

## SPIRIT OF WOODLAN MARCHING BAND SEEKS UNIFORM FUNDING FOR UPCOMING WASHINGTON D.C., INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE



Dear Friends and Spirit of Woodlan Supporters,

The Spirit of Woodlan Marching Band has earned a once in a lifetime opportunity. Our State Representative, Marlin Stutzman, has chosen the band to represent Northeast Indiana and East Allen County Schools in the 2017 Independence Day Parade in Washington D.C.

Our children have worked incredibly hard for this opportunity. Due to their dedication and commitment to music, they were able to overcome the odds and advance to the Indiana Marching Band State Finals in the 2015 season. However, the nearly 20-year-old uniforms are in disrepair. To properly represent the state of Indiana

in the Independence Day Parade, they need to look their absolute best. We are looking for your support to help us reach the goal of purchasing new uniforms.

We must fund at least 100 new uniforms with the ultimate goal of \$30,000. Any amount you can donate will help fulfill the dreams of our children. Your contribution will go directly towards the purchase of new uniforms. All contributions in excess of the uniform goal will be strictly used to benefit the marching band. The donations are needed no later than January 1st of 2017.

Contributions can be made to Woodlan Band Boosters. Please memo the check "Woodlan Uniforms." Remember, any donations to the Spirit of Woodlan are tax deductible.

Please mail donations to:  
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**Saturday, October 15**  
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**Auction at Woodburn**  
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We thank you for any contributions you can give!

Sincerely,

-Spirit of Woodlan Band Boosters

### COME AND SEE THE SHOW - OCTOBER 18

On October 18th, the Spirit of Woodlan marching band will be performing this year's show, "The Pyramids of Egypt" at Woodlan High School.

A FREE meal will be served beginning at 6:30 p.m. with the FREE show starting at 7:00 p.m. Please join us in supporting the Spirit of Woodlan Marching Band and all of their hard work.

(The rain date will be October 20, same time, same place, same price, FREE)

### EACS STAFF GO BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY

During the weekend of September 10 and 11, there was a very bad storm in Allen County. The storm caused flooding and minor damage in a few EACS buildings. During that weekend, many staff members worked tirelessly to get the buildings ready for the Monday morning student arrival. They worked several hours until the work was complete! The following individuals from

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## IN-PERSON & EARLY ABSENTEE VOTING FOR NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION BEGINS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>

You may review your ballot on the office website: [www.electionsonsthe.net/Oh/Paulding](http://www.electionsonsthe.net/Oh/Paulding) or google Paulding County, Ohio Board of Elections. Absentee ballots will begin to be mailed on Wednesday, October 12th for voters that have completed and returned the application for an absent voter's ballot. You may check the status of your application on the office website.

Office hours for in-person absentee voting for the election set out by the Ohio Secretary of State office are as follows:

• 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday - Friday, October 12 - 14

• 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday, October 17 - 21

• 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday, October 24 - 28

• 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, October 29

• 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, October 30

• 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Monday - Friday, October 31 - November 4

• 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Saturday, November 5

• 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, November 6

• 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Monday, November 7

Any qualified Ohio voter may request an absent voter's ballot without stating a reason. The ballot must be applied for in writing or in person for each election that you wish to cast an Absent Voter's Ballot in the year the election is held. You may, but are not required to, use the application form prescribed by the Ohio Secretary of State (form 11-A). Your request must con-

## PCED BANQUET CELEBRATES BUSINESS SUCCESS



Jerry Zielke, Tori Wolf and Jim Drewes.

Paulding County Economic Development hosted the annual banquet at the extension building on the fairgrounds on Tuesday, October 4. Starting the event was John Kobee with prayer and had President Jerry Zielke introducing the speakers for the evening. The night was catered by Wedding Dreams by Grants of Antwerp.

The evening began with a meet and greet time that many people enjoyed prior to the dinner. Following the dinner was speakers from Northwest State Community College, Tori Wolf and Jim Drewes. They spoke about the networking that Northwest State Community College has helped to foster and bring about the connected ness that Ohio has with the country and international trade partners. This will be a way of increasing manufacturing in ohio and along the sections of what some have called the "rust belt"

Renewing partnerships will be the best way to bring

back a much higher set of paying jobs.

After the presentation, Zielke showed the businesses that have created new jobs, expanded operations or built new buildings. Over 200 new jobs have been created this year and much money, \$220,000,000 had been invested in the county. The 2nd

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**CENTER FOR LIFELONG LEARNING SEMINAR PRESENTS THEN AND NOW**

All adults 55+ with curious minds may want to plan to be in the East Wing at Northwest State Community College, rural Archbold, for a one day gathering on Friday, October 21. The topic is Then and Now and presenters will highlight the changes in four areas over the last 4-5 decades - farming, medicine, politics and education.

The coffee will be on and the cookies will be out at 8:30 as adults from throughout the four-county region gather for a day to reflect on the many changes in our world.

Dr. Tom Stuckey, College President, will welcome the Lifelong Learners at 9:00 a.m. in room A 225. An elevator just inside the East entrance at the college will make the classroom easily accessible.

The informal day will begin with a look at the changes in farming by Eric Richer, agriculture agent for Fulton County through OSU extension services. Eric's passion for the agricultural started as a boy, raised near Wauseon on a grain and livestock farm. Today he spends most of his time working on farm research, precision agriculture, 4 R Nutrient Stewardship and farm management programs. Through Eric's Then and Now agricultural lens (four decades), he has seen most family farm operations triple in size while becoming more technologically advanced, resource conscious and socially aware.

After a short break the microphone will be handed to Bette Hughes, a member of the nursing staff at the College. She followed in her Grandmother's footsteps and in 1991 became a graduate of Northwest State's second RN class. As a registered nurse Bette has worked in coronary intensive care, bariatric surgery, and physical rehab, but her real passion is home health and hospice. She loves the atmosphere at NSCC where she is the nursing lab coordinator and teaches a nursing elective on end-of-life care. She has always been fascinated by nursing and medical history, and collects old nursing and medical textbooks.

The afternoon session

will bring Jim Hoops to the podium. With politics part of the breath of Americans in this political season, Jim will bring a local, knowledgeable face to us as we see how much change has come into our political system. He was a former county auditor in Henry County and former State Representative. Now he's at the College serving in a VP position to inform elected officials of issues important to Northwest State and Terra State Community College.

Before the day wraps up Aaron Rex, superintendent of the Archbold Area Schools will help the group see the changes in our educational system. He grew up in a time when schools were full of chalkboards, textbooks, ditto machines and film strip projectors. After nearly 20 years in education, he says that times have changed. His job is to help facilitate learning in classrooms with iPads, laptops, smart boards, chrome books, and the many tools needed to be a 21st century learner. The biggest challenges that he believes education faces today are the changing mandates involving student testing and school funding.

To reserve your seat for the one-day seminar, contact the Center's Coordinator Cecily Rohrs at crohrs@northwest.edu or call the College at 419-267-5511 and ask the receptionist at 0 to be put on the list for the October 21st seminar.

**CONCERT TO BE HELD AT IPFW**

Fort Wayne Area Community Band will present a concert October 25 at the John & Ruth Rhinehart Music Center on the IPFW campus. Downbeat is 7:30 p.m. for a variety of music under the direction of conductor Scott Humphries and assistant conductor Susan Jehl. The 80-piece concert band will present Hoagy Carmichael in Concert, The American Dream, Butterfly's Ball, Windsprints, E Pluribus Unum March, To Conquer the Skies, Indiana Medley and more. Parking is free in the parking garage across from the Music Center.

**THE RIVER CITY RAT RACE**



The 17th annual River City Rat Race 5K/10K was born in the year 2000 and became an instant success. With over 600 runners and walkers, and more than 100 volunteers, it was clear that this event had enormous potential. Last year's event attracted over 1100 participants. The featured event, a 10K (6.2 miles) road race includes a run through beautiful downtown Fort Wayne and along the River Greenway.

Author and senior writer Hal Higdon of Runner's World magazine said, "It is one of the most scenic 10K courses I've ever seen." This is high praise coming from one of the most experienced and highly sought after running experts in North America.

This year's race kicks off on a Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. and typically one of the last weekends before Halloween, on October 23rd. What great timing for an event called the "RAT RACE."

Although the race attracts the top area runners, we consider this a "fun run." Our race has more children runners than any other race

in town. It includes over 250 Girls on the Run, a national running program for young girls and their partners, and many other area children.

There are many awards presented after the race, to include age group awards for the top 3 in each age group of 5-year increments, Best Costume and Middle of the Pack award.

The starting line for the race is at the corner of Main and Barr Street, adjacent to the Arts United Center. The Rat Race, both the 5K and the 10K, finish at the Old Fort, where all runners receive water, sandwich, chips, cookies and fruit.

Packet pickup is at the Central Branch YMCA, 1020 S. Barr Street, on Saturday, October 22, from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Race day packet pickup is from 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. at the 1st Source Bank located at 200 E. Main Street near the start line. There is no race day registration.

For more information visit the website at rivercityratrace.com or pick up a postcard at any YMCA in Fort Wayne and Columbia City.

**VANTAGE @ THE DAY OF CARING!**



Vantage was a very active participant in the 18th annual United Way Day of Caring. Since the Salvation Army food pantry building wasn't quite ready for occupancy, the food drive was moved to the Vantage bus barn this year, which provided more than ample space to get the job done.

The Medical Office Management students and their teacher, Ms. Diane Font, directed the school's food drive blitz on the morning of September 30, when over 3,000 canned food items were donated for the Salvation Army Food Drive. The Network Systems program won a pizza

party for bringing in over 700 food items.

An additional \$1,800 was raised to purchase more groceries. Vantage students and staff were able to contribute nearly 5,000 non-perishable food items to the Salvation Army this year.

**OLD CROWN BRASS BAND CONCERT**

The Old Crown Brass Band will present "Fall Concert 2016" on Monday, October 31, 2016 at 7:00 p. m. at Aldersgate United Methodist Church 2417 Getz Road Fort Wayne, Indiana 46804.

Two major Brass Band works are the feature of the fall concert of the Old Crown Brass Band. "The Land of the Long White Cloud (Aotearoa) by Philip Sparke is an exciting piece based on sights and sounds of the Maori people from New Zealand. "Variations on Laudate Dominum" by Edward Gregson is a seven movement work that takes the listener through different settings of the popular hymn.

Also featured in this concert is "Prelude, Siciliano and Rondo" by Malcolm Arnold, and "Esprit de Corps" a piece written for the Marine Band by Robert Jager. In addition are the British March "The

**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among the wise. Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails."

—Proverbs 19:20-21

**MS. TEMAN'S CLASS MAKES S'MORES**



Ms. Amanda Teman's first grade class at Paulding Elementary is shown with the solar ovens they used to make S'mores. What a delicious treat!!

Vanished Army" a tribute to Hoosier composer Cole Porter "Begin the Beguine", and a rousing version of "A Fugue on Yankee Doodle" by John Phillip Sousa. The vibrant and exciting Russian folk song "Kalinka" closes the program

The band is under the direction of T.J. Faur and Tony Alessandrini. Admission is free and donations are encouraged.

The Old Crown Brass Band will welcome brass bands from throughout the United States and Canada to Fort Wayne's Embassy Theatre for the 2017 North American Brass Band Association Championships on March 10-11, 2017

Last year's event, which was also held in Fort Wayne, attracted 35 bands and almost 1100 participants. Plan to attend this exciting event. Tickets will go on sale November 1, 2016 through the Embassy box office.

Old Crown Brass Band was founded in 2007 and has become one of Fort Wayne's premier performing ensembles. The band does about 8-10 performances a year and is in great demand throughout Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. The 35-piece brass and percussion ensemble is made up of members of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, local music educators and freelance musicians. All members of the band are non-compensated and share a passion for brass band music. The band is a proud member of the North American Brass Band Association (NABBA) and Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne.

For more information contact: Dave Jones (260-710-2908) Email: info.oldcrown@gmail.com website: www.oldcrownbrassband.org

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**Wed. Oct. 19** 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Cooper Community Library, Oakwood  
**Thu. Oct. 13** No Charge: Medicare Part B Others age 18+: \$30  
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**FORT WAYNE'S NEWEST ER TO OPEN OCTOBER 11 RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AT LUTHERAN ER STATEWOOD PLANNED FOR THURSDAY**

The wait is over for a first-of-its-kind emergency department in Fort Wayne that strives to deliver quick, convenient access to 24/7 care at a freestanding location. Officials from Lutheran Health Network today announced Lutheran ER Statewood will open at 7:00 a.m. on October 11. Lutheran ER Statewood is located at the northwest corner of Coliseum and State boulevards in Statewood Plaza.

To help usher in the arrival of Fort Wayne's newest ER, a ribbon cutting will take place at 3:15 p.m. Thursday. The general public will get its first chance to preview Lutheran ER Statewood at a neighborhood open house on Saturday between 9:00 and 11:30 a.m.

"We are excited to reach the completion of this project because of the support we've received from all the individuals and organizations who have worked with us to bring new emergency services to the area," said Brian Bauer, chief executive officer, Lutheran Health Network. "The development of this facility is our acknowledgement that patients prefer to receive quality healthcare delivered on their terms — efficiently and conveniently."

Lutheran ER Statewood will include experienced, board-certified ER physicians and ER-trained nurses; 24/7 imaging services including digital X-ray, CT, and ultrasound; 24/7 lab services and access to Lutheran Health Network's full spectrum of care. A Lutheran EMS unit will also be positioned around the clock for the rapid transport of patients deemed to be in need of hospitalization. An ambulance bay is equipped to accommodate Lutheran and independent EMS units.

"A vibrant community like Fort Wayne is greatly influenced by organizations that are willing to break from the norm to meet the rapidly changing needs and expectations of our residents," said Mayor Tom Henry. "Any time you can point to job growth, innovative delivery of services and expanded options, there's good reason to be excited. This project meets that description."

The 8,911-square-foot Lutheran ER Statewood project involved the renovation of

5,380 square feet of vacant space at 3929 E. State Blvd., and 3,531 square feet of new construction built out toward Coliseum. The emergency department includes a large triage room, five general treatment rooms, a major exam room, an airborne isolation room and a decontamination area with secured, direct access to and from the outside of the facility. The total investment for this project is approximately \$10 million including equipment, furnishings and a long-term lease.

**DEADLINE TO RECOGNIZE EXCELLENCE IN GERONTOLOGY RESEARCH AND PARTNERSHIPS IS OCTOBER 31**

For the 13th consecutive year, the Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE), with the support of the Ohio Department of Aging, is presenting the OAGE Practitioner of the Year Award. The award recognizes individuals and organizations that either have improved services to older adults through research and evaluation or have developed noteworthy partnerships with institutions of higher learning (e.g., universities, community colleges, technical schools) for the betterment of Ohio's elders.

Examples of initiatives eligible for the Practitioner of the Year Award include student intern and mentorship programs; intergenerational programs that benefit students and older adults; use of performance measures to improve services; partnerships with institutions of higher learning to improve or expand services; research that results in improved practices or new services; and partnerships aimed at expanding the health and long-term care labor forces.

Nominations will be accepted via the OAGE website through October 31, 2016.

The award will be presented at the OAGE annual spring conference April 21, 2017 at the University of Toledo.

The 2015 recipients of the OAGE Practitioner of the Year Award were United Church Homes and Nina R. Keller, Assistant Director, Area Agency on Aging, District 7.

For more information about the Practitioner of the Year Award, contact Marc Molea at 614-752-9167 or mmolea@age.ohio.gov.

(Vote continued from page 1) tain ALL of the following information:

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A statement that you are a qualified elector;

If you want the ballot mailed to you, you will need to include the address to which you want it mailed.

An application for an absentee voter's ballot by mail must be received by the Board of Elections office by 12:00 NOON on Saturday, November 5th. You must vote at the voting location where your residence address (by precinct) places you on Election Day. Applications for persons who are hospitalized by a medical emergency will be accepted until 3:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you requested an absentee voter's ballot by mail and change your mind about voting absentee and decide to vote at your voting location on Election Day, you will be required to vote a provisional ballot. You may not return your absentee voter's ballot to your voting location. You or a near relative may deliver your absentee voter's ballot to the Board of Elections office until the close of the polls on Election Day (7:30 p.m.) or you may return your absentee voter's ballot by mail. If you return your ballot by mail, it must be postmarked no later than the day before Election Day (November 7th) and received by the office not later than 10 days after Election Day in order to be counted. Please affix sufficient postage for the prompt delivery of your ballot.

If you would like more information or have questions concerning absentee voting, contact the Board of Elections at 105 East Perry Street, Paulding or call 419-399-8230. The office email address is paulding@ohiosecretaryofstate.gov. The office website may be found at www.electionsonthe.net/Oh/Paulding.

**"CELEBRATE TEEN READ WEEK AT THE PAYNE LIBRARY"**

The Payne Branch Library will celebrate Teen Read Week (October 9-15, 2016) with fun daily programs and contests spotlighting all the great resources and activities available at the library. Libraries across the country will hold similar events centered on this year's theme, "Read for the fun of it!"

Teen Read Week is a time to celebrate reading for fun while encouraging teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms — books, magazines, e-books, audiobooks

and more! It is also a great opportunity to encourage teens to become regular library users, and for teens and their families to learn about all the free services and resources the library offers.

Teen Read Week is a national adolescent literacy initiative created by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association. It is held annually in October, the same week as Columbus Day. For more information, visit [www.ala.org/teenread](http://www.ala.org/teenread).

The Payne Library is a branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library and is located at 101 North Main Street in Payne. Call 419-263-3333 for more information, and follow us on Facebook!

**WATCH FOR DEER ON INDIANA'S ROADWAYS - TIPS FOR AVOIDING DEER-VEHICLE CRASHES**

The Indiana Department of Transportation, the Indiana State Police and the Indiana Department of Natural Resources remind drivers to stay alert as deer become more active in fall months on Indiana's roadways.

Nearly 50 percent of all vehicle crashes involving deer occur between October and December. Deer are generally more active during mating season in late October into early November. And with many farmers harvesting crops, deer could be on the move at any time, encountering roads more frequently and increasing the potential for collisions.

Across the state in 2015, there were more than 15,000 deer-related collisions, including vehicles crashing attempting to avoid striking a deer.

With the increased number of deer heading toward the roadways, deer-vehicle crashes will happen, but drivers can take measures to keep collisions to a minimum.

**Knowing when deer are most active and practicing defensive driving will help reduce your chances of becoming a statistic:**

- Deer are most active between sunset and sunrise, especially in rural areas.
- Deer often travel in groups. If you see one, others are likely nearby. Stay alert!
- Pay special attention in areas where you have seen deer before and in areas near "Deer Crossing" warning signs.
- Exercise caution along woodlot edges, at hills and blind turns.
- Use high-beam headlights at night when there is no opposing traffic.
- Scan for illuminated eyes and dark silhouettes near the side of or on the roadway.
- If you see a deer, slow your speed drastically, even if the deer is far away.
- NEVER swerve to avoid hitting a deer. More serious crashes occur when drivers try to miss a deer but hit something else.
- Buckle up!

Studies have shown that novelties like deer whistles are ineffective in deterring deer. The best way to avoid an accident is to be alert.

Even when practicing safe driving, sometimes hitting a deer is inevitable. If a driver hits a deer, it is important to remain calm and do not touch the deer or approach it.

**STUDENTS INDUCTED INTO THE VCC NATIONAL TECHNICAL HONOR SOCIETY**



Antwerp students Alexie Bennett and Michael Taylor were inducted into the Vantage Career Center National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) on September 27, 2016. The NTHS is an honor society for exemplary technical students that attend vocational schools.

Students are inducted based on the values of honesty, responsibility, initiative, teamwork, leadership, citizenship, and scholarship. Bennett and Taylor are pictured here with Antwerp Local School Superintendent Dr. Martin Miller.



**Award winners for their improvement in Paulding County Economics.**

(continued from page 1) Annual Career Opportunity Showcase took place in April with over 300 high school students in attendance.

The wind farms have also created many new jobs and also paid quite a bit of money, harvesting the wind.

The top employer in the county is listed as Oakwood's

Cooper Farms at 1,800 employees. Other business recognized this year was Troth Law Office, Emerald Road Storage,

If you have questions about creating a business or joining the Economic Development please call Jerry Zielke at 419-399-8282.

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Wounded deer are unpredictable and can be dangerous. Drivers should pull off the road, remain in the vehicle and make sure everyone is safe. Motorists involved in a collision are required to call the police and report a crash with at least \$1,000 in property damage or if someone is injured.

To report a deer carcass

on an interstate, U.S. highway or state road, contact one of INDOT's six districts to report it. Find INDOT district contact information at <http://indot.in.gov>.

For more information about white-tailed deer in Indiana, including what to do with orphaned or injured deer, see [www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/3359.htm](http://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/3359.htm).

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**GLOW YOUTH CENTER 5K RESULTS & SPONSORS**

On September 17th, 148 runners came out to support GLoW Youth Center in their 3rd Annual 5K & Kids Run. This year's run was chip timed by Kosciusko Runners Association. Medals were given to the top male and female in each age category, as well as overall top male and female.

Top Male Overall-Wesley Bender; Top Female Overall-Abbey Gentz; 12&Under - Jacob Miller/Lydia Herald; 13-20 - Anthony Wickey/Makayla Henderson; 21-30 - Moses Boroff/Emily Gruber; 31-40 - Clint Miller/Bethann Plattner; 41-50 - Clint Plattner/Julie Boroff; 51-60 - Terry Gentz/Wendy Osborn; 61-70 - Bill Aksamit/Renee King; 71+ - Donna Becker

This year's corporate sponsor was Gentz Insurance Agency. Gold Sponsors were Schlatter Farms LLC; Midwest Tile & Concrete, Inc; Springfield Center; Steinman Farms; Knoblauch Construction, Inc; Woodburn Veterinary Clinic, Inc; KDZ Motorcycle Sales & Service; Schletter Transport Service, Inc.; Woodlan Elementary PTO. Silver Sponsors were Wells Heating & Cooling, Inc; G&K Concepts; Klopfenstein Repair. Bronze Sponsors were Kennerk Mechanical; Milan Center Feed & Grain, Inc; Financial Partners FCU; Grabill Eye Center; Heckley Auto Sales & Service; Woodburn Diamond Die.

GLoW Youth Center is held after-school at Woodlan Elementary. We currently have 100 kids, grades K-6th, that attend twice a week. The purpose of GLoW is to share the life changing message of Jesus Christ with children in Woodburn. Next year's 5K and Kids Run will be held on September 16th, 2017.

**CRAFT BAZAAR**

Craft Bazaar November 5 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Colony Heights Church, 4724 E Tillman Rd, Fort Wayne  
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**FAITH LIKE A SEED**

By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, Maples United Methodist Church

"If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him. If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, 'I repent,' forgive him." The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' He replied, 'If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you.'" Luke 17:3b-6 (NIV).

Jesus is saying that the faith we need is already here in seed form. That seed has germinated and commenced growing. We may not be able to see the seedling just yet, the first green shoot may still be hiding in the moist earth, but the new growth is under way. Always, our task as Christian believers is to live not by the standard of the world as we know it, but by the standard of the new world we know is coming.

Faith is not static. It grows and matures and adapts, as we grow through the stages of life. One essential characteristic of a living human body is that it grows. We grow from infancy into adulthood and our faith changes as we change. This means that our faith, if we use it to do God's will, has been transformed into just what we need for our present stage of life. The faith we hold as children is not the same as the faith we hold when we're in our prime. And that faith, in turn, is not the same as the faith that illumines our twilight years.

Christian believers grow qualitatively. Every time our community life grows richer, every time we join together in mission work, every time we do the sorts of things together that disciples are meant to do, the body of Christ grows stronger and more vital.

In this scripture, Jesus had given His disciples a command. When a person sins, he is to be rebuked and forgiven, this is a matter of obedience to the Lord the disciple has determined to follow! When it comes to living by Jesus' commands, the issue is not one of faith but of obedience! We must remember that Jesus is Lord, and we who are Jesus'

servants are called to do as He commands!

While this incident does not give us direct teaching about the nature of faith, Jesus does settle one thing. We can never draw back from doing God's revealed will because we feel we have inadequate faith. As servants of Jesus Christ, we are to obey when He speaks.

**SCARS OF SELF-INJURY EXAMINED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ**

Cutting and other forms of self-mutilation will be discussed at Lifetree Café on October 13th, 2016 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "Cutting: The Epidemic of Self-Mutilation," features filmed interviews with two individuals who committed acts of self-harm including cutting and burning.

"After a while it became a medicine for me," says one of the individuals, who describes cutting herself regularly for a period of two years. "Whenever I wasn't comprehending something completely, or whenever I was in a daze from depression, I would cut, and it would give me the medicine I needed."

During the program, participants will have an opportunity to discuss emotional wounds they've experienced in their own lives and how they've responded to them.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located at The Bachwell Center, 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, OH. Please park behind the courthouse and enter on Court Street.

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

**WNZR CELEBRATES 30 YEARS OF MINISTRY**

WNZR 90.9 FM, Mount Vernon Nazarene University's radio station, is celebrating 30 years of broadcasting in central Ohio. A public celebration of this achievement will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2016, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at MVNU's Hunter Hall, 221 S. Main St., in downtown Mount Vernon. The celebration is open to all and does not require a ticket or RSVP. Music, a photo booth, a special recording corner, snacks, and discounts on Happy Bean coffee will be featured.

WNZR has come a long way from the station's first broadcast in 1986. Following four years of legal struggles to gain a commercial broadcast license and construction permit, WNZR played music from 6:00 - 12:00 a.m. during weekdays. Now, music plays 24 hours a day, 365 days a week. Listening is also available via their website and mobile apps for both Apple and Android devices.

Saturday's celebration event will kick-off to a year-long emphasis on God's faithfulness to this ministry.

"God has been extremely faithful to answer the prayers of Dr. Henry Smith and those communication students from 1982. Our listeners have also been faithful to financially support our ministry over the past three decades.

Their support has allowed us to grow and expand to fulfill our mission," said Marcy Rinehart, WNZR Station Manager.

WNZR continues to be a positive presence in the Knox County community with involvement and broadcasts from events like Food For The Hungry, the Knox County Fair, First Fridays and the Dan Emmett Music and Arts Festival. The radio station continues to support the MVNU campus by covering campus athletics and giving student broadcasters a real-life learning experience.

"So much has taken place to forward God's kingdom through the ministry of WNZR. It has been a privilege for us to be involved in a ministry like this, and I hope to leave a legacy for those who will follow after us," said MVNU senior Aubrey Bailey, WNZR Production Director.

WNZR radio exists to glorify Jesus Christ, provide listeners with excellence in programming, build trusted relationships in the community, and advance the mission of Mount Vernon Nazarene University ¼ shaping lives through educating the whole person and cultivating Christ-likeness for lifelong learning and service.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University is a private, four-year, intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students and working adults. With a 327-acre main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, and several convenient Graduate and Professional Studies locations throughout the state, MVNU emphasizes academic excellence, spiritual growth and service to community and church. MVNU offers an affordable education to more than 2,100 students from 28 states and 16 countries/U.S. territories.

**TWO MVNU CAMPUS SAFETY OFFICERS PROMOTED TO SERGEANT**

Two Mount Vernon Nazarene University Campus Safety officers were officially promoted to sergeant on Friday, September 30, 2016. Sgt. Lorna Hanger and Sgt. Rob Pienkos took the oath of office, read by Joe Noonon, Vice President for Student Life and University Chaplain, and participated in a pinning ceremony held in the President's Dining Room in Hyson Campus Center. Aaron Quinn, Dean of Students and Title IX Coordinator, introduced each officer and their families.

Charles "Rob" Robert Pienkos has been employed at MVNU since February of 2016. Rob and his wife, Heather, are both alumni of MVNU and are the parents of three children and reside in the Mount Vernon area.

"Rob has shown himself to be a valuable asset to the Campus Safety Department with his diligence and professional approach," said Quinn.

Lorna Hagner has been employed at MVNU since June of 2000. Lorna and her husband, Chris, and their two children reside in Danville. Lorna attended Danville High School and MVNU before leaving to work full time.

**PET BLESSING AT DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**



On October 4th at Divine Mercy Catholic School, many pets were blessed by Father Poggemeyer. Thank you to everyone who brought their pet to the school. The blessing coincided with the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals.

**CHRIST LUTHERAN FAMILY FUN NIGHT!**



Christ Lutheran Church recently held its Annual Family Fun Night at Brochelts Big Red Barn.

The evening was filled with fun and food for all ages. The entertainment provided by the Miller Family was enjoyed by all who attended. The kids enjoyed the Fishing, Canoeing and Paddle Boating. The Car Show was a success. Pop Corn, Carmel Corn, and Hot Dogs cooked over an

open fire made for an enjoyable evening. We appreciate everyone who donated in any way with their time, food or talents.

All who attended made this event a huge success. Praise the Lord for the excellent weather.

The Christ Lutheran Stewardship Committee put a lot of hard work in making this years Family Fun Night a great success.

"Through her 16 years of service to the MVNU community, Lorna has earned the trust of students, staff and faculty through her honesty, dedication and hard work," said Quinn.

"This promotion is something that is very important to me. We are placing the safety of all of our students in the care of Campus Safety. Not only is Campus Safety important to me, but this responsibility that we're placing upon Lorna and Rob is vital to the success of what we're doing. This is a day to celebrate, this is a day to remember," said Quinn.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

For the first time in many years, the position of Paulding County probate/juvenile judge is a contested race, and a very important race for the school districts in Paulding County. As a retired educator, who has worked 36 years in Paulding County as a teacher, principal, curriculum director, and superintendent, I believe our school districts need Michael Wehrkamp as the Paulding County probate/juvenile judge.

The relationship between the probate/juvenile judge and the schools is important in order to help students stay out of trouble and be successful in school. Michael has already met with many people in the Paulding County education community to discuss the issues we face and offer suggestions to make working together a priority.

When students are not successful in school, truancy is often a factor. Most consider truancy an issue with high school students, but it often begins as early as elementary school. Truancy is the number one predictor of delinquent behavior. Michael has researched programs from other courts that have been successful in keeping children in school, and will not hesitate to hold parents accountable for the attendance of their children. Students who are truant are more likely to drop out of school, so by attacking this issue when stu-

dents are young, we are setting students up for success. Early intervention is often the best way to keep students out of the juvenile detention system.

If students do find their way into the juvenile court system, communication between the school and probate/juvenile judge becomes even more important. The goal is to help children correct behaviors, stay in school, and become productive members of society. By working together, the schools, juvenile court, and county social service agencies can help lead our children to a better life.

The qualities required to improve our probate/juvenile court system are evident in Michael Wehrkamp. He is an intelligent, hardworking individual who cares about others and spends the time necessary to find solutions to problems by working with those directly involved in the situation. I will be voting for Michael Wehrkamp for probate/juvenile judge and hope you will too!

-Pat Ross  
Hicksville, OH



**LUNGS FOR JERRY**

Jerry Price is a father of 4 daughters. He has been married to his wife Mary Tuohy Price for 41 years. Jerry worked at Defiance Precision Products in many roles, until he changed career paths and became an RN at both Twin Rivers Nursing Home in Defiance and then at Paulding County Hospital until his diagnosis. Jerry was diagnosed with COPD and Emphysema and is now working with his team of doctors at Cleveland Clinic to get a double lung transplant. After surgery Jerry will need to live in Cleveland for a period of time for his medical care. Mary and the other caregivers will rotate in and out to make sure Jerry always has support with him. Travel and lodging are not covered by their medical insurance. Jerry will also have large expenses for the

Anti-Rejection medicine that he will be on for the rest of his life.

Come and join us for a free will donation dinner, silent auction, caricature drawings, music, drinks and watch the Ohio State Buckeye game! Saturday, November 5, 2016, 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. @ the Paulding VFW Post 587

If you would like to make a donation, please call Kim Butler @ 419-771-8654, Angie Wolford @ 419-399-0693, Tracy Brigner @ 419-980-3986 or Jill Provines @ 419-487-0998.

Hope to see you there!

**PUBLIC INVITED TO SHARE IDEAS AT 2016 ENTREPRENEURSHIP FORUM**

The third annual Entrepreneurship Forum is coming to Northwest State Community College on October 25 to help aspiring business owners. The program was launched to create a stage for aspiring entrepreneurs to find support, and can act as a launching pad to make their dream a reality. Attendees will have five minutes to present their ideas to a panel of economic development and entrepreneurship experts who will provide feedback and advice.

"The hit television show 'Shark Tank' has helped put entrepreneurship in the spotlight. However, many great ideas for a product or business are never pursued because the people who have the idea don't know where to go to get started or how to grow the idea from the upstart," said Lisa Becher, business faculty at Northwest State. "Our goal with this event is to provide an opportunity for people to share their ideas, receive feedback from experts in the field and walk away with an outline of how to make their dream a reality," Becher continued.

The Entrepreneurship Forum is open to anyone who would like to present an idea, but reservations are required. "This forum is open to any member of the region that has an idea or business concept they want help getting off the ground" said Becher. Darrell Handy, who will serve as a panelist for this year's forum, added that "our communities are built on entrepreneurs who followed a dream, took a risk and reaped the rewards. We want to help promote that."

The panel of experts will include Jerry Zielke, director of Paulding County Economic Development; Joel Miller, executive director of Henry County Chamber of Commerce; Matt Davis, executive director of Williams County Economic Development Corporation; Matt Gilroy, executive director of the Fulton County Economic Development Corporation; Darrell Handy, president/CEO of the Defiance Area Chamber of Commerce; Mike Wolfe, Ph.D., dean of business at NSCC; Lisa Becher, MBA, small business owner, NSCC business faculty, and State of Ohio small business consultant; and Dave Figley, a representative from the commercial lending department at First Federal Bank.

The Entrepreneurship Forum will take place on Tuesday, October 25 from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Voinovich Auditorium at NSCC. Lunch, sponsored by First Federal Bank, is included for all presenters in the event.

The event is free, but reservations are required by Friday, October 21. To reserve a presentation time or for more information, contact Lisa Becher at 419.267.1264 or lbecher@NorthwestState.edu.

**OHIO'S 2016 FALL ACORN CROP BELOW AVERAGE**

The 2016 acorn mast survey conducted on 38 wildlife areas throughout Ohio shows a below average year for both white and red oak acorn production, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Ohio's fall crop of acorns is an important food source for more than 90 forest wildlife species, and mast crop abundance can influence hunting plans.

ODNR Division of Wildlife employees scanned the canopies of selected oak trees on wildlife areas to determine the percentage of trees that produced acorns and the relative size of the acorn crop.

For more information, or the complete report, please follow the link: <http://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/stay-informed/news-announcements/post/ohio-s-2016-fall-acorn-crop-below-average>

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU 10/12 - 10/18**

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10/13 - Lasagna roll, green beans, apple crisp, milk

10/14 - No School - INservice Day

10/17 - Grilled chicken, cooked carrots & peas, mixed fruit, milk

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- Bryan:** Chief, Town & Country, McDonald's, Bryan Senior Center, Walmart
- Cecil:** Maramart, Vagabond
- Charloe:** Charloe Store
- Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware
- Defiance:** Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots, Cabbage Patch Convenience Store
- Edgerton:** Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, Utilities Office, Napa
- Grover Hill:** Ross' Gas Station, N&N Quick Stop
- Hicksville:** Cline's Market, Hickory Hills Golf Course, Sailors, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H20, Senior Center
- Latty:** Kohart's Surplus & Salvage, Country Inn Living Center
- Melrose:** Morning Star Convenience Store
- Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, The Oakleaf, Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware
- Paulding:** Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly Wood and Vine, Paulding County Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive,
- Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. OSU Extension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office
- Payne:** Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza
- Scott:** Scott Variety Store
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**SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 2: ICE, SNOW AND GOATVILLE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

It was Callie's first day on the trail so I made camp early. Sometime back, when Billy Metzger left the 3M Wagon Train, he gave his 'Jim Dandy' one burner oil stove to Jim Martin. So when we stopped our first night out Jim made a pot of coffee and Callie had sandwiches and cookies that she had purchased.

I took care of all the animals and again lamented how much I missed Billy Metzger. Billy always went ahead and took care of the animals, morning and night.

After supper all three of us sat inside my wagon and talked about the day's journey and the surrounding countryside. Then in an hour or so, Jim crawled out and back to his wagon and to bed.

It was a little slow getting started in the morning; we just haven't gotten into a groove yet. That will take awhile.

The morning started nice and clear, and I told Jim, "If I remember right our next stop will be that big Pony Express station at Goatville, the riders call it Goatville".

The wagons pushed on and the sky clouded up and started to look ominous. Jim said, "I don't like the way the sky is looking. I think we will push right on to the express station." Right about what time would have been lunchtime, it started to rain and sleet and pepper your face.

I had Billy's 10x20 foot fly on my wagon and that put about a three foot awning out over the wagon seat. So Callie was dry but that wind was a wet cold.

Well, we plodded on and the rain became sleet and freezing rain. The time was getting close to 3:00, with a sharp wind and now all snow.

I announced, "We will push right on to that express station, can't be too far down the road. I hope we make it before dark because the storm is going to last for awhile."

It was almost dark now be-

cause of the dark clouds and anyhow it was almost 5:00. By now we were both walking along with the animals to calm them down and to keep moving.

The station finally showed up on the horizon and it took forever to get there and over by the animal sheds.

Jim got the animals unharnessed and into the stalls and watered and feed. There was just enough natural light left to find a blanket and throw for each animal. It could turn very cold for a spell.

Callie and I had taken in all of their gear, plus the little one burner oil stove, some supplies and all the bedding and buffalo robes. All Jim had to carry was his own gear.

Inside it was warm, outside the wind was stronger and the snow was blowing around and drifting up. The wind was howling now.

The station agent's wife had beef stew over biscuits for supper, and Jim had made the second pot of coffee.

The station agent sat his cup down and walked to the door and peered out for the third time. He said, "That young whipper snapper, Luke Lucas, is today's rider. He should have been in by now. I hope his horse isn't down. He wouldn't be able to get up off the this ice and snow. Luke is a good smart horseman."

We sat and talked among ourselves but we were all worried about Luke.

About 9:00 p.m. we heard a noise at the door and the agent rushed out and about half carried the Pony Express rider in. He was covered with snow and ice and about frozen stiff.

Jim grabbed a coat and went out to care for the horse. He brought in all of Luke's gear and the saddle and the mail bag and took a lantern to the stable to feed the horse and try to wipe him dry, and found a blanket and an old gunny sack to dry him out.

The man laid Luke on the floor and took off his wet and frozen clothes and boots. Callie rubbed his hands and arms to get some circulation going. He is alive all right but he hasn't spoken yet.

Next week: Iced in Goatville

See ya!

**SHE WAS MY SISTER**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Rubie Helen Meridith was born July 13, 1934 to William and Dollie Woods Jordan. There was already four in the family.

James was born in 1921, Jack was born in 1922, I (Stanley) was born in 1924 and Grace came along in 1932.

Rubie was born at home and our cousin, a teenage girl named Helen, came and helped with the baby. All of us boys wanted her middle name to be Helen, and it was.

Rubie was her father's girl and she went along to the Maumee River with him to go fishing. She went quite often and her favorite fishing hole was any place along east of the park. When I told her how the A.C.D.C had improved that driveway and you could drive down there now, she was quite excited and wished that had been done earlier.

Later on, she would take her lawn chair and really enjoy her fishing. She was a pole and line fisherman. She really loved nature and called it God's work.

She graduated from Antwerp High School in 1952 and always kept in touch with her classmates and enjoyed meeting with them.

She attended the Lima School of Practical Nursing and graduated there in 1961. She worked in hospitals, nursing homes and some private nursing. She loved that type of work because she loved to help people. She done a lot of volunteer work also.

She was always interested in conservation, nature and wild life. All of this was God's work. She was one of God's emissaries. She knew her Bible well, and had been known to correct the Pastor.

She worked hard all her life, helping people. When it came retirement time she got sick herself. Nothing little... diabetes, heart, kidneys and a lot of smaller things.

She went to Bluffton, Indiana to live with her daughter, Willie and her husband Tom. These two people are angels also. They helped take care of Rubie for eighteen years. Those two were so kind.

Rubie was on dialysis for over six years and at the end, it made her very sick on that day, then she would have two pretty good days. But then the one bad day out weighed the two good days and she said, "I've had enough."

She talked it over with her doctor and then she had her last dialysis on a Friday. She had all her family and friends come in and visit on that Saturday and Sunday.

We called on that Saturday and we were amazed at her competance and spirit. No long face or tears. She was going home to Heaven and reap her rewards

She said with gusto, "I'm going to walk those Golden Streets and without this wheel chair." She looked forward to going to Heaven and she was in a gay mood about it. You could not feel any remorse about her passing away, when she was so happy about it.

She so looked forward to seeing her friends and family that have gone on before. You just couldn't feel bad about the situation when she felt so good about it.

I'm dead sure that when she gets to Heaven, she will not have to knock on the gate and wait. They know she is coming and those gates surely will be open.

So Long!

**JAIL FACTS**



**By: Stan Jordan**

The above picture is of the big room at the empty Paulding County Jail.

It will hold fourteen inmates at a time and there are three of these rooms and are ready for occupancy.

Right now (at the time of writing this) we have twenty inmates at Putnam County and one at Van Wert Correction Center.

We pay \$81,250 each quarter to Putnam County to house our inmates at the present time. That amounts to \$325,000 per year.

If we pass the 1.35 mil levy this fall election time, we will

be able to have our own jail and stop this sending money to Putnam County.

That levy of 1.35 will generate a little over \$600,000 each year for five years and Sheriff Landers tells me that will be sufficient to run and maintain the jail, and all of that money will remain in Paulding County.

We have the building, grounds and equipment to be a county jail and now is the time to pass that levy and utilize what we already have.

To me, this is only good business to reopen our county jail.

See ya!

boys. He had another boy, Frank Smith who became a druggist in Antwerp. Anyhow, this Arlie went to Hicksville and owned and operated a lumber yard there for many years.

Barb didn't know much about Steve Cromley but she said there was a man by that name who lived over in Crane Township and was about the right age to have been playing ball at that time.

Barb, thank you for your help. I should have called you in the first place. Thanks again. See ya!

**INDIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY OPENS IN DECATUR**

Indiana Physical Therapy (IPT) is pleased to announce our newest regional clinic that opened October 3, 2016 in Decatur at 1031 South 13th Street.

The approximately 4,200 square foot clinic is easily accessible for patients and is conveniently located in the Village Green Shopping Center. IPT is open from 7am to 7pm Monday through Thursday and 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Fridays.

Andy Vogel, Owner, PT, ATC is the Senior Therapist of the Decatur Clinic. Andy along with Dave Kuhn and Troy Smith started IPT 28 years ago. Andy graduated from the University of Indianapolis and has spent his career as a Physical Therapist with a wide range of patients ranging from young to old and athletes to non-athletes. If you have questions please feel free to email Andy at avogel@indianapt.com.

IPT, your choice for physical therapy and athletic training, the premier independent provider of outpatient rehabilitation services in northern Indiana has experienced significant growth and expansion since being founded in 1988 and has grown to sixteen locations including seven in Fort Wayne and one each in Angola, Auburn, Bluffton, Columbia City, Decatur, Huntington, Kendallville, New Haven, and Warsaw. Our Industrial and Athletic Training divisions also provide therapy service options.

For questions about Decatur, call the clinic at 260-702-0410. To schedule an appointment, call our central scheduling line at 260-209-2464 or visit indianapt.com.

**THE ELEVATOR AND RAILROAD STREET**



**By: Stan Jordan**

The above picture is of The Peoples Elevator here in Antwerp. This photo was taken sometime before 1922 as the Railroad Street was paved at that time. There is an old time auto there on the right, maybe a Ford. This picture is looking from West to East.

The smaller picture was taken while the first silos were

Brian Ely and C.R. Bissell bought it int 1886 and then sold it in 1900 and named it The Peoples Elevator. Then sometime before 1941 it was sold to a group of men who named it The Antwerp Equity Exchange.

Then about eight years ago, it merged and became Mercer Landmark.

See Ya!

**SOME HELP ON BASEBALL PICTURE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

In last week's West Bend News we ran a picture of Antwerp Reds Baseball Team, taken about 1915.

There were a couple of men that I didn't remember. Arlie Smith and Steve Cromley.

Barbara Reeb Cleland, Antwerp High School class of 1947, called and told me about Arlie Smith.

His father was B.A. Smith and owned the Antwerp Lumber Yard. Arlie was one of his



being made, probably in the spring of 1952. This picture is looking from East to West.

In the top picture, I don't know when it was built, but

**Antwerp Conservation Club**  
**Upcoming Events**  
 ★ OCTOBER 13<sup>TH</sup> CLUB MEETING: ★  
 Dinner 6:30pm, Meeting at 7pm  
 ★ OCTOBER 16<sup>TH</sup> CENTERFIRE SHOOT SIGHT-IN ★  
 begins at 12PM, shooting begins at 1PM  
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### PAULDING ELEMENTARY HOSTS NED SHOW



Paulding Elementary hosted the NED show on Wednesday, October 5th. NED stand for "NEVER give up, ENCOURAGE others, and DO your best!!" Blayze Vance, a fourth grader, is shown with a special balloon hat he won for his participation in the program.

### OHIO HAS TALENT! SEEKING AUDITIONS

Auditions for the 10th annual Ohio Has Talent! competition will be held November 4-5 in Van Wert. Audition applications are available at [www.com-healthpro.org](http://www.com-healthpro.org) and are due by October 28.

The top acts will perform in the February 18, 2017 show at Niswonger Performing Arts Center in Van Wert. All entertainment talents are welcome including single and group acts. Talents beyond singing and dancing are especially encouraged to audition.

Contestants will compete for prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250. Winners are based on audience votes.

Ohio Has Talent! is a benefit show for the patient

care fund of CHP Home Care & Hospice, a nonprofit organization serving north-west and west central Ohio.

For more information call Kim Mason at 419-238-9223.

### SECRETARY HUSTED ANNOUNCES MORE THAN 957,000 ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Just 36 days ahead of the 2016 Presidential General Election, Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that as of Friday, September 30th, an estimated 957,260 absentee ballot applications had been received by county boards of elections statewide. This includes 14,832 requests from military and overseas voters, whose absentee ballots started going out on Saturday, September

### MUSIC IN SCHOOL



Mrs. Ann Wieland's Grover Hill Elementary Music Class is dedicated to using the power of music to help children learn and develop in the best way possible. We believe, and science continues to demonstrate, that young children thrive on music. Students K-6th colored a musical note to decorate the hall. Pictured here: Austin Finfrook, Adilynn Shaffer, Cole Manz and Campbell Volk.

### GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY SEPTEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Seated: Aubrie Stoller, Ashlyn Manz, Khloe Bidlack, Brayden Sinn, Amber Stoller, Addison Stoller, Alex Doster and Cole Miller. Standing: Ava Stoller, Natalie Stoller, Kyle Stoller, Zoah Wineland, Storm Tracy, Anna Miller, Logan Miller and Derrick Dangler.

24th. Of those ballots, 247 have already been returned. Ballots for all other voters will be mailed out starting October 12th.

Absentee ballot applications must be received by boards of elections by noon on Saturday, November 5, 2016, but voters are encouraged to submit their request as soon as possible to ensure sufficient time to complete and return their ballot to the board of elections.

Completed absentee ballots must be postmarked by the day before the election and arrive at the board of elections within 10 days of Election Day in order to be counted. Ohio is only one of 12 states to allow late-arriving ballots to be counted.

If you have not mailed your ballot prior to election week, the Secretary of State's Office recommends voters take their completed ballot to the post office and request it receive a postage cancellation marking, or return it personally to their county board of elections prior to the close of the polls at 7:30 p.m.

To encourage voters to take advantage of absentee voting by mail Secretary Husted recently mailed applications to voters. Additional information about the statewide mailing is available here. Voters who want to vote by mail may also download an absentee ballot request form at [www.MyOhioVote.com](http://www.MyOhioVote.com).

At this same point in time ahead of the start of absentee voting in 2012, approximately 922,199 absentee ballots had been requested (see October 1, 2012 release). That year marked

the first-ever statewide mailing of absentee ballot applications and voters who took advantage of this option represented a third of all ballots cast in that election - a record 1.87 million absentee ballots were cast by mail and in person.

### AUDITOR YOST ANNOUNCES AUDITOR OF STATE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Auditor of State Dave Yost is pleased to announce that the following entities received the Auditor of State Award for their clean audit reports:

- Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority (Summit County)
- BORMA Employee Benefits Pool (Defiance County)
- City of Wilmington (Clinton County)
- City of Worthington (Franklin County)
- Holmes County
- Lake County
- Ohio Municipal Joint Self Insurance Pool (Out of State)
- Rocky River Wastewater Treatment Plant (Cuyahoga County)
- Trumbull County Transit Board

The Auditor of State Award is presented to local governments and school districts upon the completion of a financial audit. Entities that receive the award meet the following criteria of a "clean" audit report:

- The entity must file timely financial reports with the Auditor of State's office in accordance with GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles);
- The audit report does

### ANTWERP ELEMENTARY ENGAGE IN ELECTION PROCESS



Front Row: Third Grade Representatives Caleb Lockhart, Raelynne Zuber, Harlee Moore, Aubrey Hammer, Haydyn Lengacher, Hampton Rogge, Zaine McMichael, Griffin Kosch, and Taylor Stiebling Middle Row: Fourth Grade Representatives Madisyn Peters, Jessica Thornell, Allison Carnes, Eden Shuherk, Aiden Lichty, and Caroline Rohrs Back Row: Fifth Grade Representatives Kahlea Shook, Haley Hammer, Cohen Hitzeman, Carson Altimus, Landon Brewer, and Connor Shiple

During the first week of October, students in grades 3 through 5 at Antwerp Elementary School engaged in the election process as they ran for student council positions. Students created

campaign posters and gave a speech in front of their classmates before the polls opened. Here are the 2016-2017 elected student council representatives for Antwerp Elementary.

not contain any findings for recovery, material citations, material weaknesses, significant deficiencies, Single Audit findings or questioned costs;

- The entity's management letter contains no comments related to:
- Ethics referrals
- Questioned costs less than \$10,000

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**Michael A Wehrkamp**

All of the above candidates are endorsed by the Paulding County Republican Party  
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## LADY PANTHERS TAKE DOWN RAIDERS



Paulding's Faith Vogel spikes the ball for the kill. More pictures at westbendnews.net

On Thursday, October 6 the Lady Raiders traveled 127 north to Paulding taking on local rival and host, the lady Panther volleyball team.

The varsity game was interesting after Paulding defeated the JV Trace team in two sets. Both varsity teams started strong to 10, then gradually the Raiders moved ahead to where they were ahead and with only 1 point to go at 18-24, looking to make one more kill for the set win. Don't know what happened next, but the Raiders either fell apart or Paulding refueled and started burning up the court with 8 points in a row for the victory. Faith Vogel and Cassidy Posey both were nailing the kills locking up the come from behind win.

The next set the Lady Raiders also started well with Danae Meyers, who locked up the season record on blocks and numerous kills. The latter half of the game the tied turned and the Panthers locked up another.

The third set went to Paulding once again. Watching the game from the beginning and seeing how strong

the Raiders look you wonder, how in the world did Paulding secure the victory up in three sets? Who knows, but it was true.

Paulding won over Wayne Trace 26-24, 25-19, 25-18. Paulding is now 9-10 on the season while Wayne Trace drops to 7-12.

Paulding Stat Leaders: Faith Vogel - 13 kills, seven blocks, 8-8 serving, six digs; Audrey Manz - 13 assists, 9-9 serving; Kristen Razo - 19-20 serving, 13 assists; Cassidy Posey - ten kills, two blocks

Wayne Trace Leaders: Danae Myers - 16 digs, 12 kills, three blocks; \*\*\* Danae's three blocks ties the school record for a season with 74.; Carissa Laukhuf - 24 assists, six digs; Sadie Sinn - 14 digs; Kaylee Shepherd - seven digs, five kills; Kacey Reinhart - six digs, four kills.

In Junior Varsity action Wayne Trace declared victory over Paulding 25-21, 25-13.

The Lady Panthers won in the freshman game 26-24, 25-20.

More pictures at westbendnews.net

## WARRIORS, JETS SET UP SHOWDOWN AFTER WOODLAN DEFEATS SOUTH ADAMS

Visiting Woodlan scored the game's first 29 points and cruised to a 36-3 win over South Adams in Allen County Athletic Conference football action Friday night.

With the victory, the Warriors set up a winner-take-all showdown with Adams Central at Woodlan next Friday for the conference championship.

Woodlan opened the scoring with a 36-yard scoring strike from Justin Durkes to Tre'Von McCarter. Josh Delagrange ran in the two-point conversion to make it 8-0 Warriors.

The duo of Durkes and McCarter struck again for Woodlan late in the first quarter.

A 50-yard touchdown toss from Durkes to McCarter widened the lead to 15-0 as Woodlan took control of the contest.

Woodlan extended the advantage to 22-0 in the second quarter on a ten-yard scamper by Durkes but the Warriors weren't done.

Durkes' third touchdown pass of the night, this time a 47-yard pass to McCarter, helped the Warriors push the margin to 29-0 at the end of three quarters.

Andres Martinez got the Starfires on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter, converting a 25-yard field goal to break up the Warrior shut out.

The Warriors, though, answered the field goal with a scoring drive that ended on an 11-yard touchdown plunge by Jack Rhoades to set the final margin at 36-3.

Durkes finished the night 8 of 15 passing for 184 yards, including the three touchdown passes to McCarter. Those receptions were also McCarter's lone catches of the night, totaling 133 yards.

Rhoades added 158 rushing yards on 22 carries for Woodlan, which remains unbeaten on the season in eight games overall and five league games.

The Warrior defense put forth another outstanding effort.

Jordan Delagrange totaled 8-1/2 tackles for the Warriors while Sebastian Speith chipped in eight stops for Woodlan, which has allowed only 33 points in its last seven contests.

Amarion Hicks and Zack Zink recorded 7-1/2 and 6-1/2 tackles, respectively.

South Adams falls to 4-4 overall and 2-3 in the conference.

**FLYING JET FACTS** - Adams Central also comes into the contest with a perfect 8-0 record overall while standing 5-0 in the ACAC. The Flying Jets recorded non-league victories over Bellmont (24-14) in week one before defeating Eastside 28-14 in the second week of the season. Adams Central then completed non-league play with a 17-6 win at Lapel.

In league play, both teams have cruised to wins.

Adams Central won at South Adams 45-14 on September 23 compared to the Warriors 36-3 victory. Southern Wells visited both schools, with the Flying Jets winning 42-7 while Woodlan was a 57-7 victory.

Woodlan defeated Heritage 45-10 compared to Adams Central's 35-6 victory at Heritage. Against Jay County, the Adams County squad won 33-7 at home while the Warriors recorded a 40-7 victory on the road. The Warriors also won 55-6 at Bluffton while Adams Central defeated Bluffton 55-6 in Monroe last week.

In comparing the six like opponents, Woodlan outscored those teams 265-55 (average 44-9) while Adams Central enjoys a 238-54 advantage (average 40-9).

## "BETWEEN THE SHADOW AND THE LIGHT" ART FROM AFRICA, NORTH AMERICA ON DISPLAY AT SCHNORMEIER GALLERY

"Between the Shadow and the Light" art exhibit will be on display at Mount Vernon Nazarene University's Schnormeier Gallery November 7 to December 16, 2016. A reception for the show will be held on Friday, November 18, 2016, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

In June 2013, a team of 10 North American and 10 African artists gathered for a two-week "R5" seminar and studio in South Africa. This resulting exhibition presents the artist as both piercing prophet and hopeful seer, and pushes viewers to consider the resonance of South Africa for North America and beyond. The title "R5" evokes a common symbol in South Africa, the five-rand coin, and provides a way of remembering five critical issues with which South African artists struggle: Remembrance, Resistance, Reconciliation, Representation, and Revisioning.

The exhibition includes painting, sculpture, photography, collage, textile and book arts, installation, assemblage, new media, and video. These works range from narrative to conceptual in a variety of styles and approaches, and together they create a vibrant visual conversation on issues relevant to us all, no matter our nationality or circumstance.

The show will be on display at Schnormeier Gallery weekdays from noon to 4:30 p.m.

## PANTHER BOYS SOCCER GAIN ANOTHER NORTHWEST CONFERENCE WIN



Paulding senior Kaleb Goshia collides with the Ada player while heading the ball. More pictures at westbendnews.net

October 8th afternoon the Panthers Boys Varsity Soccer Team finished strong with a 7-4 Homecoming win over Ada. Kaleb Goshia had 4 goals in the completion. Kaleb Becker had two goals and two assists. Griffin Harder had a goal with two assists. Evan Edwards had two assists and Skyler Maassel has an assist. The goalkeeper was William Deisler.

This win puts their conference record at 3-1-1, and places them in contention for

2nd place in the Northwest Conference.

October 8th's 7-4 win over Ada was also Senior Day.

Skyler Maassel, Alex Schlegel, William Deisler, Kaleb Goshia and Jared Paschall have all played together since the beginning of Paulding's High School Soccer Program. Special thanks for helping to get it all going back in 2013. Way to go guys!

More pictures at westbendnews.net



Kaleb Becker, Skyler Maassel, Alex Schlegel, William Deisler, Griffin Harder, Kaleb Goshia, Jared Paschall and Michael Dangler.



Pictured (left to right) are: Coach Clapsaddle, Kaleb Becker, Michael Dangler, William Deisler, Alex Schlegel, Jared Paschall, Evan Edwards, Ryan Woodring, Kaleb Goshia, Charles Clapsaddle, Josh Trausch, Noah Johnson, Griffin Harder, Skyler Maassel, Coach Maassel, Brian Matson, Adrian Daniels and Coach Goshia.

## PANTHER BOYS SOCCER WINS WITH A PAIR OF HEADERS

In a conference rivalry against Lincolnview, the Panther Boys Soccer team finished strong with a 2-1 victory. The first headed goal on the evening was by Kaleb Becker off of a deflection that was sent by Josh Trausch. The second goal was by the header of Jared Paschall off of a deflection that was sent by Charles Clapsaddle. The goal keeper for the evening was William Deisler.

The Panther Boys are now 2-1-1 within the Northwest Conference.

## PANTHERS LOSE IN CAT FIGHT

On Tuesday, October 4 the Paulding Panthers defeated the Delphos Jefferson Wildcats in 3 sets; 25-13, 25-20 and 25-13. The Panthers were lead by Faith Vogel with 11 kills and 4 blocks. Cassidy Posey added 10 kills and 3 blocks. Megan Tope lead the Panthers with 13 digs and served 10 for 10, while Macy Iler dug 8. Audrey Manz set up 17 assists and served a perfect 9 for 9. The Panther JV won in 3 sets.

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# 2016 PAULDING HOMECOMING COURT



Paulding's Homecoming Court — Front Row: Ball and Crown Carriers-Brady Dunham, Janae Parrett and Faith Jacobs; Middle Row (L-R): Freshmen Attendants- Sydney McCullough, Riley Coil; Junior Attendants-Libby Mobley, Hunter Vogel Senior Attendants-Molly Meeker, James Mourey, Aaron Horstman, Taylor March and Michael Dangler; Sophomore Attendants- Mya Andrews, Hunter Kesler. Picture by Carolyn Connelly.

# 12 SCHOOLS COMPETE AT ANTWERP CC



Cross Country Seniors from Antwerp: Becca Johanns, Emma Butzin, Maggie Willson, Hayden Spryn, Josh Ehlinger, Evan Hilton, and Matthew Dooley. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Antwerp hosted their biggest event of the school year at the Riverside Park on Saturday, October 8. The Annual Cross Country Invite took place on a cool, breezy Saturday morning. This day was set with the seniors being recognized for all their hard work and dedication. Following senior recognition was the elementary race. The high school boys started the morning with the following rankings: Holgate 29, Fairview 35, Antwerp 107, Hicksville 117, Edgerton 131, Parkway 142, Paulding 157, Jones Lead Academy, Ottonville, Stryker, Wayne Trace

Laukhuf - Wayne Trace, Katelyn Smith - Fairview, Emily Butzin - Antwerp, McKenna Byrne - Ottonville, Grace Zachrich - Holgate, Rachel Barrett - Parkway, Taylor Freytag - Holgate, Bailey Bowen - Edgerton, Brooke Hardy - Fairview, Rebecca Meyer - Holgate, Paige Speelman - Stryker, Lindsey Kelly - Holgate, Lauren Okuley - Holgate, Julia Steiner - Antwerp, Angela Betz - Hicksville, Christine Clapsaddle - Paulding

- Paulding, Lane Kolb - Fairview, Benjamin Schlemmer - Parkway, Emanuel Villanueva - Stryker, Kyle Rather - Parkway, Izayah Ferguson - Stryker, Reid Eitzcorn - Parkway, Carson Shull - Paulding, Aaron Bruns - Parkway, Caleb Rollins - Parkway, Brandon Laney - Antwerp, Tyson Curry - Edgerton, Coby Jones - Edgerton, Garrett Carpenter - Fairview, Micah Ankney - Fairview, Cody Sonnenberg - Holgate, Bailey Manz - Paulding, Marcus Miller - Paulding, Jaxon Hart - Fairview, Austin Harvey - Edgerton

# ANTWERP DEFEATS CONTINENTAL

On Monday, October 3rd, the Antwerp Lady Archers battled against the Continental Pirates in a volleyball match. Surprisingly enough, the Archers were caught off guard and lost the first set to the Pirates. By the second set, Antwerp had regained its footing and took the second set. This momentum was enough to fling the Archers ahead of Continental and win the next two sets. Antwerp won over Continental 3-1. The score by set goes as follows: 12-25, 26-24, 25-21,

25-17. The Archers' record is now 15-3 on the season. A few of the Antwerp stat leaders from the game include: Chloe Franklin - 11 assists, 10-10 serving; Peyton Short - 16-16 serving, four aces, 18 digs, 16 assists; Lindsey Bok - 21-22 serving, four aces, ten digs; Sydney Sheedy - 15-15 serving, two aces, eight kills, 12 digs; Rachel Williamson - 16 kills, 15 digs; Kaitlyn Hamman - three kills; Hope Smith - six kills

# RAIDERS DEFEAT TIGERS

In Friday night football action, the Wayne Trace Raiders played against fellow GMC member, the Holgate Tigers, on October 7th. The Raiders saw this game as an easy win, as the Tigers had a record that was already against them. The Tigers have played a poor season thus far, not taking a single game in the entire season. However, out on the field, anything can happen when a team is driven and motivated. The first quarter came and went as expected. The Raiders took the lead and scored two

touchdowns while the Tigers managed only a single, without the point after. The first touchdown was scored with a 3yd pass by Trae Sinn to Caleb Schultz. The point after was scored by a Hayden Gillett kick. The second touchdown was scored with a 7yd pass by Trae Sinn to Caleb Schultz. The point after was scored by a Hayden Gillett kick. This brought the Wayne Trace score to 14 at the end of the first quarter. Holgate's first touchdown was scored with a 4yd run by Tallon Meyer. The point after kick failed. There were no points scored in the second quarter, and the Raiders maintained the lead going into half time. When the third quarter rolled around, Wayne Trace scored another touchdown with a 27yd pass by Trae Sinn to Eli Sinn. The point after was scored by a Hayden Gillett kick. This brought the score to 21-6 at the end of the third quarter. The fourth quarter brought a little hope for the Tigers. Holgate managed to score the first touchdown of the fourth with a 46yd run by Abel Corser. This brought the Tiger score to 12. The Raiders turned around and brought in another touchdown with a 3 yd pass by Trae Sinn to Jon Sinn. They attempted the two point conversion, but the pass failed. At the end of the game, Wayne Trace had defeated Holgate with a final score of 27-12. Wayne Trace improved to 3-4 overall and 2-2 in the Green Meadows Conference. Holgate fell to 0-7 overall and 0-4 in the Green Meadows Conference.

# RAIDERS BEAT BULLDOGS

In conference rival gameplay, GMC members, Wayne Trace and Edgerton, battled it out in volleyball on Tuesday, October 4th. The Raiders quickly defeated the Bulldogs, taking only 3 sets. The score by set goes as follows: Wayne Trace over Edgerton 25-21, 25-19, 25-21. Wayne Trace is now 7-11 overall and 3-2 in the Green Meadows Conference. Edgerton dropped to 6-9 overall and 1-4 in the league. A few of the Wayne Trace stat leaders include: Danae Myers - 16 digs, two blocks, seven kills; Ellie Stoller - 11 digs; Carissa Laukhuf - 23 assists; Madison Zartman - five aces, four kills; Leah Maassel - three aces; Kacey Reinhart - nine kills

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# NH FOUNDATION DONATES TO ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT



Bob Nelson (NHCF), Anna Murphy (NHHS Principal), Wagner (NHHS Athletic Director), Julie Holle (NHCF) The New Haven Community Foundation donated \$5066.75 to the athletic department at New Haven High School recently. The money was raised at the New Haven Community Foundation

# BULLDOGS DEFEAT EAST NOBLE



Photo by Melissa Amstutz

The Bulldogs played at home against East Noble on Friday, October 7. The game was fairly competitive when both teams scored touchdown in the first quarter. Usually what happened is East Noble scored and the Bulldogs would double the amount. It was Nishawn Jones, with the help of his team, score 30 points. 25 points were split between Diamond Towns, Juan Bonilla, Roy Ayers, and Donovan Trotter. Leading offensive yards is Nishawn Jones with 232 and

Keshawn Moore with 108. The total team yardage was 388. The top tackler was Jacob Birch with and Diamond Towns 5 each. Next was Nishawn Jones, Jorian Freeman with 4 each. Total takes was 44 for the team. Score by quarter: New Haven: 13 14 14 14 = 55 East Noble: 7 7 7 0 = 21 Next week New Haven Travels to Huntington North. Currently the Bulldogs are 7-0 while Huntington is 2-5.

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# WAYNE TRACE 2016 HOMECOMING COURT



Sophomores Austin Reed, Kaylee Shepherd, Seniors Caleb Schultz, Monique Goings, King Ethan Linder, Queen Danae Myers, Seniors Brady Stabler, Gabby Gudakunst, Jayden Sherry, Sarah Dyson, Juniors Adam Stoller, Kalin Gerber Freshmen Nathan Gerber & Ashlynn Parrish.

## ACES DEFEAT ARCHERS

In GMC action, the Hicks-ville Aces played against the Antwerp Archers on Tuesday, October 4th, in volleyball. Both the Archers and Aces have suffered 3 total losses in the season. When the game began, Hicksville just barely took the first set from Antwerp. However, the Aces proved they deserved it by taking the second set as well. Although behind, the Archers came back and reclaimed the third set. The fourth set went to Hicksville. The score by set goes as follows: Hicksville over Antwerp 25-22, 25-16, 23-25, 25-16. The Archers record falls to 15-4 overall and 4-1 in the Green Meadows Conference. Hicksville, on the other hand, improves to 15-3 overall and 4-1 in the Green Meadows Conference.

A few of the Antwerp Stat Leaders include: Chloe Franklin - 12 assists, nine digs, 14-14 serving, two aces; Peyton Short - seven assists, nine digs, 14-15 serving, two aces, three kills; Sydney Sheedy - nine digs, eight kills; Rachel Williamson - eight kills, two blocks, 13 kills; Lindsey Bok - 10-11 serving, two aces; Hope Smith - 18-20 serving, two aces;

In Junior Varsity action, Hicksville defeated Antwerp as well. The score by set goes as follows: 25-21, 25-19. In the Freshman game, Antwerp took down the Aces 25-12, 25-12.

## PANTHERS HUSTLED BY ACES

The Paulding Panthers were defeated by the Hicks-ville Aces in 5 sets; 14-25, 18-25, 25-23, 25-15, and 13-15. The Panthers were lead by Megan Tope with 22 digs and 8 of 8 serving. Audrey Manz set up 15 assists and served 18 of 18 with 3 aces. Caitlyn Myers lead the Panthers with 4 aces, chipped in 13 digs and served 13 of 14. Faith Vogel put down 8 kills and 6 blocks, while Cassidy Posey lead with 10 kills and served 19 of 20. Haylee Dominique had her strongest game of the season with 9 kills on 28 of 29 attacks. Macy Iler added 10 digs for Paulding. Paulding JV lost in 3 sets. The Panthers are back in NWC action on Tuesday as they travel to Delphos to take on the Wildcats.

## MVNU THEATRE PRESENTS DON'T TAKE MY PENNY

Mount Vernon Nazarene University's theatre program, MVNU Theatre, presents the classic comedy Don't Take My Penny written by Anne Coulter Martens and directed by MVNU senior theatre major Serra Barrett. Martens, most well-known for her ad-

aptations of classics such as The Gift of the Magi and Alice in Wonderland, wrote this hilarious play in 1940, and it quickly became one of the top five most produced plays in the United States.

Performances will be on Friday, November 4; Saturday, November 6; Friday, November 11; and Saturday, November 12. All performances begin at 7:00 p.m. in Thorne Performance Hall inside the R.R. Hodges Chapel on the campus of MVNU. For information visit theatre.mvnu.edu, by phone at 740-397-9000 ext. 1620, or at the box office beginning one hour prior to show time. Seating opens approximately 30 minutes prior to show time. This production is suitable for all audiences.

Don't Take My Penny is the first production of MVNU Theatre's 2016-17 season. For more information, visit theatre.mvnu.edu, email theatre@mvnu.edu, or call the MVNU Theatre box office at 740-397-9000 ext. 1620. Follow MVNU Theatre on Facebook and Twitter to keep up with the latest program news and events.

## NWC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Lincolnview won the northwest conference golf tournament in an 18-hole tournament played at Hickory Sticks Golf Club in van Wert. The first-place tournament finish also clinched the overall 2016 conference golf championship for the lancers.

The Lancers had a team total 338 to defeat tournament runner-up Spencerville (361) By 23 strokes. Other tournament team totals were: Columbus Grove (370), Paulding (372), (Bluffton 377), Crestview (388), Delphos Jefferson (401), Allen East (411), Ada (514).

Lincolnview senior, Joshah Rager, was the tournament medalist with a score of 77. Second place medalist honors were shared by Bluffton junior Aaron Belcher and Spencerville freshman Ethan Harmon as both shot 78.

Following today's play, the tournament finish for each school was combined with their regular season finish to determine the final golf standings for the NWC for 2016. Lincolnview won both the regular season and tournament, and took first place with a perfect 18 points. Spencerville took second place in the conference with 16 points. Paulding had the third-place finish with a total of 13 points. The other schools' order of conference finish was Columbus Grove (11.5), Bluffton (11), Crestview (7), Allen East (6.5), Delphos Jefferson (5), Ada (2).

Following the action,

the NWC also presented its all-conference awards for 2016.

The coaches voted Daryl Dowdy of Lincolnview as coach of the year. Senior Joshah Rager of Lincolnview earned golfer of the year honors for the third straight year by virtue of points earned during each regular season match. Rager was joined on the NWC first team by Aaron Belcher of Bluffton, Gavin Harmon of Spencerville, Grant Whitley of Allen East, Ethan Dominique of Paulding, Ethan Harmon of Spencerville and Andrew Foust of Delphos Jefferson.

NWC 2nd team: Ryan Moody (Lv), Noah Oglesbee (Cg), Colton Lautzenheiser (Cv), Tyler Mclaughlin (Bl), Caden Hurlless (Cv), Reese Farmer (Lv), Cole Heller (Pl)

NWC honorable mention: Brayden Evans (Lv), Harrison Kill (Ae), Jacob Oglesbee (Cg), Jaden Youtsey (Lv), Collin Davis (Sv), Kyle Welty (Cg), Alex Gallman (Sv), Kaleb Myers (Cv), Cade MCGarvey (Pl), Zach Roberts (Cg), Matt Meyer (Ae), Taylor Ramey (Ada), Weston Phlipot (Pl)

Tournament Scores (Teams And Individuals):

1. Lincolnview(338) - Joshah Rager -- 77; Reece Farmer -- 85; Brayden Evans -- 88; Ryan Moody -- 88
2. Spencerville (361) - Ethan Harmon -- 78; Garvin Harmon -- 92; Drake Mertz -- 95; Alex Gallman -- 96
3. Columbus Grove(409) - Kyle Welty -- 90; Noah Oglesbee -- 92; Jacob Oglesbee -- 94; Zach Roberts -- 94
4. Paulding(372) - Cole Heller -- 88; Ethan Dominique -- 92; Fletcher Cook -- 95; Cade MCGarvey -- 97
5. Bluffton(377) - Aaron Belcher -- 78; Braeden Edwards -- 96; Levi Mikesell -- 100; Tyler Mclaughlin -- 103
6. Crestview(388) - Colton Lautzenheiser -- 89; Caden Hurlless -- 92; Brett Schumm -- 100; Jacob Bowman -- 107
7. Delphos Jefferson(401) - Andrew Foust -- 88; Braxton Scalf -- 102; Alex Theobald -- 105; Nathan Pohlman -- 106
8. Allen East(411) - Grant Whitley -- 92; Nick Phillips -- 102; Matt Meyer -- 104; Harrison Kill -- 113
9. Ada(514) - Alex Morgan -- 125; Taylor Ramey -- 126; Austin Amburgey -- 131; Nathan Hurtig 132

## MVNU'S SONFEST FEATURED BUILDING 429, CITIZEN WAY, FINDING FAVOR

SonFest, Mount Vernon Nazarene University's annual outdoor Christian music festival, welcomed thousands of fans to the Grove of the MVNU campus on Saturday, September 24, 2016. Gospel Music Association Dove Award Winner and

Grammy Award nominated band Building 429 headlined the event, along with many other bands.

"This year's SonFest event was marked by great attendance by the MVNU family and participants from Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Kentucky! Our bands put on a phenomenal show and the environment was perfect for an amazing community-like experience," said Rachel Kuhn, Assistant Director of Admissions at MVNU.

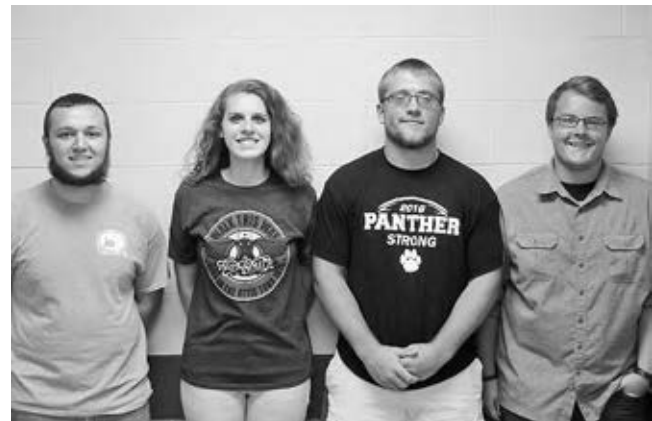
After DJ Jimmy Rock took the stage, other bands that performed on two stages included Finding Favour, Ever Burning Bright, Veridia, Trouper, Citizen Way, The Lasting Hope, Rapture Ruckus, Graceful Closure, For All Seasons, and Damac.

The event also featured inflatable games, festival food, and more.

To see great photos from SonFest, visit MVNU on Facebook at facebook.com/thisismvnu.

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# PHS SEPTEMBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School announces their September Students of the Month. From left to right: Matthew Karia, Ashley Snipes, Cameron Doster and William Deisler.

## ANTWERP ATHLETIC BOOSTERS CLUB, INC. MEETING MINUTES 9/7/16

Present: Jason Landers, Christy Williamson, Denise Coleman, Drew Altimus, Deanna Wann Jerika Feasby, Scott McMichael, Shawn Schuette. Michelle Dooley, Barbie Wales and Chad Franklin Absent: none

**Visitors: no visitors**  
Jason Landers called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

**August meeting minutes**  
Scott made a motion to approve the August meeting minutes, Christy second with all in favor.

**Treasurer's Report**  
Treasurer's report was read. Deanna made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and Barbie second with all in favor.

**Fundraising**  
Stadium chairs and Tervis cups are available for purchase.

Dueling Pianos fall fundraiser Saturday, November 12th. Down payment has been paid. Subcommittee will be Shawn, Michelle, Christy and Denise.

Drive 1 4 UR School was held, Saturday, August 13th, 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the old River Street Market parking lot. Advertising: Honeywell, Facebook, flyers passed out by cheerleaders during parade, golf cart transportation to and from park.

**Old Business**  
Fall sports programs and business ads.

Jerika acknowledged the boosters for purchasing the cheer warm ups.

Stewardship contacted Christy and said they would give money for a cheese machine and fryer.

50/50 tickets - Michelle will be heading this committee. Possibly at both entrances maybe student council or middle school athletes can help out.

The fall Meet the Team night was Tuesday, August 9th.

Picture day was Tuesday August 9th.

Concession Stand: Hot food tickets - how is that working? Efficient flow?

Deanna is the coordinator for purchasing for the concession stands.

Denise is the coordinator for scheduling workers to work the concession stands.

Chad is heading up the "fry team".

**New Business**

Boosters would like a carpet to fry fish and fries under outside to help keep the inside concession stand cleaner. Carport 18x20, \$1,376.26. Chad made a motion to approve and Jerika second with all in favor.

Need more tables for concession stand. Shawn found them to purchase. Christy made a motion to approve and Denise second with all in favor.

Chad has a refrigerator that the boosters can have. Just need to pick-up.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. by Drew and second by Barbie with all in favor.

Meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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# PAULDING HOMECOMING GAME



Paulding's Cameron Doster is tripped up but still gets the ball across the goal line to score the touchdown. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Paulding's homecoming was last week on October 7 against Ada. The Bulldogs are a strong team in the conference and Paulding's record is not the best. But their performance on this night was pretty good.

The first quarter had five touchdowns between both teams. It started off a sa downer when Ada grabbed the first two touchdowns and quickly won 0-14. Paulding's Preston Ingol was able to score the first Paulding touchdown with 4:13 on the clock. At 2:15 the next touchdown was also for the Panther side scored by Cameron Doster on a 35 yard run, tying the game. The Bull-

dogs returned the favor when on a 12 yard pass the score at the end of the first quarter was 14-21.

Ada continued to score in the second and third quarters while Paulding's next touchdown wouldn't come until the end of the fourth. Jacob Desiler passed the Ball to Riley Coil for a 75 yard run score. The game finished 20-49.

Score by Quarter:

Paulding 14 0 0 6 = 20

Ada: 21 14 7 7 = 49

Paulding's next game takes place at home against Spencerville on October 14.

More pictures at westbendnews.net

# GROVER HILL 4TH GRADERS INVESTIGATE MACRO-INVERTEBRATES

By: Patrick Troyer, Education Specialist Paulding SWCD

Recently, the identification skills of 4th Graders in Mrs. Wendy Baker's class were put to the test when they learned about macroinvertebrates. To start the lesson, students were given an introduction on macroinvertebrates in the classroom before they went to the creek behind their school to see what kind of macroinvertebrates were in the water. Students learned what a macroinvertebrate is, what they look like, their life cycle, feeding habits, where they live, and how they are important in determining water quality.

A macroinvertebrate is an organism that lacks an internal skeleton (no backbone) but that we can see with our naked eye. These bottom dwelling animals include a wide variety of organisms such as crustaceans such as crayfish. Other organisms that qualify as macroinvertebrates include beetles, Caddisflies, stoneflies,

and dragonflies, which will commonly be found around streams. Macroinvertebrates serve as an important part of the food chain as a vital link between producers (plants) and consumers higher up in the chain.

The students then learned that macroinvertebrates have a rather simple anatomy that includes unique mouthparts, eyes, antenna, and thorax which includes muscles and attachments for legs/wings as well as an abdomen which includes digestive and respiratory functions. We then learned that macros can experience both complete and incomplete metamorphosis, which are physical changes with each life cycle. Some macroinvertebrates experience complete metamorphosis which means they begin as an egg, then change into a larva, pupa, with the final stage being the winged adult. Incomplete metamorphosis is where the organism experiences only three physical changes in its lifetime; egg, nymph, adult.

The 4th graders learned that macroinvertebrates can be found in rivers, creeks,



wetlands, and even their swimming pools! Some can even be found under submerged wood or rocks. They are categorized based on how they eat and are categorized as shredders, collectors, scrapers, and predators. Collectors physically food via net-like structures, shredders have chewing mouthparts designed to shred food, scrapers use razor-like mouthparts to scrape foods, and predators have bodies designed to chase and capture their prey. Macroinvertebrates are used by scientists to learn about the environment, especially when it comes to water quality. They are broken into three different groups: Group 1 macros are sensitive to pollution, Group 2 are moderately sensitive, while Group 3 is tolerant of pollution. If there is a high proportion of Group 1, the waterway is clean while if there are a lot of Group 3, the waterway is polluted.

After the classroom session, students made the journey to the creek behind their school and were given identification sheets and magnifying glasses. Education Specialist Patrick Troyer went down to the creek to obtain samples of macroinvertebrates to see how clean the creek was. Samples were collected via a net and also water samples. Students were broken into groups where they were tasked to identify the macros they found as well as the group to which the macroinvertebrate belonged to. Students found a wide variety of organisms such as snails, beetles, dragonflies to which they collected and preserved for further investigation in the classroom. Most of the organisms the students found belonged to Group 1 or 2 suggesting that the West Branch Creek which runs through Grover Hill has good water quality.

Students also had specimen samples of macroinvertebrates from Group 1, 2, and 3 to compare their findings to as well. If you would like this program brought to a classroom or club near you, contact Patrick Troyer at the Paulding SWCD via phone 419-399-4771 or patrick.troyer@pauldingswcd.org!

## WB GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center October Governing Board Meeting will be Wednesday, October 19, 6:00 p.m. at Van Wert County ESC, 813A N. Franklin Street, Van Wert, OH

## PAULDING 4TH GRADERS USE PANTHER BUCKS



Paulding Fourth graders were able to use their Panther bucks they earned for the month of September to purchase special prizes on Friday, October 7th. Shown at the booth purchasing items from fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Stoller, is Carter Evans.

## PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 9/21/16

This 21st day of September, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk

### ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS TRAVEL REQUEST

Nancy Burtch, Title (ATPS Blue) Training, Columbus OH - September 22, 2016

Ellen Bidlack, Title (ATPS Blue) Training, Columbus OH - October 5, 2016

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtsberry to go into executive session at 8:03 a.m. with the County Prosecutor, to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting yea.

At 8:14 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

### IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on September 19, 2016, Warrants numbered 227672 through 227698 in the amount of \$780.70; and

WHEREAS, it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order 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

WHEREAS, 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

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paulding County Commissioners

approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that 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 form

## PAULDING ELEMENTARY PARTICIPATES IN PEP RALLY



Paulding Elementary was invited to participate in the Homecoming pep rally on Friday, October 7th held at the football field. Shown are kindergarten students as they enjoy the enthusiasm at the pep rally.

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**THOUSANDS OF RING-NECKED PHEASANTS TO BE RELEASED ACROSS OHIO**

More than 14,000 ring-necked pheasants will be released at 24 Ohio public hunting areas this fall to provide additional hunting opportunities across the state, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

The ODNR Division of Wildlife will release pheasants on Friday, October 21, and Friday, October 28, prior to the small-game weekends for youth hunters. Youth ages 17 and younger can hunt statewide for rabbit, pheasant and all other legal game in season during two designated weekends, October 22-23 and October 29-30.

Ohio's small game hunting season begins on Friday, November 4, with pheasant releases to take place Thursday, November 3, and Thursday, November 10. The final release of the year is scheduled for Wednesday, November 23, and should provide improved pheasant hunting opportunities during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

A table of scheduled release numbers and locations can be found at [bit.ly/2016ohiopheasant](http://bit.ly/2016ohiopheasant).

Hunters should note that pheasants will no longer be released at Shreve Wildlife Area in Wayne County.

Youth and regular pheasant hunting within the Ringneck Ridge Area in Sandusky County requires a free permit from the Sandusky County Park District. Visit [sanduskycountyparks.com](http://sanduskycountyparks.com) for more information.

Pheasant hunting season opens Friday, November 4, and remains open through Sunday, January 8, 2017, with a daily bag limit of two rooster (male) birds. No hens (females) may be killed. Females are all brown while the males have a green head, a red and brown body and long tail feathers.

Statewide pheasant hunting hours are sunrise to sunset.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at [ohiodnr.gov](http://ohiodnr.gov).

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING**

The Board of Trustees of the Paulding County Carne-

gie Library system will meet in open session for Strategic Planning at the main library on Tuesday, October 18th at 3:30 p.m. The board will adjourn immediately after the planning session and open into regular session for the October Board meeting. All meetings of the Board of Trustees are open to the public with the exception of executive sessions. Call 419-399-2032 for more information.

**MVNU REPORTS HIGHEST ENROLLMENT IN FOUR YEARS**

Mount Vernon Nazarene University saw an increase in the number of traditional students enrolled. The 2,245 students make up the highest overall enrollment in four years. Mel Severns, University Registrar at MVNU, said this was a good enrollment for the fall semester of 2016.

The number of College Credit Plus students, many of whom are new to MVNU, also increased from 91 enrolled in the fall of 2015 to 107 this year. Retention remains strong at 77 percent of traditional first-time college students from the fall of 2015 semester re-enrolling for the fall of 2016 semester.

Randie Timpe, Director of Institutional Research and Accountability at MVNU, said, "The trends represent systematic cooperation and collaboration across the spectrum of MVNU offices with staff, faculty, and administrators each making a positive contribution. We are grateful for God's goodness to MVNU."

MVNU President Henry Spaulding remarked, "The fall 2016 enrollment means that MVNU is gaining momentum as we move forward. The growing enrollment means that we continue to offer quality academic programs well into the future."

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tion to more than 2,100 students from 28 states and 16 countries/U.S. territories.

**OHIO SOCIETY OF CPAS ENDORSES BOB LATTA FOR CONGRESS**

The Ohio Society of CPAs has endorsed U.S. Representative Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) for re-election to Ohio's 5th Congressional District. In a letter, leadership for the Ohio Society of CPAs named Latta as someone who has served his CPA constituents well and is a positive influence in Washington. The organization represents 22,000 members.

"CPAs are able to see up close how a broken, convoluted tax system negatively influences our small businesses and in turn, our economy," said Latta. "Whether working toward a simpler tax code or lightening the regulatory load on small accounting firms, it's important that CPAs are able to do their work. I'm grateful to be endorsed by the Ohio Society of CPAs and appreciate their advocacy on behalf of their members."

**CONGRESSMAN LATTA RECOGNIZES NATIONAL MANUFACTURING DAY**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) celebrated National Manufacturing Day by recognizing the work of Ohio manufacturers. Latta represents Ohio's Fifth Congressional District which is home to 60,000 manufacturing jobs, and he serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee which oversees the majority of legislation affecting the manufacturing sector.

In response to Latta's strong track record of supporting Ohio manufacturers and employees, Whirlpool Corporation recently presented him with a Kitchenaid dishwasher door to display in his Washington, D.C. Office. The door was built in Whirlpool Corporation's Findlay plant.

"I'm privileged to represent 60,000 hardworking men and women in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District that produce American-made goods and help grow our economy," said Latta. "On National Manufacturing Day, it's important to recognize just how critical the manufacturing industry is to our success in Ohio and around the country. Instituting policies that allow our manufacturers to increase their global competitiveness and create jobs here at home is a focus of mine, and I appreciate Whirlpool for recognizing my efforts. From now on, any visitor to my Washington office will be able to see up close the outstanding work of one of Ohio's manufacturers."

"On behalf of our 10,000 Ohio-based manufacturing employees, and especially our 2,300 employees in Findlay, we thank Congressman Latta for his tireless efforts to support American manufacturing," said David Szczyrak, Executive Vice President for Whirlpool Corporation's Global Product Organization. "We appreciate his leadership on the issues important to Whirlpool Corporation, the appliance industry overall, and the Findlay community."

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 10/12 - 10/18**

10/12 - Baked ham, sweet potatoes, wax beans, orange juice, w.w. bread, raisins, milk  
 10/13 - Beef stew, peaches, coleslaw, biscuit, cookie, milk  
 10/14 - Baked turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, Key West vegetables, cranberry & pineapple salad, pumpkin, milk  
 10/17 - Closed - Columbus Day  
 10/18 - Baked fish, scalloped potatoes, seasoned cauliflower, strawberry hash, dinner roll, apple crisp, milk

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 10/12 - 10/18**

10/12 - PERI meeting at 10:00 a.m.; Canvas painting with AmeriCare at 9:30 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Bunco at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 12:30 p.m.  
 10/13 - Blood Pressure & Toe Nail Clinic at 9:00 a.m.; Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Turn up at 12:15 p.m.  
 10/14 - Cancer Survivor Luncheon; Bible study 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
 10/17 - Closed - Columbus Day  
 10/18 - Euchre 9:45 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 p.m.; Farmer Market trip to local market, leave at 2:00 p.m.

**FOOD AND AGRICULTURE CO-OP INCOME AGAIN SETS RECORD IN 2015, USDA DATA SHOW**

Net income for the nation's agricultural cooperatives soared by 14 percent last year, according to data released today by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). In its annual report on national cooperative business sales, USDA reported that the country's farmer, rancher and fishery cooperatives posted record net income of \$7 billion in 2015.

"The cooperative business model continues to perform strongly," Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said. "While the model has long been one of the hallmarks of rural economies, its reach has greatly expanded to include almost every aspect of U.S. commerce. The latest data show that cooperatives are a key to building stronger and more vital communities, particularly in rural areas."

Rural Business-Cooperative Service Administrator Sam Rikkers announced the Top 100 ag cooperatives on Vilsack's behalf at an Inter-agency Working Group on Cooperative Development meeting at the Department of Commerce. The group, which is led by USDA, was established to foster cooperative development and ensure coordination between federal agencies and national and local organizations.

Again, this year's list shows that Iowa is home to more Top 100 co-ops than any other state, with 15. It is followed by Minnesota with 11 and Nebraska with nine. California and Illinois each have six, while Wisconsin has five. Minnesota and California each gained a new co-op in the Top 100 in 2015.

USDA indicated that total business volume fell for the Top 100 cooperatives, from \$177 billion in 2014 to \$149

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billion in 2015. However, net income rose from \$4.3 billion to \$4.9 billion in 2015, an increase of 14 percent.

CHS Inc., a fuel, grain and food cooperative based in Inver Grove Heights, Minn., remains the nation's largest cooperative in the United States, with \$34.7 billion in total business volume for 2015. Dairy Farmers of America, a milk marketing cooperative based in Kansas City, Mo., came in second place, with \$13.9 billion in total revenue. Land O'Lakes, a dairy foods and farm supply co-op, based in Saint Paul, Minn., was third, with \$13.1 billion in sales.

The biggest 'gainer' on the list from 2014 was Producers Livestock Marketing Association, based in North Salt Lake, Utah. It rose from 90th place in 2014 to 58th place.

Cooperatives big and small continue to play a key role in creating vibrant rural economies. In 2012-2013, the Montana Cooperative Development Center helped the Big Flat Market Cooperative steering committee with its incorporation process and business planning. The result of this hard work is the Big Flat Grocery store, now open in rural Turner, Mont., near the Canadian border.

The release of the co-op Top 100 report comes as USDA celebrates National Cooperative Month throughout October. This year's theme is "Cooperatives Build." Secretary Vilsack kicked off the month-long celebration with an official proclamation.

Since 2009, USDA Rural Development (@USDARD) has invested nearly \$13 billion to start or expand nearly 112,000 rural businesses;

helped bring high-speed Internet access to nearly 6 million rural residents and businesses; helped 1.1 million rural residents buy homes; and funded nearly 9,200 community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care facilities. USDA also has invested \$31.3 billion in 963 electric projects that have financed more than 185,000 miles of transmission and distribution lines serving 4.6 million rural residents. For more information, visit [www.usda.gov/results](http://www.usda.gov/results).

To read more about USDA's investments in rural America and its successful turnaround, visit USDA's entry on Medium.com, Rural America Is Back in Business.

**PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 10/12 - 10/18**

**HS - Breakfast:**  
 10/12 - Sausage, egg & cheese sliders, juice, fruit, milk  
 10/13 - Cinnamon rolls, juice, fruit, milk  
 10/14 - Sausage, biscuit breakfast, juice, fruit, milk  
 10/17 - Breakfast pizza, juice, fruit, milk  
 10/18 - Mini pancakes, sausage links, juice, fruit, milk  
**HS - Lunch:**  
 10/12 - Beef or chkn burr OR Fiestada pizza, refried beans, spanish rice; Toppings: Salsa & sour cream, lettuce, banana peppers, asstd. fruit, milk  
 10/13 - Honey batr corn-dog, coleslaw, hashbrown cubes OR Big daddy pizza, carrots with dip, asstd. fruit, milk  
 10/14 - Spicy or reg breaded chicken on bun, oven pota-

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**NEW HAVEN HS CROSS COUNTRY**



The boys cross country team accomplished their goal of moving on in the state series with being Sectional Runners-up at the Belmont Sectional on Saturday. Jordan Lahr led the team with a 7th place finish in 17:12. Cyrus Felger finished right behind Jordan in 8th place in 17:16. Kyle Charles was next for the team in 20th place in 17:57.

T'Quan Bland was the team's 4th runner in 28th place in 18:25. Luis Saldana finished next for the team in 30th place in 18:27. On the girls' side, both Rebekah McCagg and Brianna Dishong qualified as individuals for the Marion Regional. Rebekah placed 13th in 21:30. Bri placed 33rd in 22:47. (Photo from Robert Atkinson)

**SECT. TOURNAMENT: (NW) DIVISION II GIRLS - FOX'S DEN**

**Fox's Den Golf Club**  
September 27, 2016  
1st St. Henry \*379 - Kaitlyn Clune 92, Carina Clune 93, Jessica Clune 108, Allyson Hemmelgarn 98, Karlee Staugler 96, Coach: Gaey Broering  
2nd Lincolnview \*386 - Mackenzie Kraft 107, Macala Ashbaugh 91, Marissa Miller 100, McKenzie Davis 90, Shann Kraft 105, Coach: Brad Doidge  
3rd Minster \*390 - Lisa Borges 106, Sarah Huwer 98, Taylor Homan 99, Hannah Koenig 87, Ali Borg-erding 120, Coach: Deborah Ahrens  
4th Lima C.C. 406 - Meghan Mulcahy 99, Lexie Evans 100, Callie Koenig 108, Hannah Garver 103, Riley Smith 104, Coach: Daniel Reinicke  
5th Wayne Trace 423 - Gracie Gudakunst 88, Brooke Sinn 104, Hailey Dempsey 126, Gillianne Wiseman 105, Claire Sinn 129, Coach: Jeremy Daeger  
6th Parkway 447 - Haylee Stukey 98, Mecaylah Hesse 111, Lauren Henderson 119, Autumn Ellis 119, Margaret Houts 150, Coach: Teri Samples

7th New Bremen 457 - Sarah Parker 117, Caylie Hall 110, Amy Balster 117, Marcella Travis 113, Katlyn Broerman 124, Coach: Michael Holdren  
8th Coldwater 460 - Amanda Schmitmeyer 107, Payton Kunk 117, Logan May 109, Emma Eckstein 127, Ava Boeckman 161, Coach: Bret Ayers  
9th Marion Local 477 - Carlee Kremer 121, Marah Moeller 116, Chole Nagel 117, Maddie Smith 123, Macy Spith 150, Coach: John Bruns  
10th Ft. Recovery 509 - Emily Bruns 126, Elli Keller 135, Kristen Keller 124, Eryn Litmer 126, Sopia Timmerman 133, Coach: Kurt Rammel  
11th Waynesfield-Goshen 511 - Khierstyn Branan 177, Kayla Caster 162, Olivia Rolston 172, Coach: Jessica Whittaker  
12th Allen East - Kasey Meyer 103, Stephanie LaRotonda 145, Kayla LaRotonda 143, Coach: Matt Meyer  
Individual scores: St. John's - Cassidy Schafer 108, Emma Shafer 135, Coach: John Klausing; Jefferson - Sydnie McGue 119, Sara Zalar 119, Coach: Ryan Strickler; Kalida - Grace Miller 105, Coach: Ken Schnipke; Ridgemont - Hailey Clark 139, Danielle Mouser 126,

Coach: Greg Johnson ; New Knoxville - Cassandra McGue 128, Coach: Terrence Halko; Van Wert - Madison Buecker 162, Coach: Kim Doidge; St. Marys Memorial - Jill Schmitmeyer 75, Coach: Steve Schmitmeyer

**SECT. TOURNAMENT: (NW) DIVISION II GIRLS - COUNTRY ACRES**

**Country Acres Golf Course**  
September 27, 2016  
1st Bluffton \*413 - Alivia Koenig 95, Kayleigh Coughlan 94, Kennedy Coughlan 113, Mara Minnig 112, Lily Shadle 112, Coach: Nick Rackley  
2nd Hicksville \*422 - Micah Schroeder 95, Laney Balsar 106, Riley Balsar 113, Taylor Larry 108, Kalista McKinney 176, Coach: Jeff Haught  
3rd Tinora \*423 - Maddie Trefzger 105, Rylee Sanders 114, Selena Alvarado 110, Madison Brown 100, Andrea Retcher 108, Coach: Jenni Saner  
4th Otsego 435 - Victoria Wilson 109, Alexandria Miller 105, Olivia Jackson 105, Hannah Snyder 116, Heather Jogerst 121, Coach: Nathan Luce  
5th Antwerp 454 - Emilee Phillips 99, Maggie Wilson 111, Amanda Roberts 123, Carlie Hanes 121, Kendyl Miller 128, Coach: Scott McMichael  
6th Leipsic 468 - Lily Kamphaus 108, Hannah Goedde 118, Grace Rigel 116, Morgan Kamphaus 126, Coach: Kevin Brandt  
7th Montpelier 499 - Brookelyn Dye 105, Elizabeth Frisch 122, Katie Taylor 138, Gabby Cox 134, Coach: Matt Dye  
8th Fairview 524 - Paige Johnson 116, McKayla Bauer 122, Nicole Cottrell 146, Linzi Graber 140, AnnaMarie Lechleider 161, Coach: Andrew Singer  
9th Ayersville 606 - Grace Roberts 124, Emily Fackler 167, Brooklyn Bowen 154, Sarah Nicholson 161, Coach: Eric Roberts  
10th Arlington - Emma Smith 132, Coach: Clint Dillon  
Bryan - Taylor Peters 140, Coach: Tyler Bernath  
Columbus Grove - Brooke Silver 110, Coach: Travis

Gallmeier Edgerton - Hannah Slesman 128, Megan Riehle 120, Hannah Sulfridge 91, Coach: Maimee Giesige Individual scores: Edon - Melody Nofziger 139, Tyler Trevino 120, Coach: Suzanne Hollabaugh ; Evergreen - Kayla Miller 109, Coach: Douglas DeSloover; Hilltop - Makalie Swisher 191, Coach: William Geis; Holgate - Allison Wagner 121, Coach: Alex Miller; Liberty Center - Olivia Zacharias 97, Coach: Chris Zacharias ; North Central - Allyson Hutchison 194, Coach: Eric Smeltzer; Patrick Henry - Natalie Nelson 111, Sarah Millikan 135, Coach: Joe Pennington

**OP-ED FROM PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA ON THE STRENGTH AND RESILIENCE OF RURAL AMERICA**

**By: Barack Obama**  
I've spent most of my life living in big cities. But the truth is, a lot of what's shaped me came from my grandparents who grew up on the prairie in Kansas. They taught me the kind of values that don't always make headlines, let alone the daily back-and-forth in Washington. Honesty and responsibility. Hard work and toughness against adversity. Keeping your word, and giving back to your community. And treating folks with respect, even if you disagree with them. They're the same values I saw as a Senator in Illinois, driving long country roads to visit with folks in small towns. They're the same values I saw in Iowa, campaigning for this office in community centers and coffee shops and high school cafeterias. They're the same values that have inspired me every day as President, in visits to all 50 states and letters I read every night from every corner of this nation. And it's only reinforced my belief that the values that drive our small towns and rural communities are the same ones that drive America as a whole. At the same time, what's also true is that when our country is tested, our rural communities are tested as well. An economy that's been changing for decades - more automation, more global competition - has, in many ways, hit rural communities particularly hard. Too many people are still fighting back from the recklessness on Wall Street that shuttered storefronts on Main Street. Too many workers are still reeling from plants that moved overseas and took good jobs with them. Too many communities are struggling to compete, hamstrung by lagging infrastructure like slow or nonexistent broadband connections. And too many families have been ravaged by the heartbreaking epidemic of opioid use. For too long, leaders who could do something to help have passed the buck or pointed fingers, rather than offer concrete solutions and new avenues of opportunity. But we've pursued a different approach - one that helps workers retrain and learn the skills they need for a job in the new economy. One that supports small businesses and entrepreneurs to help attract more of the new economy's jobs to rural communities. One that upgrades our schools - from

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

working toward universal preschool to two years of free community college - so that all our kids have the same chance to reach their potential without having to leave their hometown. Over the last eight years, my Administration has worked hand-in-hand with rural communities to build more opportunity - investing in rural schools, supporting rural small business owners, deploying high speed internet and wireless, and building partnerships between businesses and colleges to help train folks not just for a job, but for a career. And for those struggling with opioid use, we've expanded access to treatment to help them get the care they need. So we're making progress - progress that's possible only because of the strength and resilience of the people in our rural communities. In Pikeville, Kentucky, former coal miners are trading coal for code. They're retraining to learn HTML, JavaScript, and PHP, transforming an old bottling factory into a digital hub. It's a transition that not only supports good jobs, but also offers a glimpse of what the future could look like in other communities like Pikeville. In Clinton County, Ohio, young people have organized to tackle the brain drain, creating a fellowship program that matches local businesses with college students home for the summer. And those young people aren't just learning, they're leading - just last year, Wilmington, Ohio elected a majority-Millennial city council. In Piedmont, Alabama, school leaders have invested in high-speed connectivity and laptops for every student, so that teachers can tailor lessons to individual students and assess each student's progress in real time. Already, test scores and graduation rates are up, and tiny Piedmont City School District has emerged as a national model for digital learning. That's what rural America can look like in the 21st Century. Smart investments that lead to real, tangible progress. Today, rural unemployment has dropped from a high of about ten percent during the Great Recession to six percent. The rural child poverty rate is dropping, and rural median household incomes are rising again. We certainly still have more work to do, but we're

moving in the right direction. And that couldn't be more important. Because as a prominent rural Kansan - President Eisenhower - once said, "Whatever America hopes to bring to pass in the world must first come to pass in the heart of America."

In so many ways, from its resilience and ingenuity in the face of a challenge to the defining values that power it every day, rural America represents that beating heart. That's why these communities are so important - because when America's rural communities are strong, America is strong.

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## PEV FIRST GRADERS MEET WITH DEPUTY MENDEZ



Paulding Elementary first graders met with Deputy Nick Mendez from the Paulding Sheriff's Dept. to learn about the meaning of signs along the roads and highways. Shown with Deputy Mendez are students Carly Font and Charlie Fohner.

## PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

## Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Todd Halker**, Antwerp, OH; Driving/texting; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Colton L. Hamman**, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Marie L. Stahl**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Christopher D. Price**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Mylei Gay**, Haviland, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Lesia M. Clark**, Oakwood, OH; FTY/Left turn; Guilty; case was waived by defendant

**Kurt Bendele**, Grover Hill, OH; Fail to confine; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and cost; Shall maintain general good behavior

**Gabriel Wobler**, Payne, OH; Driv under susp; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 11/18/16 or will be sent to collections; Defendant shall make restitution to the vic-

tim; 30 jail days reserved

**Gabriel Wobler**, Payne, OH; Fail control; Dismis; At the state's request CT B is dismissed at defendant's costs

**Gary L. Snow**, Continental, OH; Driv under sus; Dismis; CT A dismissed at the state's request

**Gary L. Snow**, Continental, OH; Prohib turn; Guilty; Defendant shall pay \$40.00 per month commencing 10/28/16; Pay all fines and costs by 2/24/17 or will be sent to collections

**Stephanie S. Mefferd**, Paulding, OH; DUS; Guilty; Proof of financial responsibility provided; Pay all fines and costs today

**Andrew D. Hicks**, Haviland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

## OHIO EPA ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR RECYCLING AND LITTER PREVENTION GRANTS

Ohio EPA is accepting applications for four types of recycling-related grants to be awarded in 2017. Grant applications for all four programs are due February 3, 2017, and the Agency will offer two op-

portunities for assistance.

• An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, to explain eligibility requirements and the grant application process. The meeting will be held at 10 a.m. at the Ohio Department of Transportation office on 1980 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43223. Those attending should be prepared to present a photo I.D. for security purposes.

• In addition, Ohio EPA will host an informational webinar about the grants at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 (details can be found at <https://ohioepa.webex.com/mw3100/mywebex/default.do?siteurl=ohioepa&service=6>.)

## Ohio EPA administers four grants through the Agency's Recycling and Litter Prevention program:

**Community Development Grants** allow Ohio communities to support and expand community recycling and litter prevention efforts. These grants, provide funding for recycling collection and materials processing equipment, including new infrastructure to collect and process materials such as construction and demolition debris, electronics (such as cell phones or computers), glass, paper-based materials, and plastics.

**Litter Management Grants** improve local environments through litter prevention, beautification and waste reduction. Ohio communities can receive funding for litter cleanup and tire amnesty collection efforts. Grant proposals must include litter cleanup on public land, roadsides or public waterways.

**Market Development Grants** are offered to Ohio businesses and nonprofits to purchase equipment and build infrastructure to develop successful markets for recyclable materials and related products. Proposals should focus on materials collected or processed in Ohio, and require a governmental agency sponsorship.

**Scrap Tire Grants** are available to Ohio business and local communities that are interested in either modifying manufacturing operations to accept scrap tire material, expand a tire processing operation, develop or utilize the material in civil engineering projects or product manufacturing. Scrap material must be collected or processed in Ohio.

Grant awards will be announced during April 2017, with funding available in July. For more information, applicants can download grant information: [www.recycleohio.gov](http://www.recycleohio.gov), or contact Chet Chaney, Environmental Supervisor, at [Chet.Chaney@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Chet.Chaney@epa.ohio.gov), (614) 728-0043, or Marie Barnett, Grants Administrator, at [Marie.Barnett@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Marie.Barnett@epa.ohio.gov), (614) 705-1019.

The grant programs are available to a variety of eligible applicants including municipal corporations, counties, townships, villages, state colleges or universities, solid waste management districts or authorities, park districts, health districts, nonprofit organizations, statewide recycling and litter prevention trade associations, Keep Ohio Beautiful affiliates, boards of education and businesses.

## ELECTRIC GOVERNMENT AGGREGATION TO GO ON NOVEMBER BALLOT

The Paulding County Board of Commissioners announce that the Villages of Payne, Oakwood and Latty have all chosen to place an electric governmental aggregation issue on the November 8, 2016 ballot. This opt out program, as governed by Ohio code, present opportunities for residents and small businesses to save on their utility bills. This issue will only apply to these communities.

When passed, the Board will issue an RFP to suppliers and evaluate the responses to determine the best opportunities for the communities. Palmer Energy will be assisting the Board and the communities in facilitating these programs. Palmer Energy is the energy consultant for the County Commissioners Association of Ohio.

Informational meetings will be held for residents of these communities to ask questions. Payne will have their informational meeting on October 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Offices: 119 North Main St. Oakwood will have their meeting on October 20th at 6:30 p.m. at the Cooper Community Library and Latty will have their informational meeting on October 24th at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall, 650 Alexander St.

This is an opportunity to come together as a group to be able to negotiate a better price with suppliers of electric and provide savings to the citizens of our county.

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toes, juice box OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, asstd. fruit, milk

10/17 - Brd. chick nuggets, whipped potatoes w/gravy, wg chips, dinner roll, celery w/dip OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, asstd. fruit, milk

10/18 - Oriental chkn salad, eggroll, tomatoes, rice krispy bar OR Asstd. entree items, pickles, oven fries, asst. fruit, milk

## Paulding Elementary Breakfast:

10/12 - Bkfst burrito, juice, fruit, milk

10/13 - Wh gr muffin, cheese stick, juice, fruit, milk

10/14 - Cereal or cereal bar, juice, fruit, milk

10/17 - Yogurt, goldfish gm, juice, fruit, milk

10/18 - Pancakes, juice, fruit, milk

## Paulding Elementary Lunch:

10/12 - Pancakes w/saus, oven potatoes, tomato juice, fruit, milk

10/13 - BBQ rib, wh gr bun, oven potatoes, fresh veggie choice, fruit, milk

10/14 - Cheesy bread, marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

10/17 - Breaded chicken on wh gr bun, steamed carrots, celery, fruit, milk

10/18 - Hot dog on wh gr bun, baked beans, carrots, fruit snack, fruit, milk

## Oakwood Elementary Breakfast:

10/12 - Mini pancakes, juice, fruit, milk

10/13 - Bkfst pizza, juice, fruit, milk

10/14 - Asstd. cereals, juice, fruit, milk

10/17 - Yogurt, cinn goldfish, juice, fruit, milk

10/18 - Saus-egg burrito, juice, fruit, milk

## Oakwood Elementary Lunch:

10/12 - Salisbury stk, whip potatoes, bread, romaine lettuce, fruit, milk

10/13 - Cheese cup, tortilla chip, mixed veg, celery stix, fruit, milk

10/14 - Taco in a bag (cheese Doritos), roamine lettuce, refried beans, fruit, milk

10/17 - Hamburger on wh gr bun, oven potatoes, romaine lettuce, slc. tomato, fruit, milk

10/18 - Pepp/cheese, bread stick, marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

## MAC GYM VOLLEYBALL TAKES CENTER COURT

The youth volleyball league comes to a close this Saturday with the season ending league tournament. Girls teams in grades 4, 5 and 6 have travelled from all over northwest Ohio the past five weeks to hone their skills preparing for this big day. Games will begin at 8am with new games starting every 45 minutes the rest of the day. Three champions will be honored from the 24 teams that participate from Defiance, Paulding, West Unity, Fairview, Edgerton, Hicksville, Wayne Trace and Antwerp. For the complete listing of games and times check out our website at [www.macgy-mohio.com](http://www.macgy-mohio.com)

This tournament will be followed by the annual junior high parochial school volleyball tournament Saturday, October 22. The event, sponsored by the Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Antwerp, will bring area junior high school teams together

for a day of games, fun, and fellowship.

Saturday, October 29 is the annual "Pumpkin Smash" open invite tournament for 6th grade and under teams. Eight area teams will compete for the 2016 Pumpkin Smash title. Sherwood Fairview will return to defend their 2015 title.

The final volleyball event of the 2016 fall season will be an adult co-ed tournament. Fair Play Volleyball of Fort Wayne, IN will be hosting this event. Teams and players from all over Indiana, Ohio, and southern Michigan will come into Antwerp to play on eight foot nets and demonstrate how physical the game of volleyball can be. Stop in at the MAC Gym for any of these events or stop by and visit with the VanCrest residents in the assisted living complex to see just how much fun volleyball, the MAC, and VanCrest can really be.

## 2016 PAULDING SOIL &amp; WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL BANQUET

The Annual Meeting of the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District is slated for Thursday, November 17th at the Extension Center at the fairgrounds. Attached you will find an invitation for anyone in your office to attend the banquet and vote for the Board of Supervisors. Our meal will be catered by Gibson's Backyard BBQ from Convoy and our entertainment will be Comedian Dick Stoner from Ft. Wayne. We will hand out our Educator of the Year & Cooperator of the Year Awards.

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### SECRETARY HUSTED CALLS ON CONGRESS TO CLARIFY LIMITS ON FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S ROLE IN ELECTIONS

On a conference call with reporters this morning, Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced he will send a letter to U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and U.S. House Speaker Paul Ryan urging them to take action ahead of the next federal election cycle to clarify in law the restrictions on federal agencies being able to involve themselves in the administration of elections.

"I have seen what can happen when the law isn't clear--federal courts and federal agencies just come in and take over and that's not how it should work in a democracy," Secretary Husted said.

Secretary Husted was prompted to contact congressional leaders following a conference call last month with U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Jeh Johnson. During the call and in subsequent interviews with media, Secretary Johnson

indicated that the Administration was considering a review of state elections systems that could result in them being declared "critical infrastructure" under the Homeland Security Act of 2002.

"Instead of building voter confidence, I can think of few actions that would undermine confidence in elections more than a federal intervention of this magnitude," Secretary Husted wrote.

While federal officials have since backed off of this plan, the ambiguity in the law remains and Secretary Husted believes swift legislative action is necessary to ensure the law clearly preserves the states' ability to administer elections as provided for in the U.S. Constitution. Without such action, future administrations could feel empowered to take similar actions that would lead to an unprecedented takeover of state elections and voting systems.

"I am not suggesting that Secretary Johnson or DHS has anything other than honorable intentions and a sincere desire to ensure our nation's elections are

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10/12 - Chicken alfredo, green beans, cooked peas, dinner roll w/butter, cheese stick, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; ALSO: Chef salad OR Variety of sandwiches w/salad bar

### Sudoku solution from page 13

2	7	6	1	2	9	3	9	8
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3	2	2	9	7	9	6	8	1
7	9	9	6	1	8	2	2	3
8	6	1	3	2	2	7	7	9

10/13 - Chicken nuggets, tator tots, carrot & celery sticks w/dip, dinner roll w/ butter, assorted juices, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; ALSO: Chef salad OR Variety of sandwiches w/salad bar

10/14 - Fiestada, romaine lettuce salad w/dressing, carrot sticks, assorted canned and fresh fruits, milk; ALSO: Chef salad OR Variety of sandwiches w/salad bar

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secure," Secretary Husted wrote. "But one day, this federal power could be used for far less honorable purposes or without authorization from state elections officials."

As Secretary Husted also noted in the letter, there is a role for the federal government to play in working with states to ensure our elections are secure. In fact, the Ohio Secretary of State's Office has been working with both state and federal agencies to prepare for the upcoming November 8th Presidential Election.

### NH GIRLS FALL TO HUNTINGTON NORTH

On Tuesday, September 27th, the New Haven Lady Bulldogs traveled to Huntington North High School for a game of volleyball. Despite the best efforts of the Bulldogs, Huntington North, with the home advantage, took the game in three sets. The score by set goes as follows: 11-25, 22-25, 16-25

A few of the New Haven leaders of the game included: Hoffer - 3 aces, 12 digs, 6 kills; DeCamp - 2 aces, 13 digs, 2 kills; Jordan - 1 ace, 1 dig, 1 assist, 7 kills; T. Creed - 3 digs, 15 assists

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The Indiana Department of Transportation announced that nearly \$80 million in federal transportation funding is being awarded to 64 cities, towns, and counties in rural portions of Indiana to invest in local road and bridge improvements as well as sidewalk and trail projects. Combined with local funds, almost \$135 million is being invested in infrastructure in communities receiving funds.

“Over the last decade, Indiana has demonstrated a commitment to investing in infrastructure that is nearly unmatched,” Lieutenant Governor Eric Holcomb said. “Modern roads and bridges keep commerce moving at the speed of the 21st-century economy and sidewalks and trails help create the sense of place that sparks vibrant communities which attract businesses and talent to the Hoosier state.”

For the first time, INDOT has set aside a portion of the funds awarded, approximately \$5 million, to sidewalk improvements in rural communities. The new sidewalk program for smaller communities is part of INDOT’s “Common Paths” initiative. Common Paths unifies and implements the agency’s transportation programs and policies regarding planning and design, including Complete Streets, bicycles, and pedestrians. Also, INDOT is investing \$2.5 million each year improving crosswalks and other sidewalk infrastructure along state highways in both rural and urban communities.

INDOT dedicates approximately 25 percent of its federal highway funds to supporting local projects each year. Metropolitan Planning Organizations distribute those funds to cities, towns, and counties within the state’s larger urbanized areas while INDOT distributes funds outside MPO areas. Communities must pay at least

20 percent in local matching funds and meet other federal requirements to receive federal funding.

For this latest round of funding, rural communities will design, develop and purchase land for projects that would be bid during the fiscal year beginning July 2020. While the funds awarded now are dedicated to construction, INDOT will be financially participating in design, engineering, and right of way acquisition components of these projects.

A list of all communities receiving funds is online at [www.in.gov/indot/3581.htm](http://www.in.gov/indot/3581.htm)

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**MINIMIZING SOIL COMPACTION DURING HARVEST**

By: Patrick Troyer, Education Specialist Paulding SWCD

It is that time of the year once again when farmers across Paulding County are getting back in the fields to harvest their crops. Harvest can sometimes be dry or it can be wet, one year is different from the other. Since August, we have received a fair share of rain and now when corn and soybeans are in a low water use period. With wet soils and declined water use by corn and soybeans, there is the potential for some soil compaction as the harvest season progresses. When we have high amounts of soil moisture combined with heavy traffic from com-

bines, tractors, grain carts, and semis, our compaction chances increase.

While time may get the better of us and we want to get our crops out as quickly as possible, we should think how the ruts and deep tracks we leave behind will impact our soil later on. Compaction is a bad thing to have in your field for a wide variety of reasons. The No-Till Farmer notes the following as the top 8 reasons to avoid soil compaction: (1) causes nutrient deficiencies, (2) reduces crop productivity, (3) restricts development of roots, (4) reduces soil aeration, (5) decreases soil available water, (6) reduces infiltration rate, (7) increases bulk density, (8) increases sediment and nutrient losses.

Overall crop productivity for future growing seasons is hurt for a variety of different reasons. Most importantly, is that compaction compresses the soil to the extent that roots have increased difficulty penetrating the soil and becoming established. The heavy clay soils that we have in Paulding County certainly do not help the compaction issue any as clay is very good at holding moisture and keeping its shape. A common site in fields with heavy soil compaction is to see plants with shallow or exposed roots that essentially stopped because they could not go any deeper. Shallow roots cause nutrient deficiencies in crops as the roots are not deep enough to grab any nutrients.

With the soil compacted, aeration is also affected. Depending on the proportions of sand, silt, and clay, there are pore spaces which allow for oxygen to enter the soil which helps organisms living in the soil as well as air movement around the roots. Compaction pretty much takes away the air spaces which makes it hard for oxygen to effectively move through the soil. Water infiltration is also impacted due to compaction as it cannot easily enter the soil when it is severely compacted. When a big rain event comes along, water simply runs off the surface and filling our creeks and streams. Along with water not being able to penetrate and running off, nutrients will be lost as well.

So what can be done to avoid the consequences of soil compaction as we begin harvest? The No-Till Farmer offers the following four tips to save your soil from compaction this fall.

Tip #1 Have Dedicated Travel Lanes. A majority of growers in the area likely utilize “on the go” unloading where they have a grain cart following the combine down the field. To help minimize compaction, growers should consider using dedicated

**OAKWOOD 6TH GRADERS ATTEND TOLEDO OPERA PERFORMANCE**



Shown here are: Front row left to right: Benji Parks, Olivia Logan, and Bryanna Winke. Back row left to right: Cassie Weller, Tyler Sherry, Mrs. Wehrkamp, Hannah Leaman, Shelby Fort, Emma McClure, Caydence Rue, Gabe Nunez, Gavin King, Gage Lloyd, Joe Estle, and Clinton VanScoder.

Several Oakwood elementary sixth graders recently attended the Toledo Opera’s performance of “The Barber of Seville.” The students have been learning about opera in music class and enjoyed this

very funny performance at the Valentine Theater. Mrs. Wehrkamp and the students wish to thank parents Nicole Estle and Andrea Grieve for helping with transportation.

travel lanes (use the same track) on their way to unload the grain cart. Another idea is to consider not loading the grain cart to capacity.

Tip #2 Tire Size. No-Till Farmer suggest that growers look at the size of their tires as well as the air pressure for the axle load being carried. Large tires with decreased air pressure will provide much reduced pressure on the soil and essentially lighten the load applied. On the contrary, large tires that are fully inflated will have the largest imprint on the soil.

Tip#3 Check Soil Moisture. This particular point cannot be stressed enough when it comes to compaction. If the soil looks wet judgement needs to be used on whether it is worth leaving ruts in the field. Much work after the fact can be saved if fields are allowed to dry. One good way to check soil moisture is by doing the ribbon test. For this test, grab a handful of soil and push a ribbon between your thumb and index finger. Should your ribbon break off after 1 to 2 inches, your soil is fit and the risk for compaction is rather low. No-Till Farmer states that if you get a 4 to 5-inch ribbon, the soil is rather wet and the risk for compaction is high. Giving your soil an extra day to dry will make quite the difference.

Tip#4 Reduce Tillage. For this tip, the easiest thing to do is to put your tillage operations on hold until the point which soil conditions are adequate. The best thing to do is avoid tillage when the soil is wet to reduce your compaction risk.

The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District reminds you that we are here to answer any questions you may have on ways you can

play a part in protecting our soils. We wish all growers a safe and plentiful harvest!

**FAIRVIEW ATHLETIC RESULTS**

The JH girls cross country team won the Edgerton Invitational out of 6 teams and 56 runners! Top runners were Leah Smith, Wendy Arend, Leah Layman and Gabriella McCool.

The HS girls cross country team placed 3rd at the Edgerton Invitational out of 11 teams. Brook Hardy ran her Personal best with 22:55! They will race at home tomorrow evening.

On Saturday, October 1st, the high school boys cross country team competed at the Edgerton Invitational. The boys finished 2nd as a team. Austin Johnson finished 2nd. Shamar Midgett finished 5th. Lane Kolb finished 6th. Nick Breninger finished 18th. Jaxon Hart finished 19th. Garrett Carpenter finished 23rd. Kevin Macsayer finished 64th. Garrett Bennett finished 71st. Luke Skinner finished 75th. Kaleb Ankey finished 91st. Nick Reed finished 97th. Devine Weber finished 100th. Alex Nichols finished 115th. The boys will host a meet a Fairview against Paulding and Edgerton with a 4:30 pm start time, behind the stadium.

On Saturday, October 1st, the junior high boys cross country team competed at the Edgerton Invitational. The boys finished 5th as a team. Treyvon Hastings placed 2nd. Riley Krill finished 23rd. Samuel Clemens finished 35th. Ethan Underwood finished 44th. Sam Miller finished 58th with a personal best 15:07. Nick Geissinger finished 59th. Merrick Breckler finished 88th. Oliver Romero finished 97th. The boys will host a meet a Fairview against Paulding and Edgerton with a 4:30 pm start time, behind the stadium.

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