jordan

On our dawn patrol this morning, there were only three planes. On yesterday's sortie, Lt. Barnes received a bad hit out close to his right wing. It will take a couple of days to get him ship-shape again. So, he applied for and received a 3-day pass of R&R to London.

We three planes were around the Orly Airfield in Paris, and shouldn't have been there. The Germans were using it as an Airbase for a new jet fighter called the ME-262. There were two ME-109 fighter planes on the ground, and we were able to set them afire on our first pass. Well, you make only one pass on an airstrip, because they will be ready for you on a second pass. We three flew up around 1,000 altitude and Lt. Nelson said over the radio, "You guys drop your extra tanks and get down on the Seine River and head for the channel. I saw a blur over on the starboard side and I hope he follows you two down, and that will give me a chance at him."

By now, Lt. Nelson was up around 5,000 ft. and the other two pilots were going down to fly low by the river. Well, it looked like the ME-262 jet was going to take the other two targets and maybe Lt. Nelson's plan might work.

We had two planes down close to the Seine River and the pilot of the German ME-262 jet fighter was going after them. They might be an easy target for him because he can fly over 100mph faster than our P-51's. The two American pilots were running full blast to try to lose the jet. He was running as fast as he could and he was gaining fast on the boys. Lt. Nelson has the throttle all the way forward and he is diving at a terrific speed. He is gaining on the jet and both are nearing the engaging spot, where he will be a good target. In only a couple of seconds, Lt. Nelson grabbed the firing button and the guns jumped into action. Nelson could see the tracer bullets going into the front of the jet

fighter and the German was flying right into the 100's of rounds of .50 cal. shells. His fuselage was looking like a sieve.

He started to smoke and then the flames came out. By now, he was probably dead, and no room for him to maneuver, his plane cartwheeled into the river. Well, we flew back to our airbase. We still have some rockets left, but we will use those tomorrow.

See ya!



**THE STORIES THAT STAN LIKES THE BEST**

By: Stan Jordan

1. The wife told her husband, "I want to be cremated."

He replied after a few seconds, "How about next Tuesday?"

2. The wife asked the husband, "What's on TV?"

He said, "Dust" ...and the fight was on.

3. The newly-wed wife went to her mother. The mother said, "What's wrong, dear?"

She replied, "My husband uses a lot of nasty four-letter words. Like: work, dust, cook, wipe, iron and darn."

4. A man and his wife were the fourth and fifth people in line at the teller's window in the bank. A man robbed the bank at the teller's window right at the front of the line. Then, he turned to the guy behind him and asked, "Did you see me rob the bank?" The man replied that he had, and the robber shot the man dead on the spot saying, "I can't afford to leave any witnesses."

He turned to the next man in line and asked the same question. When the man replied that he had, the robber also shot him dead on the spot and said, "I can't afford to leave any witnesses."

He then turned to the next man and asked him if he had seen him rob the bank. The man replied, "No! But my wife did!"

5. A lady asked her neighbor boy, "What did you have for supper last night?"

The boy replied, "Himalayan possum."

She asked right quick, "Where did you get a Hima-

layan possum?"

The boy said, "My dad said he found him-a-layin on the road!"

See ya!

**PLEASE READ THIS**

By: Stan Jordan

There are 1993 World War II Veterans from Paulding County listed in the Veterans Book Authored by Ray Keck in 1989. In December 2013, Gene Scarbrough initiated a search for surviving WWII Veterans, with a query to Ray Keck, who in turn contacted Stanley Jordan for his advice. We three have located the following named Veterans. If you know of a surviving WWII Veteran that is not on this list, please contact one of us so we can add the name to the list.

June 18, 2015:

- Baumle, Robert - Army; Beerbower, Pete - Air Force; Bissell, Robert - Navy; Daeger, Alfred - Navy; Dowding, Tom V. - Army; Endsley, Keaton - Navy; Forrest, George - Air Force; Franklin, Robert - Navy; Grindstaff, Fred - Army; Grindstaff, Gerald - Navy; Harris, Richard - Marines; Johnson, Robert (Antwerp) - Army; Johnson, Robert (Latty Twp.) - Army; Jordan, Stanley - Army; Keck, Bert - Air Force; Keck, Keith - Navy; Keck, Ray E. - Army; Long, Russell - Air Force; Miller, Wilbur H. - Army; Overmeyer, Harold - Army; Riley, Robert - Army; Scarbrough, Gene - Navy; Woodcox, Elmer - Navy.

See ya!

**HISTORIC PEACE SHIP IS RE-LAUNCHED**

By: Arnold Oliver

Along the rugged coast of northern California's Humboldt County, maritime history is being made. June 20th marked the launch ceremony of the rebuilt sailing ketch, the Golden Rule, after four years of hard work by a restoration team led by Veterans for Peace. As we shall see, the Golden Rule is no ordinary sailboat.

If you are old enough, you may recall that in the 1950's, the U.S. military used the Marshall Islands as the primary site for its atmospheric nuclear weapons testing. As is now known, those huge nuclear detonations in the Western Pacific were wreaking havoc on the environment and human health. In fact, with each monstrous explosion, readily detectable clouds of radioactive fallout wafted around the planet, and contamination began to turn up in cows' and mothers' milk. Increasingly, skepticism grew about government assurances that there was no danger.

Then, in 1958, the Golden Rule arrived on the scene. The Hugh Angelman-designed 30-foot ketch was purchased by a group of activists who soon set out on a voyage of nonviolent protest toward the Marshalls. Their plan, which was well publicized, was to sail into the target zone and sacrifice both boat and crew if need be to bring a halt to the tests.

The Golden Rule and its crew never made it to their destination. The Coast Guard stopped the vessel in Hawaii and arrested everybody on board. But the publicity surrounding the crew's trial and imprisonment helped ignite worldwide public outrage against atmospheric testing.

That outrage turned the

United States, the Soviet Union, and the United Kingdom signed the Partial Nuclear Test Ban Treaty, which banned nuclear tests in the atmosphere, underwater, and outer space. No nuclear tests took place in the Marshall Islands after 1958.

Just as importantly, the use of nonviolent direct action as a fundamental guiding principle of the Golden Rule's crew would also influence future generations of activists, as would their abiding respect for the humanity and dignity of those with whom they disagreed. The seas of the world have never been quite the same since.

The Golden Rule fired the imagination of a generation, and was the forebear of the many peace and environmental protest boats that followed, from New Zealand's Vega, to the Australian Pacific Peacemaker, to the Sea Shepherds and Free Gaza flotillas.

The connection to Greenpeace is direct. In 1971, Golden Rule supporter Marie Bohlen attended a meeting in Vancouver, Canada of people concerned about nuclear weapons testing. She suggested a voyage toward the U.S. nuclear test site in the Aleutian Islands á la the Golden Rule. Soon, the rusty trawler Phyllis Cormack was renamed the Greenpeace and headed north toward the Alaskan Archipelago. The rest, as they say, is history.

Sadly, after the 1958 voyage, the Golden Rule was sold and slipped from public view. The ship wound up in Humboldt Bay, California, badly neglected. She finally sank in a storm in late 2010.

When a group of Northern California members of Veterans for Peace learned the damaged ketch was nearby and might be salvageable, they leaped at the chance to raise the vessel from the depths and restore it to its former peace-making glory.

In large measure, the purpose of the rebuild of the Golden Rule is to honor the original crew. They stood firm for peace and nonviolence before it became fashionable. Two of them, Albert Bigelow and James Peck, later were among the original 13 Freedom Riders in 1961 in the American South.

The other crew members were equally noteworthy. One led United Nations development programs, and another became a founder of Peace Brigades International.

The team that has rebuilt the Golden Rule is honored to carry on this legacy by bringing the feisty little ketch back to life. While sponsored by Veterans for Peace, the Golden Rule Project brings together an eclectic mix of historic boat lovers, environmentalists, peace and religious activists, and progressives. It's open to anyone interested in working to keep the boat sailing and promote its mission.

Now that the re-build is complete, the Golden Rule will soon ride the waves as a living museum and floating classroom. Her crews will educate future generations on the risks of nuclear technology, the importance of the ocean environment, and above all, the power of peacemaking.

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**A TRIP TO THE ADVANCED CHASSIS & FABRIC SHOP**



By: Stan Jordan

I attended the big appreciation day at the Advanced Chassis and Fabric shop down on Victory Lane last Saturday. It was everything that I had expected, even with all the rain we have had, there was ample parking in the area. I was ushered around in a golf cart by Al Miller.

The owners and operators, Dan and Traci Bowers, were generous hosts. I enjoyed the trip through the plant and was able to see what they make there and what they had already made. But, I will talk about that a little later.

I met a man that day who operates the radio station in Paulding. His name was Mike. He was on his way back from the Northwest Ohio Volunteer Firemen's Convention in Hicksville. He was a very interesting man.



**OPERS HEALTH INSURANCE CONNECTOR SEMINAR**

Are you a retiree of OPERS? If so, this seminar is for you and/or your health care advocate. The seminar is set to take place on July 10, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the John Paulding Historical Society at 600 Fairgrounds Dr. Paulding, OH. The keynote speaker is an educator from the OPERS state office.

This seminar is to explain OPERS Health Insurance changes which will be in effect January 1, 2016. Paulding County PERI Chapter 10 in-

I met another man from Paulding - a Mr. Munger. He was telling me that years ago, his forefathers operated a factory here in northwest Antwerp that manufactured wire baskets and containers. Well, years back we did have some Mungers who lived on CR 204 west. His name was Forrest Munger, but I understand the factory operated before that. Some of his forefathers are buried in the Clark Cemetery north of town. He is going to give me some more information on this later.

I also talked with Ken and Judy Bowers. They are Dan's parents and the original owners of the shop. I had a very enjoyable afternoon talking to some old friends and making some new friends. I also picked up some stories for some columns in the paper on down the road.

See ya!

vites all those covered under OPERS to attend this seminar. For more information, please contact Carol Schaefer at 419-263-2081 or [css15@frontier.com](mailto:css15@frontier.com)

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**FACEBOOK: A PERSONAL CHOICE**

**The Nurturing Well by: Jill Starbuck**

Social media presents the biggest and easiest way to stay connected with other people, whether they are friends, acquaintances, family, colleagues, or others. Of all the social media options, Facebook is the number one choice today. On a monthly basis, approximately 1.44 billion people use Facebook, with an average of 936 million daily users.

Facebook users enjoy sharing tidbits about their lives, reconnecting with long lost friends, reading about the latest trends, posting pictures, playing games, and so much more. The amount of information shared is a personal decision. For some, they

use Facebook as a mini diary, complete with daily entries of their day. Others seldom post anything, choosing to browse occasionally to find out what their friends are up to. Users may use Facebook to help organize events and important moments of their lives. Still others post information on Facebook so that news reaches a big audience at one time. Facebook users often learn a lot about their friends from various postings.

With hundreds of millions of daily users comes a host of different opinions as to how much and what kind of information users should share. Some of the things that annoy or bore users include the following: selfies, political rants, long posts about mundane activities, religious professions, cryptic messages, excessive pictures of kids, business promotions, bragging, drinking photos, vacation photos, sports rants, photos of pets, and more. Some people believe that users shouldn't broadcast sensitive subjects such as serious medical issues and family disagreements. Still others become annoyed with the same type of photos. Take for instance fitness fanatics who post countless photos of their bike races, marathons, triathlons, and other events. There are even those who find it annoying

that some users only post positive events. Those annoyed claim that Facebook paints an unrealistic picture of a person's life because life is not perfect. However, if people posted about all aspects of their lives, that would become annoying to someone as well.

Facebook postings tell a lot about a person's characteristics. Postings may reveal excitement, frustration, fear, humor, boredom, and more. Those Facebook users who stay true to themselves do not let naysayers bother them. After all, for the most part, the people on any Facebook user's page have accepted friend requests or requested to be friends in the first place. They have chosen to be a part of a certain Facebook user's life. So, whether you are the queen of selfies, a fitness junkie, a Democrat/Republican, or an Ohio State fan, what and how much you post on Facebook is truly up to you.

Jill Starbuck has 20 years of experience as a business writer, editor, and market research analyst. She is a certified health coach through the Integrative Institute of Nutrition and a certified running coach through the Road Runners Club of America. She is also the co-owner of a running business. She can be reached at [jillstarbuck@hotmail.com](mailto:jillstarbuck@hotmail.com).

on how Antwerp looks and feels in the future.

**AGING RESIDENTS**

The relationship between the age of residents and the physical characteristics of a community may not be immediately apparent; but in reality the connection is very strong. In recent years, the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has funded a number of studies (with other organizations) to address how American communities meet the needs of a growing senior population. This issue grows in importance in light of projections that indicate that during the next 20 years, the number of adults age 65 and older will nearly double in the United States.

Antwerp will experience the same trend given the age of existing residents as shown (2010 Census Data). What is immediately apparent is the fact that the some of the largest age groups in the Village are those who will be reaching retirement age in the next 10-20 years. This is a mathematical certainty if one assumes that existing residents "age in place" which is a common desire among people entering their retirement years.

While each community must strike its own balance among competing planning issues, the two key areas where steps can be taken to improve livability for seniors include housing and transportation. In terms of housing, a community can encourage more diverse housing options (e.g., single family, multifamily, accessory dwelling, condos, assisted living and other supportive housing) to offer choices and alternatives. These offer choices to those interested in downsizing and lower maintenance responsibilities. Communities can also encourage mixed uses so that travel times to reach daily necessities, services and community amenities are not as great. Local government can also encourage home construction with features that serve residents across their life span. Housing options can be increased by looking for opportunities to allow accessory dwelling units (sometimes called "mother-in-law suites") which could be attached to the main house or located elsewhere on the lot.

In terms of transportation and mobility, the auto-dominated landscape of most communities works well for many residents—but not all. For some, use of an auto is not possible because of income or physical ability. Many in this latter group are elderly. Public transit is the important alternative to private auto use, but non-motorized transportation options are also important to older residents. This means reliance on a well developed sidewalk system with well defined and safe pedestrian crossings, both of which are especially important for those in wheelchairs or scooters, or those with specific mobility impairments.

**CHILDLESS HOUSEHOLDS**

It is expected that in the future more and more households will be childless. Most of the growth in new households will be centered on households without children and single person households. This national

trend will no doubt play out in Antwerp and its implications will be felt in the local housing market. Growth and change in the number of households fuels the demand for housing. With more and more childless households, it is expected that we will see more local demand for condominiums, town homes, duplexes and similar housing styles.

**HEALTH**

There is a growing recognition of the connection between the health of residents in a community and how it is physically designed. Public health experts have reported that obesity rates have increased dramatically over the last 30 years, and obesity is now considered to be an epidemic in the United States. Alarming facts about health are particularly troublesome since our community planning decisions (or lack thereof) is sometimes to blame. Auto-oriented design, sprawling development patterns, and an absence of pedestrian or bike amenities mean that people are more sedentary, and motorized vehicle travel is generally the only viable means to travel for everyone. Community design as a whole often does not encourage walking or biking, or more active living. Increasingly, it is becoming clear that the American health issues are, at least in part, an urban design issue, and that communities should take steps to provide better transportation options so that residents can choose to walk or bike and be more physically active.

Healthy eating is also at the core of some health concerns, and there has been a dramatic increase in the number of farmers markets. The popularity of farmers markets relates to both health matters, as people pursue more healthy food alternatives, and in terms of activating downtown spaces. In 2012, there was nearly four times the number of farmers markets in the U.S. as there were in 1994 (according to USDA statistics).

**SMART GROWTH**

After decades of urban sprawl in many parts of the United States, a growing and substantial movement toward "smart growth" has emerged in many communities. The Smart Growth Network (SGN) is a leader in this effort and it is a partnership of government, business and civic organizations that support smart growth principles. Since 1996, the network has facilitated the sharing of best practices. It is led by a core group of partner organizations, one of which is the US EPA, a founding partner of the Smart Growth Network.

Ten smart growth principles are defined as follows:

- Mix Land Uses
- Take Advantage of Compact Building Design
- Create a Range of Housing Opportunities and Choices
- Create Walkable Neighborhoods
- Foster Distinctive, Attractive Communities with a Strong Sense of Place
- Preserve Open Space, Farmland, Natural Beauty and Critical Environmental Areas
- Strengthen and Direct Development towards Existing Communities
- Provide a Variety of Transportation Choices
- Make Development Decisions Predictable, Fair and Cost Effective
- Encourage Community and Stakeholder Collaboration in Development Decisions

Considerably more information is available from the Smart Growth Network, and each principle can be explained in much more detail.

**FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY BAND PRESENTS 'ECHOES OF THE PAST'**

Fort Wayne Area Community Band will present a free concert Tuesday, July 14 at Foellinger Theater in Franke Park. Downbeat is 7:30 p.m. for a variety of music under the direction of assistant conductor David Blackwell. Theme for the performance is 'Echoes of the Past' (First Performances of Great Musical Compositions). Music to be played will include Hallelujah Chorus from The Messiah, Marriage of Figaro Overture, William Tell Overture, Ride of the Valkyries, Semper Fidelis, Dixieland Revue, Rhapsody in Blue, Overture to Oklahoma, Big Band Signatures and Pop and Rock Legends: A Tribute to Elvis.

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 and those that weren't named, we thank you also.

**14 INDIVIDUALS REFERRED FOR INVESTIGATION FOR ALLEGEDLY ILLEGALLY VOTING**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted released the post-general election voter fraud report based on a review of cases by Ohio's 88 county boards of elections and the Secretary of State's office following the 2014 Gubernatorial Election. The report identified 42 irregularities with 14 individuals being referred for additional investigation or prosecution.

"The findings of this report demonstrate once again that voter fraud exists, it's rare and we are holding people accountable for their actions," Secretary Husted said. "Voter fraud, no matter how

rare, reduces the confidence in our system of elections and it can't be tolerated."

In January 2015, Secretary Husted issued Directive 2015-01, instructing all county boards of elections to adopt policies to review substantiated allegations of voter fraud or voter suppression. This is the state's second voter fraud report, the first having been issued by Secretary Husted after the 2012 Presidential Election.

Additionally, Ohio again participated in a cross match program with other U.S. states in order to identify individuals who may have voted in more than one state's elections. This found two individuals who allegedly cast a ballot in Ohio and other states,

Kentucky and Illinois. Secretary Husted will refer these two cases to the Attorney General for further investigation and possible prosecution.

The additional 12 cases were identified by county boards of elections and referred to the proper county prosecutor. The board reports have turned up zero cases where a voter was denied a ballot and no referrals have been made as a result of voters claiming suppression.

It is important to note that every case of alleged fraud identified by the boards of elections that included a voter attempting to cast multiple ballots was thwarted and no potentially fraudulent ballots are suspected of deciding an election.

"This report shows that the systems we have in place to ensure fair and honest elections are working and Ohioans should rest assured that their vote matters," added Secretary Husted. "Anyone who may attempt to cheat the system in Ohio should be warned: We will find you and we will hold you accountable."

These efforts to ward off fraud and hold people accountable are important because every vote counts and a single vote can often change the outcome of an election. In fact, in the May 2015 Primary and Special Election alone, five outcomes across Ohio were decided by a single vote or tied. Seventy-five races have been decided by the same margin over the past two years.

**ANTWERP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: TRENDS - FACTORS ALREADY AT WORK SHAPING THE FUTURE**

There are a number of national and local trends that are currently influencing the future of Antwerp. While it is not possible to say for certain how these trends will be manifested in Antwerp, it is helpful to recognize the potential impact they will have

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**HITE RECOGNIZES DEFIANCE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASEBALL CHAMPIONS**



Senator Hite presents a resolution to the Defiance High School baseball team for winning the Division II state championship title.

OH State Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) recognized the Defiance boys baseball team for winning the 2015 Division II State Championship. Defiance High School defeated Poland Seminary 5-3 to capture the school's third state title. Several of the student athletes recognized were also a part of the 2015 Division II

State Basketball Championship team that visited the Statehouse in April. "Following an incredible 28-5 season, these boys deserved to finish the year as state champions," said Hite. "This title continues the school's tradition of excellence in baseball and I look forward to following the success of this team next

year." Defiance High School also won state baseball titles in 2013 and 1992. The high school has produced nine Major League Baseball draft picks. caption: Senator Hite presents a resolution to the Defiance High School baseball team for winning the Division II state championship title.

**PAYNE 8 & UNDER BOYS BASEBALL COACH PITCH ALL STAR TOURNAMENT**

The Payne (Ohio) Ball Association will be hosting an 8 & under boys baseball coach-pitch all-star tournament from Friday, July 10, through Sunday, July 12.

Players must be eight years or younger as of April 30, 2015. Teams are guaranteed three games and awards include a minimum of top two teams as well as individual game awards for each team.

For more information, contact Kevin Wannemacher at (419) 399-7243 or by e-mail at wannie8@frontier.com. Information can also be

downloaded at [www.payneball.com](http://www.payneball.com).

**HITE ANNOUNCES SENATE PASSAGE OF SENATE LEGISLATION TO INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR OHIO CHARTER SCHOOLS**

Senator Cliff Hite (R-Findlay) announced the passage of legislation aimed at increasing accountability and efficiency in Ohio charter schools.

"Ohio's charter schools are an important part of Ohio's education system," said Hite. "The legislation passed today addresses the most pressing challenges facing Ohio's charter school system. This is a comprehensive piece of legislation that ensures that each stu-

dent receives the highest quality education possible."

Hite serves as chairman of the Senate Finance subcommittee on K-12 Education, which unanimously passed the bill.

The legislation follows months of discussion between the Ohio Senate, the Ohio House of Representatives, and Ohio's charter school professionals. Senate changes to House Bill 2 improve opportunities for charter school students, increase transparency in charter schools, and create performance-driven accountability measurements.

In addition to increased transparency and accountability for Ohio's charter school sponsors and operators, House Bill 2 also provides the Ohio Department of Education



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The Payne Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Payne Relief 5K on July 25, 2015 for the local food bank. Run or walk to raise money to stock up the local food bank. Everyone will receive a t-shirt with a pre-registration. Start time is 8:00 a.m. and you can also register

that day. First and second place medals for three different ages group will be awarded. Water and fruit will be provided for all participants after the race. They will also be awarding gift card door prizes. Registration forms are available on the West Bend

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with more options to interact with poor-performing charter schools.

"We need to put all of our schools and students in a position to succeed and I believe that these changes do just that," said Hite.

House Bill 2 also adds criteria for who may serve on the governing authority of a charter school, puts an emphasis on transparency and the availability of information to the general public, and ends a number of possible conflicts of interest for charter school sponsors and operators.

On the Senate floor before the vote, Hite reminded his colleagues that, "It's not who's

right, but what's right. This is what's right. Please vote for this."

The bill passed unanimously and now goes to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

**ZIEGLER GRADUATES FROM COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

The following students graduated from Columbus State Community College during Spring Semester Commencement Ceremonies held May 8, 2015:

**Jennifer Ziegler of Defiance, OH**

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### U.S. REP. LATTA ON EPA'S PROPOSED OZONE RULE & IMPACTS ON MANUFACTURING

Congressman Robert E. Latta joined colleagues on the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Energy and Power at a hearing on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) new proposal for National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for ozone.

Testimony was heard from seven witnesses discussing the potential impacts of the rule's implementation on the manufacturing sector. "We heard from several witnesses who have expressed grave concerns for their industry and the negative impacts this proposal would bring. I have particular apprehension for how the rule would adversely effect the constituents in my district, and across the state of Ohio, which has historically been a manufacturing state," said Rep. Latta. "Since the proposal was first introduced, I have neither seen nor heard anything that would alleviate the concern that this is unnecessary regulation that would pose a heavy burden on American industry."

The U.S. EPA initially established an ozone standard in 1971, and subsequently revised the standard in 1979, 1997, and 2008. Under the Clean Air Act, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for criteria pollutants, including ground-level ozone. The current standard, set in 2008, established an 8-hour standard of 75 parts per billion (ppb), replacing a 1997 standard equivalent to 84 ppb.

EPA has proposed to lower that standard to a range within 65 ppb to 70 ppb.

Ross E. Eisenberg, Vice President of Energy and Resources Policy for the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), was among witnesses offering testimony at the hearing. Mr. Eisenberg, referring to the data determined by a previously released study, identified the proposal as "likely to be the most expensive regulation ever".

The study estimated the proposal will cost as much as \$140 billion per year, placing the equivalent of 1.4 million jobs in jeopardy annually. The study also estimates Ohio would experience a \$22 Billion Gross State Product loss

from 2017 to 2040, spend \$840 Million in Total Compliance Costs and lose 22,914 jobs or job equivalents annually.

"It very much appears the administration is using the Clean Air Act to target specific industries, and certainly, if this rule is implemented, manufacturing is going to be one of those most negatively impacted. This is an industry that employs, directly or indirectly, millions of Americans who stand to face unnecessary adversity and declining opportunity as a result of regulatory overreach," stated Latta.

Testimony was heard from Erin Monroe Wesley, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Baton Rouge Area Chamber. Ms. Wesley identified four businesses who were preparing to make significant ventures estimated to bring more than \$7 billion in capital investments to the region. These companies, upon the release of the EPA proposal, either put the projects on hold or invested elsewhere, citing the proposal and lack of emission reduction credits as the basis for their decision.

"The previous revisions to the NAAQS standards are currently being implemented in counties across the country, and by the EPA's own data, this has allowed ozone levels to decline over 30% by 1980. These newly proposed standards are overly burdensome and deficiently demonstrative of providing any environmental benefit," said Latta. "We have already heard testimony demonstrating the simple possibility of these rules being implemented proving detrimental

### APPALACHIAN TRAIL LESSON FOR ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS



Ann's Bright Beginnings were recently visited by Mr. Aaron Lipp. Mr. Lipp hiked part of the Appalachian Trail in memory and honor of his mother, Janice Lipp. Aaron told us of his adventures

and all of the things he needed for his trip. He even cooked some dried food for the children to taste. It was delicious! Shown here with Mr. Lipp in the back are: Lily Roehrig, Emilia-

no Turner and Zachary Wobler. In front are: Isaac Miller, Mason Gutierrez, Levi Fisk, Landyn Moore, Mason Smith, Dominic Lawhorn, Levi Athy and Jacob Wobler.

to a region's workforce, and workforce growth. This will not be isolated to one area. If the EPA were to go forward with the rules under the current proposal, negative consequences would be felt by American workers across the board, and effectively stifle any opportunity for future economic growth."

### PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 6/17/15

This 17th day of June, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Roy Klopfenstein, Tony Zartman, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:** Warrants documented as 217034 through 217094 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-010):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2015 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds:

FROM: 001-010-00003/General Fund/Juvenile Court/Equipment

TO: 001-010-00010/General Fund/Juvenile Court/PERS

AMOUNT: \$2,354.82

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 079):**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2015 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the

Emergency Management Agency Fund (Fund 079):

079-001-00011/Emergency Management Agency/Other Expenses

AMOUNT: \$3,500.00

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel presented the June Sales Tax Revenue report for the Commissioners' review. Sales tax received in June was strong at \$169,973.61, topping May sales tax revenue by \$28,266.18 and June 2014's by \$11,523.46. Second quarter 2015 sales tax revenue total is \$65,339.48 above the four-year average (2011-2014), which is a 5.91% increase. Ms. Fickel also distributed copies of the General Fund Receipts and Expenses reports for May. General Fund receipts were up from April and up from the four-year average; however, down from May 2014. General Fund expenses were down from April 2015 and for May 2104. Ms. Fickel also noted conveyance fees are up slightly. She also reported the unclaimed warrants is high. She then gave a brief report on the conference she attended last week. Discussion centered around legislative issues and fraud, waste, and abuse of public funds. Ms. Fickel announced the state auditors have completed the 2015 audit and anticipate their report will be presented by the end of June. She noted the audit seemed to run smoothly this year. She also commented that because the audit is earlier next year, she will be proactive in getting preliminary work to Bashore, Reineck, Stoller, and Waterman as soon as everything is closed out for the year.

Ed Bohn Paulding County EMA - Mr. Bohn met briefly with the Commissioners to report the family storm shelter that was on display at the Paulding County fair sparked a lot of interest. He has also had a few inquiries after the article was printed in the paper. Mr. Bohn commented he's

received many positive responses from the EMA display in the OSU Extension building during the fair. 4-H and FFA volunteers will be filling sand bags today at the Engineer's Office. Mr. Bohn noted people may pick up sand bags (25-bag limit) for emergency situations. Mr. Bohn also reminded the Commissioners the Great Ohio Bicycle Adventure (GOBA) will be making a 'refreshment' stop in Oakwood at the elementary school.

Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; and Ryan Nelson, Redtree Investment Group - Ms. Wannemacher introduced Mr. Ryan Nelson, CFS, Managing Principal and Portfolio Manager for Redtree Investment Group. Mr. Nelson presented Paulding County's Investment Review report. He reviewed the report with the Commissioners, beginning with an economic update. The nation's employment situation has continued to improve. 280,000 jobs were added during the month of May, 2015. Mr. Nelson noted the Federal Reserve will be meeting this week to discuss the economic developments over the past few months and will be making a decision regarding future interest rate increases. He also noted retail sales have increased, ending a streak of below expectations readings. Mr. Nelson reviewed the US Treasury Securities quarterly interest rates since 2008. He then analyzed Paulding County's estimated investment balances and portfolio holdings as of May 31, 2015. Mr. Nelson also presented investment highlights and the work he has done (working with Ms. Wannemacher) for Paulding County since November, 2014. He provided basic information about Redtree and background information about himself.

Brian Shuherk and Jason Cunefare, Solid Ground - Mr. Shuherk presented a blue print for the landscaping project around the Courthouse.

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# THOUSANDS STILL POWERLESS; RIVER FLOODING CONTINUES



More than 7,500 north-east Indiana I&M customers remained without power this morning after the weekend's storms, and flooding continued on several area rivers.

As of 6:30 a.m., Indiana Michigan Power estimated 7,167 of its Allen County customers, or about 5 percent, were without power. The utility estimated 234 Noble County customers, or 2 percent, and 122 Huntington County customers, or 10 percent, had power out.

The Tiffin River near Stryker, Ohio, was forecast for major flooding, the National Weather Service said. It said moderate flooding was expected for the Maumee River in Fort Wayne, the St. Marys River near Decatur, the Maumee and Auglaize rivers near Defiance, Ohio, the St. Joseph River near Newville and the Little River above Huntington.

As of 9:00 p.m. Sunday, the Tiffin River was at 16.3 feet and rising near Stryker, the weather service said. Flood stage is 11 feet. The river is forecast to crest near 16.5 feet around 8:00 a.m. today and begin falling. At 16.5 feet, major flooding occurs in and around Stryker. A crest of 16 feet occurred in February 2008.

Other rivers expected to receive moderate flooding, according to the weather service:

**MAUMEE RIVER, FORT WAYNE:** At 9:00 p.m. Sunday the stage was 21.3 feet and rising. Flood stage is 17 feet. The river was forecast to fall below flood stage around 10:00 a.m. Thursday. At 21 feet, an increasing number of city streets begin to flood, the weather service said. Evacuations are necessary in Riverhaven, and numerous county roads are flooded.

**ST. MARYS RIVER, DECATUR:** At 9:00 p.m. Sunday the stage was 20.9 feet and falling. Flood stage is 17 feet. The river is forecast to fall below flood stage around 5:00 a.m. Thursday, the weather service said. At 20.5 feet, Indiana 101 north of Pleasant Mills is closed by floodwater, and extensive agricultural flooding is in progress.

**MAUMEE RIVER, DEFIANCE, OHIO:** At 1:00 a.m. today the stage was 18.5 feet and rising. Flood stage is 10 feet. The river is forecast to crest near 19 feet around 8 a.m. today and fall below flood stage around 9:00 a.m. Thursday. At 19 feet, east-side station pumps are activated, the weather service said.

[www.newhavenbulletin.com](http://www.newhavenbulletin.com)

## FLOOD SAFETY 101

Paulding County Health Department is urging residents in and around flooded areas to take precautions to help prevent disease and stay safe. Flood waters can contaminate food, water, and other items it comes in contact with. To avoid illness it is important for residents and businesses that were impacted by flooding to make sure their water is safe to drink, to know if food needs to be thrown out and to properly clean all items touched by flood waters.

Flood waters may contain fecal material from overflowing sewage systems, and agricultural and industrial byproducts. Although skin contact with flood water does not, by itself, pose a serious health risk, there is some risk of disease from eating or drinking anything contaminated with flood water.

The following information can help protect our community from illness and injury:

- Avoid skin contact with flood and sewer water, espe-

cially cuts and sores. Keep them clean and covered.

- Do not allow children to play in areas contaminated by flood water and sewage backup.
- Do not eat or drink anything exposed to flood and sewer water.
- Keep contaminated objects, water and hands away from mucous membranes (mouth, eyes and nose).
- Wash hands frequently, especially after bathroom use, before eating and immediately following contact with flood and sewer water or contaminated objects or surfaces.

Food and Water Safety Use only bottled or disinfected water for drinking, cooking, dish washing, tooth brushing and bathing until you are sure the water supply is safe. Some communities may be under boil orders because the water quality in the system is potentially compromised by flooding or equipment damage.

Contact the health department at (419) 399-3921 for any additional information.

## WOODBURN CONTINUES TO WORK ON WELLHEAD PROTECTION

The source of Woodburn's drinking water is groundwater produced from wells located in our community. To help protect the underground aquifer and the water supply wells from potential contamination, the City of Woodburn has developed a Wellhead Protection (WHP) Plan, which was originally approved by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) in November of 2002, and then later revised in December of 2004. The Phase II Plan report will be submitted to IDEM in September of 2015. The WHP Plan and educational pamphlets are available to the public at City Hall (22735 Main Street, Woodburn, Indiana).

The Local Planning Team (LPT) held a wellhead protection meeting on May 7, 2015 to discuss development of the Phase II Plan and public education and pollution prevention efforts. This year, Woodburn will focus on identifying and notifying potential contaminant sources within the wellhead protection area.

Water, oil and gas wells that become damaged or are no longer used are a potential conduit for surface contamination to reach the ground water and contaminate our drinking water source. Additionally, inactive wells should be plugged to ensure the well does not allow oil/gas to discharge to the ground and so wells do not pose a threat to public health or safety or interfere with agricultural uses of the land. The City is working to identify the location of wells and determine whether these wells are active, inactive, or abandoned. The landowner is ultimately responsible for the proper plugging of an inactive well. If you have a well on your property and/or seal a well, please contact the Woodburn Utilities Office at 260-632-5318 so that it can be added to a tracking database.

Protect The Drinking Water Supply – Here are some actions you can take to get involved:

- Learn about groundwater and your water source.
- Participate in watershed clean-up activities.
- Limit your use of chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, and other hazardous products. Buy only what you need, reducing the amount to be later discarded. Be sure to follow label directions.
- Recycle used oil, automotive fluids, batteries, and other products. Don't dispose of hazardous products in toilets, storm drains, wastewater systems, creeks, alleys, or the ground. This pollutes the water supply. Contact the Allen County Solid Waste Management District for recycling and disposal locations (260-449-7265) or visit their website: <http://www.acwastewatcher.org/>.
- Check your car, boat, motorcycle and other machinery for leaks and spills. Collect leaks with a drip pan until repairs can be made. Clean up spills by absorbing the spill. Do not rinse with water or allow it to soak into the ground.
- If you have a septic system, have it inspected and

serviced every three years.

• Plug abandoned wells on your property as these old wells provide a direct route for surface contamination to reach ground water supplies. Contact a licensed well driller for assistance.

• Keep in mind that groundwater aquifers collect and store rainwater and snowmelt that soaks into the ground.

Drinking water protection is the responsibility of all citizens. The WHP plan will ensure that a clean water source is available for our community's current needs and a supply is preserved for future generations.

## MOSQUITOES ARE IN FULL BITE THIS SUMMER!

**By: Staci Miller, Education Specialist, Paulding SWCD**

Summer time is here which means warm temperatures, outdoor gatherings, and mosquito bites! The mosquito population is really growing this year with our recent rainfalls. There are over 3500 different species of mosquitoes in the world and about 175 of them are found in the United States. All mosquitoes require to breed in water. Some species can even breed in puddles left after a rainstorm. Most mosquitoes emerge from their watery breeding ground and stay pretty close to home. Mosquito mates synchronize their wing beats to perform a lover's duet. Female mosquitoes bite humans and animals; but males only feed on flower nectar. Female mosquitoes need protein for their eggs, and must take a blood meal in order to reproduce. They rely on their sense of smell to detect Carbon Dioxide. They've developed a keen sensitivity to CO2 in the air. Mosquitoes can detect carbon dioxide from 75 feet away. Once a female senses CO2 in the vicinity, she flies back and forth through the CO2 plume until she locates her victim. Mosquitoes fly at speeds between 1 and 1.5 miles per hour. That might sound fast, but in the insect world, mosquitoes are actually rather slow. An adult mosquito may live 5-6 months depending on the weather and temperatures.

Mosquitoes are considered the deadliest animals on Earth. More deaths are associated with mosquitoes than any other animal on the planet. Mosquitoes may carry any number of deadly diseases, including malaria, dengue fever, yellow fever, and encephalitis. Mosquitoes also carry heartworm, which can be lethal to your dog. Mosquito's wings beat 300-600 times per second creating the irritating buzzing sound you hear just before a mosquito lands on you and bites. It's not the mosquito bite that makes you itch but the mosquito's spit that makes you itch. When a mosquito has set her sights on a target, she hones in, divebombs, and inserts her wee little proboscis (mouth) into the victim's skin. As she sucks she leaves behind a small dollop of saliva, which serves as an anticoagulant. Unfortunately, most of us have a natural immune response to mosquito slobber that results in histamines and the dreaded itch.

Once you get bit, how can you help to relieve the itching? There are over the counter options from the store such

as an antihistamine cream or stick to help the itch and swelling. There are also natural remedies that can help relieve the annoying itching of mosquitoes. A basil leaf can be rubbed on the mosquito bites to help stop the itching. A small swish of listerine or mouthwash on the bite will stop the itching and help prevent an infection through its antibacterial properties. An old wives tail was putting an X in the middle of the bite with your fingernails to stop the itching. Rubbing alcohol, witch hazel, and tea tree oil have antiseptic properties, so they could help prevent bites from getting infected. An ice pack will provide relief from the itching and help prevent swelling. Honey is an anti-inflammatory and can make the itching better, but the sweet smell may attract other insects. A great way to reuse a common household item is to take cool tea bags and put them on the bite this will draw fluid out of a bite to reduce itching and swelling.

Mosquitoes are always going to be around in the summertime, but you can't let them ruin your summer. Enjoy your time outdoors and worry about the bites later!

For more information, contact Staci at [Staci.miller@pauldingswcd.org](mailto:Staci.miller@pauldingswcd.org)

## NEW PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM AIMS TO IMPROVE LAKE ERIE WATER QUALITY

Area farmers and landowners are encouraged to participate in a new conservation program that will help to improve water quality in Lake Erie by reducing nutrient and sediment runoff.

The Tri-State Western Lake Erie Basin Phosphorus Reduction will assist farmers in installing best management practices that keep nutrients on fields, improve water quality and combat harmful algal blooms. This program will be supervised locally by the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District. The funding was made available through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), the newest conservation tool of the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

All producers in the Western Lake Erie Basin are eligible, however extra priority will be given to eight watersheds. These watersheds are: Bad Creek, Upper Swan Creek and Lower Swan Creek, Headwaters of the Blanchard River, Cedar Creek, Flatrock Creek, South Turkeyfoot

Creek, and Rock Creek. At least part of the following counties included in the western Lake Erie watershed basin program area are: Allen, Auglaize, Crawford, Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Huron, Lucas, Marion, Mercer, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Seneca, Shelby, Richland, Van Wert, Williams, Wood and Wyandot.

The Tri-State Western Lake Erie Basin Phosphorus Reduction Initiative is a voluntary program that reimburses farmers to plant overwintering cover crops, install drainage water management devices such as controlled drainage structures or blind water quality inlets or install animal waste storage structures. Other agronomic practices will be available, including phosphorus placement using variable rate technology (VRT) and adding small grains to the cropping rotation.

Sign up dates for this program are approaching. For more information farmers and others owning land in Paulding County or the Flatrock Creek watershed are encouraged to contact the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District at 419-399-4771 or [www.pauldingswcd.org](http://www.pauldingswcd.org) or find them on Facebook.

For more information, contact Deb Hubbard, Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District at 419-399-4771 or Ken Kottenbrock, Natural Resources Conservation Service at 419-399-3841.

## 11th ANNUAL ROBERT "BO" REID MEMORIAL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

The 11th Annual Robert "Bo" Reid Memorial Baseball Tournament will be held on July 25-26, 2015 in Tiffin, OH. There will be an 8 and under division, 10 and under division, and 12 and under division. This will be a round-robin play tournament with 3-game guarantee. Only the first eight teams in each age division will be accepted. Great family activities for the family are also planned including inflatables, movie in the park, and a guest appearance by famous actor Dwyer Brown, star of the movie, *Field of Dreams*. Individual awards will be presented to 1st through 4th place.

For more information about this tournament (including registration), please contact the tournament director, Brad Lonsway, at 419-443-5440 or email [btlonsway@aol.com](mailto:btlonsway@aol.com)

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**SUMMER READING PROGRAM IN ANTWERP!**

# EVERY HERO HAS A STORY



The Antwerp Branch Library is gearing up for the start of their super hero Summer Reading Program on July 8<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is, Every Hero Has a Story. The Antwerp branch is the oldest in the library system and has been providing fun, educational and engaging programs for all ages for over twenty years. Stop in or call the library at 419-258-2844 and register your child, grandchild, niece, nephew or favorite kid today! Also, check us out on Facebook! Do not miss a moment of the fun.

July 8th: Heroes throughout History!  
 July 15th: Community Heroes!  
 July 22nd: Heroes to the Rescue!  
 July 29th: Bam! Pow! Read!  
 Programs are repeated at 10:30-11:00 a.m. or 1:00-1:30 p.m. and are geared for K-4th graders.  
 July 10th and July 24th: Make-N-Take Craft Day: Children may visit the library at any time on these days to make a craft to take home.

**GRABILL BRANCH OF ACPL JULY EVENTS**

**Born to Read:**  
 Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 a.m. - You're never too young to enjoy the library. For babies and their caregivers.

**Smart Start Storytime:**  
 Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:30 a.m. - Preschoolers and their grownups are invited to attend a storytime designed to help them as they begin to read.

**Monday Night Book Club:**  
 Monday, July 6, 7:00 p.m. The first Monday of each month we have a lively book discussion. This month we will discuss, *The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins.

**Brunch & Lit:**  
 Wednesday, July 8, 10:00 a.m. - Stop by The Cedars: Cedar Creek Retirement Community and discuss this month's book, *The Devil Wears Prada* by Lauren Weisberger.

**ACPL JULY EVENTS MAIN BRANCH**

**Storytime for Preschools, Daycares & Other Groups:**  
 Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 9:30 a.m. - 30-minute of theme-based stories, fingerplays, early literacy activities and fun for your 3 to 6 year old child.

**Family Storytime:**  
 Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:30 a.m. - Join us for a special half-hour of book-related fun. Each session is geared to preschoolers ages 3 to 6. Each session includes books, fingerplays, songs and multimedia computer fun.

**Babies & Books:**  
 Fridays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:00 a.m. - Bring in those little babies for a special time just for them. They are never too young to begin with books.

**Toddler Storytime:**  
 Fridays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. - Special stories, songs and activities for active toddlers! Children 18 months to 3 years of age and their caregivers are encouraged to attend.

**Minecraft Masters:**  
 Mondays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 6:30 p.m. and Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:00 p.m. - Welcome all Minecraft Survivors! Whether you are an expert or just getting started, come and explore the Mine-craft world.

**LEGO Club:**  
 Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:00 p.m. - We will have our HUGE collection of LEGO bricks out for you to use your talent and creativity.

**Autism Storytime:**  
 Monday, July 6, 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - Aimed at children on the Autism Spectrum, this storytime will be limited to 10 children, their parents and siblings. Please register in advance, 260-421-1220.

**Youtheatre Presents "I'm a Machine":**  
 Wednesday, July 8, 9:30 & 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - Fort Wayne Youtheatre performers will take us on a journey through the human body machine. You won't believe you're getting a science lesson.

**Build it with Keva Planks:**  
 Sunday, July 12, 2:00 p.m. - Do you know what Keva Planks are? If not stop by and be creative and amazed at what you can build. Fun for the whole family.

**Chain Reaction Challenge: Gravity Works:**  
 Saturday, July 18, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. - Are you up for a challenge? Help us build a Rube Goldberg Machine. All supplies provided for this family friendly event.

**Discover 3D Printing:**  
 Tuesday, July 21, 2:00 p.m. - Discover the wonder of 3D

printing in this hands-on class! Space is limited, please register by calling 260-421-1220.

**Sensory Friendly Film:**  
 Saturday, July 25, 10:00 a.m. - This program is especially designed for families that have child with Sensory Processing Disorder—but everyone is welcome. The lights will be up and the sound down in the theater and audience members should feel free to move about.

**Letterboxing:**  
 Tuesday, July 28 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - Learn about this fascinating hobby, make your own stamp and search for letterboxes hidden right here in the library!

**Autism Resource Provider Fair: Back to School with Autism:**  
 Wednesday, July 29, 3:00-7:00 p.m. - Are you a parent, educator, caregiver, sibling or friend of someone who is on the Autism Spectrum? Find valuable information resources, and tips to make this school year the best one yet.

**Butterfly Storytime and Release:**  
 Thursday, July 30, 6:00 p.m. - Join us for a special storytime about butterflies and then we will go outside to release our beautiful butterflies.

**Stuffed Animal Sleepover:**  
 Friday, July 31, 5:00 p.m. - Bring your favorite stuffed animal to the library we will have a storytime and then your stuffed animal will spend the night. Come back the next day and pick up your friend.

**Books-n-Bagels (and a few donuts):**  
 Friday, July 10, 10:00 a.m. - Discuss books while enjoying tasty bagels (or donuts). For homeschool high school students.

**Sci-Fi Club:**  
 Thursday, July 9, 7:00 p.m. - Everything SciFi — movies, games, books, graphic novels, new SciFi Tech in the real works, and any other science fiction topic. Dr. Who, Star Trek, Star Wars, Ender's Game, Etc.

**Totally Terrific Tuesdays:**  
 Tuesday, July 14, 7:00 p.m. - This month we will have a Crazy Cool Ice Cream Party.

**Minecraft Club:**  
 Saturday, July 11 & Sunday July 12, 2:00 p.m. Thursday, July 23, 2:00 & 7:00 p.m. - Play Minecraft with other people who love the game as much as you do!

**Homeschool Happenings:**  
 Thursday, July 2, 1:00 p.m. - Learn something new or participate in an interesting activity every month. This month we will have our annual Ice Cream Social.

**Otaku Anon:**  
 Thursday, July 2, 7:00 p.m. - Otaku Anon is back. Watch anime and hang out with others who love anime and manga as much as you do. We will also be showing off Mango Languages, the new online way to learn a language. This is your way to learn Japanese via the computer.

**Tech Tuesdays:**  
 Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28, 2:00 p.m. - Come to the library each week for tech related activities. Registration required. Please call 421-1255 to sign up

**Craft Café:**  
 Thursday, July 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Want to get crafty? So Do we! Bring your project to the library and enjoy drafting, coffee and conversation. All crafters and projects are welcome.

**Movie Night @ the Library:**  
 Tuesday, July 28, 6:30 p.m. - Theater Lower Level 2 Main Library. We will present a G, PG or PG-13 moving on the big screen the 4th Tuesday of the month. Adults must accompany children under 13, the doors open at 6:00 p.m., first come, first seated.

**Wednesday Concerts on the Plaza:**  
 Wednesday, July 15, 12:00 noon-2:00 p.m. - An Afternoon with Rodney Cordner and Friends. Rodney's songs are steep in the traditions of Northern Ireland and reflect a deep connection with his homeland

Wednesday, July 22, 12:00-2:00 p.m. - The Snyders. The Snyders is a family based Chicago blues and "roots" band.

**JULY EVENTS FOR MONROEVILLE BRANCH OF ACPL**

**Smart Start Storytime:**  
 Mondays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 3:30 p.m. - Enjoy the latest books, some old favorites and an awesome craft each week.

**LEGO Mania:**  
 Monday, July 6, 6:30 p.m. - Bring your own LEGOS or use ours. Make friends and have a treat.

**Budget Scrapbooking:**  
 Thursday, July 16, 4:00 p.m. - We will have a different layout page each month and provide supplies. You bring your adhesive & scissors and have fun whether you are a new or an experienced scrapbooker.

**Computer Basics:**  
 By appointment. - We will be glad to show you the basics of Internet searching and e-mail. Just call and set up an appointment.

**Pieceful Quilters:**  
 Wednesday, July 29, 6:30 p.m. - Quilters of all types and skill levels are welcome.

**Pieceful Quilters Quilt Show:**  
 Tuesday, August 4 - Friday, August 7, during library hours; Open House Wednesday, August 5, 6:30 p.m. - This group has been meeting at the library for over 1 year. Stop by and see the handiwork they have created and find out some of their secrets too.

**JULY EVENTS AT NEW HAVEN BRANCH OF THE ACPL**

**Family Storytime:**  
 Tuesdays, July 7, 14, 21, 28, 10:30 a.m. and Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:30 a.m.

Babies, toddlers and preschoolers can enjoy this storytime along with their parents and caregivers.

**Teen Thursdays:**  
 Thursdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 3:30 p.m. - During the summer we will be doing Summer Reading Activities during this time period.

**Those Witty Brits:**  
 Wednesday, July 15, 7:00 p.m. - A book club devoted to British humor. Come and laugh with us.

**Get your LEGO on:**  
 Wednesdays, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 3:30 p.m. - We will supply the LEGO blocks, you supply the imagination.

**Maker Monday:**  
 Mondays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, 3:30 p.m. - For people ages 11 -15 who enjoy making things—both digital and physical. Topics include 3D printing, basic coding, Arduino, and more. Registration is necessary call 260-421-1345.

**WOODBURN BRANCH OF ACPL JULY EVENTS**

**Smart Start Storytime:**  
 Fridays, July 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:30 a.m. - This Storytime features finger plays, songs, stories of various lengths and crafts.

**Yarn Lover's Gathering:**  
 Thursdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 7:00 p.m. - If you already know how to knit or crochet or if you want to learn how to knit or crochet join us at Woodburn. We have people that can help you get started or teach you new techniques. Join us for a creative evening.

**Woodburn Lego Club:**  
 Monday, July 13, 4:00 p.m. - Grades 3 and up can create with Legos. There will also be Legos at the library for you to use. And, of course, snacks.

**Salad Recipe Exchange:**  
 The Month of July. - In honor of National Salad Month, the Woodburn Branch will have its first Salad Recipe Exchange. Simply bring in your favorite salad recipe and will make copies and share them with others.

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 6/10/15**

This 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Tony Zartman

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
 Warrants documented as 216860 through 216918 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**  
 A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtsberry to go into executive session at 8:02 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 8:16 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING PAULDING COUNTY'S BUSINESS TRAVEL POLICY:**  
 The Paulding County Business Travel Policy was last revised on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2003; and it is necessary to amend sections of the Allowable Reimbursable Expenses in the County's travel policy by resolution; and said policy shall be based on the current federal guidelines. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby amend Paulding County's Business Travel Policy for business meal reimbursements as follows:

- County employees shall be reimbursed not to exceed the amount of Fifty-Six Dollars and 00/100 (\$56.00) per day for meals per employee for County business travel; and
- Tips for service are authorized not to exceed 20% of the billed amount.

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 196):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2015 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds in the Wellness Grant Fund (Fund 196):

FROM: 196-001-00001/Wellness Grant/Salaries  
 TO: 196-001-00005/Wellness Grant/Supplies  
 AMOUNT: \$330.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 196):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2015 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds in the Wellness Grant Fund (Fund 196):

FROM: 196-001-00001/Wellness Grant/Salaries  
 TO: 196-001-00006/Wellness Grant/Incentives  
 AMOUNT: \$3,210.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 196):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2015 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds in the Wellness Grant Fund (Fund 196):

FROM: 196-001-00003/Wellness Grant/PERS  
 TO: 196-001-00006/Wellness Grant/Incentives  
 AMOUNT: \$408.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2015 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 196):**  
 The Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2015 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds in the Wellness Grant Fund (Fund 196):

FROM: 196-001-00002/Wellness Grant/Medicare  
 TO: 196-001-00006/Wellness Grant/Incentives

AMOUNT: \$52.00  
 MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Commissioner Holtsberry reported the Paulding County "Wall of Honor" is now completed and on the wall in the rotunda of the Courthouse. He worked with Melinda Krick (Paulding Progress), Jon Lichty (Veterans' Services), and Al Welch (Welch Trophies) to create the memorial to Paulding County's fallen veterans. Commissioner Holtsberry noted there will be a dedication ceremony on Friday, June 19, at 2:30 p.m. in the Courthouse rotunda.

Jason Landers, Paulding County Sheriff - Sheriff Landers reported he continues to work on reinstating the DARE program in Paulding County. He is passionate about getting the program up and running again in the County's schools. Mr. Landers presented his budget for May, which sparked some discussion about vehicles and possible replacements for older models. He referred to a vehicle listing, stating there were some 2008 vehicles with a lot of miles that may need to be considered for trade/replacement. Although Sheriff's Office vehicle have been purchased for the last several years, Mr. Landers stated he may consider leasing. He then distributed Captain Cline's Paulding County Sheriff report. This report tracks inmates and their days incarcerated, numbers kept in Paulding County's Temporary Holding Facility (THF), and number of trips/miles in transporting inmates to Putnam County for out housing. During the month of May, 35 male and 12 female inmates (47 total) served a total of 448 days at the Putnam County Jail. The average stay for an inmate was 9.3 days. The number of people kept in the Paulding County THF was 75, averaging 1.32 hours for a total of 98.75 hours. Total trips to Putnam County were 43 for a total miles of 2,921. Sheriff Landers will soon be discussing continuing the inmate holding contract with the Putnam County Sheriff. On other business, Mr. Landers reported Smith/Boughan will be upgrading the HVAC system at the Sheriff's Office. The Commissioners discussed the condition of the Sheriff's Office parking lot. The County Engineer's Office was asked to analyze what should be done to the parking lot and report their recommendations to the Commissioners.

Andrew Lorenz, District Director; and Stan Strausbaugh, District Representative - Mr. Lorenz introduced Mr. Strausbaugh as Congressman Robert Latta's new District Representative for the 5th District, Ohio. Mr. Strausbaugh replaces Mr. Ryan Mack, who is now a Rube County Commissioner. Mr. Lorenz noted they were 'visiting' to see if there are any immediate concerns Congressman Latta may address on our behalf. Top on the list is employee health care costs. The EPA's involvement in waterways and ditches came in second. Commissioner Holtsberry expressed his concern for the lack of various services to veterans. He noted that while the Paulding County Veterans' Services office is very helpful to local veterans, he has heard complaints from veterans about the poor care they receive from VA Hospitals. He also is very compassionate about having grave stones at all veteran's gravesites. There are a lot of veteran gravesites that have either never had a stone, the stones have been vandalized, or acts of nature (storm or flooding) have destroyed them.

Niki Warncke, MVPO - Ms. Warncke chaired the Second Public Hearing for PY 2015 CDBG Community Development Program. In attendance were: Dan Thomas (Brown Township); Bill Strahley and Dennis Sanderson (Jackson Township); Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter (Commissioners' Office); and Ryan Shrack, MVPO. Ms. Warncke presented the tabulation of the eleven applications/requests received for the grant dollars. Paulding County has been allocated \$75,000.00, of which \$15,000.00 is set aside for administration and Fair Housing costs, leaving \$60,000.00 available for projects. Three projects were selected, being: Jackson Township street improvements (\$10,000.00), Brown Township street improvements (\$10,000.00), and Village of Oakwood, water facilities (\$20,000.00). The Village of Grover Hill had requested \$20,000.00 to add to their request for \$280,000.00 from the Critical Infrastructure grant for Main Street improvements. Ms. Warncke explained that the Village of Grover Hill's request for CDBG funds would give them 'points' toward receiving the Critical Infrastructure grant. She further explained that if the Village of Grover Hill does not receive the Critical Infrastructure grant, the \$20,000.00 in CDBG dollars may be redistributed to another applicant. Ms. Warncke informed the group she feels confident that each of the chosen projects will meet the criteria and will receive the grant dollars requested. CDBG projects will need to be completed by December 31, 2016. The Critical Infrastructure grant will not be awarded by the state until the end of July or early August. If the Village of Grover Hill receives this grant, all projects will have until August 31, 2017 to be completed.

Jerry Zielke, PC Economic Development - Mr. Zielke presented his director's report for March and April. He has been very busy meeting with various companies for potential new businesses and growth for existing businesses in Paulding County. He has been working with Focus Hotel group in Fort Wayne for a potential project in the Antwerp Commons. Mr. Zielke was also excited to announce that Cooper Farms and Herbert Orr Company will be expanding. He reminded the Commissioners of the InSite Consulting community visit next Tuesday, June 16, at the Economic Development office. The Community Team and AEP are invited to attend. Mr. Zielke noted there are several projects that are on the edge of being developed.

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### SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681  
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THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ACTING THROUGH  
THE RURAL DEVELOPMENT,  
UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
BIDGET D. FULTON, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 007

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 18th day of August, 2015 at 10:05 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

13585 Nancy Street,  
Paulding, Ohio 45879  
Parcel Number: 23-51B-116-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Thirty-nine Thousand and No/100 (\$39,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
www.pauldingohsheriff.com  
Stephen D. Miles, Attorney for Plaintiff

### SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

GREEN TREE SERVING, LLC,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
BARBARA A. TRITSCH, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 14 218.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 6th day of August, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

18962 C Road 123,  
Cecil, Ohio 45821  
(includes mobile home)  
Parcel Number: 16-04S-004-07

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Twenty-four Thousand and No/100 (\$24,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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David J. Demers, Attorney for Plaintiff

### PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 6/8/15

This 8th day of June, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Tony Zartman

**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:**  
Warrants documented as 216780 through 216859 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THEN AND NOW PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS:**

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 8, 2015, Warrants numbered 216782 through 216835 in the amount of \$36,504.56; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or-

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General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
A. DARLENE EIBLING, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 012.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 23rd day of July, 2015 at 10:05 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

215 South Laura Street,  
Payne, Ohio 45880  
Parcel Number: 19-06S-020-00  
and 19-06S-021-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Forty-five Thousand and No/100 (\$45,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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Charles V. Gasior, Attorney for Plaintiff

### SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF THE  
MIDWEST, Plaintiff,

vs.  
SAM REINER, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 050.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 16th day of July, 2015 at 10:15 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

203 North Maple Street,  
Grover Hill, Ohio 45849  
Parcel Number: 26-07S-003-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Twenty-one Thousand and No/100 (\$21,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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John M. Liming, Attorney for Plaintiff

der was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH POGGEMEYER FOR ASSISTANCE WITH BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES FOR REPAIRS TO THE DOMED CUPOLA PORTION OF THE PAULDING COUNTY COURTHOUSE ROOF:**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby agree to enter into an agreement with Poggemeyer

### SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
CHERRIE D. CORWIN aka  
CHERRIE D. ALVARADO, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 14 180.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 6th day of August, 2015 at 10:15 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

327 North Dix Street,  
Paulding, Ohio 45879  
Parcel Number: 30-12S-019-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Forty-two Thousand and No/100 (\$42,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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Matthew I. McKelvey, Attorney for Plaintiff

### SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF THE  
MIDWEST, Plaintiff,

vs.  
KENNETH E. DEEL, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 026.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 23rd day of July, 2015 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

758 Tom Tim Drive,  
Paulding, Ohio 45879  
Parcel Number: 23-46S-005-00; 30-33S-003-01; and, 30-33S-003-02

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Seventy-five Thousand and No/100 (\$75,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount.

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Design Group to provide professional engineering services to assist Paulding County with bidding and construction phase services for repairs to the existing structural supports of the domed cupola portion of the Courthouse roof, including other services as explained in the agreement on file in the Paulding County Commissioners' Office.

**IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW REVENUE AND EXPENSE LINE ITEMS IN FUND 282:**

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create a new revenue line item and a new expense line item to accurately track grant dollars in the Common Pleas Court Special Project Fund (Fund 282) and appropriate as follows:

282-001-10002 Common Pleas Court Special Projects/Technology Grant - \$6,800.00

282-001-00007 Common Pleas Court Special Projects/Technology Grant - \$6,800.00

**MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:**

Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Mr. Langham met with the Commissioners to hear about the new Wall of Honor plaque, a tribute to the fallen Paulding County war veterans. The plaque was recently installed on the wall of the rotunda on the main floor of the Paulding County Courthouse. The project was spearheaded by Commissioner Holtsberry, with assistance from Melinda Krick (Paulding Progress), and Jonathan Lichty (Paulding County Veterans' Services). The group



Dear Miss C,  
I usually remember about one dream per night. So, I regularly remember them. But I have a reoccurring dream theme that has come and gone through my life. What does it mean when you dream that you keep getting lost? Like, I will be coming home from school and get lost, even though I have made the trip a million times. Or, I am going from one room to another in my work building and I get lost, even though I have moved from room to room in real life millions of times.

—Lost in my Dreams  
Dear Lost in my Dreams,

Now, while I am not a professional dream analyst, I do have some thoughts. Recurring dreams are fascinating because they seem to suggest that one's unconscious is attempting to resolve something by bringing it into consciousness again and again through recollections of the same or similar dreams.

I believe that the most important interpretation according to *The Guardian*, he has done this since he's been in office. It's the 14th time he has said words like: "I am confident that the outpouring of unity and strength and fellowship and love across Charleston today from all races, from all faiths, from all places of worship indicates the degree to which those old vestiges of hatred can be overcome."

America, America, land of the mass murderer. Mass murders have increased 14-fold in the United States since the 1960s, sociologist Peter Turchin wrote two and a half years ago, after the Sandy Hook killings. In his essay, called "Canaries in a Coal Mine," Turchin made a disturbing comparison: Mass murderers kill the same way soldiers do, without personal hatred for their victims but to right some large social wrong. He called it the "principle of social substitutability" — substituting a particular group of people for a general wrong.

"On the battlefield," Turchin wrote, "you are supposed to try to kill a person whom you've never met before. You are not trying to kill this particular person, you are shooting because he is wearing the enemy uniform... Enemy soldiers are socially substitutable." Dylann Roof had a toxic "cause" — to reclaim the Old South, to reclaim the country, from an unwelcome human subgroup — but the solidarity in which he acted wasn't so much with his fellow racists as with the strategists and planners of war. Any war. Every war.

### WAR, MURDER & THE AMERICAN WAY

By: Robert C. Koehler

He sat with them for an hour in prayer. Then he pulled his gun out and started shooting.

And today our national numbness is wrapped in a Confederate flag. The young man who killed nine members of Charleston's Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church on Wednesday night was an old-school racist. "I have to do it," Dyllan Storm Roof is said to have explained. "You rape our women and you're taking over our country. And you have to go."

Roof's roommate told ABC News the next day that he was "big into segregation and other stuff" and "he wanted to start a civil war." And this is America, where we have the freedom to manifest our lethal fantasies.

But this is bigger than racism and the pathetic monster of white supremacy. Racism is a name for one of the currents of righteous hatred that coils through our collective unconscious, and over the decades and centuries it has motivated terrible crimes against humanity. But the "civil war" that Roof participated in is, I think, much larger and much more meaningful. And not all the participants are loners.

"In a pattern that has become achingly familiar to him and the nation," the *New York Times* reported, "Mr. Obama on Thursday strode down to the White House briefing room to issue a statement of mourning and grief as he called on the country to unify in the face of tragedy." Indeed, it's the 14th time,

of dreams comes from you. What do you think your "lost" dream means? What does being lost mean and feel to you? I really mean that; your interpretation will always be more valid than mine will. But sometimes it is helpful to get another opinion... one that will help to highlight some patterns.

So, perhaps you are more 'lost' now (at the time of your dream) than you were at some other times. Part of your dream has to do with how you recognize a specific route or place. Becoming lost on that familiar route may relate to a dynamic change in your awake life. When have you felt lost in familiar surroundings? Or what familiar things have or may be changing in your life? Sometimes it is very personal. Familiar surroundings (where there is comfort) can symbolize you. Changes in your awake life can make you question who you are in these new patterns (lost feeling).

You mentioned your lost dreams are re-occurring. I

am curious about what is going on when they start and stop. Are there specific times when the frequency of the dream changes? Or do they start and stop abruptly? Noting these patterns can help you to make associations to your real and awake life. If you are serious about wanting to understand your dreams, I would encourage you to write them down in as much detail as possible. You should also write sleep times (or changes in sleep patterns), and even things that are going on in your life. Why? Because you can find meaningful patterns where no one else is qualified to do so.

Sweet Dreams,  
—Miss C  
\*\*Submit your questions to AskMeMissC@gmail.com, post on Ask Me Miss C Facebook Page, or send an old fashioned letter to the West Bend News with attention to me, Miss C! All questions are answered in the order they are received\*\*

Central Asia and the Middle East and wherever else the strategists and planners see evil, which is to say, opportunity.

Every murderer believes the violence he is wielding is "good violence." Think Timothy McVeigh, whose fertilizer bomb killed 168 people at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City in 1995. He called his victims "collateral damage," co-opting the official language of the Gulf War in which he served. Mass murderers mimic and find their inspiration in the official wars we wage as a nation. Take away the massive public relations machinery that surrounds these wars and the deaths they cause are just as cruel, just as wrong. The abstract "enemy" dead, in every case, turn out to be human beings, who deserved to live.

And every war and every mass murder spreads fear and hatred — and inspiration — in their aftermath. We can't go to war without spawning imitators. The next day, *USA Today* reported, the vigils at two South Carolina churches, in Charleston and Greenville, were disrupted by bomb threats and the churches had to be evacuated. So did Charleston's county building.

"At some point," Obama said, "we as a country will have to reckon with the fact that this type of mass violence does not happen in other advanced countries. It doesn't happen in other places with this kind of frequency — and it is in our power to do something about it."

Until we begin demilitarizing our relationship with the world, such words uttered by presidents are as empty as the words Dylann Roof uttered in prayer at Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church that fateful night.

Robert Koehler, syndicated by PeaceVoice, is an award-winning Chicago journalist and editor.

THE WEST BEND NEWS *Answers on Page 15*  
**Sudoku Puzzle**

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**SECRETARY HUSTED ADVISES ELECTIONS OFFICIALS OF POTENTIAL REGISTRATION FRAUD, ISSUES WARNING TO RESPONSIBLEOHIO**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted issued Advisory 2015-03, which instructs the election officials at the 88 county boards of elections to carefully analyze new voter registrations being submitted by The Strategy Network, an organization coordinating the signature and registration drives for the pro-marijuana legalization group ResponsibleOhio.

Secretary Husted is urging local election officials to more closely review these forms following reports from boards of elections of an increase in errors and apparent fraudulent registration attempts from the group's submissions. This fraudulent activity has been identified in conjunction with voter registration efforts The Strategy Network has been conducting while collecting signatures for their ballot initiative.

"As the state's chief elections officer, I have a duty to work with our local boards of elections to ensure fairness at the ballot box and a primary component of that responsibility is to maintain clean voter rolls and establish safeguards against fraud," Secretary Husted said. "ResponsibleOhio's suspicious voter registration efforts seem to be simply another step in a growing trend of irresponsible behavior."

The alleged irregularities reported to the Secretary of State include:

- Registrants who report non-existent addresses
- Signatures that are illegible or do not match the signature on file for the applicant in the voter's existing registration record
- Multiple applications submitted on the same day for a single applicant at different addresses
- Applicants who are underage and will not turn

18 before the next General Election and are thus, ineligible to register at this time.

- Multiple registration forms that appear to be completed in the same handwriting by a single person

The advisory reminds elections officials that state law prohibits knowingly helping an unqualified person register to vote, completing false registration forms and signing another person's name to a voter registration form. The Secretary also reminds boards of their responsibility to investigate all suspicious registrations in accordance with Ohio law.

Secretary Husted also submitted a written warning to ResponsibleOhio Executive Director Ian James, alerting him of the apparent irregularities and instructing him to take appropriate action to ensure his group's registration and signature collection efforts are in line with state law.

ResponsibleOhio is currently in the process of gathering the required 305,591 signatures in order to qualify their proposed constitutional amendment for the ballot in Ohio. In addition to legalizing the use of marijuana for medical and recreational purposes, the ResponsibleOhio proposal would enshrine a monopoly of 10 marijuana growing sites into the state's constitution.

ResponsibleOhio is currently in the process of gathering the required 305,591 signatures in order to qualify their proposed constitutional amendment for the ballot in Ohio. In addition to legalizing the use of marijuana for medical and recreational purposes, the ResponsibleOhio proposal would enshrine a monopoly of 10 marijuana growing sites into the state's constitution.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Paulding County Treasurer Lou Ann Wannemacher has announced that the 2014 payable 2015 Real Estate taxes, as well as the Mobile Home taxes have been mailed and are due July 15, 2015. Mobile Home taxes are due July 31st., 2015

If a property owner has not received a tax bill they should call the Treasurer's office immediately at 419-399-8280. In the case of mailed payments they must be postmarked on or before July 15 to avoid any penalty.

Treasurer Wannemacher encourages taxpayers to contact her office should they be interested in a monthly prepay tax installment plan. Call or email Lou Ann at pctreas@pauldadingcountyoh.com.

**PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS**

**Criminal Dispositions:**  
 Cynthia L. Morninstar; Cecil, OH; D.O.C w/persis; No Cont; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; placed on standard probation; shall complete the Hands Down Program; write a letter of apology to the victim; shall have no contact with victim; complete 80 hrs. community service  
 Steven L. Lantow, Sr.; Defiance, OH; Assault; J-No Cont; Defendant shall pay all costs; complete GED; complete anger management Hands Off Program; placed on standard probation; complete 40 hrs. community service; 21 days EMHA-defendant pay all have no unlawful contact with victim  
 Duwayne L. Lumpkins; Defiance, OH; Disorder Conduc; J-Guilty; fines and costs to be taken from bond; defendant to maintain general good behavior  
 Michael K. Loop; Defiance, OH; Theft from elder; A-Dismiss; Case dismissed per state without prejudice; defendant to maintain general good behavior; Count B; Misuse credit C; A-Dismiss; Case dismissed  
 Terry Compston; Lima, OH; Reckless operate; J-Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs today 6/15/15  
 Scott B. Rapp; Lima, OH; Safe Speed wate; J-No Cont; Defendant to pay all fines and costs today 6/15/15  
 Kevin Gillett; Cecil, OH; Domestic Violence; No Cont; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; 30 days jail to run concurrently with 14-CRB-477 back dated to the date of arrest; no unlawful contact with victims; evaluation at Westwood; addition to rules of probation  
 Amanda J. McCoy; Fort Wayne, IN; Driving/texting; guilty; case was waived by defendant  
 Cody M. Grudowski; Paulding, OH; Driv/Fra Susp; J-Guilty; proof of financial responsibility not provided; pay all fines and costs by 8/28/15 or will be sent to collections  
 Kristen Leigh Hanson; Mason, WI; A.C.D.; Guilty; case was waived by defendant  
 Garrett A. Jones; Antwerp, OH; Off Inv Underage; A-Dismiss; case dismissed per state; with prejudice; costs waived  
 Deven J. Leidigh; Paulding, OH; Off Inv Und Age; A-Dismiss; case dismissed; per state; with prejudice; costs waived  
 Craig S. Bergman; Antwerp, OH; Off Inv Underag; A-Dismiss; case dismissed; per state; with prejudice; costs waived  
 Charles J. Thompson; Paulding, OH; Off Inv Underag; J-Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; shall pay restitution in the amount of \$2.59; shall pay any additional sheriff fees; Count B; Theft; J-Guilty; same as Count A  
 Steven W. Steele; Paulding, OH; cruelty animals; Guilty; defendant to complete 8 hours community service; defendant to pay all fines and costs; shall maintain general good behavior  
 Sheri S. Kraegel; Styker, OH; Paraphernalia; J-Guilty; shall pay all fines and costs; complete 40 hrs. community service; complete the 3rd millennium online marijuana course; placed on standard probation; submit an evaluation at Westwood or CCNO  
 Jeffrey Duncan Jr; Paulding, OH; No PFD on board; Guilty; case was waived by defendant  
 Cortney C. Vanhorne; Van Wert, OH; No PFD on board; Guilty; case was waived by defendant  
 Barry K. Gray; Paulding, OH; OVI/Under Inf; Guilty; Count A merge with Count B; Count B; OVI/Breath (low); Guilty; ALS vacated pay all fines and cost by 10/30/15 or will be sent to collections; pay \$100 per mo. Commencing 7/31/15; community control two ordered; 20 hours community service; secure a valid driver's license; 170 jail days reserved  
 Jason A. Shaffer; Continental, OH; OVI/Under Inf; No Cont; May attend the DIP program in lieu of jail pay fines & costs today; community control two evaluation at Westwood; 10 hrs. community service; complete third millennium online course; 87 jail days reserved; proof of insurance provided  
 Alan W. Gebhart; Defiance, OH; Driv Under Susp; No Cont; Shall pay \$150.00 per mo. Commencing 7/31/15; pay all fines and costs by 11/20/15 or will be sent to collections; secure a valid driver's license; 180 jail days reserved  
 Joshua T. Lipps; Antwerp, OH; F.R.A. Susp; J-Guilty; Proof of financial responsibility provided; shall pay \$100 per mo. Commencing 7/31/15; pay all fines and costs by 10/30/15 or will be sent to collections; community control two ordered 20 hrs. community service  
 Richard L. Johanns; Paulding, OH; A.C.D.; Guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Real Estate Transfers:**  
 Melrose Village:  
 6/23/15; Carnahan Farms, LLC; Lot 55; 0.1722 acres; Lot 56; 0.1722 acres; To: James Ryan & Jennifer N. Coppes  
 Paulding Village:  
 6/22/15; Liechty Farm Equipment, Inc; Out-lot 1303; 9.32 acres; Out-lot 1302; 15.04 acres; To: Deer Building, LLC  
 Brian D. & Kristin A. Schang; Lot 6; 0.3122 acres; To: Kristen Jacovetti  
 Benton Twp.:  
 6/22/15; Theresa M. Baumle; Sec. 10; 1.5 acres; To: Victor R. Baumle, trustee  
 Carryall Twp.:  
 6/22/15; Kristin R. Bradford; Sec. 21; 2 acres; To: William K. & Cynthia J. Rahrig  
 Emerald Twp.:  
 6/23/15; Nathan A. & Sara J. Sutton; Sec. 8; 2.46 acres; To: Roger C. & Patricia L. Eckart  
 Jackson Twp.:  
 6/23/15; Robert L. & Joanne M. Gunderman; Lot 17; 0.291 acres; Lot 16; 0.148 acres; To: James Robert & Lori Lynn Gunderman  
 Paulding Twp.:  
 6/23/15; James L. Johanns, TOD; Sec. 11; 154.651 acres; Sec. 10; 40 acres; To: Doug Johanns, et al  
 Washington Twp.:  
 6/22/15; Lisa Lynne McClendon; Sec. 16; 40 acres; To: John Stanford Young, Jr.

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:10 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 23rd day of July, 2015, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 6th day of August, 2015 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

Payment in full is due at the time of the sale and the purchaser(s) are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL SUCH REAL PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE, AND PURCHASERS OF ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY ARE URGED TO SEARCH THE FEDERAL TAX LIEN INDEX THAT IS KEPT BY THE COUNTY RECORDER TO DETERMINE IF NOTICE OF A FEDERAL TAX LIEN HAS BEEN FILED WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY.**

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
 Paulding County, Ohio

To help ensure casting a ballot is as easy as possible in Ohio, Secretary Husted has taken several steps to make it easy to vote and hard to cheat. These efforts include: setting uniform, statewide hours for in-person absentee voting to ensure all voters are treated equally; creating an online change of address system for voters; maintaining accurate and up-to-date voter rolls; and, remaining vigilant on addressing voter fraud and suppression.

Secretary Husted has also urged the legislature to authorize online voter registration in Ohio to make it even easier to participate in Ohio elections. An online registration system would be more accurate, more secure and create significant cost savings for local governments.

"It is easy to vote in Ohio and every day, we are looking for ways to help Ohioans cast their ballots and make their voices heard," added Secretary Husted.

**NOTICE OF SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF LIENS FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES**

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1  
**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO**  
**In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:**  
 LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff, vs.  
**JAMES LARSON, ET AL., Defendants.**  
 Case No. CI 15 018

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

**138 North Main Street, Payne, Ohio 45880**  
**Parcel Number: 19-16S-029-00**

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Total amount of judgment is Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty and No/100 (\$5,520.00) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

Whereas, such judgment orders such real property to be sold by the undersigned to satisfy the total amount of said judgment;

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cided by a one-vote margin over the past two years.

"Decisions are made by those who show up, which is an old quote that can sting pretty severely when you realize you are the one who could have made a difference in deciding if your local schools will receive more funding or whether or not you should pay more or less in property taxes," Secretary Husted said. "Tied races happen in Ohio more frequently than most people know, which is why everyone should take just a few minutes to educate themselves about the issues on the ballot and then participate in the electoral process."

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 LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER Plaintiff, vs.  
**ANTHONY E. BUSH, ET. AL., DEFENDANTS,**  
 Case No. CI-15-071  
 Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman  
**TO: ANTHONY E. BUSH; and SKY BANK**  
**LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 17546 Rd. 8, Cecil, Ohio 45821; and 50 E. Main Street, Salineville, Ohio 43945**

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by ANTHONY E. BUSH AND JULIE K. BUSH to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you. With a Mortgage to Sky Bank on said real estate dated September 29, 2006.

The real property in question is situated in the Township of Emerald County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

Situated in the Township of Emerald, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio, and known as: A parcel of land being situated in the Northeast fractional quarter (1/4) of Section 2, Town 3 North, Range 3 East, Emerald Township, Paulding County, Ohio, and which is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at an iron pipe at the Northeast corner of said Section 2; thence South 90°00'00" West (assumed bearing for the purposes of this description) on the North line of the Northeast Quarter (1/4) of said Section and the centerline of Township Road 8, two thousand three hundred twelve and zero hundredths (2312.00) feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0°34'30" West, one thousand six hundred forty-six and eleven hundredths (1646.11) feet to an iron pin on the Northerly right of way

line of the Norfolk and Western Railroad; hence Louth 71°41'30" West on the Northerly right of way line of the Norfolk and Western Railroad, two hundred fifteen and twenty-five hundredths (215.25) feet to an iron pin; thence North 0°34'30" East, one thousand seven hundred thirteen and seventy-three hundredths (1713.73) feet to a point on the North line of the Northeast fractional quarter (1/4) of said Section and the centerline of Township Road 8; thence North 90°00'00" East, on the North line of the Northeast fractional quarter (1/4) of said Section and the centerline of said Road, two hundred three and sixty-six hundredths (203.66) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 7.854 acres of land, more or less, but subject to all legal highways and easements of record.

**LESS AND EXCEPT:** Situated in the State of Ohio, County of Paulding, Township of Emerald, being in the Northeast quarter of Section 2, Town 3 North, Range 3 East and being part of a 7.854 acre parcel conveyed to Anthony E. Bush and Julie K. Bush, by Deed Volume 470, Page 1638 of the Paulding County Records and being more fully described as follows: Being a parcel of land lying on the left and right side of the centerline of right of way and construction of "PAU/DEF-24-12.30/0.00" made by the Ohio Department of Transportation and being located within the following described points in the boundary thereof: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said northeast quarter of section 2 (iron pipe found 1.01 feet North) being County Road 143 centerline of right of way Station 77+12.63; thence South 00°53'41" West a distance of 877.30 feet along the east line of said northeast quarter of section 2 to a railroad spike found on the northerly right of way line of the Maumee & Western Railroad being 155.81 feet right of station 1694+06.54; thence Louth 72°00'42" West a distance of 2443.34 feet along said northerly right of way line to an iron pin found at the grantors southeast property corner being 155.90 feet right of station 1669+63.20 and the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described; thence South 72°00'42" West a distance of 215.87 feet continuing along said northerly right of way line to an iron pin found at the grantor's southwest property corner being 155.90 feet right of station 1667+47.33; thence North 00°54'56" East a distance of 331.91 feet along said grantor's west property line to an iron pin set on the northerly proposed LA right of way line being 158.11 feet left of station 1668+54.85; thence North 71°30'44" East, a distance of 216.52 feet along said proposed LA right of way line to an iron pin set on the grantor's east property line being 160.00 feet left of station 1670+71.36; thence South 00°54'56" West a distance of 333.90 feet along said grantor's east property line to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 1.561 acres, more or less. This description was prepared and reviewed in October of 2004 by Kerry D. Osborn, Registered Surveyor No. 7326, Ltate of Ohio. This description is based on a survey made under the direction and supervision of Kerry D. Osborn, Registered Surveyor No. 7326 in 2004.

Parcel ID No. 16-02S-001-00  
 Property Address: 17546 Rd. 8, Cecil, Ohio 45821

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of your real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pass, Clerk  
 Court of Common Pleas  
 Paulding County, Ohio  
 By: *Ann Pass*  
 Deputy

Respectfully submitted,  
 Jason K. Landers, Sheriff (19/05/00)  
 Paulding County, Ohio  
 Probationary Attorney  
 112 1/2 N. Water St.  
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 LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER Plaintiff, vs.  
**Robert A. Lehman, Et. Al., Defendants**  
 Case No. CI-15-016  
 Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman  
**TO: UNITED FINANCIAL MORTGAGE GROUP CORP.**  
**LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 5 Commerce Drive, Suite 100, Oak Brook Drive, IL 60523**

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by ROBERT A. LEHMAN to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you. With a Mortgage to United Financial Mortgage Corp dated July 19, 2004.

The real property in question is situated in the Village of Paulding, County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

Situated in the County of Paulding, in the State of Ohio, and in the Village of Paulding, and bounded and described as follows:

Lot Number Thirty-four (34) in Dix's First Addition to the Village of Paulding, Paulding County, Ohio.  
 Said premises are subject to legal easements apparent or of record and all legal highways.  
 Parcel ID No. 30-06S-094-00  
 Property Address: 615 W. Jackson Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of your real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

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 Jason K. Landers, Sheriff (19/05/00)  
 Paulding County, Ohio  
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**HUSTED REMINDS OHIO-ANS THAT EVERY VOTE MATTERS**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that five races from across the state were decided by a single vote or tied during the 2015 Primary and Special Election. A total of 75 Ohio races have tied or been de-

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**VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE**

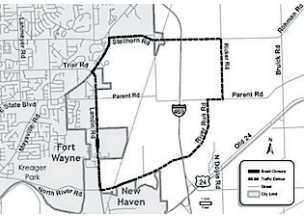
The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2015-16** on June 15, 2015, entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$12,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME TO BE AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer funds from the general fund to the street fund for the operating expenses of the street department.

The publication of this Ordinance is by summary only. The Complete text of the Ordinance may be obtained or viewed at the office of the Village of Antwerp Fiscal Officer located at 118 North Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

**ROAD CLOSURE ON LANDIN ROAD IN CITY OF NEW HAVEN**

Beginning Monday, May 18, 2015 Landin Road, in New Haven, Indiana will be closed at the Bullerman drain and 500 feet south of the bridge. This has been extended—the closure will be in effect until 5:00p.m. Monday, July 6, 2015.

\*\*Detour will be posted\*\*



**ROAD CLOSURE: GREEN ROAD IN THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN**

Green Road, in New Haven, Indiana will be CLOSED from Berwick Lane to SR 930 until Thursday, July 2nd at 12:00 p.m. The road will be closed for the water main installation for the Green Road Water Main Improvement Project (WMP-2010-08)

\*\*No Detour will be posted\*\*



**ODOT CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WEEK OF JUNE 29, 2015**

**Defiance County:**

Ohio 66 north from Defiance to the Williams County line will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by the Defiance County ODOT maintenance garage.

Ohio 2/18/49 in the village of Hicksville which was previously slated for repairs and resurfacing will be postponed for several weeks. When the work restarts it will take place on Ohio 2 from its junction with Ohio 49 at the south edge of town to the south just outside of the village limits. On Ohio 49 work will occur from inside the village to the Williams County line, and on Ohio 18 from within the village to just outside the village limits. Work is being performed by Brooks Construction, Fort Wayne, IN.

**Paulding County:**

U.S. 127 between Garfield Avenue and Jackson Street in the village of Paulding closed April 13 for approximately eight months for a sewer separation project. The traffic detour for this closure has changed. Traffic will now be detoured onto Ohio 111, Ohio 637 and Ohio 114 back onto U.S. 127. Work is being performed by VTF Excavation, Celina.

**Van Wert County:**

\*\*Roads throughout the county may be reduced to one lane throughout the week for berm repairs needed following last week's flooding. Work will be done by the Van Wert County ODOT maintenance garage.\*\*

U.S. 30 between Van Wert and Middle Point will be reduced to one lane through the work zone throughout the week for pavement repairs. Work is being done by the Van Wert County ODOT maintenance garage.

Ohio 697 west of Middle Point Wetzel Road, approximately five miles west of the city of Delphos, which closed June 8 will remain closed through the end of July to replace the bridge over the Auglaize River. High water in the area has extended the project into late July or early August. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 116 to Ohio 81 to Ohio 66 back onto Ohio 697. Work is being done by Brumbaugh Construction, Inc., Arcanum

**HUSTED PRAISES SENATE FOR PASSAGE OF ONLINE VOTER REGISTRATION**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted praised the Ohio Senate for their passage of Senate Bill 63, sponsored by State Senator Frank LaRose (R-Copley), which seeks to grant authorization to the Secretary of State to implement an online voter registration system in Ohio.

"This is another step in making it easy to vote and hard to cheat in Ohio by improving voter access and implementing additional security measures," Secretary Husted said.

Online voter registration would create a more secure and efficient registration system while also serving as a significantly less costly way to register new voters. An analysis of other states shows that online voter registration can save between 50 cents and \$2.34 per registration when compared to the traditional paper form. If an online system had been

in place in Ohio between 2011 and 2014, the state's local governments could have saved between \$2.8 and \$13.2 million.

Secretary Husted also announced his initiative has so far garnered support from county commissioners in 45 of Ohio's 88 counties, the County Commissioners Association of Ohio, the Ohio Association of Elections Officials, and election officials from across the state.

"I am grateful to President Faber and Senator LaRose for their leadership in getting this issue passed and bringing us another step closer to providing this important tool to Ohio voters ahead of the 2016 Presidential Election," Secretary Husted said. "I look forward to working with the members of the Ohio House to see the proposal become a reality."

The legislation passed the Ohio Senate with strong bipartisan support and will now proceed to the Ohio House of Representatives for further consideration.

**TIPS FOR MANAGING SUMMER ELECTRIC BILLS**

**The Kruse Report by: IN State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn)**

With summer temperatures heating up, many families around the state are seeing higher electricity bills.

The Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor (OUCC) developed a list of simple steps Hoosiers can take to help manage energy use over the summer. These tips can add up to savings and help ease the electric grid's workload at its busiest time.

The OUCC recommends that you:

- Unplug chargers for cell phones and other devices when you're not using them. Don't underestimate how much power is leaked from a device that's plugged in, but not being used.
- Try to not use exhaust fans, since they can quickly pull cool air out of your home or business.
- Turn off all lights, computers, TVs and other appliances if you are not using them.
- Use ceiling fans when you're in the room, but turn them off when you leave. Be sure all ceiling fans are set to turn counter-clockwise.
- Keep blinds, shades, draperies, windows and storm doors closed.
- Raise the thermostat a few degrees if no one will be home for more than five hours.
- Move TVs and appliances away from the thermostat because of the heat they give off, which can make it turn on unnecessarily. Move lamps away from the thermostat, too, especially if you're using traditional bulbs.
- Make sure your air conditioner has a clean filter by changing it regularly.
- Make sure your dryer vent is not clogged.
- Close your refrigerator and freezer doors on a dollar bill, and then try to pull the bill out. If it slides out, your gaskets are loose and are letting cold air out.
- Make sure to use energy efficient light bulbs. Light

emitting diode (LED) bulbs use less energy than standard bulbs.

By acting on these tips, you may be able to ease the burden of high energy bills this summer. More tips are available at [www.in.gov/oucc](http://www.in.gov/oucc) and at [www.energysavers.gov](http://www.energysavers.gov).

What do you think?

**SECRETARY HUSTED RELEASES NEW BUSINESS FILING FIGURES FOR MAY 2015**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced 7,945 new entities filed to do business in Ohio during May 2015. This number is a slight improvement from the same period last year when 7,820 new entities filed.

So far in 2015, 42,363 new businesses have been formed in Ohio, maintaining course for 2015 to be a record-breaking year for the state. At the same point in 2014, 41,594 new business entities were filed.

The state has experienced record business growth each year for the past five years, beginning in 2010. Under the leadership of Secretary Husted, the state has made it possible for more than 80% of all filings to be done online with one in two companies now being established electronically through the Secretary of State's Ohio Business Central service.

The General Assembly has recently given approval to House Bill 3, which will reduce the filing fee for new businesses in Ohio by 21 percent. Secretary Husted urged the General Assembly to undertake this initiative in January after responsible fiscal stewardship over the Secretary of State's office has reduced operating expenses by more than \$14 million over the past four years, representing a 16% cut from the previous administration.

The bill is now awaiting the Governor's signature, and once signed, it will mark the first time this fee has been cut in modern history and will make Ohio the least expensive state in the region to start and maintain a new business.

Though the most visible role of the Secretary of State is that of chief elections officer, the office is also the first stop for individuals or companies who want to file and start a business in Ohio. While recognizing these numbers can't provide a complete picture of Ohio's jobs climate, they are an important indicator of economic activity that Secretary Husted hopes will add to the discussion of how to improve the state's overall climate for business.

**6 TIPS FOR SAVING FOR YOUR DOWN PAYMENT**

In recognition of American Housing Month, iAB Financial Bank is offering tips to help consumers prepare for one of the first steps in the home buying process - saving for a down payment. Before transitioning from renter to home owner, potential buyers must typically save between 5 to 20 percent of the home's value for the down payment. "Saving for a down payment can be a challenge," said Gary Blount, Vice President and Mortgage Banking Manager. "Organizing your finances is the first step on the jour-

**LOCAL YOUTH PARTICIPATE IN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE YOUTH TOUR**



Megan Niese from Miller City High School and Maggie Wilson from Antwerp High School represented Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op in the 2015 Electric Cooperative Youth Tour to Washington, D.C.

The high school seniors-to-be gained a personal understanding of American history, their role as a citizen and insight to the important roles electric cooperatives play in their community. Ohio's electric cooperatives have been providing this opportunity since the 1970's.

According to Erika Willitzer, Marketing Manager for Paulding Putnam Electric, the Ohio delegation of 35 to 40 high school juniors and seniors from Ohio meet up with about 1,400 other students from across the country as part of this program sponsored by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

"Paulding Putnam Electric is pleased to be able to

provide this opportunity for our local youth," Willitzer said. "These students gained a first-hand understanding of the legislative process and made connections that will last a lifetime. Our youth are our future, and it's an honor for PPEC to give them the tools to succeed."

The students visited the National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial, Gettysburg National Military Park, Arlington National Cemetery, the Smithsonian Institution, the National mall memorials, the National Museum of the Marine Corps and more. Both students even had the chance to meet Congressman Jim Jordan and Speaker of the House John Boehner.

"The fact that two strong political leaders took time out of their hectic schedule to meet with our students sent a strong message about the important leadership role they can play through civic engagement," said Willitzer.

ney to owning your dream home." iAB Financial Bank suggests the following tips to save for a down payment:

**1. Develop a budget and timeline.**

Start by determining how much you'll need for a down payment. Create a budget and calculate how much you can realistically save each month - that will help you gauge when you'll be ready to transition from renter to homeowner.

**2. Establish a separate savings account.**

Set up a separate savings account exclusively for your down payment and make your monthly contributions automatic. By keeping this money separate, you'll be less likely to tap into it when you're tight on cash.

**3. Shop around to reduce major monthly expenses.**

It's a good idea to check rates for your car insurance, renter's insurance, health insurance, cable, Internet or cell phone plan. There may be deals or promotions available that allow you to save hundreds of dollars by adjusting your contracts.

**4. Monitor your spending.**

With online banking, keeping an eye on your spending is easier than ever. Track where most of your discretionary income is going. Identify areas where you could cut back (e.g. nice meals out, vacations, etc.) and instead put that money into savings.

**5. Look into state and local home-buying programs.**

Many states, counties and local governments operate programs for first-time homebuyers. Some programs offer housing discounts, while others provide down payment loans or grants.

**6. Celebrate savings milestones.**

Saving enough for a down payment can be daunting. To avoid getting discouraged, break it up into smaller goals and reward yourself when you reach each one. If you need to save \$30,000 total, consider treating yourself to a nice meal every \$5,000 saved. This will help you stay motivated throughout the process.

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REP. LATTA VOTES TO STRENGTHEN MEDICARE BY REPEALING MEDICARE DECISION-MAKING BOARD

U.S. Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) joined colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives in passing a key bill in support of seniors' access to affordable, quality health care.

H.R. 1190, the Protecting Seniors' Access to Medicare Act of 2015, eliminates the Independent Payment Advisory Board (IPAB), a body comprised of 15 unelected officials with authority to unilaterally cut Medicare spending.

"This is a board of unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats with the ability to make decisions that will impact the lives and care of tens of thousands of Medicare patients. This unchecked authority to control funding gives enormous power to dictate what type of care a patient receives," said Rep. Latta.

The bill, first introduced by Rep. Linda Sánchez (D-CA) and Rep. Roe (R-TN), passed with support in favor of eliminating bureaucratic control over the cuts to Medicare spending.

"Physicians and patients are in the best position to decide their own health care - a fact recognized today in this vote. I look forward to working with my colleagues in the Senate to ensure healthcare is left to the individual and to the experts, not the Washington Bureaucracy."

REP. LATTA STATEMENT ON KING V. BURWELL RULING

U.S. Rep. Bob Latta (R-OH) released the following statement regarding the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in King v. Burwell:

"Today's ruling does not change the fact that ObamaCare is a deeply flawed law that has not delivered on what it promised to do. We have had time to read it, we have had time to learn what's in it, and

we have had time to see it doesn't work. It has put Washington in between patients and their doctors, increased costs, reduced coverage choices, and created uncertainty for families and businesses.

The Court has made its decision, and House Republicans will continue moving forward and continue to focus on fixing a broken system with policies that put patients first. My responsibility is to protect my constituents, not failed policies. My colleagues and I will continue to advance solutions in Congress that lowers costs, increases access, and expands the rights of Americans across the board to have a voice in their healthcare options."

INLAND WATERWAYS FESTIVAL

The bi-annual Inland Waterways Festival returns this year to the Ohio River Museum Complex on August 1 and 2. A family friendly event, the Inland Waterway Festival aims to commemorate the heritage and continuing importance of America's rivers, canals and lakes in today's society.

This free, educational event features performers, music, hands on activities, model boat demonstrations, wildlife displays, a 2,200 gallon freshwater aquarium and so much more.

According to Christina Graham, Museum Services Coordinator for the Campus Martius and Ohio River Museums, this festival is a popular event with families in the community and anyone interested in the history of our waterways. "There is something to do for everyone at this event and you won't leave this festival without a better appreciation for the numerous waterways across our nation and how important they are in our lives."

For more information on the event call the museum at 740-373-3750 or go online at campusmartiusmuseum.org

Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, (614) 644-2239.

All contractors shall follow all applicable Federal and State OSHA regulations. The contractor shall also hold the County Engineer harmless for any violations or fines received while engaged in this project.

All contractors must provide current Certificate of Liability Insurance Coverage for \$1,000,000 along with a current Certificate of Worker's Compensation Coverage, before they can be hired to perform any type of work for Paulding County.

All materials shall conform to the latest revision of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.

Sealed bids shall be in writing and in accordance with specifications furnished by Paulding County and on file in the Offices of the Paulding County Engineer and Commissioners.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, and bids on the above named items to be marked:

PROPOSAL: "Auglaize Township et al, Road Improvements 2015"

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received.

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STATE SEN. DENNIS KRUSE RECEIVES STUDY COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

IN State Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-Auburn) will serve on the following interim study committees and commissions during the summer and fall months to help prepare for the 2016 session of the General Assembly:

- Interim Study Committee on Education
• Interim Study Committee on Employment and Labor
• Education Commission of the States

"I'm looking forward to serving on these interim study committees for a few reasons," Kruse said. "Not only is it important to continue to improve Indiana's education system by supporting

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2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE: 9721 Husted Rd., Woodburn. Shop tools, generator, household and baby items. July 2, 3 & 4. p

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our students and teachers, but it's also vital that legislators look for ways to pass policies that encourage employers to hire more Hoosiers."

When Indiana's part-time legislature is not in session, lawmakers are assigned to interim study committees that meet to review the state's top issues, as identified by the General Assembly during the prior legislative session.

Study committee topics are assigned by the bipartisan Legislative Council, comprised of 16 voting members - eight from the House of Representatives and eight from the Senate.

To view interim committee agendas and stream hearings online, visit www.in.gov/iga. More information about topics that will be examined can be found online.

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP HONORED AS BRONZE STEVIE® AWARD WINNER IN 2015 AMERICAN BUSINESS AWARDS

For the third year in a row Mrs. Pamela Clark, Director of the Defiance-based New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) has been honored by the American Business Awards. NHEG received the Bronze Stevie® Award as 'Organization of the Year - Non Profit or Government'.

The American Business Awards are the nation's premier business awards program. All organizations operating in the USA are eligible to submit nominations - public and private, for-profit and non-profit, large and small.

More than 3,300 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories, including 'Most Innovative

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, will be receiving bids for the real estate on a cash rent per acre basis for the Jacob Farm - Children's Home (FSA #1586), consisting of 230 acres more or less (233.1 tillable), and for the Eaton Farm (FSA #1230), consisting of 323 acres more or less (250.7 tillable) for the lease period beginning the 1st day of September, 2015. Sealed bids must be marked 'Jacob Farm - Children's Home' or 'Eaton Farm', with the corresponding farm number indicated on each bid, and addressed to the Clerk of the Board and must be received at the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the basement of the Courthouse, 115 N. Williams Street, Room B-1, Paulding, not later than 10:30 a.m. on the 15th day of July, 2015. The acreage lease shall be for a term of three years. Production flexibility contracts are available. Information on government subsidy payments may be obtained at the Paulding County FSA Office, 260 Dooley Drive, Paulding. Contract details, farm description and specifications may be obtained at the office of the Board of County Commissioners Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Should you have any questions, please contact the Paulding County Commissioners' Office at 419-399-8215.

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Company of the Year', 'Management Team of the Year', 'Best New Product or Service of the Year', 'Corporate Social Responsibility Program of the Year' and 'Executive of the Year' among others.

In response to this achievement, Pamela Clark said, "We are honored to receive recognition yet again for our hard work and efforts to improve education and the lives of families in need! To be recognized by the American Business Awards three years in a row is an amazing feeling. I'm grateful to all the judges and our amazing 8 volunteers and students for all their support."

Stevie Award winners were selected by more than 200 executives worldwide who participated in the judging process this year.

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**NEW LAW FIRM OPENS IN PAULDING**



North of the Courthouse in Paulding a satellite office of Putman Law Offices opened in Paulding this past week with a ribbon cutting. The event had people from all over the county watching the grand opening.

Shaun Putman and Rachel Franklin, both attorneys at this office, also work in Van Wert. This office will be able to handle most of the law needs of the community, and with being so close to the court house, it makes it convenient for cases in the

county. Rachel is originally from the Paulding area and last year after finishing law school she had passed the Bar exam. It was the day before her wedding to Chad Franklin, of Antwerp, which took place in the OSU Football stadium also known as the Horseshoe. We welcome Putman Law Office to the community just as much as they are ready to serve the citizens of Paulding County.



Shaun Putman and Rachel Franklin cut the ribbon for the opening of Putman Law Offices, LLC north of the Paulding Co. Courthouse. Picture by Steve Franklin.

**DON'T MISS THE NEW HAVEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL AG APPRECIATION DAY**

Producers Suppliers Providers Working Together For Growth get ready for Ag Appreciation Day on Wednesday, August 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is set to take place at Jefferson Township Park (1720 S. Webster Road).

A Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be provided by the Heritage and Woodlan FFA. The Chamber Ag Appreciation Day is a major promotional event for member businesses. Each year area farmers and the rural community attend this event to see what the business community has to offer them.

Don't miss out on this extraordinary event! For information or questions contact the Chamber office at 749-4484 or info@newhavenindiana.org

**PCRTA TO HOST LUNCHEON FOR PC HALL OF FAME TEACHERS**

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will host a recognition luncheon for the 2015 Paulding County Hall of Fame teachers on Monday, July 13 at 11:30 a.m.

The luncheon will be held at the John Paulding Historical Museum located at 600 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH. The requirement for induction into the Paulding County Hall of Fame is a minimum of 25 years of service dedicated to teaching the students of Paulding County.

Those being honored as well as current members of the group are asked to make reservations by Monday, July 6. Persons planning to attend should call Pam Young at 419-786-9362 or Karen Walker at 419-899-4161.

Current members are asked to bring a dish to share for the luncheon.

**BALLOT BOARD CERTIFIES MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION AMENDMENT AS SINGLE BALLOT ISSUE**

The Ohio Ballot Board today certified the ballot initiative sponsored by Ohioans to End Prohibition titled "Cannabis Control Amendment" as a single issue.

Petitioners will now need to collect 305,591 signatures, which is equal to 10 percent of the total vote cast for governor in 2014, in order to place the issue on the ballot. As part of the total number of signatures needed to place the measure on the ballot, petitioners must also have collected signatures from at least 44 of Ohio's 88 counties, and within each of those counties, collect enough signatures equal to five percent of the total vote cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election, 2014.

Secretary Husted serves as chair of the Ballot Board and oversees the board's proceedings. Other members of the Ballot Board include: State Senator Bill Coley; State Representative Kathleen Clyde, former State Senator Nina Turner; and William N. Morgan. Ballot Board meetings are open to the public.

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**PAULDING COUNTY TEAMS COMPETE IN 2015 VNEA POOL TOURNAMENT**



"Post it up" team - Marc Sanchez, Tim Bostelman, Greg Thatcher, Chad Whitmore, and Matt Riffle.

In May, four pool teams from Paulding County traveled to Las Vegas, Nevada, for the 2015 VNEA Pool Tournament. The teams were- "Who's Next", team member are Oggie Lehman, Bob Lehman, Jeff Mekus, Harry Mcswiney, and James Miller; "I Don't Know", team members are Mark Marenberg, Bill Voirol, Don Foltz, Gene Edwards, and Bill Stahler; "Road Warriors", team members are

Bob Geiger, Rich Rower, Art Razo, Chris Beardsley, and Ryan Hogans; "Post It Up", teams members are Marc Sanchez, Tim Bostelman, Greg Thatcher, Chad Whitmore, and Matt Riffle. The teams played in the open division which consisted of 332 teams from around the world. The "Post it Up" team was the last American team in the tournament and came

in third place behind teams from Spain and Canada. The team dedicated every accomplishment this year to fellow member, Mike Alcorn, who passed away suddenly during this year's pool season.

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