

## LET IT SNOW!



A developing storm system from the west moved into the region bringing slightly warmer air, moisture and snowfall to much of the region. The large front moved through this past weekend after stalling over northeast Indiana and northwest Ohio, bringing heavy snow. The region received between 5 and 10 inches of snow and the kids loved it! Many times warnings come in and the youngsters are all disappointed when they wake up and still have to go to school. Not this time! Now they're just disappointed because of all the shoveling they have to do to clean this heavy mess. Perfect for making a snow man!

The first winter storm hit Paulding County, on Sunday. Snow fall ranged from 5" to the southern portion to as much as 8" in the northern region, with some rain mix near the Van Wert County line, later on into the night. Local Law enforcement in the area reported some vehicles off the roadway, but no serious accidents. Road crews worked through Sunday night into Monday morning

to keep the roadways open and passable.

With the recent snow fall and deep freezing temperatures on the way, Mother Nature is reminding us that we need to get prepared for the winter weather that hits Northwest Ohio each year. We need to dress for the cold, multi-layer of loose clothing, have our faces covered, and wear gloves or mittens and heavy socks. Ears, nose, fin-

gers and toes are the most vulnerable to frostbite. Our bodies react differently to extreme conditions as we age. Among other factors, young children play outside in the snow and tend to get their clothing wet. This draws the heat away from their bodies quicker. Adults that work out in the frigid temperatures, not only need to dress

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## MONITOR WEATHER FORECASTS AND ROAD CONDITIONS BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

Drivers often aren't prepared for winter driving - especially early in the season - and forget to take it slow. The first snow events of the season typically bring higher rates of crashes and slide-offs as motorists get re-acustomed to driving in winter weather.

- Reduce speeds. Remember, "ice and snow, take it slow." Nobody should be driving summer interstate speeds in winter weather. Plan plenty of time to reach your destination safely and be patient. Don't put yourself and others in a dangerous situation by being in a rush.
- Keep a safe distance. Make sure your vehicle is fol-

lowing at a safe distance to stop. Do not tailgate, especially around snow plows, and try not to pass. Give snowplows room to work, and "don't crowd the plow."

- Pay attention. Avoid all distractions and focus only on the task of driving safely. Be aware of your surroundings, drive defensively and be alert for others who are not driving safely.

The National Weather Service offers an easy and convenient graphical forecast tool at [digital.weather.gov](http://digital.weather.gov).

INDOT offers links to many winter weather resources, including road condition information and winter driving safety tips, at [winter.indot.in.gov](http://winter.indot.in.gov).

Subscribe to receive text and email alerts about INDOT projects and services at <http://bit.ly/INDOTsubscription>.

Find links to INDOT's regional Facebook and Twitter pages at <http://bit.ly/INDOT-social>. INDOT will be providing snow and ice removal updates with posts tagged #INDOTWinterOps.

## NEW HAVEN PARKS AND RECREATION OFFICES MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

New Haven Parks and Recreation offices were closed on Monday, December 12, 2016, so that the Park Department Offices could be moved from their current location of 1125 Hartzell Street, New Haven, to the New Haven Community Center, 7500 SR 930 E, Fort Wayne, IN. This move was the first phase in expanding new classes and facility offerings for the de-

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## HICKSVILLE RESIDENT & WAYNE TRACE TEACHER PATRICIA HART WAS RECENTLY NAMED TEACHER OF THE YEAR BY GREATER FW BUSINESS WEEKLY MAGAZINE



Hart taught Spanish at Antwerp Local Schools for eight years beginning in 1990. She is currently in her first year in the Wayne Trace school system, again teaching Spanish.

Prior to winning the award, Hart had never heard of the magazine and only found out about its existence when she learned that she had won. "Every year they have educator awards," she said, adding that her nomination came about while teaching Spanish in the DeKalb Central school system.

"I was extremely honored and humbled," she said, "and shocked beyond belief." Hart learned of winning the award via the school e-mail at Wayne Trace. "I don't know how they got my e-mail address," she laughed, adding that she learned of her nomination at the same time she won.

"Apparently I won hands down," she said. "The letter said it was 'thanks to a glowing recommendation.' I took it to the principal at Wayne Trace, who smiled and said it was just wonderful."

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## EACS SPECIAL OLYMPIC BOWLERS SHOW UP BIG AT STATE



East Allen County Schools Special Olympic bowlers did an awesome job at the Special Olympics State Bowling tournament on Saturday, December 3. There were 9 athletes representing EACS, those being:

Elizabeth Jones - New Haven Intermediate, Baylee Minth, New Haven Middle School, Mitchell Schultz and Luke Muschell, Woodlan

Elementary, Lauren Smith, Heritage Elementary, Alex McNeal, Collin Bergman and Jon Allgeier, Woodlan Jr. Sr. High, Mollie Sullivan - IREACH

EACS brought home 4 silver medals, 1 bronze medal, 1 fourth place ribbon, and 3 fifth place ribbons!!

It was an awesome day! Lindsey Lortie and Katy Wood were the coaches.

## SANTA COMING TO ANTWERP

This is the time of year where the children start getting excited about Santa, and he starts to make his rounds to hear from the children on what they want him to bring them.

On Saturday, December 17th, Santa will be in our area! He will be at the Antwerp Fire Station to see the children between 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. So bring the children and let them tell Santa how good they have been and what they want for Christmas!

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**OBITUARIES**

ANTWERP, OH:

**Dennis Lee McMichael**, 59, of Antwerp, passed away Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at Vancrest of Antwerp.

Dennie was born in Hicksville on April 3, 1957, a son of the late Ruth (Bryan) and John "Gaylord" McMichael.

He never knew a stranger and was loved by everyone he befriended.

Dennie is survived by his siblings, Byron, Jimmy, Olen & Larry McMichael, Dinah Collins, Isabella Rodriguez, Marciel Gordon and a host of nieces and nephews.

He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Bob McMichael & Donald Rickels.

Service is Friday, 11 am with viewing one hour at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp.

Viewing is also Thursday, 5 - 8 pm at Dooley Funeral Home

He will be laid to rest at Bethel Cemetery.

Memorials are to Antwerp Athletic Boosters

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at [www.dooleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.dooleyfuneralhome.com)

ANTWERP, OH:

**Edith F. Lloyd**, 102 of Antwerp passed away Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at St. Anne's Home, Fort Wayne. Her family was assisted by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

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for the climate but get out of the weather and warm up on a regular basis. And let's not forget the elderly, older adults are at a higher risk because they tend to lose body heat more quickly and are more likely to take medications that affect their ability to regulate body temperature. As a result, they are at higher risk for complications from hypothermia, frostbite and other cold weather illnesses and injuries. When the snow falls and the mercury drops, call or visit older friends, neighbors and loved ones to ensure they have what they need to stay warm and healthy.

Let's not forget to winterize your vehicle as well, check or have a mechanic check on the following items on your vehicle:

Antifreeze levels - ensure antifreeze levels are sufficient to avoid freezing.

Battery & Ignition System - should be in top condition and battery terminals should be clean.

Brakes - check for wear and fluid levels

Exhaust System - check for leaks and crimped pipes and

repair or replace as necessary. Carbon monoxide is deadly and usually gives no warning.

Fuels & Air filters - replace and keep water out of the system by using additives and maintaining full tanks of gas. A full tank of gas will keep the fuel line from freezing.

Heater & Defroster - ensure it works properly.

Oil - check for level and weight. Heavier oils congeal more at low temperatures and don't lubricate as well.

Thermostat - ensure it works properly

Windshield Wiper Equipment - repair any problems, replace blades and maintain proper washer fluid levels.

Tires - make sure the tires have adequate tread. All-weather radials are usually adequate for most winter conditions.

Update the emergency kit in your vehicle, when it comes to winter weather. Have the following additional items in your vehicle...

Shovel, Tow strap, Windshield scraper and small broom, Road salt & Kitty litter, Water & Snack foods, Matches, Extra hats, socks and gloves, Necessary Medications, Blankets

*A friendly reminder, from the Paulding County EMA...*

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 12/14 - 12/20**

12/14 - Boiled dinner with smoked sausage, spinach salad, warm pitted cherries, apple corn muffin, milk

12/15 - Chicken stew, Betty salad, tropical fruit, biscuit, lemon pudding, milk

12/16 - Smothered steak, baked potato, fiesta corn, carrot, raisin & pineapple salad, rolls, birthday cake, milk

12/19 - Creamed chicken, mashed potatoes, peas, cinnamon applesauce, cookie, biscuit, milk

12/20 - Chili spaghetti, peas & onions, orange juice, garlic bread, cake, milk

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 12/14 - 12/20**

12/14 - Bingo w/Community Health Professionals at 12:00 p.m.; Support Groups starting at 12:15 p.m.; Trip to Vantage - leave center at 8:00 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.

12/15 - Blood pressure & Toe nail clinic at 9:30 a.m.; Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Penny Pitch with Meadows of Kalida at 12:00 p.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.; Evening meal at 5:00 p.m.

12/16 - Christmas Party and Exchange; Red Hat Christmas Party; Commodity distribution at 11:00 a.m.; Bible study at 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open at 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

12/19 - "Shedding Pounds"

at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Bridge Club Meeting; Site council and Steering committee - Joint meeting at 12:00 p.m.

12/20 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.

**NURSING LEADERSHIP GROUP AT LUTHERAN RAISES THE STAKES FOR ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE**

A sweet ending to Lutheran Hospital's annual food drive for Community Harvest Food Bank is bound to make associates smile and administrators flinch. Lutheran's co-chief medical officers Geoff Randolph, MD, and Matthew Sutter, MD, will receive whipped cream pies in the face Monday at 10:00 a.m. as part of a friendly competition among the different floors of the hospital and its leadership team.

The pie toss will take place in Lutheran's south lobby, located between Medical Office Building Two, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd. and Medical Office Building One. The pie portion of the campaign resulted from friendly competition among nine administrators who were assigned one of six floors to encourage hospital-wide participation. The floor that collected the most food items, Lutheran's 2nd floor, was declared the winner. Its administrators are being spared. All others are supposed to receive a pie in the face. However, cash donations were also collected to buy-out of the pie penalty for all except for those who raised the least.

Representatives from Lutheran's Nursing Leadership Group and Community Harvest will attend the pie toss and then load the 2,883 non-perishable food items onto a truck for delivery to the food bank. CHFB representatives will also receive a check for the money raised at that time.

On average, CHFB supplies approximately 250,000 pounds of food a week to nine counties.

**NEARLY 67,000 DEER CHECKED DURING OHIO'S WEEKLONG GUN HUNTING SEASON**

Hunters checked 66,759 white-tailed deer during Ohio's 2016 deer-gun hunting season, Nov. 28-Dec. 4, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Last year, hunters checked 73,392 deer over the weeklong deer-gun season.

Two days (Saturday, December 17, and Sunday, December 18) of deer-gun season remain. The muzzleloader season is January 7-10, 2017, and archery season remains open through Sunday, February 5, 2017.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife remains committed to properly managing Ohio's deer populations. The goal of Ohio's Deer Management Program is to provide a deer population that maximizes recreational opportunities, while minimizing conflicts with landowners

and motorists.

**Hunting Popularity**

Hunting is the best and most effective management tool for maintaining Ohio's healthy deer population. Ohio ranks fifth nationally in resident hunters and 11th in the number of jobs associated with hunting-related industries. Hunting has a more than \$853 million economic impact in Ohio through the sale of equipment, fuel, food, lodging and more, according to the National Shooting Sports Foundation's Hunting in America: An Economic Force for Conservation publication.

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).

Editor's Note: A list of all white-tailed deer checked by hunters during the weeklong 2016 deer-gun hunting season is shown below. The first number following the county's name shows the harvest numbers for 2016, and the 2015 numbers are in parentheses.

Adams: 1,082 (1,585); Allen: 363 (387); Ashland: 1,225 (1,232); Ashtabula: 1,946 (2,002); Athens: 1,377 (1,666); Auglaize: 268 (299); Belmont: 1,360 (1,516); Brown: 823 (1,054); Butler: 289 (338); Carroll: 1,494 (1,576); Champaign: 356 (419); Clark: 184 (207); Clermont: 542 (776); Clinton: 260 (292); Columbiana: 1,307 (1,458); Coshoc-ton: 2,325 (2,419); Crawford: 569 (576); Cuyahoga: 47 (46); Darke: 259 (282); **Defiance: 773 (865)**; Delaware: 411 (418); Erie: 206 (192); Fairfield: 681 (760); Fayette: 108 (125); Franklin: 157 (133); Fulton: 362 (361); Gallia: 1,211 (1,523); Geauga: 479 (508); Greene: 203 (220); Guernsey: 1,885 (1,995); Hamilton: 155 (252); Hancock: 454 (486); Hardin: 477 (542); Harrison: 1,573 (1,664); Henry: 345 (365); Highland: 948 (1,189); Hocking: 1,288 (1,592); Holmes: 1,484 (1,362); Huron: 1,074 (1,006); Jackson: 1,031 (1,323); Jefferson: 1,138 (1,169); Knox: 1,942 (1,755); Lake: 167 (160); Lawrence: 795 (1,020); Licking: 1,609 (1,865); Logan: 639 (765); Lorain: 683 (637); Lucas: 129 (113); Madison: 158 (147); Mahoning: 594 (556); Marion: 403 (363); Medina: 604 (545); Meigs: 1,373 (1,544); Mercer: 262 (235); Miami: 196 (235); Monroe: 1,131 (1,316); Montgomery: 103 (128); Morgan: 1,179 (1,418); Morrow: 626 (584); Muskingum: 2,112 (2,283); Noble: 1,271 (1,333); Ottawa: 105 (97); **Paulding: 425 (523)**; Perry: 1,156 (1,340); Pickaway: 270 (345); Pike: 753 (954); Portage: 559 (553); Preble: 235 (284); Putnam: 274 (304); Richland: 1,228 (1,222); Ross: 1,102 (1,264); Sandusky: 219 (258); Scioto: 890 (1,164); Seneca: 835 (779); Shelby: 334 (387); Stark: 798 (863); Summit: 174 (167); Trumbull: 1,144 (1,142); Tuscarawas: 2,045 (1,999); Union: 271 (336); Van Wert: 211 (237); Vinton: 1,111 (1,440); Warren: 236 (319); Washington: 1,502 (1,738); Wayne: 730

**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship."

*Galatians 4:4-5*

**NEW HAVEN MIDDLE SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY**



Recently, the New Haven Middle School cheerleaders had a service project at Genius Nursing Home in New

Haven. They did Christmas crafts, wrapped gifts, and sang carols with the residents.

(683); **Williams: 655 (823)**; Wood: 286 (293); Wyandot: 716 (696). Total: 66,759 (73,392).

**OHSAA ANNOUNCES INAUGURAL JUNIOR HIGH TRACK AND FIELD STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Ohio High School Athletic Association will conduct its Inaugural 7th and 8th Grade Track and Field State Championships on May 13, 2017, OHSAA Commissioner Dr. Dan Ross has announced. The event, which has been discussed for several years by the OHSAA's Middle School Committee, was officially approved by the OHSAA Board of Directors at its October meeting.

Qualifying standards and state qualifiers will be coordinated through an online process at [www.BaumsPage.com](http://www.BaumsPage.com), with the one-day state championships set for Lancaster High School. Any running event time must be obtained at a regular-season meet using fully automated timing. Field events must be certified by an OHSAA licensed official. The top 16 performers in each event will qualify for the state championships. If a top 16 qualifier cannot attend, the next student-athlete on the performance list will be invited until 16 qualifiers are confirmed.

"Many people might not know that the OHSAA oversees 7th and 8th grade sports, too, for member junior high schools," Dr. Ross said. "We have been looking at ways to expand our involvement with middle schools and expand opportunities for them to get involved in a tournament setting. This will accomplish both

of those goals and show them that when they compete in an OHSAA tournament event, ideals like sportsmanship, respect and camaraderie are the most important lessons to be learned."

The 7th and 8th grade track and field state championships will become the second event the OHSAA has introduced for middle school students. The OHSAA Middle School Cross Country Invitational in October has been held for the last four years.

The online qualifying process will be very similar to the one used for seated athletes who qualify for the OHSAA track and field state championships.

Events: 10 running events and 5 field events

Qualifiers: 16 qualifiers per event, based on top marks posted throughout the season at [www.BaumsPage.com](http://www.BaumsPage.com) (running events must be under Fully Automatic Timing). A student-athlete can qualify for up to three events

State Meet Participants: Cutoff for qualifying is midnight on May 6, 2017. Those who qualify for the state meet must do so by noon on Sunday, May 7, 2017, until the 16 qualifying slots are filled

Schedule: Field events will begin at 11:00 a.m. Running events will begin at 2:00 p.m., with two seeded heats per event

Entry Fee: \$10 per student-athlete per event. OHSAA will invoice schools after the state meet.

For More Information: Contact Dale Gabor at [dgabor@ohsaa.org](mailto:dgabor@ohsaa.org) or 614-267-2502

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The aforementioned glowing recommendation came from Sarah Johnson, a student she had taught at DeKalb Central High School, Auburn, as a junior and senior. Johnson has since become a student at Indiana University, majoring in biology, chemistry and Spanish.

"She had known all along she wanted to be a physician," said Hart, adding that Johnson had expressed a desire to work overseas and had visited Mexico with Hart and another student.

Hart had taught Johnson for a year and a half, not counting a semester where Johnson studied online and found it lacking. "She told me that she'd kept asking, 'How would Mrs. Hart say that?'" she said.

After going on to IU, Johnson informed her mentor that she had tested out of several Spanish courses there, starting in at second-semester Spanish II. "That's the equivalent of Spanish IV in high school," Hart said.

"Her letter was very touching; I cried when I read it," she said. "The letter said I wasn't in teaching for the money; that I spread enthusiasm for learning."

"When I told her I won," she said, 'you deserve it because you changed my life.' It put an end to all the wondering about teaching being really for me."

Hart's husband Bruce is a Hicksville Village Firefighter. The Harts are in the process of opening the Uptown Cafe restaurant in Hicksville.

### USDA BOOSTS HEALTHY FOOD ACCESS, SETS NEW STANDARDS FOR SNAP RETAILERS

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack announced final changes to increase access to healthy food choices for participants in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The provisions in this rule require SNAP authorized retail establishments to offer a larger inventory and variety of healthy food options.

"This final rule balances the need to improve the healthy staple foods available for purchase at participating stores, while maintaining food access for SNAP recipients in underserved rural and urban areas," said Vilsack. "We received many helpful comments on the proposed rule and have modified the final rule in important ways to ensure that these dual goals are met. I am confident that this rule will ensure the retailers that participate in SNAP offer a variety of healthy foods for purchase and that SNAP recipients will continue to have access to the stores they need to be able to purchase food."

The final rule provides long overdue updates to SNAP retailer eligibility cri-

teria. Previously, a retailer could be authorized to participate in the program with a minimum inventory of 12 items. Now, the number of required food items is expanded to a minimum of 84. These changes are in keeping with the primary purpose of the program.

USDA extended the comment period for the proposed rule to ensure all interested parties had the opportunity to bring their voice to the final rule, and made significant changes to respond to those comments. The final rule announced today incorporates feedback from over 1,200 comments received and ensures the new standards will balance commenters' concerns.

In particular, in the final rule multiple ingredient foods will continue to count towards retailer eligibility. In addition, the existing regulatory requirement that specifies the threshold of hot and cold prepared foods sold that makes a location an ineligible restaurant (rather than an eligible SNAP retailer) is far more flexible than in the proposed rule. Now the requirement is nearly the same as the requirement that has been in place for some time with only a modest change to account for foods heated and consumed on site after purchase.

Changes to the definition of accessory foods ensure that stores are not able to participate in SNAP by selling primarily snack foods. At the same time, the definition of variety has been expanded to make it easier for stores to meet the new requirements mandated by the Agricultural Act of 2014, and the number of each variety of staple food items retailers must have in stock has been halved as compared to the proposed rule from six to three.

For more information about this final rule, please visit: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/enhancing-retailer-standards-supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap>.

USDA has taken many steps in the last several years to strengthen SNAP and increase access to healthy foods. Recently, USDA sought retailer volunteers for a two-year, nationwide pilot to enable SNAP participants to purchase their groceries online. USDA also provided funding to incentivize participants in SNAP to purchase more healthy fruits and vegetables through the Food Insecurity Nutrition Incentive Program, increased farmers market participation in SNAP to improve access to fresh and nutritious food, and announced a purchase and delivery pilot, which is designed for non-profits and government entities to improve access to groceries solely for homebound elderly and disabled SNAP recipients.

As the nation's first line of defense against hunger, SNAP helps put food on the table for millions of low in-

come families and individuals every month and is critical in the fight against hunger. SNAP is a vital supplement to the monthly food budgets of about 45 million low-income individuals. Nearly half of SNAP participants are children, 10 percent are elderly and more than 40 percent of recipients live in households with earnings. SNAP plays an important role in reducing both poverty and food insecurity in the United States—especially among children. SNAP is an effective and efficient health intervention for low-income families with a positive impact on children beginning before birth and lasting beyond childhood years, improving health, education, and economic outcomes.

### MOST OHIO ADULTS HAVE USED A FARMERS MARKET IN THE PAST YEAR

The 2016 Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP), sponsored by Interact for Health, asked Ohio adults about their use of farmers markets. More than half (54 percent) said they had purchased food at a farmers market in the past year.

A farmers market is a place where a number of farmers gather on a regular basis, often weekly, to sell their products and produce. Items sold can include fruits and vegetables, as well as other locally produced products such as honey, eggs, cheese and meat. "Our state has many wonderful farmers markets, some being held yearlong," says Jaime Love, Program Officer, Interact for Health. Farmers markets improve access to locally grown produce. Because vegetables and fruits are sold there, farmers markets are seen as a way to promote a healthier diet.

Adults with more education more likely to buy at farmers market

There were no differences by gender or age. However, adults with more education were more likely to have shopped at a farmers market. About 6 in 10 adults with at least some college said they had done so. That compares with only 4 in 10 adults with a high school diploma or less education.

O'dell M. Owens, M.D., M.P.H., President/CEO of Interact for Health, says "Shopping at farmers markets is a good way for people to include more local products in their diet, thereby improving their health and supporting local communities at the same time. The Board and staff of Interact for Health are pleased to provide these data to inform and support our community in making healthy choices."

Adults with more income more likely to shop at farmers market

OHIP also found that adults with more income were more likely to shop at a farmers market. More than 6 in 10 adults earning more than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) (65 percent) said they had done so. This compares with only 4 in 10 adults earning 200% FPL or less. In recent years, some farmers markets have been allowed to accept payment through the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP benefits help low-income individuals and families buy food. As of November 2016, Ohio had 111 SNAP-authorized farmers markets.

Most spent \$20 or less

OHIP also asked "On your last visit to a farmers market, approximately how much did you spend?" About 6 in 10 adults (58 percent) said they had spent \$20 or less. Among

those, most spent between \$11 and \$20.

More information about Ohioans' use of farmers markets, and other topics, is available at [www.interactforhealth.org/ohio-health-issues-poll](http://www.interactforhealth.org/ohio-health-issues-poll).

About the Ohio Health Issues Poll

The 2016 Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP) is funded by Interact for Health. OHIP was conducted July 14 - Aug. 5, 2016, by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati. A random sample of 863 adults from throughout Ohio was interviewed by telephone. This included 439 landline telephone interviews and 424 cell phone interviews. In 95 of 100 cases, statewide estimates will be accurate to ± 3.3%. There are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as non-response, question wording or context effects that can introduce error or bias. For more information about the Ohio Health Issues Poll, please visit [www.interactforhealth.org/ohio-health-issues-poll](http://www.interactforhealth.org/ohio-health-issues-poll).

About Interact for Health

Interact for Health is building healthy communities for all people. We serve as a catalyst for health and wellness by promoting healthy living through grants, education, research, policy and engagement. Interact for Health is an independent foundation that serves 20 counties in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. More information is available on our website, [www.interactforhealth.org](http://www.interactforhealth.org).

### HIGHER EDUCATION EFFICIENCY BILL APPROVED BY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Legislation granting the Auditor of State's office authority to conduct performance audits of higher education institutions passed through the Ohio House of Representatives and awaits Gov. John Kasich's signature. It received Senate approval on Wednesday.

House Bill 384 will give the Auditor's office explicit authority to include a public college or university in one of the four required performance audits each biennium. Those four audits are currently limited to state agencies.

Performance audits identify operational efficiencies that public entities can use to reduce costs and improve service. Since Auditor Yost took office, the Ohio Performance Team (OPT) has identified more than \$234 million in potential savings for state agencies, local governments and school districts throughout Ohio. Since OPT's inception, more than \$1 billion in savings have been recommended.

"Ohio has a world-class university system," Auditor Yost said. "This bill will help to contain costs and further their mission."

Auditor Yost thanked everyone whose support helped bring the legislation to fruition. Yost partnered with Representatives Tim Schaffer and Mike Duffey to draft the bill, which was introduced on Nov. 2, 2015 and approved by the House on Jan. 27 of this year. The bill has the support of the Ohio Association of Community Colleges (OACC) and the Inter-University Council (IUC).

In November, the Auditor's office and The Ohio State University announced a plan to collaborate on the first higher education performance audit. Possible focus areas for the audit include:

- Information technology systems and support
- Fleet management
- Procurement
- Food service
- Shared services

## ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS GIVE TO CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool/daycare asked for unwrapped toys instead of teacher Christmas gifts again this year. The children really came through bringing many, many toys for Christmas for Kids. Shown here with Rick Small from radio station 98.1 are Mrs. Ann Miller and Mrs. Carrie Lero along with children, Quenton Jackman, Carlie Lero and Reese Lero. Merry Christmas to all of the children and their families in Paulding County!

### WTGH VIP DAY



Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary held Very Important Person Day for Third Grade on Tuesday, November 29. Students with their VIP filled the day with fun activities, lunch and recess. Pictured here is 3rd graders and VIP working on Math Centers.

Like the performance audits of state agencies, institutions of higher education would be required to report to the General Assembly on any recommendations that are not implemented within three months after the end of the comment period.

### "RASA: AN ESSENCE BITTERSWEET" AN EXHIBIT BY PAULA NEES COMING TO SCHNORMEIER GALLERY

"Rasa: An Essence Bittersweet" art exhibit will be on display at Mount Vernon Nazarene University's Schnormeier Gallery January 4 to February 25, 2017. A reception for the show will be held on Friday, January 13, 2017, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

In this exhibition, artist Paula Nees gathers source material from multiple visits to India's Rajasthan state where small villages are the center of production of handmade fabric and paper. Through painting, textiles, and paper her work compiles imagery from work-

shops, outdoor spaces, and rooms occupied by artisans in this region to investigate an Indian aesthetic called "Rasa" — literally translated "the essence of a thing."

The show will be on display at Schnormeier Gallery weekdays from noon to 4:30 p.m. For more information on this exhibit and others coming to Buchwald Center visit [mvnu.edu/art-design](http://mvnu.edu/art-design).

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 2,200 students from 28 states and 17 countries/U.S. territories.

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**JESUS CHANGES OUR ROUTINE**

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

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire." Matthew 3:11-12 (NIV).

We are creatures of habit. We like our routines. We prefer familiar ground to unknown territory. Our habits and patterns for our lives are normal and predictable.

John tells us that we must change our ways. We must step out of the other kingdom, the kingdom of sin, and join the kingdom of heaven.

We must not only be baptized. We must respond to what baptism represents. We must change our lives. It does not matter who we claim to be. What matters is how we live our life. What matters are the decisions we make daily. What matters is our willingness to allow the old self to fully fall and be replaced by a new self, a self that is a child of God. The Christ who is coming is looking for lives that are not only capable of producing fruit but lives that are growing, lives that are actually yielding fruit.

The process of preparing for Christ's coming begins with individuals coming forward and acknowledging that they need God to come and help make their lives righteous and straight in accordance with the teachings of Christ. John calls people to exchange their current lifestyle for a kingdom lifestyle. Old routines have to go. Former habits need to be tossed aside. The wheat can stay, but the chaff must be burned.

John the Baptist comes in order to prepare the way for the Messiah, the One who is much more powerful than he. John the Baptist is here to proclaim the coming of the Messiah who will come and who will baptize with fire and the Holy Spirit. His igniting fire melts away our old habits and produces changed lives. He is the potter, and we are the clay. His consuming fire changes every aspect of our being.

When Jesus arrives, he does so in such a way that nothing remains the same.

Jesus enters right into the middle of our lives, infringing upon our comfort zones and daily routines, setting us on a new path, the path of salvation.

Prepare the way of the Lord. Make his paths straight. Jesus is coming; ready to save us, change us, and turn our regular routines upside down.

**NEW HAVEN HIGH STUDENT RECEIVES LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**



New Haven High School student Brianna Rhodes was rendered speechless today. She was an honored recipient of the coveted Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. She was given the news among her classmates, family, and mentors. Brianna intends to draw from life experiences to help her on her career path. It is her desire to study social work, and addictions counseling. She is excited to attend Indiana Wesleyan in the fall. Bri says, "I was really worried that college wasn't going to be an option, this is such a blessing, I am overwhelmed."

This is New Haven High School's second student in as many years to receive this prestigious award. According to their website, "the Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program was first offered in 1998. The Lilly Endowment Inc. awards full-tuition scholarships to selected students from each county in Indiana. Each scholarship must be used to pursue a baccalaureate degree at any accredited public or private Indiana college or university. The Endowments hopes that this program will continue to encourage many of Indiana's most talented students to attend one of Indiana's fine higher education institution and after graduation consider pursuing occupations in Indiana."

Brianna will receive, Full-tuition, required fees, and book stipend for four years. Recipients may attend any public or private, Indiana four year college or university.

**COIN COLLECTION HELD AT OAKWOOD**



Students shown with the coin jar are Alexis Wharry, Emily Keezer, Alivia Woodby, Hayden Elston, Jericho Guyton, Bryce Manz, and Kadence Thomas.

The Oakwood Elementary fourth graders held a coin collection the week of December 5th - 8th. The collection was held as a result of a story the students read about children and families throughout the

world who are left without homes due to various reasons such as natural disasters and war. The money collected will be sent to the "Save the Children" fund.

**CHRISTMAS EVE 2016 AT MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

For 77 years, Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church, located at 3497 Co. Rd. 424 in Antwerp, has celebrated Christmas Eve in the community. In 1939, mission work began by Rev. W. H. Werling and the first service of the church was held in the second story of the Starcccccccccc Theater on South Main St. in Antwerp.

The first chapel was located at Madison and Woodcox streets in 1951. A new building was constructed at the present location in 1967. A re-dedication service is set for September 17, 2017 with a fellowship meal at Grants following.

Please join the members and friends of Mt. Calvary this Christmas Eve for a candlelight service at 7:00 p.m. The theme is "Whoever Takes the Son Gets It All" based on Matthew 1:21-25.

**BIBLE QUESTIONS**

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

- 1st John 3:3; What does hope refer to in this verse?
  - 1st John 3:3; What does it mean to purify one's self?
  - 1st John 3:3; Does this verse mean our salvation is conditional? Yes or no.
  - 1st John 3:3; Does this verse teach the necessity of abstaining from every form of impurity? Yes or no.
  - 1st John 3:3; Does this verse encourage us to faithfulness which hope affords? Yes or no.
  - 1st John 3:3; Who is our example for purity?
  - 1st John 3:4; What does "whoever commits mean?"
  - 1st John 3:4; Is sin lawlessness? Yes or no.
  - 1st John 3:4; Lawlessness is contrary to whose law?
  - 1st John 3:4; Does lawlessness embrace sin both in committing sin and not doing what is right? Yes or no.
- Comments, questions, need help in studying the Bible? Let us know. You can contact James Potter at 419-393-4775 or e-mail him at jsp1941@yahoo.com or Lonnie Lambert at 419399-5022. Jesus loves you and so does the church of Christ.

Answers to today's questions:

1. A desire, expectation, and patiently waiting for the fulfillment; also to be like Christ;
2. It means to be cleansed of sin;
3. Yes;
4. Yes;
5. Yes;
6. Jesus;
7. Anyone who sin;
8. Yes;
9. Jesus;
10. Yes;

Today, let's see what the family of yesteryear was like: In America of yesteryear, "this is before 1960, the years grew

up in and the principles I was taught and still live by to this day. All of this came through family, friends and neighbors and most of all the church of Christ members. Loved ones, back then children were disciplined but first you disciplined yourself. Back then people went to church services regularly and took their children to Bible classes. Loved ones from back then would be horrified at (quick to change) any men in high places who made "deals." People back then expected to prosper only by doing a better job. Loved ones it is sickening to see what is going on in the world. Because of children not being disciplined today and they can be without beating them or forcing them to do things they don't want to do. Our government is the worst now and only getting worse because we have no leaders today and haven't since 1964. The character we need in this country today, is what brought this great country victory in World War 1, World War 2 and the Korean War, built this great country back from a shattering depression, and fed and saved the civilized world (materially). Are there enough of these righteous standards left to do it again? Today we need strong leaders with good character and who are not afraid to tell the world that without God, we will lose everything. "Ol' Baldy" says bye for now, but continue to pray, read and study the Bible, especially the New Testament. Luv Ya!

**MESSIAH SOLOISTS ANNOUNCED**

A biennial Christmas tradition returns to Van Wert's First United Methodist Church this Sunday, December 11 at 7:00 p.m. Handel's Messiah will be performed by a 60 voice community chorus, a 16 piece chamber orchestra and four soloists. The four soloists all have ties to the Ohio area, although two of them currently reside in New York City and the Boston area.

Soprano, Margaret Mack received her BM from the University of Toledo and her MM from The Ohio State University. She made her professional operatic debut in the world premiere of David Lang's Modern Painters at the Santa Fe Opera in New Mexico. She received the Outstanding Apprentice Award from the Santa Fe Opera for two seasons and went on to appear with the company in the world premiere performance, recording and PBS national telecast of Tobias Picker's opera, Emmeline. Other performances have

been with the Mid-Columbia Symphony in Richland, Washington, Aspen Opera Theatre in Colorado, Honolulu Symphony, Los Angeles Chorale, London Consort in the UK, and the West Bohemian State Orchestra in the Czech Republic. Recently, she performed Mendelssohn's Elijah and Brahms's Ein Deutsches Requiem in Saint Louis, MO. She has also sung with New Jersey Choral Society and Puccini Arias on the Metropolitan Museum of Art's concert series.

In 2015, Mack moved to Massachusetts following her marriage and now teaches voice at the Deerfield Academy.

Alto, Elizabeth "Betsy" Bellavia, originally from Kettering, Ohio, graduated from Bowling Green State University with a BM degree in Choral Music. While at BGSU, she played such roles as Mrs. Jones in Street Scene, Dorabella in Cosi Fan Tutte and Second Lady in Magic Flute. In her senior year at BGSU, she won the NPTS vocal competition for Senior Women in the state of Ohio.

Betsy has taught choral music throughout the state of Ohio at Lemon-Monroe, Kettering Fairmont, and Franklin High Schools and Fostoria Junior-Senior High School. She has directed and sung in many school and community theater productions. Betsy has sung with the Dayton Opera Chorus in the 2002 Opera Gala and the opera, Aida. She has also sung the National Anthem at the University of Dayton's men basketball games, Dayton Dragon baseball games and many BGSU events.

Currently, Betsy is a full time choral graduate assistant at BGSU getting her masters in choral conducting performance. Last spring Betsy played the role of Mama Lucian in BGSU's spring opera, Cavalleria Rusticana by Mascagni and is currently cast in the role of Olga Olsen in Kurt Weil's Street Scene. Betsy lives in Perrysburg, Ohio with her husband, Reverend Dan Bellavia, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Greater Toledo, and their three sons: Christopher, John, and James.

Daniel Doty is a tenor who is equally at home on the opera, theatre or concert stage. As participant of the Opera Theatre and Music Festival of Lucca, Daniel spent six weeks in the Tuscan village of Lucca (Italy) singing operatic arias at various venues associated with Lucca's most famous son, Giacomo Puccini. Mr. Doty has appeared in Master Classes with such Metropolitan Opera stars as

Martina Arroyo and Angela Brown.

Daniel holds a Bachelor of Music Education Degree from Bowling Green State University. He is also an ordained minister and holds a Master of Divinity degree from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary, Evanston, IL. Currently Daniel is Senior Minister at The Bath Church, United Church of Christ in Akron, Ohio. He is the proud father of three children - Kristian, Sean and Kaetlyn. Daniel makes his home in Wadsworth with his wife Amy and their youngest daughter Kaetlyn.

Baritone John Glann has performed over forty leading roles in opera, oratorio, and musical theatre. His repertoire ranges from the works of Bach, to Verdi, to contemporary compositions, including the world premiere of Robert Samels' revolutionary opera, Pilatus. Also an avid recitalist, he was hailed as a young Fischer-Dieskau for his performance of the Schumann Opus 24 Liederkreis at the Ann Arbor Art Fair Song Fest. Mr. Glann was a young artist with the opera companies of Indianapolis and Toledo, and has subsequently sung with numerous companies throughout the Midwest and New England.

A native of Ohio, John now resides in New York City, where he previously served as Chair of Classical Voice Studies at Wickham Vocal Studios, instructing many up-and-coming operatic talents, as well as Broadway leads, jazz singers, and cross-over artists. His private voice studio is now gaining acclaim for producing young singers with 'exceptional technical facility and dramatic intensity.' He also served as a Staff Vocal Coach at the Huron Playhouse, one of the nation's oldest and most successful summer theatres.

The public is invited to this performance of Handel's Messiah at First UM Church 113 W. Central Ave. Van Wert. The performance will include Part I as well as The Trumpet Shall Sound, Worthy is the Lamb/Amen, and the Hallelujah chorus. Paul Hoverman is the conductor and Gloria Wendel has been the rehearsal accompanist and will be playing organ on the performance.

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From left to right: Lisa Antrim, Youth Services Bureau Director; Amy George, Family Centered Services Executive Director and Heather Morgan, Board Member and Treasurer of Family Centered Services; Sid Schwartz, Vice President and Business Banking Officer for iAB Financial Bank

iAB Financial Bank recently donated \$2,500 to Family Centered Services to aid in their capital campaign to raise funds needed to complete their transition as they've recently moved into a new facility. "Family Centered Services does very worthwhile work in our community and we are privileged to be able to come alongside them with this contribution to aid in their move to a facility better suited to their needs and the services they provide," stated Sid Schwartz,

Vice President and Business Banking Officer for iAB Financial Bank. "We at iAB really value the opportunities we have to give back to our community partners."

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## IAB FINANCIAL BANK PROMOTES KEVIN SILLS TO BRANCH MANAGER OF BLUFFTON SOUTH AND OSSIAN OFFICES

iAB Financial Bank is pleased to announce Kevin Sills, branch manager for iAB's Bluffton South office, will now expand his role to also manage iAB's Ossian location.

Sills has been with iAB since September 2015 as the branch manager for the Bluffton South Office. He graduated from Ball State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He has worked in banking for over 8 years and has an agriculture background, having worked in farming equipment sales and being raised working on the family farm. Extremely active in his community, Sills sits on the board of the Wells County Boys and Girls Club. He also is a Wells County Chamber Ambassador and volunteers with Bluffton NOW!. In his spare time, he enjoys sports and fitness pursuits, working on family farm projects and spending time with his family.

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## USDA ANNOUNCES NEW CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY AND RESTORE WILDLIFE HABITAT

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) will offer farmers and ranchers more opportunities to participate in the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). The announcement includes new CRP practices to protect water quality and adds an additional 1.1 million acres targeted to benefit wildlife, pollinators and wetlands.

"The Conservation Reserve Program is an extremely popular voluntary program that offers producers and landowners a wide variety of opportunities to prevent erosion, protect wildlife habitat and reduce nutrient runoff," said Vilsack. "With the program close to the legal enrollment limit of 24 million acres, USDA has been working to use all of the tools at our disposal to maximize benefits by combining multiple soil, water and wildlife objectives in the areas where it is needed most."

Vilsack unveiled a new conservation initiative known as Clean Lakes, Estuaries and Rivers (CLEAR), which will add new tools to CRP that can help to improve water quality. CLEAR will assist landowners with the cost of building bioreactors and saturated buffers that filter nitrates and other nutrients from tile-drained cropland. Early estimates

indicate that CLEAR could help to reduce nitrate runoff by as much as 40 percent over traditional conservation methods. CLEAR may cover up to 90 percent of the cost to install these new practices through incentives and cost-share. These new methods are especially important in areas where traditional buffers have not been enough to prevent nutrients from reaching bodies of water.

USDA will also add an additional 1.1 million acres to a number of key CRP practices that are critically important to wildlife and conservation. These include 700,000 acres for State Acres for Wildlife Enhancement (SAFE) efforts, which restore high-priority wildlife habitat tailored to a specific state's needs. In addition to SAFE, 300,000 acres will be added to target wetlands restoration that are nature's water filters and 100,000 acres for pollinator habitat that support 30 percent of agricultural production.

The continued strong demand for CRP combined with the limited acreage available for enrollment and lower land rental rates, allows USDA to modify certain program components without affecting the integrity of the program. Signing incentives are being reduced by \$25 per acre on certain practices for fiscal year 2018 enrollments (incentives are currently between \$100 and \$150 per acre) and a cap on the maximum soil rental rate is being instituted for Continuous CRP at \$300 per acre. The savings from these changes are being re-invested back in CRP, including the additional acres for SAFE, pollinator habitat and wetlands restoration.

To learn more about FSA's conservation programs, visit [www.fsa.usda.gov/conservation](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/conservation) or contact your local FSA office. To find your local FSA office, visit <http://offices.usda.gov>.

Throughout the Obama Administration, USDA has generated thousands of critical partnerships to conserve and protect our natural resources on working landscapes, while enrolling a record number of acres in conservation programs. Seventy-percent of the nation's land is owned and tended to privately, and America's farmers, ranchers and landowners have willingly stepped up to address the growing impacts of a changing climate. With USDA's support, they are working to implement voluntary practices that improve air and water quality, prevent soil erosion and create and protect wildlife habitat. Since 2009, USDA has invested more than \$29 billion to help producers make conservation improvements, working with as many as 500,000 farmers, ranchers and landowners to protect land and water on over 400 million acres nationwide. Read more about USDA's record conservation outcomes under this Caring for our Land, Air and Water: Preserving Precious Natural Resources for Tomorrow.

## TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Mrs. Jennifer Moran, a Wayne Trace Education Teacher, has been selected as the Ohio Lottery Partners in Education Teacher of the Month for Region 2. The Partners in Education Teacher of the Month award recognizes outstanding K-12 teachers and faculty for their excellence in the classroom, leadership, creativity and community involvement and dedication on behalf of Ohio students.

Mrs. Moran was nominated because she has been instrumental in creating a new special education program that meets the functional needs of her students. She has not only created life skills lessons for her students that include food preparation,

cooking, serving and cleanup, but she has created an outreach program for them to connect with the community. Each month, her class visits the local assisted living residential home to spend time playing games with the residents. They also visit the local food bank to help set up for the community food distribution. In addition, each week her class manages and distributes the Blessings for Raiders weekend food program to students at Payne Elementary. Mrs. Moran has been awarded a Certificate of Excellence, a \$50 VISA gift card, Ohio Lottery Partners in Education merchandise, and her name recognized on the Ohio Lottery's web site.

## COIN DRIVE AT PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL



Paulding Middle School recently held a coin drive for 98.1's Christmas for Kids campaign. During the week of November 28-December 2, students at the school raised \$1140.87 for the cause. Pictured here is Paulding Middle School students Jacob Martinez and Paige Hull present Rick Small and Ray Daley with the money raised during the week.

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partment. Staff offices and senior programming are expected to transition from their current location to the new location next week. Early spring, enrichment classes and youth activity classes will move to the new facility. At a future date, anticipated Spring 2017, the fitness facility will open and along with it expanded exercise classes and child-watch.

In 2015, the New Haven Parks and Recreation Department, along with the City of New Haven, purchased the 16,000 square foot facility with the anticipation of fulfilling a long-time dream of creating a Community Center for the area. Once a drive in Mov-

ie Theater and Marine Corps league and most recently, an vehicle auction, this facility will now have a permanent home as a recreation facility for the community run by the Parks and Recreation Department. Facility improvements will continue on the property as money becomes available.

Contact: Mike Clendenen, Superintendent, New Haven Parks & Recreation (260)749-2212 or (260)750-0305

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## WINNING THE BEES @ HARLAN CHRISTIAN



Pictured from left: Sean James, Abrielle Johnson, Kaylee Witham, and Lily Wellman

On Wednesday, November 23rd, the 4th through 8th grade participated in the Spelling Bee and the Geography Bee. The students all had plans to party before Thanksgiving break, but first they had to spell their little hearts out and also work through the Geography Bee. During the spelling bee Sean James came in second place, while Abrielle Johnson out spelled everyone and became the

2016 HCS Spelling Bee winner.

After all that excitement, the students showed how much they knew about geography. The students were whittled down to runner-up Kaylee Witham, while 7th grader, Lily Wellman became the winner. The students performed great under pressure. If you see one of these great students, please congratulate them. Go Hawks!

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**OUR EAGLES NEST IS GONE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

On Monday night, November 28th, there was quite a wind storm and it blew our local eagle nest to pieces. In fact, the next morning, what remains of the nest is hardly any bigger than a squirrels nest.

I talked to Jim Pendergrast about this situation, as to whether the eagles will rebuild or vacate the area. He says we will have to wait to see.

I talked to another fellow about noon on Wednesday and he had just driven by the nest area and he said one of the adult eagles was sitting on a limb looking the area over. He was not repairing the nest, he was just looking at what was left. On Monday a man told me their was an adult eagle sitting in that tree looking things over. I hope they rebuild in a hurry, as it will soon be mating time.

See ya!

**A LITTLE MORE ON THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Back in 1935, President Franklin D. Roosevelt enacted a program, that would make it easier of older people to enjoy their retirement, something to shoot for. By putting in part of their earnings now, they would have something laid aside for when they turned 65.

That was a blue ribbon idea and has worked well for years. Over the years, 82 to be exact, it has been added to, subtracted from and kicked around a lot.

The addition of Medicare was a brilliant idea, it helped everybody. Even the nation's economy got a big boost from Medicare. Look how many big hospitals are built with Medicare money.

For many years it was in the Health Education and Welfare. Calle the H.E.W. and a lot of other plans were tied into with social security money.

In the cities sometimes, the whole family is supported by the government. For instance, about two years ago there was a story in the Reader's Digest about a woman in Baltimore who had six kids, different fathers and no man at all in the house. She drew a check each month of \$4300.00 from the government to support her family. Her oldest boy was 17 and trying to worm his way into permanent disability, and he

will probably win. This type of deal is prevalent in most of the big cities, especially New Orleans, the government even pays for their rent. In lots of cases the H.E.W. even pays for their college schooling and in some areas, furnish a car and a babysitter.

President Roosevelt did not plan on his social security program to go that far. Basically his was a retirement program, but over the years too many other plans were added on to it. I think Medicare and Medicaid are fine ideas, but some are handouts and should be curtailed. There are are too many families milking this program and have been for years.

The papers that I have read on this subject says the SSA fund will run out in 2034. This is because there are people retiring each year and with the bad economy there is less tax money being paid, plus the fact there are way too many people receiving a government check each month that shouldn't.

But I don't think any of that will change anytime soon. In Washington the feds are running the government with money left over each year in the SSA, but no senator or congressman will bring up a bill to make things different.

See ya!

**SAM RIVERS, INDIAN AGENT CHAPTER 11: GOING TO THE LAKOTA CAMP**

**By: Stan Jordan**

We left shortly after daylight and headed north to the Lakota camp. The hunter and I in the first wagon, the other two soldiers rode in the second wagon.

I left Mo at the agency with Callie. He has a couple of chores to do and I think Callie wants him to help plant some flowers. He is also the runner, if need be.

We had a beautiful day, nice warm sun shine all day. We just bounced along until we came to the Loop River in the afternoon and we turned to the west and followed our trail marker until we got to the place where we ford the river and go north to the encampment.

It was getting late in the afternoon and I said, "We will ford the river in the morning. We will camp on the south side for tonight." It turned out that was one of the wisest decisions that I ever made.

Callie told me to take the one burner oil stove along in our wagon. It is so much easier to use on the trail.

For supper I made coffee and Callie had sent sandwiches and cookies and a can of peaches.

Well, we got up at first light and had breakfast and there was some thunder in the air. We got all our gear packed and that thunder was louder, but it wasn't thunder it was a war. The hunter said, "that ain't no storm, that is a buffalo herd."

It sure was a big herd coming out of the northeast on

**THE POCOCK BLOCK**



**By: Stan Jordan**

The other day a lady asked me what the word "Pocock" meant on the building on the west side of Main Street in the second block.

The Pocock brothers, John and Emmett, had a grocery store on the corner where the Hometown Pantry is now located. That was in 1887 and the front of the store faced the north. Dr. Murphy's dentist office was up stairs.

In 1888, the store and that whole block was destroyed by fire. In 1891, the boys built those two buildings and put their name on the top and called it the Pocock Block.

Now the Hometown Pantry utilizes both of those buildings or the whole Pocock Block. I will tell you what I know about that area.

As you stand and look at that building from Main Street, the part to the north was, in my time, was the Oak Bar and Grill owned by Frank Knight, he was also a dealer in bailing hay and straw. In 1935 or so this business was moved to the north and in a few years, the name was changed to The Oasis, Al Gysinger was the owner a lit-

tle after the WWII. The south side of the Pocock Block in my time was the Star Theatre and owned by Brownie Cromley. He acquired it from Jerry Anspaugh in 1919 and it was a movie house until in the late 1950's.

After the Oak moved across the railroad, Dr. Frank Smith had a drug store there on the corner and after WWII he had a new building built across the railroad and Main Street where now the Petals and Vines shop is located.

The building where the Ice Cream Depot is, when I was a boy, that was the Kroger store. Then about 1935 or so, they moved north of the tracks to where the Antwerp Hardware is.

Back to that block where the Keystone is, was, at that time, the American Legion building, and the next door south was the Ralph Schooley Bakery.

Lotta Doering married one of the Pocock boys. The Doerings, Pocock's, Foster's, Zuber's and Long's were some of our early business men.

See Ya!

It seemed like forever but I could see a little smoke and dust up ahead that would be White Elk's camp. A couple young braves rode out to meet us, or they figured the only people with wagons and coming from the south would be the Indian Agent. After the one boy saw us and our Totem he turned his pony back toward camp and away he went. We had been here once before.

By the time we got to the middle of the camp we stopped both wagons and I gathered the soldier boys around and made sure no weapons were visible. I didn't know if the blue bellies would cause a problem or not. I guess my being there was enough to see all was safe.

By now, Limping Buffalo was on hand and we all shook hands and I had the soldiers shake and howdy, and we all smoked the pipe and talked a bit.

I explained to Limping Buffalo that we had just planted our garden and that Farmer had come with a new plow and told him what we intended to do.

Well, to get the garden area all ready to plant at one time was a great improvement. He talked to a fairly old native and talked to him in their native language, and the way he grunted and nodded I figured he was the main garden planter.

After a few minutes, I told Limping Buffalo about the buffalo we had killed and that it was in the wagon for the tribe to eat. He talked to some young fellows and they all nodded and left to take care of the fresh meat.

Next Week: We all learn See ya!

**FIRST UMC PRESCHOOL COLLECT BRAVERY BAGS**



This Holiday season the students at First United Methodist Church Preschool located at 113 W Central Ave in Van Wert collected items for Bravery Bags for the children on the heart floor at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus Ohio. The students learned that there are many children in the hospital

every day and sometimes it can be scary but just a small item can bring a smile to their face. Our preschool families were very generous in their giving.

If you would like more information about the FUMC Preschool contact Administrator April Ellerbrock at 419-238-0631 ext 308.



**TRUMP IS A BUMP**

**By: Stan Jordan**

The Constitution says that I can voice my opinion if I do it right.

Well, Mr Trump has not been sworn in as President and he already has rebuffed China twice. China has called his antics childish. That is a good assumption. For the months that he was politicking he said a lot of childish things.

They have already said that they can buy all the imports they need from our competitors, who are the South American counties.

China buys more of our farm and meat produce than anybody and if we lose that market we will fall into a recession. Farming is America's most important business.

See ya!

**MVNU NAMED TO VICTORY MEDIA'S 2017 MILITARY FRIENDLY SCHOOLS LIST**

Friendly\* School designation by Victory Media. First published in 2009, Military Friendly\* Schools is the most comprehensive, powerful resource for veterans today. Each year, the list of Military Friendly\* Schools is provided to service members and their families, helping them select the best college, university, or trade school to receive the education and training needed to pursue a civilian career.

"We are honored to have earned the 2017 Military Friendly School designation. We strive to serve all students with excellence at MVNU and it is our special privilege to serve the military men and women who

have faithfully and selflessly served our nation. We thank all military men and women for their service and we welcome them into the MVNU family," said Kevin Hughes, Dean of the School of Graduate and Professional Studies at MVNU.

Institutions earning the Military Friendly\* School designation were evaluated using both public data sources and responses from Victory Media's proprietary survey. More than 1,700 schools participated in the 2017 survey; 1,273 were awarded with the designation. Ratings were determined by combining the institution's survey scores with the assessment of the institution's ability to meet thresholds for student retention, graduation, job placement, loan repayment, persistence (degree advancement or transfer), and loan default rates for all students and, specifically, for student veterans.

"MVNU is thankful for the service of our veterans and those currently in one of the branches of the military. We are eager to help make college accessible and affordable for them, as another way to say thank you for their service. It is an honor for our efforts to be recognized and to be included on this list of schools," said James Smith, Assistant Vice President for Enrollment Management at MVNU.

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 2,200 students from 28 states and 17 countries/U.S. territories.



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# A PENGUIN CHRISTMAS



The Paulding Elementary third graders performed "A Penguin Christmas" on Thursday, Dec. 8th, in the school auditoria. Shown is the full cast of students as they are ready to perform.

# YOUNG STUDENT HONORS VETERANS



This photo was submitted to Paulding Schools from a local veteran who had attended the Veteran's Day program at PEVS. As the hundreds of elementary students stood to face the large screen projecting the words to their patriotic songs, one student turned and faced the veterans who were seated in chairs along the side of the auditoria. The local veteran was very touched by the respect shown by this young elementary student, Toby Reno, a fourth grader.

# OHIO'S YOUNG HUNTERS HARVEST NEARLY 6,000 DEER DURING YOUTH GUN SEASON

Ohio's young hunters braved less than ideal weather conditions over the weekend and checked 5,930 white-tailed deer during the two-day youth gun season, November 19-20, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). During last year's youth gun season, 7,223 white-

tailed deer were checked. Youth hunters could pursue deer with a legal shotgun, muzzleloader, handgun or specific straight-walled cartridge rifle and were required to be accompanied by a non-hunting adult during the two-day season. The youth deer-gun season is one of four special youth-only hunting seasons designed to offer a dedicated hunting experience for young hunters. Youth hunting seasons are also available for small game, wild turkey and waterfowl.

Ohio offers many more opportunities for hunters of all ages to pursue deer. The deer-gun season is Monday, November 28, through Sunday, December 4, and December 17-18. Deer-muzzleloader season is Saturday, January 7, through Tuesday, January 10, 2017. Deer-archery season is open now through Sunday, February 5, 2017. Find complete details in the 2016-2017 Ohio Hunting and Trapping Regulations at wildohio.gov.

Youth hunters can commemorate their hunt with a First Harvest certificate, available at wildohio.gov. Participants can upload a photo and type in their information to personalize the certificate. Hunters can also share photos by clicking on the Photo Gallery tab online.

For summaries of past deer seasons, visit wildohio.gov/deerharvest.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife remains committed to properly managing Ohio's deer populations. The goal of Ohio's Deer Management Program is to provide a deer population that maximizes recreational opportunities, while minimizing conflicts with landowners and motorists.

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.

Editor's Note: A county list of all white-tailed deer checked by youth hunters using a shotgun, muzzleloader, handgun or straight-walled cartridge rifle during the 2016 youth deer-gun hunting season is shown below. The first number following the county's name shows the harvest numbers for 2016, and the 2015 numbers are in parentheses. The youth deer-gun numbers may include controlled hunts.

Adams: 139 (170); Allen: 37 (44); Ashland: 111 (149); Ashtabula: 108 (147); Athens: 106 (169); Auglaize: 35 (52); Belmont: 147 (167); Brown: 70 (100); Butler: 19 (25); Carroll: 127 (140); Champaign: 36 (47); Clark: 11 (20); Clermont: 56 (65); Clinton: 25 (37); Columbiana: 217 (122); Coshocton: 222 (258); Crawford: 34 (37); Cuyahoga: 0 (0); Darke: 22 (21); Defiance: 63 (75); Delaware: 26 (42); Erie: 72 (17); Fairfield: 53 (79); Fayette: 18 (18); Franklin: 6 (8); Fulton: 20 (30); Gallia: 114 (124); Geauga: 41 (39); Greene: 21 (18); Guernsey: 197 (188); Hamilton: 18 (13); Hancock: 40 (50); Hardin: 48 (58); Harrison: 116 (183); Henry: 25 (20); Highland: 96 (132); Hocking: 73 (125); Holmes: 145 (203); Huron: 80 (85); Jackson: 108 (135); Jefferson: 98 (117); Knox: 144 (182); Lake: 6 (8); Lawrence: 84 (69); Licking: 138 (182); Logan: 74 (82); Lorain: 62 (56); Lucas: 6 (15); Madison: 21 (19); Mahoning: 38 (65); Marion: 36 (31); Medina: 42 (38); Meigs: 152 (171); Mercer: 32 (47); Miami: 25 (29); Monroe:

112 (128); Montgomery: 4 (7); Morgan: 121 (143); Morrow: 38 (52); Muskingum: 162 (200); Noble: 118 (114); Ottawa: 20 (18); Paulding: 44 (49); Perry: 101 (128); Pickaway: 27 (41); Pike: 85 (83); Portage: 32 (104); Preble: 22 (43); Putnam: 34 (38); Richland: 99 (116); Ross: 128 (162); Sandusky: 29 (15); Scioto: 72 (127); Seneca: 65 (95); Shelby: 47 (67); Stark: 62 (64); Summit: 6 (9); Trumbull: 79 (81); Tuscarawas: 178 (226); Union: 31 (36); Van Wert: 19 (38); Vinton: 87 (102); Warren: 26 (35); Washington: 126 (145); Wayne: 72 (79); Williams: 32 (48); Wood: 30 (28); Wyandot: 52 (79). Total: 5,930 (7,223).

# LATTA STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF SENATOR JOHN GLENN

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement on the passing of former U.S. Senator John Glenn.

"There are few lives, if any, that have been lived more fully than Senator John Glenn's. His legacy will be remembered as one of service to his country both in the air and on the ground. John served our military as a combat pilot during World War II and the Korean War and represented Ohio for 24 years in the United States Senate. Of course, John also played an integral role in the Space Race when he became the first American to orbit the Earth in 1962 and returned a national hero.

"Marcia and I are saddened by the passing of Senator Glenn, and our thoughts and prayers are with his wife of 73 years, Annie, and the rest of the Glenn family. May he rest in peace."

# PAYNE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Payne Elementary students presented "A Child's Christmas" to family and friends on December 9, 2016. Music teacher, Mr. Kaleb O'Donnell, directed students in grades four through six as they took the audience on a tour of Christmas through the eyes of a child.

# WTGH PREPARE FOR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Pictured here: L-R Laura Thornell, Sydnee Sinn, Kaden Woolbright, Abby Moore, Ava Dougal, Storm Tracy Makena Elliott, Brooks Sensibaugh, Ally Stephey, Kara Stoller and Hannah Maenle.

The fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary are preparing for their annual Christmas program. This year the program is titled "Grumps of Ring a Ding Town!" The program will be held on Tuesday, December 13th with performances at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m.

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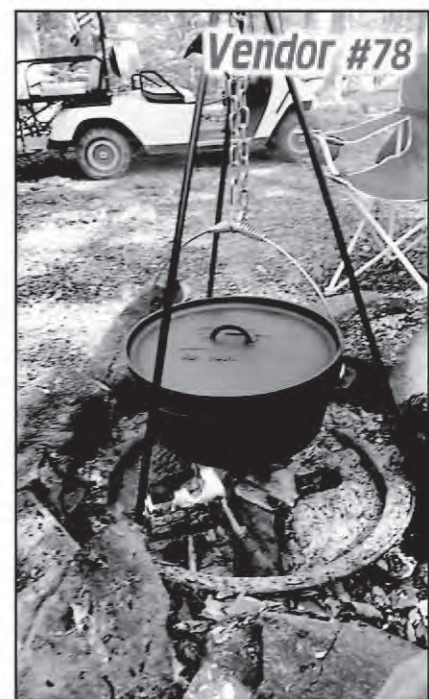
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## DO YOU HEAR GOD'S CALL?

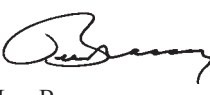


“What do you want to be when you grow up?” It’s one of the questions I typically ask a child as they come to join our family at the Woodburn Christian Children’s Home. Their answers range across a broad spectrum of dreams and goals... from ball player to fireman to teacher to doctor or nurse. In every case I reassure them that we will be very proud of whatever they choose to do as long as they honor God with their lives.

Now, I was just a young boy, not even in my teens, when the thought of serving in ministry began to take shape in my heart. You see, I’m in ministry today because of (1) God’s call on my life, (2) the influence of my Christian parents, (3) a strong and supportive home church, and (4) the close association with Christian leaders whom I grew to admire as I attended camp each summer.

Now, it’s surprising just how quickly almost 50 years of ministry have passed by and we find ourselves in the process of transition at the Woodburn Christian Children’s Home. (I’d like to add that this transition has been such a blessing because of our partnership with Joe & Vikki Heins.) You know, I really don’t mind getting older just as long as I can see eager and committed young men and women, ready and willing to take our place. It’s all been quite an adventure. Yes, there have been challenges and sacrifice, but there have also been great victories and even bigger rewards. When it is all said and done, it’s been worth it. We wouldn’t have invested our lives any other way.

Do you feel God leading you in the direction of ministry? What young man or young woman is being prepared by God to accept His call? Are you frustrated with a career that pays only earthly wages? Is there a young boy or girl out there who feels God tugging on your heart? Are you ready for an adventure? I challenge you to pray and ask God to give you an opportunity to do something significant for His Kingdom. I will help and encourage you any way I can.

God bless,  
  
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## PANTHER'S SPEARED BY LANCERS



**Paulding senior Faith Vogel scores in the first quarter of the game. More pictures at westbendnews.net**

Paulding Lady Panthers hosted Lincolnview on Thursday, December 8 for their fourth game of the season. The basketball game at the Panther court started Paulding only scoring six in the first quarter—four by Allison Arend. The second showed some improvement, but it didn't get much better. Audrey Manz was able to add a 3 point basket. The half ended 13-23.

The second half was much better for the home team. They managed to score 14 points with a handful by Cassidy Posey. "We made a nice run at them in the 4th quarter," said coach Mark Rhodes, "with 5:00 minutes left we committed 4 consecutive

turnovers. This sealed our fate." 10 points were scored and most by Bri Townley and Sydney McCullough but not enough bring the game back into a hopeful territory. The Lancers won 53-37

Score by quarter:  
Paulding: 6 7 14 10 = 37  
Lincolnview: 12 11 12 18 = 53

Paulding score by player: Sierra McCullough 6; Faith Vogel 6; Allison Arend 8; Audrey Manz 3; Daviah Pessell 2; Bri Townley 5; Cassidy Posey 6; Libby Mobley 1.

Paulding varsity is now 1 and 3. Lincolnview is 2 and 1. Lincolnview won the JV game in a very close match 33 to 31.

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## LADY ARCHERS DOWN EAGLES FOR WIN

The Lady Archers travelled for their fifth basketball game of the season to Fayette, near the Michigan line on Saturday, December 10. This game was pretty incredible for the Lady Archers when they started with a first quarter score of 24 points. Rachel Williamson was bringing home the bacon when she hit 5 two-point baskets and 3 free throws. In this same period, the Lady Eagles were only to add up four points from all the players.

The second period was not hot for Antwerp, but it really didn't need to be. Hope Smith was able to add 4 to the board, and the total was 8 which was still more than Fayette was able to gather. The half finished with Antwerp having 32 and the Eagles posting 8.

The Archers made sure they kept ahead of the competition by scoring 10 in the third period, and the Eagles hit 9. Antwerp kept on top of the game with 12 points during the fourth and the Eagles only managing 10. Peyton Short and Emily Phillips both had 2 field goals in the last period as the

top scorers that period. Antwerp won the game 54-27.

Score by Quarter:  
Antwerp: 24 8 10 12 = 54  
Fayette: 2 6 9 10 = 27

## DEFIANCE DEFEATS PANTHERS

Paulding hosted the boys basketball game against Defiance on Friday, December 10. The Panthers struggled from the beginning to the end in this match against the local rival. Both ended up with the same number of rebounds, but the turn-overs were doubled on the Panther boys basketball side of the stat sheet.

This night, Paulding was off to a good start but it wasn't that long until the Bulldogs started eating the Panthers lunch. Mike Menendez was just unable to be stopped in the first and second periods. On Paulding's side the second quarter looked much better when Cameron Doster hit several three point baskets and Grant Harder and Preston Ingol both hit 2 two-point field goals, making the second period a hopeful one for the home team. The half ended at 29-36

## ARCHERS FALL AFTER EARLY LEAD



**Dylan Peters and Josh Poulson coordinate to block the Musketeer shooter. More pictures at westbendnews.net**

On December 9th, Fort Jennings travelled to Antwerp for the Musketeers boys basketball game at Antwerp. The Archers started off very well after grabbing the tipoff. Brandon Pendergrast was right in fashion, hitting a 3 point basket in the first. Points were spread across quite a few of the players in this first time slot, scoring 14 points as a team. During this time Antwerp had more than doubled the Musketeers score (14-6).

In the next three periods, the Archers defense could not stop Fort Jennings, who ended up taking the win 51-57.

Antwerp was running a full court press much of the first period and was able to

grab quite a few turnovers from the other team. Rebounds had Fort Jennings on top at 32 to Antwerp's 14.

Antwerp top scorers: Matt Jones 15, Trey Mills 8, Dylan Peters 8, Cole Seslar 1, Luke Brewer 6, Josh Poulson 3, Brendan Pendergrast 6, Matthew Dooley 2, Keaton Altimus.

Fort Jennings top scorers: Luebrecht 3; Harde- man 4; Calvelage 5; Finn 10; Trentman 3; Horstman 12; Stechshutte 5; Wehn 15.

Score by Quarter:  
Antwerp: 14 9 9 19 = 51  
Fort Jennings: 8 13 16 20 = 57

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and Defiance was still in the lead.

The last half of the game the Bulldogs just shut down Paulding. Only four points were made for the home team in the third, and 10 in the fourth (Ingol had a good fourth period). The game finished at 43-59, and Defiance taking home the win.

Score by Quarter:  
Paulding: 11 18 4 10 = 43  
Defiance: 18 18 11 12 = 59

Paulding Score by Player: Marcus Miller 1; Ethan Rhonehouse 9; Cameron Doster 10; Preston Ingol 15; Logan Bradford 2; Grant Harder 6.

Defiance Score by Player: Assaf Sammy 2; Mike Menendez 24; Frederick Braden 12; Thomas Mark 2; Gerken Easton 2; Naton Alex 2; Kanouh Josef 15.

## RAIDERS WIN IN BRYAN'S NEW GYM!

In the second game of the Raider season, the boys basketball team travelled to Bryan High School for the first game in the brand new gymnasium. The Raiders, once again, had a polished game play, looking good on this court.

Regularly, the Raider boys are hitting 3 point baskets left and right, but on this night, only 1 was made, and that one was by Ethan Linder. Brady Stabler and Jake Kuhn both had good nights with 12 points each.

Three out of the four quarter, the Raiders topped the list, and the best was the second quarter.

The final score was 64-55 with Wayne Trace winning their second quarter.

Score by Quarter:  
Wayne Trace 9 24 12 19 = 64  
Bryan 7 17 18 13 = 55

Wayne Trace player scores: Brady Stabler 12; Eli Sinn 9;

Josh Kuhn 3; Jon Sinn 9; Ethan Linder 19; Jake Kuhn 12.

Bryan Player Scores: Jaden Valderas 18; Zhane Cupp 2; Peyton lamberson 7; Evan Smith 13; Colt Arthur 9; Josh Jones 6.

Wayne Trace also won the JV game 34-26.

## WOODLAN TAKES WIN AGAINST HORNETS

On Tuesday, December 6, the Angola Boys Basketball team travelled to the Woodlan stadium to take on the Warriors in this early game of the season. This well matched game started with Angola taking the lead but not by much. It was the second quarter that was really good for the Warriors when they doubled that period's score against the away crew. Woodlan's Aaron Hahn did a fantastic job of hitting the 3 point baskets and keeping the Warriors on top. The second half was lower scoring but still very close with Woodlan losing the score in the second half but overall winning because of the 2nd quarter score. The only period Woodlan outscored Angola was the second. The final score was Woodlan 51 Angola 48.

Score by Quarter:  
Angola: 16 11 8 13 = 48  
Woodlan: 13 22 6 10 = 51

Angola Player scores: meek 13 honer 17. Bradley 3 Schultz 4 turner 7 hart 4

Woodlan Player scores: Deontae Biggs 10; Trevon McCarter 4; Austin Fancher 10; Micah Robbins 5; Jack Rhoades 1; Aaron Hahn 18; Josh Gerig 3.

On Saturday, December 10, The Warriors returned to the court to take on Blackhawk. This game was high scoring for both teams and the Blackhawk team came out on top at 99-76.

## RAIDERS TOP PAULDING



**Near the end of the second quarter Wayne Trace senior Jon Sinn drives in for a shot. More pictures at westbendnews.net**



**Paulding's Preston Ingol shoots from the outside, scoring 2 points. In this game, the Raiders were all over Preston, stopping him from his normal scoring performance. More pictures at westbendnews.net**

Wayne Trace was burning up the court on Saturday, December 11, in their game against county rival Paulding, setting the alarms off by the half with 52 points on the board at the boys basketball game at home.

Starting at the beginning, Paulding got the first points on the board but the Raiders kept the Panther offense under tight scrutiny—Preston Ingol was not allowed to do much at all in the Palace.

In the first period WT scored 27 points - 3x more than the Panthers, and when Paulding did get the ball, the Raiders pressed until they got the ball back. Whether it was points by Ethan Linder or three point baskets by Josiah Linder, The Raiders were racking up the points from all the players.

The second half was just as good for the Raiders and kept pressing and made it 100! Fantastic for a high school match. Though Paulding only had 18 points at the half they made a significant comeback

in the second half, adding 32 to their side, but not near enough to put cold water on the Raiders' fire.

Brady Stabler continued to hit three point baskets and 2 pt field goals throughout the game too.

The Raiders are now 3-0 and Paulding is 1-3.

Score by quarter:  
Wayne Trace: 27 25 28 20 = 100

Paulding: 9 9 19 13 = 50

Wayne Trace score by player: Brady Stabler 18; Eli Sinn 6; Jayden Sherry 6; Jon Sinn 8; Blaine Jerome 7; Ethan Linder 26; Josiah Linder 21; Jake Kuhn 4; Seth Yenser 4.

Paulding score by player: Marcus Miller 10; Ethan Rhonehouse 10; jarred Miller 4; Cameron Doster 11; Preston Ingol 2; Logan Bradford 4; Preston Johanns 3; Carson Shull 6.

Wayne Trace will go on to play Liberty Center on December 16. Paulding will play Ada on December 16.

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**LADY RAIDERS HAMMER GOLDEN BEARS**

The Bryan Girls Basketball team travelled to Raider country on Tuesday, December 6. Both teams were running hot and heavy in the first period—both over 15. It was the second period where the Lady Raiders held the Golden Bears to the fire when they not only kept their score low but increased their own. The half ended with WT on top at 37-25.

In the third quarter, Bryan outscored the home team, but only by two, and then the fourth came with the Lady Raiders once again outscoring their northern opponents 12-8. Unlike the Raider boys, the girls don't hit many three point shots. Most of their points came from jump shots and layups.

The final score was 62-48 with Wayne Trace winning the game.

Score by Quarter:  
Wayne Trace: 17 20 13 12 = 62

Bryan: 16 9 15 8 = 48  
Wayne Trace score by player: Claire Sinn 15; Sadie Sinn 2; Claire Shepherd 8; Gracie Gudakun 5; Ellie Stoller 4; Danae Myers 21; Brooke Sinn 7.

Bryan score by player: Delaney Miley 9; Alyssa Shindeldecker 2; Allye Minor 23; Baylee Krupp 4; Kennedy Lamberson 5; McKenna Grube 5.

**ANTWERP FALLS TO THE WILDCATS**

Kalida hosted the Antwerp Lady Archers Basketball team on Thursday, December 8. The Wildcats were a strong challenger to the Lady Archers, but in the first period Antwerp was the Leader. Three pointers were the name of the game with Karsyn Brumet and Rachel Williamson both dropping in 3 point baskets, setting the stage for the game with 12 in the first period.

In the second quarter, scoring dropped in half for Antwerp. Maggie Wilson added a free-throw to her score, and Kalida added 16 points to theirs. The half finished with Antwerp falling behind at 25-18.

The third quarter brought points to the board, mostly by Williamson who hit most of her free-throws.

Antwerp shot back in the fourth period with a three point basket by Becca Johanns, but not enough to win the game. Antwerp fell 48-39.

Score by Quarter:  
Antwerp: 12 6 8 13 = 39  
Kalida: 9 16 6 17 = 48

Antwerp scores by player: Rachel Williamson 15; Maggie Wilson 3; Becca Johanns 5; Karsyn Brumett 10; Hope Smith 6.

**ARCHERS POST FIRST WIN**

The boys basketball team for the Antwerp Archers travelled north on Saturday night, December 10. Fayette is near the Michigan line. The Archers have been hot and cold this year, and this game was no different. Matt Jones had a great first period, scoring 8 points. Luke Brewer and Dylan Peters both hit 3 points baskets here too. The whole team actually had their best quarter here, adding 21 to the board.

The next period was just the opposite. The fire spreading in the first period was put out in the second when there were only two points scored (Jones). The Eagles on the other hand were very consistent in their scoring. By the half Antwerp was still leading, due to their lead in the first period, 23-16.

The second half the Archers bounced back, but not quite the way of the first period. Brewer added another 3 pointer and several free throws to the hoop as well. Jones was the top scorer with 15 followed by Brewer with 10. Antwerp finished the game with 46 to Fayette's 42.

Score by quarter:  
Antwerp: 21 2 10 13 = 46  
Fayette: 8 8 9 17 = 42

Antwerp score by player: Matt Jones 15; Trey Mills 2; Dylan Peters 3; Cole Seslar 3; Luke Brewer 10; Josh Poulson 3; Brandon Pendergrast 2; Matthew Dooley 2; Hunter Noel 6.

Antwerp earned their first win of the season. The Archers will play Continental on December 17 at home.

**FAIRVIEW GIRLS BASKETBALL VS. PATRICK HENRY**

The Apache girls' basketball team had their home opener December 5th against Patrick Henry. After leading at the half of the varsity contest, turnovers and a tough night of shooting for the Lady Apaches coupled with excellent shooting from PH saw that lead erased. The team fought hard to keep it a game down the stretch, ultimately falling 55-67.

Leading scorer was Allison Vetter with 15 points. Katie Crites and Kendra Schroeder each added 12 points. Mercedes Wagner netted 9 points and had a team high 9 rebounds. Rounding out the scoring was Carly Wendling with 5 and Katelyn Smith with 2.

**FAIRVIEW ATHLETIC RESULTS**

On Friday, December 2nd, the Jr High wrestling team competed at the Ironhorse Invite at Montpelier and took 1st out of 10 teams. Kaiden Blair ,Tyler Martin and Wesley Bowers placed 1st in their individual weights,Caleb Skinner was 2nd, and Jayden Hasch placed 4th.

On Saturday, December 3rd, the HS Varsity gold team

competed in the Ironhorse Invite. They finish outside the top 3. Individual places were Miciah Ankney 1st, Chris Martin and Jackson Hart finished 2nd.

The Varsity Black team competed Saturday, December 3rd at the Delta Duals. They finished 3rd. Wes Bok went 4-1 on the day, Reilly Heater, Jakob Backhaus, Jet Thompson, Sean Martin, and Luke Skinner were 3-2, while Lexi Batt was 1-0 on the day. The team is at home next on Tuesday December 13th at 6pm again Wayne Trace and Edgerton. Please come out and support the wrestlers.

**ARCHERS HOSTS BOMBERS**

On December 6, 2016, the Antwerp 7th grade boys basketball team hosted the Edon Bombers. The Archers put together 4 quarters of fundamental basketball and won the contest 37-23.

Leading the Archers to victory in scoring were Luke Krouse with 9 points, Tucker Franklin with 8, Jagger Landers with 6 points and Kaden Recker, Hunter Sproles and Gaige McMichael each scoring 4 points. Stephon Walker finished with 2 points for a total of 37 for the team. This was a great example of team basketball!!

**NORTHWEST CONFERENCE-SCHOLAR ATHLETES FALL SPORTS 2016**

**ADA**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
Ashley Breidenbach, Alex Waugh, Lyric Jones, Ivy Fisher, Lexus Lunguy, Annabel Alexander, Emma Jameson, Brooklyn Rudasill, Olivia Guyton, Anna Madison, Kama Arn, Jessica Breidenbach

**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
Alexis Swaney, Emma Ferguson

**Boys' CC - Gold:**  
Keaton Kipker, Andrew Robey, Eric Armbrecht, Brice Ferguson, Seth Evans, Larry Zembower

**Boys' CC - Silver:**  
Jared Craig

**Girls' CC - Gold:**  
Mara Guyton, Jil Wolber, Nora Dellifield, Dani Waugh, Alexis Ennis, Olivia Ennis

**Girls' CC - Silver:**  
Abbie James

**Football - Gold:**  
Jordan Bailey, Mason Klingler, Trent Jolliff, Seth Conley, Aaron Everhart, Hunter Purdy, Chase Sumner, Nathan Mattson, Noah Mattson, Jackson Conrad, Erryk Katayama, Damien Fuqua, Jaylin Burkhart, Holden Purdy, Carson Hissong

**Football - Silver:**  
Jakob Hoschak, Ethan Swaney, Kade Cortez, Mason Waugh, Phil Coulson

**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
Jake Colwell, Austin Am-burgey, Nathan Hurtig, Alex Morgan, Daniel Nash

**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
Taylor Ramey, Rob Allison

**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
Will Allen, Noah Pinkney, Logan Williams, Johnathan Rettig, Terry Sheridan, Jon Allen, William Jolliff, Miguel Jordan, Brendan Sheridan, Jacob Okuly, Sam Hibbard, Isaac Spar

**Boys Soccer - Silver:**  
Nathan Allen, Acel Gamble, Noah Garmon, Chris Reyes, Blaine Darmon

**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
Makayla Callahan, Makenna Callahan, Rieyln Castle, Kaitlyn Long, Grace Nelson,

Caitlyn Stover, Audrey Hazelton, Marin Cook, Ruth Pfeiffer, Katie Butterfield, Ella Poling, Bella East

**Girls' Soccer - Silver:**  
Hailey Callahan, Allison Dotson, Gizem Tanriverdi, Latifah Bagais, Madison Preston

**Girls' Tennis - Gold:**  
Meredith Marshall, Elizabeth Milks, Paige Hopson, Callie Young, Samantha Crawford

**Girls' Tennis - Silver:**  
Shelby Higgins, Melina Temple

**Volleyball - Gold:**  
Melina Woods, Haley Wyss, Madisyn Gossard, Taryn Fullom, Kyli Lause, Alissa Vore, Olivia Alexander, Kaiti Newland, Nikki Lehsten, Teyah Sautter, Sidney Gossard

**ALLEN EAST**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
Madison Hatcher, Alexa Hawk, Kiersten Prater, Regan Schick, Sydney Treglia, Kasey Reneau, Kassidy Reneau, Kayla Redman

**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
Taylor Gutierrez

**Boys CC - Gold:**  
Nick Baughman, Andrew Cochensparger, Aiden Neff, Corey Spees

**Girls CC - Gold:**  
Abigail Baughman, Alyssa Young

**Girls' CC - Silver:**  
Alyssa Bowerman

**Football - Gold:**  
Luke Brown, Brennan Davies, Lucas Freeman, Garrett Neth, Schuyler Caprella, Johnny Brinkman, Brent Wilson, Spencer Miller

**Football - Silver:**  
Gavin Devier, Trent Joseph, Chris Kleman, Dustin Rowe, Shane Gipson, Caleb Smelcer

**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
Kasey Meyer, Nick Phillips

**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
Harrison Kill

**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
Caleb Austin, Malachi Blakma, Kyle Newland, Jack Williams, Colton Truex, Dalton Clum, Landon Gossard, Christian Hedrick, Brayden Newland, Dylan Koehlinger, James Metzger

**Boys Soccer - Silver:**  
Austin McKenzie, John Rumer, Dalton Calvert, Ethan Grant, Ethan Reichenbach, Ryan LeSure

**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
Devin Hopkins, Julia Meyer, Tori Newland, Allyson Richardson, Kinsey Helser, Gabby Scott, Cassidy McKeever, Sofia Silone, Madison Houston, Leah Casey, Jade Meyer, Kasey Reneau, Kassidy Reneau, Madison Staley

**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
Brooke Frisch, Abby Garver

**Volleyball - Gold:**  
Summer McCloskey, Lakin Basham, Ella Newland, Alex Briley, Sierra Downing, Spencer Stippich, Alexa Hawker, Taylor Brown, Gracie Howard, Megan Niemeyer, Kyra Clark, Kelli Leis

**Volleyball - Silver:**  
Abby Kennedy

**BLUFFTON**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
Sidnie Koontz, Maddie Soper, Chase Koontz, Shyanne Mortimer, Allison Wise

**Boys CC - Gold:**  
Brayton Businger, Tanner Pinks, Derek Swartzlander, Austin Warren, Seth Andreas, Noah Woodruff, Brice Metzger

**Girls CC - Gold:**  
Sydney Hoff

**Football - Gold:**  
Baylor Garmatter, Chad Veit, Cole Wilson, Colin Phillips, Dakota Bricker, Jason Bracy, Deandra Nassar, Justin Haggard, Kaden Reneker, Kaleb Jefferson, Kyle Koontz, Logan Rhodes, Mason Ault, Nate Staley, Nick Marcum, Owen Bischoff

**GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



L-R Front: Tucker Antoine 5A, Corbin Kimmel 4A, Ava Dougal 6B, Dalton Lee RS3, Lilyan Ladd RS2, Abby Moore 6A, Laryssa Whitman 5B and Lorie Sinn 4B. Back: Kenzie Ogle 1C, Noah Schlatter 2A, Londyn Greear 1B, Braylin Sinn KB, Corbin Stoller KA, Riley Manz 3A, Lance Maenle 3B, Stefany Lopez Castillo 2B and Brooke Tigner.

**PAULDING ELEMENTARY CELEBRATE THANKSGIVING**



Shown working on some beading are students Javvon Stiltner and Aiden Johnson.



First grade teacher, Ms Teman, is shown reading a Thanksgiving story to a room full of first graders.

Paulding Elementary first graders held a feast and had a lot of festive activities to

celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Football - Silver:**  
Brice Rayle, Jason Althaus, Dustin Falk

**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
Levi Mikesell, Tyler McLaughlin

**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
Nephi Peralita, Braeden Edwards, Jordan Siefer, Aaron Belcher

**Girls' Golf - Gold:**  
Lily Shadle, Mara Minnig, Kayleigh Coughlan, Kennedy Coughlan

**Girls' Golf - Silver:**  
Alivia Koenig, Natasha Smith

**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
Noah Fredritz, Luke Young,

Levi Smith, Trevor Bunch, Zach Basinger, Isaac Andreas, Eli Bourassa, Douglas Nester, Antony Kingsley, Josh Begg, Christopher Harnish

**Boys Soccer - Silver:**  
Braden Conrad, Tristan Smucker

**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
Kim Gordon, Sarah Cartwright, Hannah Yost, Sophia Smucker, Brinkley Garmatter, Kayla White, Averey Rumer, Sierra Ribley, Kayla Kindle, Leah Conley, Abbie Parkins, Kelli Leugers, Jayme Siefer, Katie Burkholder, Sydney Station, Ana Spiridigliozzi, Brooke Koontz, Sarah Theisen,

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# WAYNE TRACE FFA FRUIT ARRIVES



On December 6th, the Wayne Trace FFA's Fruit came in. Members helped unload and organize the fruit. The club had sold over 14,000 dollars in fruit this year!

Jadyn Barhorst  
**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
 Brianna Keeler, Abbey Gambrell, Ashley Augsburg  
**Tennis - Gold:**  
 Amelia Mitchell, Caity Zimmerman, Emma Klinger, Erin Hotmire, Baylee Liddick, Raychel Avila, Ilene Owen, Katie Wright, Lucie Fett, Julianna Hotmire  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Jazmynn Wilson, Karis Wilzon, Aimee Ritter, Ali Moser, Alicia Schmutz, Emily Stratton, Grace Nickels, Katie Prater, Haley Baker, Andie Schmutz, Emily Metzger  
**COLUMBUS GROVE**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Kylie Coffey, Madison Nusbaum, Lauren Rose, Alyssa Ridinger, Haley Roe, Kylie Muter  
**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
 Emily Pitts  
**Boys CC - Gold:**  
 Breece Pingle

**Boys CC - Silver:**  
 Tanner Smith, Preston Brubaker, Austin Sager  
**Girls CC - Gold:**  
 Kirsten Malsam, Gracyn Stechschulte, Leah Myerholtz, Allison Choi, Taylor Ellerbrock, Kaitlyn Price, Alyssa Ellerbrock, Addison Schafer, Leandra Price, Sydney Witteborg  
**Girls CC - Silver:**  
 Macy McCluer  
**Football - Gold:**  
 Adam Birkemeier, Reid Stechschulte, Grant Cassidy, Logan Ridenour, Rece Roney, Brandon Brigsby, Enoch Jones, Dylan Fruchey, Brady Hauenstein, Riley Schumacher, Garret Nemire, Jared Basinger  
**Football - Silver:**  
 Lachlan Clymer, Emilio Delarosa, Eric Warnecke, Logan Malsam, Owen Fuerst, Caleb Barrientes  
**Boys' Golf - Gold:**

Noah Oglesbee, Jacob Oglesbee  
**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
 Kyle Welty, Zach Roberts  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Jade Clement, Rylee Sybert, Lauren Birkemeier, Renee Schroeder, Jenny Ellerbrock, Jordin Basinger, Paige Bellman, Kayla Reynolds, Hallie Malsam, Payton Brubaker,  
**Volleyball - Silver:**  
 Carlee McCluer, Haley Radabaugh  
**CRESTVIEW**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Rosie Bogle, Emma Leary, Krysden Sloan, Alyssa Sparks, Chelsea Taylor, Amber Young  
**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
 Lauren Brecht, Taylor Brown, Chloe Case, Briana Hoersten, Katie Hughes, Kelsey Rothgeb  
**Boys CC - Gold:**  
 Caleb Bagley, Danil Lichtensteiger, Wyatt Richardson, Tyler White, Jace Vining  
**Boys CC - Silver:**  
 Gabe Smith, Dylan Sparks  
**Girls CC - Gold:**  
 Ashley Bowen, Ragen Harting, Brooke Ripley, Lydia Saylor, Lauren Schumm, Savannah Smith  
**Girls CC - Silver:**  
 Elizabeth Mitchener  
**Football - Gold:**  
 Derek Biro, Braden Brecht, Derick Dealey, Luke Gerardot, Joel Germann, Trevor Gibson, Nick Henry, Dylan Hicks, Drew Kline, Grant Schlagbaum  
**Football - Silver:**  
 Chase Clark, Emilio DeLeon, Robbie Gonzalez, Dylan Grandstaff, Payton Knittle, Tyler Riggensbach  
**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
 Kaleb Myers, Brett Schumm, Ethan Waddles  
**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
 Jacob Bowman, Caden Hurless  
**Girls' Golf - Gold:**  
 Olivia Skelton  
**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
 Kylee Agler, Tommi Andersen, Hope Goings, Haley Harvey, Arianna Munoz, Sal-ex Overmyer, Kara Strabbing, Alyssa Taylor, Chelsi Young  
**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
 Abby Clouser, Mary Mitchener, Alexis Munoz, Madison Tracey, McKenna Thompson  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Abigail Bagley, Maci Baker, Sydney Bowen, Ashley Dealey, Lexi Gregory, Maddy Lamb, Katie McClure, Ally McCoy, Avery McCoy

Wollenhaupt, Devyn Carder, Cirstie Deckard, Sierra Marlow, Kendal Marquiss, Brooke Rice, Ally Hastings, Victoria Redmon  
**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
 Mackenzie Hammons, Arianna Knebel  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Dani Harman, Kristina Claypool, Macy Wallace, Sarah Miller, Ayrton McClurg, Courtney Teman, Jayla Ros-torfer  
**LINCOLNVIEW**  
**Boys CC - Gold:**  
 Ryan Rager, Austin Elick, Tracey West, Alek Bowersock, Logan Williams, Sam Myers, Karter Tow, Joe Sadowski, Devon Bill  
**Boys CC - Silver:**  
 Jacob Keysor  
**Girls CC - Gold:**  
 RYANNE DuCheney, Alena Looser, Madison Dickson, Brayden Langdon, Rylee Byrne, Madeline Snyder, Victoria Snyder  
**Girls CC - Silver:**  
 Abbie Enyart, Miah Katalenas  
**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
 Nick Motycka  
**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
 Joshah Rager, Jaden Youtsey  
**Girls' Golf - Gold:**  
 Macala Ashbaugh, Mackenzie Kraft, McKenzie Davis, Marissa Miller  
**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
 Skyler Friemoth, Frankie Carey, Allie Crow, Haley Pollock, Adia Welch, Raegan Boley, Hanna Scaggs  
**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
 Kayla Schroeder, Abbie Enyart, Ciarra Brown, Olivia Gorman, Maddie Gorman, Allison Warnement, Abbie Myers  
**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
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**Volleyball - Silver:**  
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**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Emily Knodel, Molly Meeker, Leah Nusbaum, Ivy Riggensbach, Victoria Valle  
**Cheerleading - Silver:**

Hailey McDaniel, Meghan Todd  
**Boys CC - Gold:**  
 Dayton Pracht, Marcus Miller, Benjamin Stuck, Shawn Jackson, Michael Kohart, Simeon Shepherd, Bailey Manz, Joseph Reineck, Carson Shull  
**Girls CC - Gold:**  
 Christine Clapsaddle, Abbigaile McMichael, Jace Harwell, Mary-Cate Panico, Sidney Kohart, Savannah Shepherd  
**Girls CC - Silver:**  
 Montserrat Martinez  
**Football - Gold:**  
 Jacob Deisler, Kameron Echols, Preston Ingol, Aaron Horstman, Preston Johanns, Hunter Vogel, Devin Gee, Hunter Kesler, Colton Lloyd, Ethan Matty, James Mourey, Jacob Eblin  
**Football - Silver:**  
 Brock Schooley, Tyler Nichols, Jacob King, Hunter Powell  
**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
 Gabriella Stahl, Kaylee Plummer, Allison Arend, Daleigh Davis, Kaylie Tressler, Sydney McCullough, Paige Fitzwater, Kalyn Strahley, Hannah Vance, Brooke Weidenhamer, Karissa Lucas, Suzanne Manz, Jennifer Stahl  
**Girls Soccer - Silver:**  
 Zoey Wright, Liza Carpenter, Megan Garrity  
**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
 William Deisler, Brian Matson, Charles Clapsaddle, Evan Edwards, Michael Dangler, Ryan Woodring, Kaleb Goshia, Jared Paschall  
**Boys Soccer - Silver:**  
 Skyler Maassel, Griffin Harder, Kaleb Becker, Adrian Daniels  
**Boys Golf - Gold:**  
 Cade McGarvey, Isaac Baldwin, Fletcher Cook, Westen Phlipot, Kolson Egnor, Cole Heller  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Faith Vogel, Caitlyn Myers, Audrey Manz, Macy Iler, Haylee Dominique, Cassidy Posey, Taylor March, Abigail English, Megan Tope, Kristen Razo, Arianna Posey  
**SPENCERVILLE**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Emma Bertram, Halie Buggert, Madison Catlin, Gabrielle Goecke, Kaiden Grigsby, Carliegh Hefner, Sophia Nourse, Amanda Schwartz, Amelia Wood  
**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
 Alexandra Hamrick, Grace Hollar, Hannah Leis, Jayden Maier, Alivia McMi-

chael, Kayla Osting  
**Boys CC - Gold:**  
 Robert Modic, Edward Smith, Matthew Wood  
**Boys CC - Silver:**  
 Seth Clark, Kalob Pitson, Hunter Stephen  
**Girls CC - Gold:**  
 Destiney Fiely, Haley Volbert  
**Football - Gold:**  
 Lucas Carpenter, Benjamin Dues, Peyton Ford, Nicholas Freewalt, Gage Goecke, Cole Market, Christopher Picker, Logan Rex, Trenton Schwartz, Jacob Settlemire, Caleb Sutherland, Calvin Wilson  
**Football - Silver:**  
 Damon Blair, Cody Dickson, Keaton Lotz  
**Boys Golf - Gold:**  
 Collin Davis  
**Boys Golf - Silver:**  
 Ethan Harmon, Gavin Harmon, Drake Mertz  
**Boys Soccer - Gold:**  
 Gage Bellows, Bailey Croft, Griffen Croft, Jacob Litsey, Terence Keith Nielsen, Connor Potts, Thad Ringwald, Dylan Shelhart  
**Boys Soccer - Silver:**  
 Hunter Christman, Andrew Pardon, Alexander Sellers, Logan Sellers  
**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
 Olivia Adams, Christina Emery, Olivia Goecke, Carliegh Hefner, Taylor Hobbs, Jenna Litsey, Raygen Martinez, Madison Pugh, Kelsey Shaffer, Sydney Shaffer, Destaney Stephens, Kottia Williams  
**Volleyball - Gold:**  
 Nelaya Burden, Kaitlyn Carpenter, Olivia Clark, Emma Hoback, Whitney Mulholland, Jensen Nagy, Abbygayle Satterfield, Tiffany Work, Emily Zak  
**Volleyball - Silver:**  
 Margaret Patterson

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## READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

**OHIO LOCATIONS**  
**Antwerp:** Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, The Rootbeer Stand, Agora, Pit-Stop, Subway  
**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, H2O, 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, Past Time Cafe  
**Payne:** Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza  
**Scott:** Scott Variety Store  
**Sherwood:** Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank,  
**Van Wert:** Pak-A-Sak, Family Video, Orchard Tree, Lee's Ace Hardware, Main Street Market, Walmart

**INDIANA LOCATIONS**  
**Fort Wayne:** Walmart (Maysville Rd.)  
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**Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Harlan Cafe, iAB Bank  
**Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub  
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**Woodburn:** Clip -N- Tan, Jim's Pizza, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Woodburn Branch Library, Financial Partners, Love's Travel Center, Feders

**DELPHOS JEFFERSON**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Lindsey Jettinghoff, Kaytlin Ward, Madison Geise, Alyssa Hohlbein  
**Cheerleading - Silver:**  
 Viktoria Brunswick, Sarah Fitch, Holly Dellinger, Kyrstin Warnecke  
**Football - Gold:**  
 Cole Arroyo, Hunter Binkley, Tyler Shaeffer, Jace Stockwell, Brenen Auer, Jordan Bonifas, Evan Poling, Alex Rode, Andrez Reed  
**Football - Silver:**  
 Jacob Boop, Jordan Boop, Eli Edie, Nick Long, Drew Riess, Drake Schmitt, Ryan Wittler-Fair, Kole McKee, Dylan Nagel, Darius Shurelds  
**Boys' Golf - Gold:**  
 Connor Berelsman, Andrew Foust, Tristen Moore, Nathan Pohlman, Sara Zalar, Matt Schroeder, Sydnie McGue, Braxton Scalf  
**Boys' Golf - Silver:**  
 Alex Theobald  
**Girls Soccer - Gold:**  
 Makaya Dunning, Kiya

**PAULDING**  
**Cheerleading - Gold:**  
 Emily Knodel, Molly Meeker, Leah Nusbaum, Ivy Riggensbach, Victoria Valle  
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## PAULDING ELEMENTARY PRESCHOOLERS VISIT BOK DAIRY FARM



The preschoolers from Paulding Elementary visited Bok Dairy Farm to find out where milk comes from. The preschoolers and their families toured the farm and even got to feed some baby calves. Sophia Speelman and her mom are shown feeding a calf.

### CONNECTING WITH NATURE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

By: Patrick Troyer, Education Specialist

The Christmas season is upon us and there are many holiday traditions and sights that can be connected to nature with the holiday. Animals such as reindeer are a common topic discussed among children during the holidays as they begin to make their Christmas lists for Santa Claus. Another sight of nature that is common to see around the holidays is the Christmas Tree that finds its way into our homes each holiday season.

Much to the delight of many children, reindeer do exist although they may not have the bright and shiny nose that we see with the famous Rudolph. Reindeer and caribou are relatives of elk and other deer in the mammal group of even-toed hoofed animals called Artiodactyla. Reindeer is a term used when referring to domesticated caribou while the term caribou is used when talking about populations in the wild. Reindeers are best known for their large antlers. According to the San Diego Zoo, reindeer have the largest and heaviest antlers of all living deer species with the male antlers measuring 51 inches long with a female's measuring 20 inches long!

The tip of each antler on the reindeer is known as a point. Antlers of the reindeer are not permanent and fall off and regrow back each year. The San Diego Zoo says that when the antlers are growing it is known as "velvet" since skin, blood vessels, and soft fur cover the developing antlers. Once this velvet dries, the reindeer will rub this off against a hard substance such as rocks or trees to reveal the hardened, bony core. According to the San Diego Zoo, males begin growing their antlers in February with females starting theirs in May

and finishing at the same time yet shedding them at different times of the year. The male loses his in November while the female keeps hers until she has calves (baby deer) the following spring. The San Diego Zoo writes that the antlers come in handy when it comes to having weapons to use against predators, males impressing females, or females will use them to move snow out of the way to find food in the winter.

Another common holiday sight is the ever famous Christmas tree that finds its way into our homes every season. Where and how did this tradition get its start? Trees and plants such as evergreens that remained green all year long have held a special meaning to many in the winter for thousands of years. According to the History Channel, the evergreens were believed to have helped keep away unwanted spirits, witches, ghosts, and illness. It was also believed that the sun was a god and winter came due to the fact that the sun god became sick and weak. History Channel notes that evergreen boughs reminded ancient people that all green plants would in fact grow again and spring would come again. Germany receives the credit for starting the Christmas tree tradition around the 16th century when devout Christians put up decorated trees in their homes, according to the History Channel.

The Christmas tree was viewed by many 18th century Americans as a strange tradition with German settlers in Pennsylvania among the first to embrace the decorated tree. The History Channel writes that Christmas ornaments began arriving in the United States by 1890 with some of the first decorations including things such as berries, apples, nuts, popcorn, and marzipan cookies.

Christmas trees have been sold commercially in the United States since 1850. Among some of the common trees

sold and grown by tree farms include: Douglas Fir, Fraser Fir, Colorado Blue Spruce, and White Pine. Douglas Fir is the most popular variety sold in the United States for real Christmas trees. According to realchristmastrees.org, it is one of the stronger softwood species that grows between 70-250 feet tall, has spreading branches that give the tree a tall yet filled out look. There are still many people who like the traditional live tree in their homes, yet many want to save themselves the mess and go for the artificial version.

As you take in the sights and sounds of the season, take a moment to think about the reindeer and the Christmas tree and about what they stand for during the holiday season. On behalf of the Paulding SWCD, I wish everyone a safe and prosperous holiday season!

### SECRETARY VILSACK APPOINTS MEMBERS TO THE COUNCIL FOR NATIVE AMERICAN FARMING AND RANCHING

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the appointment of six new members and the re-appointment of five members to the Council for Native American Farming and Ranching. As a discretionary advisory committee, the Council provides recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture on changes to U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations and other measures that would eliminate barriers to program participation for Native American farmers and ranchers.

"The Council for Native American Farming and Ranching strengthens our partnerships with tribal governments, businesses, farmers, and ranchers," Vilsack said. "Their work encourages participation of new and historically underserved agricultural producers in USDA programs, and reflects a strong intergovernmental relationship built upon shared values and inclusion."

With the addition of a representative from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Council membership is changing to better reflect the diversity of resources provided by the USDA. NRCS provides farmers, ranchers and forest managers with free technical assistance, or advice, for their land.

The Council consists of fifteen members, including four USDA officials and eleven Native American leaders and representatives. Members of the Council are appointed for two-year terms by the Secretary of Agriculture. The appointees may include: Native American (American Indian and Alaska Native) farmers or ranchers; representatives of nonprofit organizations that work with Native farmers and ranchers; civil rights professionals; educators; tribal elected leaders; senior USDA officials; and other persons the Secretary deems appropriate.

**The following individuals have been appointed to the Council:**

Angela Peter, Executive Director, Alaska Tribal Conservation Alliance, (Native Village of Tyonek), Tyonek, Alaska\*

Erin Shirl, Assistant Director for the Indigenous Food & Ag Initiative, University of Arkansas School of Law

Gilbert Louis III, Firefighter and Farmer / Rancher, (Acoma Pueblo), Grants, N.M.

Jerry McPeak, Farmer / Rancher and Former State Legislator, (Muscogee Creek), Warner, Okla.\*

Mark Wadsworth, Range Conservationist for the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe, (Shoshone-Bannock), Fort Hall, Idaho\*

Maggie Goode, Probation Officer and Farmer / Rancher, (Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes), Hot Springs, Mont.

Roselynn Yazzie, Crop Manager, Navajo Agricultural Products Industry, (Navajo Nation), Farmington, N.M.

Sarah Vogel, Civil Rights Attorney and Former Agricultural Commissioner for North Dakota, Bismarck, N.D.\*

Sherry Crutcher, Rancher and Director of Natural Resources for the Shoshone Paiute Tribe, (Shoshone-Paiute Tribe), Owyhee, Nev.

Shannon McDaniel, Farmer / Rancher and Executive Director of Agriculture for the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, (Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma), Durant, Okla.

Tawney Brunsch, Executive Director of Lakota Funds, (Oglala Sioux), Kyle, S.D.\* (\*Denotes those re-appointed)

**Four USDA officials are also appointed to the Council:**

Jason Weller, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service

Val Dolcini, Administrator, Farm Service Agency

Dr. Joe Leonard, Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights

Leslie Wheelock (Oneida), Director, Office of Tribal Relations

The Council will hold its next meeting on December 8 and 9 at the Flamingo Hotel, El Dorado room, in Las Vegas, Nev. Members of the public are invited to provide comments to the Council from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on December 8.

The Council will continue to work closely with the Office of Tribal Relations and other USDA agencies to improve the success of Native farmers and ranchers to access USDA's entire portfolio of programs to build and support their businesses.

### LATTA STATEMENT ON THE 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PEARL HARBOR ATTACK

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement on the 75th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

"President Franklin Roosevelt declared to a shocked nation that December 7 would be a date which would 'live in infamy' due to the horrific and unprovoked attack on Pearl Harbor that took over 2,400 American lives," said Latta. "While 75 years have passed since that fateful day, we still mourn the loss of those killed and remember the heroic actions that saved the Pacific fleet from total destruction. The bravery displayed by members of the military — called to action on a moments notice — should never be forgotten.

"At the same time, December 7 is a day that changed the trajectory of American history. The unprompted attack brought the United States into World War II. While a significant amount of the Pacific fleet was impacted, including 328 aircraft and 19 naval ships that were either destroyed or

## STEINGASS' MAKE DECORATIONS FOR SCHOOL HALLWAY



Viktor Steingass and his family worked hard to create a preschool sized nutcracker and Christmas tree for the hallway at school. Shown with the Christmas items are Viktor, Lilly, Emma, and Tammy Steingass.

## OAKWOOD STUDENTS MAKE GINGERBREAD HOUSES BROUGHT TO THEM BY THEIR ELF ON THE SHELF, MR. SPRINKLES!



Fifth grader Harley Collins helps Corbin decorate his gingerbread house.



Morgan Szurminski and Ms. Manz enjoy getting in the Christmas spirit by helping Gerald decorate his gingerbread house!

damaged, Americans rose up to answer the call and rebuilt our military to one that won the war despite fighting on two fronts. While more than 16 million served in the U.S. military during the war, only 700,000 of these brave veterans are still alive, and we should honor them on this day. The story of Pearl Harbor is more than tragedy, it's a story of American resilience."

Last week, legislation authored by Congressman

Latta to honor veterans of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS) with a Congressional Gold Medal was approved by the U.S. House of Representatives. The members of the OSS, an intelligence agency that operated during WWII, were critical to winning the war and saving American lives. In the spirit of Pearl Harbor, Speaker Paul Ryan is signing and sending that legislation to the President's desk today.

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**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

WILLIAM C. COLLEY, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 16 118.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 22nd day of December, 2016 at 10:05 A.M., the real estate located at:

12849 Road 176,  
Paulding, Ohio 45879  
Parcel Number: 13-25S-018-00

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

Said premises appraised at Sixty Thousand and No/100 (\$60,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the Fifth of January, 2017 at 10:05 A.M. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

The purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

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

The successful bidder will have 30 days from the sale date to obtain an examination of title at their expense, if so desired. Should such examination disclose the title to be unmarketable by any defect in the court proceedings or the existence of any outstanding interest rendering the title unmarketable, the successful bidder has 30 days to file a written motion requesting the sale shall be set aside. If the court finds the title unmarketable, the court will refuse to confirm the sale or fix a reasonable time, not to exceed 90 days, within which the defect of title may be corrected.

Taxes shall be prorated to the date of the sale and paid from the sale proceeds.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
www.pauldingohsheriff.com

Joshua J. Epling, Attorney for Plaintiff

**SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

General Code, Section 11681  
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,  
PAULDING COUNTY:

VAN WERT FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK,  
Plaintiff,

vs.

CHARLES D. WILSON, ET AL.,  
Defendants,

Case No. CI 16 080.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 22nd day of December, 2016 at 10:10 A.M., the real estate located at:

203 Cedar Street,  
Haviland, Ohio 45851  
Parcel Number: 06-03-032-00

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

Said premises appraised at Fifteen Thousand and No/100 (\$15,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

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Charles F. Koch, Attorney for Plaintiff

OR GENERAL FARM SE1/4 SE1/4 SE1/4 & PT SW1/4 SE1/4 E OF SEC 9

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; 4190 RD 230; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM W1/2 NW1/4 SEC 10

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 35; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; PT SE1/4 NW1/4 10

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 45, 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM S1/2 NE1/4&N1/2 NW1/4 SE1/4 SEC 10

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12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 220, 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM PT SW1/4 SEC 10

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 204, 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM W1/2 E1/2 LESS N 20A SEC 11

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 204; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM W1/2 SW1/4 SE1/4 LESS 4.126 A SS & SE1/4 SW1/4 SEC 15

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 204; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM W1/2 SW1/4 SE1/4 LESS 4.126 A SS & SE1/4 SW1/4 SEC 15

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; SR 49; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM PT SW1/4 SE1/4 E OF RD SEC 9

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; SR 49; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM NW1/4 NE1/4 SEC 22

**HARRISON TWP**  
12/8/16: FROM: BURCKHOLTER BRIAN C BURCKHOLTER JOYCE C TO: MILLER COLBY D & MILLER TAYLOR K; 6539 SR 111; 6539 SR 111, ANTWERP OH 45813; 511 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG UNPLAT 0-09 PT SW COR SE1/4 DIST S-12

**PAULDING TWP**  
12/2/16: FROM: ROACH GROUP LTD TO: HIZ PROPERTIES II LLC; DIX ST; 3185 DEER CREEK, LAMBERTVILLE MI 48144; 340 - MANUF & ASSEMBLY - LIGHT PT SW1/4 NW1/4 &

NW1/4 SW1/4S-12  
12/7/16: FROM: THE ROACH GROUP LTD TO: HIZ PROPERTIES II LLC; DIX ST; 3185 DEER CREEK, LAMBERTVILLE MI 48144; 501 - RESID UNPLAT 0-09.99 ACRES PT ABAN RR R/O/W N CORP TO E S-11 LINE S-12

**ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU 12/14 - 12/20**

12/14 - Chicken strips, carrots, mixed fruit, milk

12/15 - Spaghetti w/meatballs, tossed salad, dinner roll, pineapple, milk

12/16 - Pizza rippers, celery w/dip, applesauce, milk

12/19 - Sloppy joe on bun, tossed salad, pears, milk

12/20 - Hotdog on bun, baked beans, peaches, milk

**PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 12/14 - 12/20**

**HS - Breakfast:**  
12/14 - Ham, egg & cheese croissant, juice, fruit, milk

12/15 - Cinnamon rolls, juice, fruit, milk

12/16 - Sausage, biscuit breakfast, juice, fruit, milk

12/19 - Breakfast pizza, sausage, juice, fruit, milk

12/20 - Pancake, sausage wrap, juice, fruit, milk

**HS - Lunch:**  
12/14 - Beef or chkn burrito OR Beef fiestada pizza, refried beans, spanish rice, asstd. fruit, milk; Toppings: Salsa & sour cream, lettuce, banana peppers

12/15 - BBQ pork, bun, baked potato, meat, cheese & broccoli, asstd. fruit, milk OR Big daddy pizza, celery w/dip, carrots w/dip

12/16 - Chicken tenders, au gratin potatoes, vegetable blend, dinner roll, asstd. fruit, milk OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick

12/19 - Pizza stix, green beans, marinara sauce, asstd. fruit, milk OR Salad bar, garlic bread

12/20 - Cheeseburger OR breaded chicken, oven fries, asstd. fruit, milk; Toppings: Onions, pickles, lettuce, banana peppers, tomato slices

**Paulding Elementary Breakfast:**

12/14 - Bkfst burrito, juice, fruit, milk

12/15 - Muffin, cheese stick, juice, fruit, milk

12/16 - Cereal or cereal bar, juice, fruit, milk

12/19 - Yogurt, goldfish grm, juice, fruit, milk

12/20 - Pancakes, juice, fruit, milk

**Paulding Elementary Lunch:**

12/14 - Pizzaburger on wh gr bun, oven potatoes, celery/carrots/broccoli, fruit, milk

12/15 - Macaroni & cheese, bread, green beans, fresh vegetables, fruit, milk

12/16 - Pizza, salad blend, broccoli, sidekicks, fr. fruit, fruit, milk

12/19 - Breaded chicken on wh gr bun, steamed carrots, Hamburger on wh gr bun, steamed carrots, fruit, milk

12/20 - Chicken quesadilla, baked beans, salsa, fruit, milk

**Oakwood Elementary Breakfast:**

12/14 - Saus-egg burrito, juice, fruit, milk

12/15 - Breakfast cereal, juice, fruit, milk

12/16 - Asstd. cereals, juice, fruit, milk

12/19 - Warm cinn roll, juice, fruit, milk

12/20 - Pancake on stick, juice, fruit, milk

THE WEST BEND NEWS  
**Sudoku Puzzle**

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

**Oakwood Elementary Lunch:**

12/14 - Salisbury stk, whip potatoes, wh gr din roll, romaine lettuce, salad, fruit, milk

12/15 - Mini pancakes, sausage patty, carrot stix, fruit, milk

12/16 - Taco in a bag (cheese Doritos), romaine lettuce, refried beans, fruit, milk

12/19 - Corn dog, baked beans, celery stix, fruit, milk

12/20 - Chicken nugg, whip potatoes, wh gr din roll, romaine lettuce, salad, fruit, milk

**Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High Breakfast & Lunch Menus 12/14 - 12/20**

**Breakfast:**  
12/14 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk

12/15 - Cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk

12/16 - Cinnamon roll, juice, milk

12/19 - Sausage pizza, juice, milk

12/20 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
12/14 - Soft shell taco w/ meat, cheese and iceberg lettuce, refried beans, corn, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; ALSO: Chef salad OR Variety of sandwiches w/salad bar

12/15 - Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll w/butter, fruit, milk

12/16 - Pizza bosco sticks, romaine lettuce salad w/ dressing, cherry tomatoes, fruit, milk

12/19 - Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, baked beans, fruit, milk

12/20 - Bread sticks w/cheese, broccoli w/cheese, California blend, fruit, milk

**WT Payne, GH & Divine Mercy Schools Breakfast & Lunch Menus 12/14 - 12/20**

**Breakfast:**  
12/14 - Ham/cheese ripper, juice, milk

12/15 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice, milk

12/16 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice, milk

12/19 - Cheese omelet, toast, juice, milk

12/20 - Mini cinnamon/apple bosco stick, juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
12/14 - Chili soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, carrot & celery sticks, fruit, milk

12/15 - Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll w/butter, fruit, milk

12/16 - Pizza bosco sticks, romaine lettuce salad w/ dressing, cherry tomatoes, fruit, milk

12/19 - Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, baked beans, fruit, milk

12/20 - Bread sticks w/cheese, broccoli w/cheese, California blend, fruit, milk

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS**

**BROWN TWP**

12/5/16: FROM: ELLWANGER, CHERYL S TO: HEILSHORN NANCI B; 411 N THIRD ST; 411 N THIRD ST, OAKWOOD OH 45873; 510 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG OWNER OCCUP; PARCEL 14 COOPER PARCEL OAKWOOD VILL S-26

**CARRYALL TWP**

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; RD 35; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; NE1/4 SW1/4 SEC 3

12/5/16: FROM: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8 TO: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8; 2316 RD 8, HICKSVILLE OH 43526; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; N PT N 1/2 NW 1/4 SEC 4

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**EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8 TO: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8; 2316 RD 8, HICKSVILLE OH 43526; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; NE FR1/4 NE1/4 SEC 5**

12/5/16: FROM: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8 TO: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE 2316 RD 8; 2316 RD 8, HICKSVILLE OH 43526; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; N1/2 NW FR1/4 SEC 5

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; SR 49; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM PT SW1/4 SE1/4 E OF RD SEC 9

12/5/16: FROM: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE TO: HAND DAVID L TRUSTEE & HAND IONA S TRUSTEE; SR 49; 4197 RD 220, ANTWERP OH 45813; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM NW1/4 NE1/4 SEC 22

12/5/16: FROM: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8 TO: FRIEND N EILEEN LIFE ESTATE RD 8; 2316 RD 8, HICKSVILLE OH 43526; 101 - CASH - GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM; N PT N 1/2 NW 1/4 SEC 4

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

In accordance with Ohio Revised Code, Section 5126.027, the Paulding County Commissioners, under authority of Ohio Revised Code, Section 5126.022, is seeking three individuals interested in an appointment to the Paulding County Board of Development Disabilities. The volunteer, unpaid positions are open January 1, 2017, and the term will expire on December 31, 2020. Interested individual(s) must be Paulding County residents and, to the maximum extent possible, have professional training and experience in business management, finance, law, health care practice, personnel administration, or government service. The Board of County Commissioners shall, whenever possible, ensure that one of the three vacancies is an individual eligible for adult services or an immediate family member of an individual eligible for adult services.

Application forms are available at the Paulding County Commissioners' Office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 27, 2016.

Submit completed application to:  
**Paulding County Commissioners**  
115 N Williams Street, Suite B-1  
Paulding OH 45879



**VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES**

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2016-34 on November 29, 2016, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-32 ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2017, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 2016-32 to adjust the compensation for the Village Administrator in light of the preliminary injunction blocking implementation of new overtime regulations.

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



## WAYNE TRACE GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM HOSTS KIDS NIGHT



Pictured are the participants and the girls basketball players who were in attendance. The girls basketball squad would like to thank all of the parents who made this a successful event for the team, under the direction of head coach Bethany DeJarnett.

On Saturday, December 3, the Wayne Trace girls basketball team took a break from the grind of the high school basketball season by hosting the first annual kids night at Wayne Trace.

Members of the team and coaching staff welcome kids from throughout the school district to allow parents a

night out for dinner or shopping or whatever they wanted to do with the girls basketball squad entertaining the youth at Wayne Trace High School. Participants played games at the school, watched a movie and just enjoyed the evening under the direction of the squad.

## WAYNE TRACE JH WRESTLING WIN INVITATIONAL



Wayne Trace JH wrestlers win the Allen East Invitational Saturday, December 10th. WT came out on top over sixteen teams after a full day of wrestling with a score of 260, teams included: WT, Allen East, Bluffton, Columbus Grove, Cory-Rawson, Delphos Jefferson, Delphos St. John, Elmwood, Hicksville, Liberty Benton, McComb, Ottawa-Glandorf, Shawnee, and Wapak.

Jarrett Hornish (80lbs), Seth Meggins (92lbs), Hunter Long (98lbs), Gabe Sutton (110lbs) and Ty Tinlin (205lbs) stay undefeated for the season

earning another first place title. Jess Munger (134lbs) and Eli Moore (142lbs) came up short in the finals and ended the day placing 2nd. Brendon Bidlack (86lbs) finished 4th.

This was only the second time Wayne Trace JH boys have captured the team trophy at Allen East. Coach Long and Hornish are looking forward to a great year with this group of boys, the improvements they have showed thus far in the season is amazing. "We can not say how proud we are of these boys, we are really looking forward to a great season."

are expected to be delivered each Sunday in December. Mail carriers will also deliver packages on Christmas Day in select locations.

**Skip the lines and ship online or use Self-Service Kiosks**

Consumers can avoid holiday hassles by visiting usps.com — the Postal Service's website that will help make mailing and shipping easier. Take advantage of convenient online shipping this holiday season by using Click-N-Ship on usps.com. It allows customers to order free Priority Mail boxes, print shipping labels, purchase postage and even request free next-day Package Pickup when the letter carrier delivers your mail.

Self-Service Kiosks, available at over 2,800 locations nationwide provide quick access for postal products and services just as ATMs provide for banking customers. There is no extra fee. Using credit and debit cards, the kiosk enables customers to weigh and mail letters and parcels as well as purchase stamps. It also dispenses postage in any amount for Priority Express Mail, Priority Mail, First-Class and Standard Post services. The kiosk provides mailing information such as ZIP Code lookup and accepts post office box renewals. Postal technology also delivers a Spanish-language option at USPS self-service kiosks. To find a kiosk near you, use the Find Locations tool at [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com).

### Mailing Tips

- Print addresses clearly and include all address elements, such as apartment numbers and directional information (ex: 123 S Main St. Apt. 2B)

- Remove batteries from toys. Wrap and place them next to the toys in the mailing box. Customers should include the new batteries in the original packaging.

- Place a card inside the package that contains the delivery and return address. This ensures the package can be delivered or returned should the mailing label become damaged or fall off.

- Never guess a ZIP Code. NO ZIP is better than a WRONG ZIP. Look up a ZIP Code at [usps.com](http://usps.com) under Quick Tools.

- Include both "to" and "from" information on packages — and only on one side.

- Do NOT reuse mailing boxes — they weaken in the shipping process.

- Select a box that is strong enough to protect the contents. Priority Mail and Priority Express boxes are free at the local post office.

- Leave space for cushioning inside.

- Stuff glass and fragile, hollow items, like vases, with newspaper or packing material to avoid damage. When mailing framed photographs, take the glass out of the frame and wrap it separately.

### Busiest Mailing and Delivery Days

The Postal Service predicts that Monday, December 19, will be the busiest mailing and shipping day for holiday packages, letters and cards. The busiest mailing day also is expected to be the Postal Service's busiest day online with more than 7 million customers predicted to visit [usps.com](http://usps.com).

Thursday, December 22, is expected to be the busiest delivery day for holiday packages, cards and letters. The Postal Service anticipates that more than 30 million packages will be delivered on that delivery day alone.

The Postal Service recommends the following holiday mail-by-dates to ensure your gift arrives on time:

### RECOMMENDED MAIL-BY-DATES

Friday, December 9—(MILITARY APO/FPO/DPO Priority Mail & APO / FPO First-Class Mail

Thursday, December 15—USPS Retail Ground (domestic)

Friday, December 16—(MILITARY APO/FPO/DPO Priority Mail Express

Tuesday, December 20—First-Class Mail

Wednesday, December 21—Priority Mail

Friday, December 23—Priority Mail Express

### TEN WAYS TO PROTECT MAIL & PACKAGES

1. Avoid sending cash by mail.

Checks and money orders are safer than cash and may be cancelled or reissued in the event of theft.

2. Don't leave delivered mail and packages unattended.

Just as wallets and purses shouldn't be left on the front seat of an unlocked car overnight, mail and packages shouldn't be left uncollected in mailboxes or front porches for any length of time.

3. Consider an alternate shipping address.

Customers can arrange to have packages delivered to neighbors who are home during the day or get packages delivered at work, if permitted.

4. Change the package's address—while it's in transit!

Customers who know they won't be home when their package is delivered can try USPS Package Intercept. Prior to delivery, most domestic package shipments can be redirected back to the sender, to a new address or to the Post Office to be held for pickup.

5. Customize the delivery.

If the package doesn't fit in the mail box and the customer won't be home to receive it, they can provide delivery instructions online and authorize their carrier to leave it in a specified location. Visit [usps.com](http://usps.com), enter tracking number and select Delivery Instructions. Customers can also request the package be left with a neighbor or held at a Post Office for pickup.

6. Plan ahead. Ship using Hold for Pickup.

When shipping packages, customers can choose the Hold for Pickup option and the recipient can collect the package at their local post office. For customers receiving packages, they can redirect incoming packages to their local Post Office by selecting Hold for Pickup using USPS Package Intercept.

7. Going out of town? Hold mail at the local Post Office.

Instead of risking leaving a package unattended for an extended period of time, customers planning on being away from home

## GROVER HILL STUDENTS GET PEN PALS FROM FAIRVIEW



Mrs. Allyssa Alvarez's 3rd grade class at Grover Hill Elementary School has pen pals from Fairview. They are learning about their pen pal through letters they type back and forth. The students from Fairview are in Mr. Nic Alvarez's class. Pictured working on pen pal letters: Lexi Moore, Zander Gray, Ryann Jay and Lance Maenle.

## CCT VISITS PAULDING AND OAKWOOD



The Columbus Children's Theater came to Oakwood and Paulding Elementary this fall to put on a performance of "Johnny Appleseed". Shown with two of the actors is Ms. Wickert's kindergarten class from Paulding Elementary.

for a few days are encouraged to take advantage of the Request Hold Mail service. Letters and packages will be held securely at the local Post Office until they return.

8. Secure the shipment using USPS Signature Services.

Signature Services help ensure the package ends up in the right hands by requiring a signature at the time of delivery.

9. Choose the most secure form of delivery.

For the most valuable packages, customers can opt for Registered Mail service. Registered Mail receives special-handling from the time it's mailed until it's delivered, documenting the chain of custody.

10. P.O. Boxes might be the answer.

Customers concerned about the security of their mail can consider renting a Post Office Box at their local Post Office. The mail remains secure within the Post Office, accessible only when using the right key or combination. Many Post Office lobbies are open 24/7, allowing customers to retrieve mail on their schedule.

Much more information, including the full list of domestic, international and military mailing deadlines, holiday stamps, etc. can be found at [delivercheer.com](http://delivercheer.com).

All holiday-related press releases and other information can be found at [usps.com/holidaynews](http://usps.com/holidaynews)

The Postal Service does not receive tax dollars for operating expenses; it relies entirely on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

## LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS UNITE TO SUPPORT HEARTBEAT OF LIMA

Providing support to the next generation, and that generation's parents. That was the mission of the 2016 Each One Bring One Fundraising Drive, sponsored by WTLW TV-44. From December 5-7, members of 25 area high school choirs were invited to bring baby items and monetary donations to the TV-44 studios, during the taping of Holiday Music Festival. As a result, \$592.70 in cash and 4 boxes of food and baby supplies were gathered for Lima's crisis pregnancy center.

Schools participating in the Each One Bring One Fundraising Drive were: Elida, Waynesfield, Delphos St. John, Ottawa, Betlehem, Van Wert, New Bremen, Spencerville, Kalida, Leipsic, Columbus Grove and Lincolnview.

See these featured schools as well as 13 additional schools during the 2016 Holiday Music Festival on TV-44. Air dates and times: December 24: 4:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., December 24, 7:00 a.m. and 12 noon.

For more information, contact WTLW Director of Marketing, Jennifer Beck, at (419) 339-444 ext 162 or [jbeck@wtlw.com](mailto:jbeck@wtlw.com). WTLW TV-44 is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization governed by a 10-member board of directors. The viewer-supported station reaches 220,000 homes and through WOSN, offers 24-hour coverage of local high school sports within a 40+ mile radius of the station.

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### THE DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS MEET

The Daughters of Union Veterans — Rebecca Otis Tent # 54 met at the Grabbil Branch Library on December 3, 2016 at 1:00 for their regular meeting. Members and guests were welcomed and thanked for meeting at the lunch at the Old Town Cafe prior to the 1:00 meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Vickie Day of Avilla, Indiana. Roll was called and answered by those present. Password procedures were tended to.

The Holy Bible was opened by the Chaplain and the Divine Blessing was said. The Patriotic Instructor led the Pledge to the flag of the United States of America.

New members were welcomed: Pat Saunders from Ft. Wayne, Indiana (Civil War Veteran — William Saunders) and Rebecca Carr from Paulding, Ohio (Civil War Veteran — Peter Bakke).

Secretary, Nina Stirlen read the minutes from the last meeting. They were approved as corrected.

The treasury was \$1,159.97 plus \$10.00 dues for Vet. Donation. The Chapter dues are due at this time on Dec. 1 of \$25.00. A report was given on the auction of the last meeting. \$154.75 was made on it.

The Chaplain's Report was given by Laverne Amstutz. Comrade member, Esther Cook passed away on Nov. 14, 2016. Patriotic Instructor, Loretta McCann gave report on donations of U.S. Flags in Woodburn area. The "Good of the Order" was given by President Day called "Lincoln and the Pig".

There was Nomination of Officers as read by acting President Vickie Day. They were as follows: Tent #54-- PRESIDENT: Vicki Layman; SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT: Tammy Armstrong; JR. VICE-PRESIDENT: Rebecca Carr; CHAPLAIN: Laverne Amstutz; PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR: Loretta McCann; TREASURER: Nina Stirlen; COUNCIL # 1: Vickie Layman; COUNCIL # 2: Tami Armstrong; COUNCIL # 3: Loretta McCann. A Motion was made and passed that the slate be accepted. It was voted on by all affirmative.

Installation of Officers: All Nominees were called to the head table. The Corres./Recording Secretary is a shared/appointed office by Nina Stirlen and Caroline Zimmerman. All Nominees came forward and laid their hands on the Holy Bible and took the D.U.V. Oath of office. Officers were installed at approx. 2:13 p.m., Vicki Layman took office as President.

The meeting was closed. The next meeting is March 5, 2017, more info will follow in a newsletter. A Christmas gift exchange among the members was next on the agenda and D.U.V. gifts were given to each member by outgoing President Vickie Day.

Members stayed after the meeting to help stuff stockings for Veterans. Items were donated by the members for this purpose at this meeting. They will be distributed by Past-President Vickie Day. Thanks to her past leadership and help with the Veteran committees our Tent #54 has accomplished it's present status. Respectfully Submitted by: Caroline Zimmerman, Recording Sec.

If you would like more information on the Daughters of the Union Veterans, please contact: President, Vicki Layman at 419-258-2222

### MAYFLOWER SOCIETY MEETS FOR COMPACT DAY

The Toledo Colony Mayflower Society met on Sat. November 12, 2016 for Compact Day at Swan Creek Retirement Village in Toledo, Ohio. November is the traditional time for Mayflower colonies to have the Compact Day dinners to commemorate the signing of the MAYFLOWER COMPACT. The Mayflower Compact is read at each dinner and each member is asked to tell from which Pilgrim(s) they are descended. On Thanksgiving Compact Day in November each year members are asked to bring pilgrim figures for table decorations and personal stories and to dress the part of a Pilgrim. The legend of the 3 kernels of corn is also told.

The program was on Pilgrim chil-

dren: their clothing, toys and activities. Dave Martin from Defiance, Ohio is an Elder of the Toledo Colony (State of Ohio). Caroline Wells Longardner Zimmerman from Antwerp, Ohio is the Secretary of the Toledo Colony. This Colony was chartered June 20, 1940.

This group is planning a bus trip to Plymouth, Mass. in 2018 to see Plymouth Rock and where all the Pilgrims burial grounds lie. In March 2017, the Miami (Indian) Tribe of Oklahoma will be the speakers.

This Colony is also supporting the "Restoration of Mayflower II" which is a project that is currently in progress for future generations. A Board of Assistants Meeting followed the Compact dinner.

If you are a descendant of a Mayflower Pilgrim or would like to know more about the Mayflower Society, please contact: Caroline Zimmerman at 419-258-2222 or Judy Rand at 419-924-2613.

### VILLAGE OF ANTWERP REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 11/21/16

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Ray DeLong. Council persons present: Keith West, Rudie Reeb, Ken Reinhart, Steve Derck, Larry Ryan and Council President Jan Reeb.

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, Village Administrator Sara Keeran, Police Chief George Clemens, and EMS Billing Clerk Ashley McDougall. Media present: Joe Shouse from Paulding Progress and Peter Greer from Defiance Crescent. Visitors: Lisa Glass, Jim Pendergrast, Callie Perry, Alexis Griffith, Alex Hindenlang, Floyd Ramsier and Matt McDougall.

Minutes from the regular council meeting held October 17, 2016, were reviewed.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Derck, to accept the minutes from the October 17, 2016, regular council meeting. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

The October disbursements were reviewed. Discussion on expenses.

Motion made by Reinhart, seconded by West, to approve the October reconciliation report. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Visitors Jim Pendergrast and Lisa Glass were in attendance on behalf of ACDC regarding the final payment of \$3,000.00 from the Depot Project. On behalf of ACDC, they requested reimbursement for the various projects in the village this year paid with ACDC funds in excess of \$3,000.00.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to pay ACDC \$3,000.00 for reimbursement of costs expended for projects in the village this year, subject to ACDC submitting an invoice showing costs in excess of \$3,000.00. 6 Years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Callie Perry was in attendance to ask for the village's support in a possible farmers market being located in the village. Callie mentioned several areas for location. She is going to speak with the Chamber of Commerce for their support and is willing to do the work to see this happen. Present in support of Callie's idea were Alexis Griffith, Alex Hindenlang and Floyd Ramsier. Floyd mentioned that he likes to see the village's young people getting involved and encourages more people to join in.

Matt McDougall was in attendance to ask the village for their support on opening a shooting range inside the village corporation limits. Solicitor Farr will research the village's options to allow such use if Matt decides to move forward.

**Police Report**  
Police Chief George Clemens reported 71 calls for service with 16 citations for the month of October. Chief Clemens has received several complaints about burning in the village. Chief Clemens will be applying for a grant to purchase a new police cruiser. Full-time officer Aaron Mock spent a week in Toledo on Crisis Intervention Team Training.

**EMS Report**  
EMS Billing Clerk Ashley McDougall provided a written report showing collections of \$9,149.13 Month-to-date and for year-to-date a total collected of \$80,846.63. She provided a written report showing 23 EMS runs for October with a total of 278 EMS runs for year-to-date in 2016.

**Fiscal Officer's Report**  
Third reading of ordinance no. 2016-27: An ordinance amending ordinance no. 2014-21 Authorizing the change of water rates for the Village of Antwerp, county of Paulding, Ohio.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by West, to accept ordinance no. 2016-27.

**Executive Session:**  
Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Ryan, to enter into executive session to discuss personnel — specifically, the proposed compensation for village employees in 2017. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Council entered into executive session at 6:30 p.m.

Motion made by West, seconded by Reinhart, to exit executive session. 6 Years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved. No action taken.

Council members exited executive session at 6:53 p.m.

**Emergency reading of ordinance no. 2016-32:** An ordinance establishing compensation for the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, for the calendar year 2017, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Derck, to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2016-32. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by West, to accept ordinance no. 2016-32. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to set salary of village administrator to comply with the changes made to the overtime regulations of the Fair Labor Standards Act effective December 1, 2016. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

**Administrator's Report**  
See attached report.  
Safe Routes To School Sidewalk project is completed.  
Compost site is temporarily open for yard waste and leaves only. Hours of business will be Monday – Friday 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Weather permitting.  
Chamber of Commerce plans Christmas tree lighting ceremony at Greenway Park (tennis court) on December 1, 2016. Ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. with

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**FOR SALE:** 1996 Ford Taurus; Entire car or for parts. 419-378-4936 evenings or 419-378-2673 p

6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Third reading of resolution no. 2016-08: Resolution accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the budget commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the county auditor.

Motion made by Jan Reeb, seconded by Derck, to accept resolution no. 2016-08. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Second reading of ordinance no. 2016-30: An ordinance authorizing the mayor and the fiscal officer to enter into a contract with Crane Township for providing emergency medical service for years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

Second reading of ordinance no. 2016-31: An ordinance authorizing the mayor and the fiscal officer to enter into a contract with Carryall Township for providing fire protection services for a ten (10) year period commencing in calendar year 2017.

**Emergency reading of ordinance no. 2016-33:** An ordinance amending section 1 of ordinance no. 2016-14 Authorizing the change of sewer rates, tap fees and re-connect fees for the Village of Antwerp, county of Paulding, Ohio, and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by West, seconded by Jan Reeb, to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2016-33. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Ryan, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to accept ordinance no. 2016-33. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

**Mayor's Report:** The clocks have arrived for the plaza. The clerk-treasurer spoke with the city attorney and motion has begun on collecting money from a local business due to an error in billing. Discussion then occurred about health insurance and what will happen going into 2017 for the city employees. It was determined that the city will not go forward with providing group plan health insurance for city employees and eliminate any current benefits towards medical expenses starting in 2017 going forward. Councilman Watts moved to table discussion until the meeting on December 5th. Before a second, Councilman Watts withdrew his motion. Councilman Gerig moved to reject all presented group plan proposals, second by Councilman Martin. Councilman Renner and Councilman Voiron voted for, Councilman Watts abstains. Motion carries. Councilman Watts suggested looking into the legality of providing a stand alone HSA for each full time employee of the city annually for the budgeted insurance amount. Councilman Renner moved to read Resolution 16-214 in its entirety, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Councilman Renner moved to accept the first reading of Resolution 16-214, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Councilman Renner moved to suspend the rules and waive the second reading of Resolution 16-214, second by Councilman Watts, all in favor. Resolution 16-214 is ratified as presented.

**Clerk-Treasurer's Report:** Meeting minutes were presented from the meeting on November 7th. Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all in favor. Warrants were presented. Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as

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Antwerp Show Choir performing. Antwerp High School choir will also be caroling downtown.

**Committee Reports**  
No committee reports.  
West commented on engineering services and obtaining bids for these services on future projects.

**Mayor's Report**  
Mayor's court brought in \$1,806.00 to the village in the month of October with \$414.00 going to the state and \$155.00 going to the county for a total of \$2,235.00.

Motion made by West, seconded by Reinhart, to adjourn the meeting. 6 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

### MEETING MINUTES FOR WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 21ST, 2016:

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls, Chief Duhamel, as well as Councilman Watts, Gerig, Renner, Voiron, and Martin were in attendance.

**Chief's Report:** The Woodburn Police Reserves have logged 61 hours so far this month. The final three candidates for the 2017 full time position have made it to the final interview tomorrow evening in a closed executive session with the Board of Works and Public Safety. Once the individual is selected, the city can then order the needed clothing and equipment and start the official hiring process through INPRS, which is mandatory before the city can take them on as an employee.

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presented, second by Councilman Voiron, all in favor.

**Superintendent's Report:** The Superintendent will be putting up Christmas decorations tomorrow on Main Street. This is the official last week of leaf pickup for the city. The utility department has looked at new vehicles for the department and will continue gathering that information for presentation at a future time.

**Councilman's Report:** Councilman Watts would like to remind everyone about the windows still being decorated at City Hall.

**Audience:** A resident wanted to bring a complaint about his neighbor for a junk vehicle on or near the property. The mayor will look into this complaint and have information to share at a future meeting. A resident requested to speak with the mayor after the meeting. A resident wanted to remind everyone that the lighted parade will begin on Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 p.m. starting at the parking lot near the Community Center. On December 10th and 11th properties will be judged for best lighting. Out of city participants would have to register separately prior. A resident complained about his water heater not lasting as long as it is supposed to. After discussion, it was determined that the cost to provide water in the way described would be astronomical and not feasible. He also mentioned that vehicles are covered with particles from the field during harvest and he requested that any realistic ideas to minimize this situation be implemented.

Councilman Renner moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

### STATEMENT BY AGRICULTURE SECRETARY TOM VILSACK ON HOUSE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE REPORT ON SNAP

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack released the following statement on the House Committee on Agriculture's new report on the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which contains the Committee's findings from a series of hearings on the program:

"After holding 16 hearings on SNAP over the past two years, the House Agriculture Committee reached a simple conclusion: SNAP provides a critical nutrition safety net for millions of low-income Americans, and we need to do all we can to protect and strengthen the program so it can continue effectively serving American families in need.

"Four out of five SNAP participants are children, seniors, people with disabilities, or working adults. SNAP reduces food insecurity, increases access to healthy food, and generates economic activity and creates jobs all along the supply chain—from the store where food is purchased, all the way back to the farmer who produces it. The program has also been shown to have a positive impact on children's health, academic performance, and long-run economic self-sufficiency. SNAP rewards work with benefits that decrease gradually as earnings increase,

### Sudoku solution from page 13

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9	1	9	2	6	7	8	3
4	2	6	8	7	3	9	5
5	6	9	1	8	2	7	4
2	7	4	6	3	9	1	8
3	8	1	5	4	7	6	9
6	4	3	7	9	5	2	8
1	5	7	4	2	8	3	6
8	6	2	3	1	6	5	7

and SNAP Employment & Training helps participants build the skills they need to get good-paying jobs and move off the program the right way.

"SNAP is designed to respond swiftly to changing economic conditions—on a national scale, as we saw during the Great Recession when SNAP lifted millions of people out of poverty, or locally, when a plant closes, disaster strikes, or another event causes sudden unemployment or hardship in a particular community. As the report highlights, states already have significant flexibility to tailor the program to their unique needs, while maintaining the responsiveness, effectiveness, and oversight of the Federal program.

"Proposals to convert SNAP into a block grant are misguided and would mean the program could no longer respond to economic conditions and serve all eligible Americans without drastically reducing benefits. As Congress begins working on the 2018 Farm Bill, they must protect SNAP and resist pressure to weaken the program by turning it into an ineffective block grant."



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**SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST AT PAULDING**



Paulding Ex. Village Schools held their annual Senior Citizen Breakfast on Wednesday, December 7th. There was lots of music and entertainment provided as the guests enjoyed their breakfast. Shown is senior Dayton Pracht as he serves Sue Crossland.

**WAYNE TRACE SR CITIZENS MEAL**



Wayne Trace recently hosted their Annual Senior Citizen Luncheon. The Wayne Trace HS Band and Choir performed. Connor Baumle is shown above, entertaining the guests with his rendition of: "Blue Christmas".

**GROWTH MINDSET AT PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Paulding Middle School is using a curriculum that staff members are leading students through this school on the topic of Growth Mindset. Carol Dweck, professor of Psychology at Stanford University has been a leader in the Mindset field for years. She states "if parents want to give their children a gift, the best thing they can do is teach their children to love challenges, be intrigued by mistakes, enjoy effort, and keep on learning. That way, their children do not have to be slaves to praise. They will have a lifelong way to build their own confidence". This article, and a few more like it later in the school year, is a resource for parents to see why cultivating a growth mindset in our children is important. As we educate our children here at school about this concept, we will use this series of articles to educate parents as well. This first article is an introduction to what the Growth Mindset is.

Fixed vs. Growth: Understand the two basic mindsets that shape our lives.

Have you ever wondered why some children shy away from challenges and crumble at the first sign of a struggle? Maybe your child has a history of quitting activities, sports, or school work when they didn't immediately excel. Maybe years of struggle or a few bad experiences have convinced your child that "I'm just not good at that." Learning about fixed and growth mindsets will help you to change destructive patterns, allowing your child to lead a happy and fulfilled life full of

lifelong learning and limitless potential.

**What is a growth mindset?**

Through decades of research, Dr. Carol Dweck, a Stanford University Psychologist, found that people's beliefs about their intelligence differ. Some people believe that their intelligence and abilities are unchangeable. In other words, you have a certain amount of intelligence, and you can't do much to change it. This is called a "fixed mindset." Think about the phrase, "I'm not a math person." This statement indicates a fixed mindset about math, because it attributes math ability to an unchangeable quality.

Others have different ideas about their intelligence and abilities. Some people believe that it is possible to grow your intelligence through effort. This is called a "growth mindset." Think about the phrase, "Math was really confusing at first, but I've studied hard all year and I understand it a lot better now." This indicates a growth mindset, because it shows a willingness to dig in deep.

**Why is it important?**

Holding a fixed or a growth mindset has huge implications when it comes to motivation. If children have a fixed notion of intelligence, they probably believe that success has a lot to do with talent. They may think that some are born with the ability to succeed, and others just aren't. They might view successful people as possessing some unattainable, innate gift. The side effect of the fixed mindset is a helpless or apathetic attitude toward effort — especially when it comes to challenging tasks.

The simple belief that intelligence is malleable can better equip children for challenging tasks and difficult subject matter. If they know that they can develop their abilities, that effort and dedication make a difference in the formula for success, and then children won't become paralyzed by challenge. The growth mindset creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for achieving goals.

**How will it help my child?**

Research has shown that children with a growth mindset do better in school. In a study with middle school students, Dr. Lisa Blackwell found that students with a

growth mindset earned higher math grades when compared to students with a fixed mindset. Students in Washington, D.C. who were taught a growth mindset outperformed all of their peers on standardized tests in the district. Many studies show that children who have a growth mindset behave differently when confronted with a challenge, and end up learning from their mistakes instead of being paralyzed by them.

**NEW PARTNERSHIP**

The New Heights Educational Group has recently partnered with Foundation for Economic Education (FEE). FEE has been a leading non-profit organization in teaching the principles of a free society since its founding in 1946 by Leonard E. Read. Today, FEE focuses on bringing freedom as a life philosophy to young audiences while striving to bring about a world in which the economic, ethical, and legal principles of a free society are familiar and credible to the rising generation.

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**EAGLE SCOUT COURT OF HONOR**



On November 13, an Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held for Samuel Ladd. Samuel Ladd, a member of Boy Scout Troop 137 in Payne, OH, earned his Eagle Scout Award. Ladd led a group of volunteers with the goal of uncovering artifacts on the grounds of Boy Scout Camp Lakota in Defiance, OH. He enlisted the expertise and diligence of the Miami Valley Metal Detecting Club who explored over 40 acres of land for a total of 300 hours. The recovered artifacts have been donated to the camp with the intention of creating a museum later to be erected in 2018.

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