

ANTWERP YEARBOOK CLUB TRAVELS TO NEW YORK CITY



Four members of the Antwerp yearbook staff along with their adviser Mrs. Amy Sorrell attended the Columbia Scholastic Press Association spring convention at Columbia University in New York City from March 16-18. The students included seniors Annie Miesle, Brittany Smith, and Mikayla Boesch and junior Becca Johanns. During the convention, the group attended sessions and met with former Columbia Scholastic Press Association

president Mary Kay Downs to get a critique and to learn about entering into national competitions. The staff plans to submit the 2016 yearbook to two national contests next year.

The students also did a lot of sightseeing on the trip. The first night in New York, they went to Top of Rock (the observation deck of Rockefeller Center) at sunset. They went to the 911 Museum, Times Square, a Broadway produc-

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NEW HAVEN HIGH STUDENT RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS LILLY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Amy Rowland, senior at New Haven High School received a surprise visit and was presented with the 2016 Lilly Scholarship award by Community Foundation representatives.

Amy will be using the full tuition scholarship to attend college, either the University of Saint Francis or IPFW. Amy will major in Psychology and minor in visual communications. The scholarship award will also pay Amy's required fees, and a stipend of \$900 per year for required books and equipment for four consecutive years of undergraduate student leading to a baccalaureate degree.

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SECRETARY HUSTED ENDORSES OHIO ASSOCIATION OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS' STANDARDS FOR EXCELLENCE PROGRAM

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted met with nonprofit organizations from around Ohio to discuss efforts to impact communities and families throughout the state. During the meeting, the Secretary endorsed the Ohio Association of Nonprofit Organizations' (OANO) Standards for Excellence Accreditation program.

"Nonprofit organizations are improving our communities around the state," Secretary Husted said. "The Standards for Excellence Accreditation helps to safeguard

nonprofit organizations by giving them the tools they need in order to meet basic legal and financial requirements so they can provide better services to people in need."

The Standards for Excellence Accreditation helps nonprofit organizations take a proactive approach to managing their policies, procedures and governance to protect from costly mistakes.

"We are thrilled to receive this endorsement from Secretary Husted, this is a great step forward in the partnership that we have always enjoyed with the Secretary of State's office" said OANO Executive Director Marcy Williams.

OANO's program offers various levels of accreditation for nonprofits seeking the Standards of Excellence seal. Each level requires a review of the organization's policies, procedures and operations. Compliance with basic legal and financial requirements and safeguards are covered for the organization and its funders in the first tier. The prestigious accreditation is awarded only after successful completion of the review process. To date, 39 nonprofit organizations in Ohio have completed the program.

"With the Standards for Excellence, OANO goes further than simply asking a charity if they comply," Williams explained. "The program includes intensive, practical training for nonprofits on implementing the principles in their specific organization while protecting the donors and taxpayers that help fund them."

In addition to the Stan-

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38TH P.A.S.S. BASKETBALL MARATHON RESULTS



St. John's Tire Service takes 1st place in the Women's Division.



This year's 24-hour Basketball Marathon hosted 106 teams in 7 divisions of play. The Marathon successfully raised approximately \$7,200.00. The Marathon Committee & Paulding Area Support Society would like to thank everyone for the continued support in Paulding Counties great sports spectacular. The Marathon also received a \$200.00 donation from Antwerp V.F.W. this year which was a great surprise on top of all of the many

team sponsors that continue to help make this event such a success. The Marathon Committee would like to thank the hundreds of volunteers that helped make this long weekend possible for so many wonderful years.

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1st place: Hooker Enterprises with 36points; 2nd place: Divine Mercy School with 10 points

Tots Division:

1st place: Divine Mercy

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OBITUARIES



shopping at 1:30 p.m.
 3/31 - Bingo w/Gardens of Paulding at 10:00 a.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.
 4/1 - Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
 4/4 - Raffle day; "Shedding pounds" at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.
 4/5 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BECOMES MEDICAL TRAINING SITE

Paulding County Hospital has become a training site for medical students enrolled in the Ohio University's Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine. The clinical affiliation will enable students to gain valuable experience in the rural healthcare setting. The rural environment provides unique educational opportunities not found in metropolitan settings.

The hospital will benefit by having the potential to recruit medical students into physician practices upon graduation. Hospital CEO Randal Ruge stated, "We're very excited that Paulding County Hospital is helping to educate tomorrow's physician. This is especially important as our country faces a shortage of physicians some estimate at 80,000." The medical students will train alongside licensed physicians in physician offices and all areas of the hospital including the Emergency Department.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY TO HELP PROLONG INDEPENDENCE

Occupational Therapists (OTs) and Occupational Therapy Assistants (OTAs) help provide holistic intervention in many areas of occupation such as: activities of daily living (ADLs) including bathing, dressing and grooming; instrumental activities of living such as home and financial management, rest and sleep, education, work, play, leisure and social participation.

Common occupational therapy interventions include helping people learn how to compensate and/or regain skills in order to lead a full and productive life. This may include specific exercises, comprehensive evaluations of the person's home and other environments (e.g., workplace and school), recommendations for adaptive equipment and training in its use, and guidance and education for family members and caregivers.

Common Conditions Occupational Therapy Can Benefit:

- CVA/stroke or heart attack
 - Arthritis, multiple sclerosis, or other serious chronic conditions
 - Dementia or Alzheimer's
 - Fractures, joint replacements or injuries from a fall or accident
 - Vision or cognitive impairments that threaten the ability to drive
- How Occupational Therapy Can Help:**
- Education and training in activities of daily living
 - Comprehensive evaluations of the client's home
 - Recommendations for adaptive equipment and training in its use
 - Sensorimotor treatment in strengthening, endurance, range of motion, coordination, balance and functional mobility
 - Compensation for loss of one or more of the 5 senses
 - Therapeutic activity for memory, orientation and cognitive integration
 - Guidance and education for family members and caregivers

April is National Occupational Therapy Awareness Month! Occupational therapy has been proven effective for older adults living with various medical conditions or recovering from surgery. For more information on how occupational therapy can benefit you now or in the future, talk with your doctor or visit your therapy department. Occupational therapy is a part of the rehabilitation department and services are covered by Medicare and most insurance plans. Occupational Therapy to Help Prolong Independence www.promoteOT.com

CELEBRATE IT! OT MONTH APRIL 2016

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MERCY DEFIANCE CLINIC ANNOUNCES CHANGES PODIATRY DEPARTMENT

Patients of Mercy Defiance Clinic's podiatry department will see a new, yet familiar, face beginning this month. Dr. Jonathan Rohdy, long-time physician in the department, is taking over for Dr. Finerty who recently retired. Dr. Rohdy has been with the department since 2004 and is happy to continue the care of Dr. Finerty's patients.

Dr. Rohdy specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of foot disorders, as well as wounds of the lower extremities. He is certified

by the American Board of Podiatric Medicine and the American Board of Foot & Ankle Surgery. Dr. Rohdy is also a fellow of the American Professional Wound Care Association.

"Dr. Rohdy brings excellent experience to the department, especially on the wound care side," said Chad Peter, Mercy Defiance president and CEO. "Not many people think of wound care when they think of podiatry, but it's a key service that the department provides. It's important to us that patients have access to high-quality wound care, right here in Defiance."

Patients will experience no disruption in service, with all previously scheduled appointments occurring as scheduled. To schedule a new appointment, please call 419-784-1414.

Mercy Defiance Hospital is a community hospital committed to providing excellent health care services to its patients and families. Area residents benefit from excellence in personalized inpatient, outpatient, and emergency care. As a member of Mercy, Mercy Defiance is linked to a comprehensive range of primary and critical care health services including Life Flight. Mercy is a member of Mercy Health (formerly Catholic Health Partners), the largest health system in Ohio and one of the largest non-profit systems in the country. Locally, Mercy is based in Toledo, Ohio and serves 20-counties in Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan. Mercy provides comprehensive primary and critical care services to residents as well as a robust physician group, Mercy Medical Partners, Life Flight critical air transport services and Mercy College of Ohio. For more information, please go to mercy.com

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 3/10/16

The Antwerp Local School District Board of Education met at 6:00 p.m. at the above date for a special meeting at the Antwerp Local School

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time."
 —1 Timothy 2:5-6

4-H CAMP PALMER ALL CAMP CLEAN UP APRIL 2



In order to open and improve the grounds at 4-H Camp Palmer, we need volunteer help. Does your club or organization need a service project? Youth ages 8-15 years of age, must be accompanied by an adult. All volunteers on April 2 will be provided a picnic lunch - 12:30 p.m. Please be prepared to bring own rakes, work gloves and scrap rags. (camp will supply cleaning products)

The clean-up day is scheduled for Saturday, April 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please check in at the covered bridge entrance for work assignments. If individuals or groups can only help part of the day you are still encouraged to come.

Some of our main projects will include: leaf raking, cabin cleaning, cleaning flowerbeds and the general grounds. Anyone planning to help should contact Suzy Summers at 419-237-2247 or email at 4hcamppalmer@gmail.com by March 31 so we can include you in the lunch count.

For those unable to make the April 2 work date, other times can be arranged. 4-H Camp Palmer will be fully opening camp for their 69th year of serving resident 4-H campers, school outdoor education programs, band camps, team building and challenge course leadership experiences, retreat groups, family reunions and more.

The camp is located at 26450 County Road MN, Fayette, Ohio right next to Harrison Lake State Park.

- Board Room.
1. **The Pledge Of Allegiance** was recited by the Board Members.
 2. **Roll Call of Members:** Mrs. Anita Bok, Mr. Robert Herber, Mr. Dennis Recker, and Mr. Kipp Taylor. Mrs. Schuette participated by conference phone. Others Present: Dr. Martin Miller (Superintendent) and Kristine Stuart (Treasurer)
 3. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM:**
 - a. Approve the bid from *Wyse Electric, LLC* to upgrade the lighting in the High School Gym, the Auxiliary Gym, and the Auditoria with LED Lighting for a total cost of \$87,900. Motion by Anita Bok and

seconded by Robert Herber, that the Board Approve the following action items (a). Vote: Yes: Mrs. Bok, Mr. Herber, Mr. Recker, and Mr. Taylor. Motion passed: 4-0.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Robert Herber and seconded by Kipp Taylor to adjourn the Board meeting at 7:10 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education room. Vote: Yes: Mrs. Bok, Mr. Herber, Mr. Recker, and Mr. Taylor. Motion passed: 4-0.

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PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 3/30 - 4/5

- 3/30 - Johnny marzetti, Italian green beans, apricots, tomato juice, garlic bread, rainbow yogurt, milk
- 3/31 - Ham & cheese casserole, stewed tomatoes, spinach salad, hot apple-sauce, dinner roll, milk
- 4/1 - Lasagna, brussel sprouts, cinnamon apple-sauce, orange juice, garlic bread, cookie bar, milk
- 4/4 - BBQ rib sandwich, butter beans, spinach, tropical fruit, fruit snacks, milk
- 4/5 - Pot roast, red potatoes, Scandinavian vegetables, apricots, cookie, dinner roll, milk

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 3/30 - 4/5

3/30 - Trip to Advantage Salon - leave at 8:00 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; grocery

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tion of Wicked, and went on the NBC Studio Tour and the Circle Line boat tour to see the Statue of Liberty.

The group fundraised for a year and a half to defray to the cost of the trip.

THE ORTHO HOSPITAL CREATES SPECIAL EASTER BASKETS FOR HOMELESS WOMEN & CHILDREN

Associates from The Orthopedic Hospital of Lutheran Health Network have collected unique items for clients of Charis House that will be delivered in the form of decorative Easter baskets Wednesday, March 23, at 9:00 a.m.

Items range from household necessities to fun-filled surprises, all assembled with the spirit of Easter in mind. Leaders from each organization worked to establish a wish list that included blankets, towels, pillows, cleaning supplies, a microwave, a baby monitor, candy and toys. In all, staffers at The Ortho Hospital collected approximately 1000 pounds of items. The entire donation will be transported via a shuttle bus.

Currently, Charis House supports 34 women and 28 children.

Charis House is located at 431 Fairmount Place, just north of downtown Fort Wayne.

JPHS JR HISTORIANS MEETING

The next Jr. Historians meeting will be Saturday, April 2nd from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the JPHS museum. All school aged kids are welcome to attend. Light refreshment will be served.

PAULDING CHAPTER 10 PERI APRIL MEETING SET

The Paulding Chapter 10 Public Employee Retirement Incorporated (PERI) will be meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at the Paulding County Senior Center (401 E. Jackson St.). Guest speaker for the meeting will be Jerry Zielke.

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

STORYTIME FOR PRE-SCHOOLS, DAYCARES & OTHER GROUPS:

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 9:30 a.m. - 30-minutes of theme-based stories, fingerplays, early literacy activ-

ities and fun for your 3 to 6 year old child.

FAMILY STORYTIME:

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27 10:30 a.m. - Little kids - and bigger kids, too! Are invited to read, sing, and play along at a storytime that is fun for all ages and stages.

BABIES AND BOOKS:

Fridays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:00 a.m. - Bring in those little babies for a special time just for them. They are never too young to begin with books.

TODDLER STORYTIME:

Fridays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Special stories, songs and activities for active toddlers! Children 18 months to 3 years of age and their caregivers are encouraged to attend.

CHI LEGO Club:

Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 3:30 p.m. - Do you like LEGOs? If so, come join a group of like-minded kids, sprawl on the floor and build.

MINECRAFT MASTERS:

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 4:00 p.m. - Welcome all Minecraft survivors. Whether you are an expert or just getting started, come and explore the Minecraft world.

TODDLER ART:

Tuesday, April 5, 10:30 a.m. - Caregivers and Toddlers are welcome to join us in the Globe Room to make a fun, age-appropriate craft. Though we try to be careful, art projects can get messy, so it's recommended that adults and little ones wear old clothes!

SENSORY STORYTIME:

Monday, April 11, 2:00 p.m. - This multi-sensory storytime will provide plenty of time for interactive stories, social interaction, and movement based learning.

DISCOVER 3D PRINTING:

Monday, April 4, 2:00 & 6:30 p.m. - Discover the wonder of 3D printing in this hands-on class. Children will learn the basics of designing a 3D object, as well as how to use a 3D printer. Children will need an email address and will be given a certificate to print at a later date. Registration is Required.

CLAY FUN:

Tuesday, April 5, 2:00 p.m. - We will have modeling clay to make into a creation of your choice—a monster, a puppy, a rocket ship, or whatever you imagine. When you are done creating, take your creation home to dry and keep.

TIME FOR ORIGAMI:

Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m. - In celebration of National Library Week you are invited to join us and learn how to transform a simple piece of paper into something wonderful.

YOUR DAY IN INDIANA HISTORY:

Friday, April 15, 2:00 p.m. - Chose a day, a holiday, a birthday any day. Then we will go to the Genealogy Center and use their collection of microfilm newspapers to see what happened on that date.

MATH ADVENTURES:

Monday, April 18, 4:00 p.m. - This hour long program is for children in Kindergarten through Second Grade. They will explore basic math concepts and problem solving.

TIME FOR PRINT-MAKING:

Tuesday, April 19, 2:00 & 6:30 p.m. - Let's explore printmaking. Learn how to etch out an image and transfer the image onto paper.

SCIENCE EXPLORERS: BLOW WIND BLOW:

Tuesday, April 26, 2:00 and 6:30 p.m. - Hands-on experiments and science activities as we explore the science of gardening.

HOMESCHOOL HAPPENINGS:

Thursday, April 7, 1:00 p.m. - Learn something new or participate in an interesting activity every month. This month Your Day in History, Teen Edition.

OTAKU ANON:

Thursday, April 7, 7:00 p.m. - Watch Anime and Hang out with other manga and anime fans.

BOOKS-N-BAGELS (AND A FEW DONUTS):

Friday, April 8 10:00 a.m. - Join our homeschool book group for high school students.

TOTALLY TERRIFIC TUESDAYS:

Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m. - This month we will be have a spring stamping project.

SCIFI CLUB:

Thursday, April 14, 7:00 p.m. - We talk movies, games books, graphic novels and any other science fiction topic.

MINECRAFT CLUB:

Thursday, April 28, 2:00 p.m. - Join us in the Computer Classroom for Minecraft Club.

FIRST FRIDAY BOOK GROUP:

Friday, April 1 10:00 a.m. - Ages 11-14 read and discuss books with other homeschoolers. This month we are reading The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate

SEW A PILLOW COVER:

Tuesday, April 5, 2:00 p.m. - Make a basic envelope style cover for a toss pillow. Fabric and a pillow form supplied. Space is limited call 260-421-1255 to sign up.

8th ANNUAL POETRY SLAM:

Tuesday, April 19, 7:00 p.m. - Curtis Crisler will be our host for this annual event. Bring at least three original poems to perform. Listeners are also welcome. Call 260-421-1255 to register.

HAPPY DEATH DAY SHAKESPEARE:

Saturday, April 23, 2:00 p.m. - It has been 400 years since the death of William Shakespeare but his legacy lives on. We'll be celebrating with diversions, japes, and comestibles inspired by the Bard and his works.

CRAFT CAFÉ:

Thursday, April 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m. - Want to get crafty? So Do we! Bring your project to the library and enjoy drafting, coffee and conversation. All crafters and projects are welcome.

MOVIE NIGHT @ THE LIBRARY:

Tuesday, April 26 6:30 p.m. - Theater Lower Level 2 Main Library. We will present a G, PG or PG-13 moving on the big screen the 4th Tuesday of the month. Adults must accompany children under 13, the doors open at 6 first come first seated.

PRESERVATION WEEK - PASS IT ON:

Sunday, April 24 - Saturday, April 30 - The Genealogy Center offers a week of events to inform and inspire you in preserving your family, organization and community heritage.

USING THE MAKER LAB TO PRESERVE FAMILY HISTORY:

Sunday, April 24, 2016, 1:00 p.m. - Meeting Room A & Maker Lab - Sara Allen

YOUR HOME MUSEUM: WEBSITES TO AID IN THE PRESERVATION OF PERSONAL MEMORABILIA:

Monday, April 25, 2016, 6:30 p.m. - Discovery Center - Delia Bourne

BEYOND THE FAMILY BIBLE: USING HEIRLOOMS IN GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH:

Tuesday, April 26, 2016, 2:30 p.m. - Discovery Center - John Beatty

PRESERVING FAMILY DOCUMENTS:

Wednesday, April 27, 2016, 6:30 p.m. - Discovery Center - Tamara Hemmerlein

SCANNING DEMO:

Thursday, April 28, 2016, 2:30 p.m. - Discovery Center - Kay Spears

PRESERVING PREVIOUS PAPER: CONSERVATION TECHNIQUES FOR PAPER MATERIALS:

Friday, April 29, 2016, 10:00 a.m. - Discovery Center - Allison Singleton

LIFE STORIES:

Saturday, April 30, 2016, 10:00 a.m. - Discovery Center - Curt Witcher

SPORTS CARD SHOW IN FORT WAYNE

Saturday April the 9th from 10 am to 3 p.m., at the Hotel Fort Wayne (formally the Marriott) located at 305 E Washington Center rd (exit 312a off of I-69) in Fort Wayne, Indiana there will be a sports card and collectibles show. Dealers from the tri-state region will be in attendance with both sport and non-sport cards and collectibles. Featured will be vintage and new singles, hobby boxes and supplies. . . attendance is free and the public is invited to attend. Please feel free to bring your items in for appraisal. For more information please contact Brian Mayne at 260-824-4867 or mscardscomics@adamswells.com or on facebook at FORT WAYNE BASEBALL CARD SHOW.

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT GRABILL BRANCH LIBRARY

MONDAY NIGHT BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP:

Monday, April 4, 7:00 p.m. - Each month we discuss a different book. This month we will read *Child 44* By Tom Rob Smith

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL RAISES FUNDS FOR AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION



Paulding Middle School students recently raised \$244 dollars for the American Heart Association by competing in a free throw shooting contest. Winners of the free throw shooting contest were Pictured L to R: Tyrel Goings, Blake McGarvey, Sydney McCullough, and Sadie Estle.

PAULDING ELEMENTARY COMPLETE MYTHOLOGY UNIT



The Paulding Elementary 4th graders completed their unit on mythology. Shown in the photo are student Lathan Schneider, Brianna Draper, and Chloe Hicks with their culminating project.

BORN TO READ:

Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, 10:30 a.m. - You're never too young to enjoy the library. For babies and their caregivers.

SMART START STORYTIME:

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30 a.m. - Preschoolers and their grownups are invited to attend a storytime designed to help them as they begin to read.

LEGO CLUB:

Wednesday, April 6, 3:30 p.m. Use our stash of Lego blocks to build amazing things. Each month we'll have a special challenge and time to share our creations with each other.

HOMESCHOOL CRAFT CHALLENGE:

Monday, April 11, 10:30 a.m. Come on over for creative (sometimes messy) fun. We supply all the materials so bring your friends and family. In March we

will be doing Kinetic Painting..

HOMESCHOOL CRAFT CHALLENGE:

Monday, April 11, 10:30 a.m. - This month we will have a craft dealing with Outdoor Space

HOMESCHOOL HISTORY CHALLENGE:

Monday, April 18, 10:30 a.m. - Homeschool History Challenge meetings will focus on an Historical time period with iPad quizzes, discussion and activities.

HOMESCHOOL SCIENCE CHALLENGE:

Monday, April 25, 10:30 a.m. - Challenge your mind learning new science concepts, while having a blast with your friends. In April we will see how cars behave on a Racecar Track

MINECRAFT MASTERS:

Wednesday, April 20, 3:30 p.m. - Minecraft masters: test your skill and play with your friends each month.

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WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL DONATES TO THE RESCUE MISSION



Woodburn Lutheran School collected 3rd quarter chapel offerings to donate to the Rescue Mission. On March 23rd, WLS was able to present a check for \$768 to the Rescue Mission. Students and families also donated needed items and gave those to the Rescue Mission.

The Rescue Mission, founded in 1903, is a faith-based, nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization, providing restorative care to men, women and children experiencing

a homeless crisis. The organization serves Fort Wayne, Allen County and its nine surrounding counties. The Rescue Mission is comprised of four ministries, or houses, that function as communities of compassion. Their mission is to provide, through the power of Jesus Christ, a home for the homeless, food for the hungry, and hope for their future.

WLS was blessed to be able to help support this organization.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH YOUTH LAUNCHES SHOE COLLECTION DRIVE TO RAISE MONEY FOR MISSION TRIP TO ALABAMA

Shoe donations will also support micro-enterprises in developing nations and reduce what goes into landfills

First United Methodist Church Youth is conducting a shoe collection drive from March - July 1st to raise funds for youth mission trip to Alabama. First church youth will earn funds based on the number of pairs collected as Funds2Orgs will purchase all of the donated goods. Those dollars will benefit the mission trip. Anyone can help by donating used or new shoes at First United Methodist Church at 113 W. Central St. in Van Wert or call the office at 419-238-0631 and we will pick them up.

All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of microenterprise partners in developing nations. Funds2Orgs helps impoverished people start, maintain and grow businesses in countries such as Haiti, Honduras and other nations in Central America and Africa. Proceeds from the shoe sales are used to feed, clothe and house their families. One budding entrepreneur in Haiti even earned enough to send her son to law school.

"We are excited about our shoe drive," said Teresa Shaffer, youth director. "We know that most people have extra shoes in their closets they would like donate to us and help those less fortunate become self-sufficient. It's a win-win for everyone," added Teresa.

By donating shoes to the First Church Youth, the shoes will be given a second chance and make a difference in people's lives.

HOME BUILDING SERIES AT FIRST FRIENDS CHURCH

A strong, healthy, love filled home is the dream of every family but in today's stress filled life, that reality is rare. Families today are being pulled in many different directions and the strain of societies pressures are tearing families apart. The cornerstone of society, the family, is under fire and needs to be reinforced. Effective, love encouraging communication is an essential requirement to being able to have a strong, healthy, love filled home.

Dr. Gary Chapman, Christian Counselor, New York Times bestseller, and national speaker has pro-

duced series the 5 Love Languages: The Secret to Love That Lasts, which has been successful in assisting thousands of families. The series, thru simple and practical ways of communicating love has transformed families. The series will be the core of the upcoming Home Building Series.

One of this year's focus of First Friends Church's mission of being "A Church with Heart, Caring for Our Communities" is building stronger, healthier, more love filled families. First Friends Church realizes that healthy families are the key to the heart of a church, a community, a county, a state, and even a nation and families across America are struggling at best. Over half of our marriages are ending in divorce and many young couples are living together because of coming out of broken homes. First Friends Church is known as a small growing church that does big things for our communities' way beyond their size or resources.

Pastor Paul and his best friend and wife Susie will be sharing keys of communication for a better family life. Pastor Paul and his high school sweetheart will be married 44 years this fall, they have four children and seven grandchildren. But family life has not always been healthy and happy. After 20 years of marriage they came to the brink of divorce. They were legally married but emotionally divorced. Pastor Paul and Susie learned how to fall in love again. They feel called to teach how to make good relationships better and rebuild broken ones. They have taught Couples Communication Conferences locally, nationally, and even internationally in Cuba and Mexico.

The Home Building Series will be starting Sunday morning April 3rd at 10:30 am. First Friends Church is located at 210 S. Franklin St (corner of S. Franklin and E. Central) in Van Wert. For more information about series or if you are looking for a church that is transforming lives, please contact Pastor Paul at 419-771-9378 or email at 771hope@gmail.com. First Friends Church and Pastor Paul believes that God still heals relationships today and there is hope for every family if they seek help.

IMPACT OF INTIMACY ANOREXIA ON MARRIAGES EXAMINED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

A glimpse into marriages suffering from Intimacy Anorexia will be shown at Lifetree Café on Thursday, April 7 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "Intimacy Anorexia: The Dark Secret That's Killing Marriages," features a filmed interview with Dr. Douglas Weiss, a licensed psychologist and an expert in the field of Intimacy Anorexia.

Weiss explains Intimacy Anorexia is the intentional withholding of emotional, spiritual, and sexual intimacy from one's spouse and is a condition that affects both men and women.

"A common symptom is being married to someone, but feeling like you have

a roommate more than a spouse," he says. "If you feel married and alone, you're probably married to someone with intimacy anorexia."

Lifetree participants will learn the common symptoms of Intimacy Anorexia as well as practical treatment options.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located in The Bachwell Center for Music and Dance at 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Please use the handicap accessible Court Street entrance. Parking is available in the Courthouse lots.

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

BIBLE QUESTIONS: ON THE LORD'S CHURCH

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

1. Genesis 3:15: God is telling Satan and I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel: NKJV

A. What is God telling you and I in this verse?

2. Daniel 2:44: and in the days of these Kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. NKJV

B. What is Daniel telling you and I in this verse? I can be reached at 419 393-4775 or e-mail at jsp1941@yahoo.com I am available for comments, questions and to offer help in some way. Also there is the editor and proof reader, you can reach by calling 419 -399-5022.

Answers to today's questions:

1. God was telling the serpent or satan that he would deliver a minor blow to my son, Jesus Christ through the crucifixion. But coming forth from the dead, (resurrected), Christ will deal you a fatal blow. In coming forth from the tomb, (Matthew 28:6 He is not here; for He is risen as He said, come, see the place where the Lord lay.) after shedding His blood on Calvary, Christ through that shed blood, purchased the church. The church was in the mind and plan of God long before these things happened. 2. Daniel mentions Babylon, Medes-persians, are the same kingdom, Greece and Rome is the fourth. God would set up His kingdom. During the Romans reign, and God's should never be destroyed, nor left to another people. A. The church was to be established in the days of Roman kings. Matthew 3:1-3; Luke 3:1-6; and in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar John came saying the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 1:20-23: the church was established by Jesus and is governed by Him. 3. Daniel 2:44 the church is to be the last world power, there is never to be another earthly Kingdom with world-wide dominion, that belongs to the kingdom of heaven. 4. Mat-

NH MOOSE LODGE DONATES 'TOMMY MOOSE' STUFFED ANIMALS FOR CHILDREN IN CRISIS



The New Haven Indiana Moose Lodge Governor Tom Evans donated several "Tommy Moose" stuffed animals to NHPD Chief McKinnon on Thursday the 10th of March. New Haven Police Officers will use the "Tommy Moose" stuffed animal as a comfort aid when officers encounter children who are experiencing a crisis. Mr. Evans pro-

vided several of the stuffed animals that will be available to NHPD Officers to keep in their squad cars until needed.

The New Haven Police Department is honored to have such strong community support from great organizations such as the New Haven Moose Lodge.

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WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL TALENT SHOW



Woodburn Lutheran School hosted a Spaghetti Dinner and Talent Show on March 19th. Guests enjoyed a delicious meal, catered by Fazoli's, followed by performances from our very talented students. A total of 23 students showcased their talents which included: playing the piano, singing, dancing, tap dancing, sound effects, and even synchronized swimming. They all did a fantastic job performing on stage. Helena Emehiser won 1st Place Overall, singing "Jar of Hearts." 2nd Place Overall went to the Synchronized Swimming team of Avah Smith, Gabi Klopfenstein, Macy Dietel, and Sammi Sessions. People's Choice Awards were as follows: 1st Place - Ally Wasvick and Jade



Lichty, dancing to "Party in the USA"; 2nd Place - Brady Garrison, Sound Effects; 3rd Place - Avah Smith, Gabi Klopfenstein, Macy Dietel, and Sammi Sessions, Synchronized Swimming.

thew 13:31-32 Jesus spoke of His kingdom having a small beginning like the mustard seed and then in Matthew 13:33 Jesus speaks of his kingdom as leaven, the Gospel message as leaven would fill all the earth. There are a lot of prophecies of the kingdom or church in the Old

Testament, so I will give you a couple more you can study. Isaiah2:2-3; Micah 4:1-5. Loved ones we now see that the kingdom or church was in the purpose of God and prophets foretold its establishment."Ol Baldy" says bye for now but continue to pray, read and study.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

After reading the letter from Kenny Barnes, I felt compelled to respond. He states "Hillary responsible for the deaths in Benghazi, Libya". No, the blame belongs squarely on the Republican party and the right wingers. When the Republicans took over control of the US House in 2011, they started slashing Embassy security budgets which involved Benghazi. There have been seven investigations (of benghazi) led mostly by Republicans in Congress that concluded "nobody did anything wrong" which included Hillary. Even Republican House Majority Leader, Kevin McCarthy suggested that Congress' current investigation into the 2012 terrorist attacks in Benghazi, Libya, is a political move against Hillary Clinton. Obviously, Mr. Barnes has no respect for the facts over the Benghazi attacks just the propaganda from right wingers and Fox noise. I wonder where Mr. Barnes was when the Republican party led by George W. Bush lied to the American people about WMD and invaded Iraqi and over 4 thousand of our brave Military men and women where killed and the Republican White House and Congress didn't hold ONE investigation. It didn't surprise me Mr. Barnes also attached the two Democratic party nominees and spread more of his lies and propaganda. Just the facts Mr. Barnes, Just the facts!!!! Vote Democrat.

—Bob Dunderman

Fort Wayne, IN. 46825

Letter printed as submitted.

BUILDING NEW "NONVIOLENT CITIES"

By: John Dear

Last year, I was invited to give a talk on peace in

Carbondale, Illinois. I was surprised to discover that in recent years, activists from across Carbondale had come together with a broad vision of what their community could one day become—a nonviolent city. They wanted a new holistic approach to their work, with a positive vision for the future, so that over time their community would be transformed into a culture of nonviolence.

They created a coalition, a movement, and a city-wide week of action and called it, "Nonviolent Carbondale." They set up a new website, www.nonviolentcarbondale.org, established a steering committee, set up monthly meetings, and launched "Nonviolent Carbondale" as a positive way to promote peace and justice locally. In doing so, they gave everyone in Carbondale a new vision of what their community could become.

From the start, the Carbondale activists held their local organizing meetings occasionally before city council meetings, which they then attended together as a group. At city council meetings, they started suggesting and lobbying ways their city could become more nonviolent. Their movement eventually became based out of the main Carbondale Library. Over the years, they have done positive work with their police department, local schools and the school system, religious communities, the library system, and local non-profits. As grassroots activists, they have lifted up a positive vision of their community and brought it into the mainstream.

Over the years, they put their energies into their "11 Days" program – 11 days in March filled with scores of actions and events for all ages across the city. Twice their 11 days focused on peace; twice on compassion, and last year the focus was on food. One of the outcomes from last year's 11 Days, for example, was a new organic food market started in the poorest neighborhood in town.

Taking the lead from friends and activists in Carbondale, Campaign Nonviolence invites citizens across the U.S. to organize a similar grassroots movement in their city, to put the word "nonviolent" in front of their city, and to help others envision, organize and work for a nonviolent local community. As far as we can tell, this organizing tool has never been formally tried anywhere in the U.S., except in Carbondale. This movement is a new next step in the visionary, organizing nonviolence of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr.

Perhaps the key aspect of "Nonviolent Cities" is that each city will be summoned to address its violence in all its aspects, structures, and systems; to connect the dots between its violence; and to pursue a more holistic, cre-

ative, city-wide nonviolence, where everyone together is trying to practice nonviolence, promote nonviolence, teach nonviolence and institutionalize nonviolence on the local level, to really build a new nonviolent community for itself and others. We want not just to undermine the local and regional culture of violence, and end all the killings, but to transform it into a culture of nonviolence.

This means that "Nonviolent Cities" organizers would promote the vision, teach nonviolence, and inspire people at every level in their community to work together for a new nonviolent community and a new nonviolent future. That would include everyone from the mayor and city council members to the police chief and police officers, to all religious and civic leaders, to all educators and healthcare workers, to housing authorities, to news reporters and local media; to youth and grassroots activists, to the poor and marginalized, children and the elderly. Together, they would address all the issues of violence and pursue all the angles and possibilities of nonviolence for their city's transformation into a more nonviolent community. The first goal would be a rapid reduction in violence and an end to killing.

Nonviolent cities would work to end racism, poverty, homelessness, and violence at every level and in every form; dismantle housing segregation and pursue racial, social and economic integration; end police violence and institutionalize police nonviolence; organize to end domestic violence and teach nonviolence between spouses, and nonviolence toward all children; work to end gang violence and teach nonviolence to gang members; teach nonviolence in every school; pursue more nonviolent immigration programs and policies; get religious leaders and communities to promote nonviolence and the vision of a new nonviolent city; reform local jails and prisons so they are more nonviolent and educate guards and prisoners in nonviolence; move from retributive to restorative justice in the entire criminal justice system; address local environmental destruction, climate change, and environmental racism, pursue clean water, solar and wind power, and a 100 percent green community; and in general, do everything possible to help their local community become more disarmed, more reconciled, more just, more welcoming, more inclusive, and more nonviolent.

If Carbondale, Illinois can seek to become a nonviolent city, any city can seek to become a nonviolent city. This is an idea whose time has come. This is an organizing strategy that should be tried around the nation and the world. The only way it can happen is through bottom-up, grassroots organizing, that reaches out to include everyone in the community, and eventually becomes widely accepted, even by the government, media, and police.

On our website, www.campaignnonviolence.org, we have posted "Ten Steps Toward a Nonviolent City," a basic initial list of organizing tasks for local activists which includes: creating a local

steering committee; finding a mainstream institution that can serve as a base; organizing a series of public meetings and forums; studying violence in the community; meeting with the mayor and the city council; and organizing a city-wide launch.

Gandhi once remarked that we are constantly being astonished by the advances in violence, but if we try, if we organize, if we can commit ourselves, he declared, we can make even more astonishing new discoveries and advances in nonviolence. With the example of "Nonviolent Carbondale" before us, we have a way to organize every local community and city in the nation, a way to envision how we can all one day live together in peace with justice, and the possibility of new hope. If we follow the example of Nonviolent Carbondale, we can help transform our culture of violence into something completely new—a culture of nonviolence. That should always be our goal.

John Dear, syndicated by PeaceVoice, is an American Catholic priest nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT NEW HAVEN BRANCH LIBRARY

FAMILY STORYTIME: Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26, and Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27, 10:30 a.m.

April 5 & 6 – Rain; April 12 & 13 – Flowers; April 19 & 20 – Earth Day; April 26 & 27 – Bunnies

TEEN THURSDAYS: Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 3:30 p.m.

April 7 – Movie Marathon Monday; April 14 – Transform!; April 21 – Color in the Lines; April 28 – Throwback Thursday

OPTICAL ILLUSIONS: Friday, April 1, 2:00 p.m. – Kick off Spring Break with optical illusions, registration requested.

GET YOUR LEGO ON: Tuesday, April 5, 1:00 p.m. – What can you build with a pile of LEGO bricks? We'll have LEGO bricks for every member of the family.

MOVIE DOUBLE FEATURE: Wednesday, April 6, 1:00 p.m. – We will have two movies, one begins at 1:00

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Antwerp: Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H20, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, The Rootbeer Stand, Agora, Pit-Stop

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, Cabin Fever Coffee, Cabbage Patch Convenience Store

Edgerton: Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, Utilities Office, Napa

Grover Hill: Ross' Gas Station, N&N Quick Stop

Grabill: Do-It Best Hardware, Save-A-Lot, Grabill Country Sales

Hicksville: Cline's Market, Hickory Hills Golf Course, Sailors, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H20, Senior Center

Latty: Kohart's Surplus & Salvage, Country Inn Living Center

Melrose: Uncle Fudd's Diner, 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 negie Library, Integrity Ford, Napa Market, True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly Wood and Vine, Paulding Coun-

ty Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. OSU Extension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office

Payne: Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza

Scott: Scott Variety Store

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.)

Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Harlan Cafe, iAB Bank

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Monroeville: Mel's Deli, The Village of Heritage, Phillips 66 Gas Station, Dollar General

New Haven: Curves, Milan Center, New Haven Branch Library, Ken's Meat Market, New Haven Bakery, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Restaurant, New Haven Chamber, Crumback Chevrolet

Woodburn: Clip -N- Tan, Jim's negie Library, Chief, Corner Pizza, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, True Value, Maramart, Dollar Country Oasis, Woodburn Branch General, Dairy Queen, Holly Library, Financial Partners, Love's Travel Center, Feders

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p.m. and the next at 3:00 p.m. stop by for both or just one.

LET'S GET MESSY:

Saturday, April 9, 2:00 p.m. – Let's get together and create all sorts of messy things.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Carl Benjamin Wright V was born March 22, 2016 weighing 7 lbs 5.6 oz and was 20.4 inches long.

Parents are Marcella and Carl B. Wright IV. Baby Carl

has seven siblings, Alliyah, Tobias, Amarion, Urijah, Carlen, Carter and Jayla.

Grandparents are: Toni and Carl B. Wright III, Paulding, OH; Mary and Monico Moreno Jr., Monroeville, IN. Great grandparents are: Linda and Carl B. Wright Jr, Illinois; Diana McDargh, Springfield, OH; James Worman Sr, Springfield, OH; Donald and Kathryn Horn, Louisa, KY; and Helen and Monico Moreno Sr, IN.

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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

We left the air base this morning heading for Bastogne. The war for Germany was going bad now. We have stopped them cold at the Meuse River, they never did win at Bastogne. They are running out of gasoline for their tanks and the best of the blitzkrieg has fizzled out. The fact that the Allies are "fierce fighters" and the Germans have run out of all supplies.

We slowed up to about 200 miles an hour and we looked the Bastogne area over very well. The city was still surrounded, but the soldiers had everything they needed and they just waited for the Germans to come at them.

We flew on over to the Meuse River and then we followed the river to the north for a while. The Allies say, "No German to cross the river, turn them back to where they came from."

We came to a place where the German Engineers were putting up a temporary bridge and they looked like it was about half done, because the river wasn't very wide at this point. The small arm anti-aircraft fire was terrific.

We made a pair, and each of us put a rocket right in the center of their bridge. We went on by and we all met up about 1000 feet altitude.

We could see their temporary bridge was in about three or four big pieces. We all agreed we didn't want them to repair that same bridge, so down we went again.

I picked out the big piece on the right. I fired two rockets at once. The rockets hit that wooden structure and the pieces flew in all directions. That one big piece is a lot of little ones now. Some of the timbers were flowing down the river. I could hear shells hitting my plane so I hit the throttle and ended up at about a 1000 feet to get out of there.

We could see the other boys' rockets did about the same damage and there was no signs of a bridge at that point of the river.

We went up about 1000 feet altitude and followed the same highway back to Bastogne, looking for anything to shoot at.

We found some German supply trucks on a side road

and I don't know if they were coming or going but we used up most of our 50 caliber stuff and we set their trucks on fire, thank goodness this Battle of the Bulge stuff is about over. This is a terrible battle for both sides.

See Ya!



MORE INFO ON THE EAGLES

By: Stan Jordan

According to what I have read and heard, the Bald Eagle has been removed from the endangered species list. I am glad to hear that there are that many eagles new in the area. I am also glad that they are a protected species.

Over the last forty years they have made a remarkable come back. They were first seen years back, around the little town of Florida, OH along US 24. The adults have raised their young and when they matured, they had to find a new area and build new nests. Being there are no predators, most of the young have survived and raised their own young.

They made their way up to Maumee, the Tiffin River, the Auglaize, the Flat Rock Creek and all the area between. I have reports of eagles clear down to Wapakoneta.

There is an official bird watching group in the area of Florida, OH and as I understand they have been very active for many years and they report that over the area mentioned before and all the way from Maumee, OH to the area of Bull Rapids in Indiana, there are 16 eagles' nests. I don't think that is an exaggeration. I am glad to see them doing so well.

See ya!

FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAMS INVEST NEARLY \$800 MILLION IN LOCAL ECONOMIES

Schools across the United States purchased \$789 million in local foods from farmers, ranchers, fishermen, and food processors and manufacturers in school year 2013 - 2014, according to results from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm to School Census released today. That represents a 105 percent increase over the 2011-2012 school year when the first census was conducted, signi-

fying the deepening commitment of schools nationwide to bring local food into the cafeteria and strengthen their local economies.

"An investment in the health of America's students through farm to school programming is also an investment in the health of local economies," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "Nearly half of schools report that they intend to buy even more local foods in future school years, indicating that farm to school programs will continue helping our children and our communities flourish."

Schools report that farm to school programs can increase the number of students purchasing school breakfast and lunch, improve consumption of healthier foods at school, and reduce plate waste. The programs are often also heavily focused on nutrition education, helping teach children where their food comes from and exposing them to lessons about healthy eating. The census data show that school gardens, which can be both teaching tools and a sources of fresh produce, have nearly tripled over the past two years.

At the national level, 42 percent of school districts that responded to the census are operating farm to school programs as of the 2014-2015 school year, and another 16 percent - more than 2,000 districts - have plans to start in the future. The census results show that farm to school programs exist in every state in large and small, rural and urban schools alike. These schools are incorporating local foods throughout the day including school lunch, school breakfast, supper programs, and/or snacks.

The newly updated Farm to School Census website allows users to find information about farm to school programs in their state and in their particular school or district. The site also names three top school districts in each state that boast higher than average investment in local food purchasing. In addition, users can vote for a school that they believe administers a creative, innovative, and/or exemplary farm to school program for the "One in a Melon" award. Nominations will be accepted through April 15.

In order to establish realistic goals with regard to increasing the availability of local foods in schools, USDA conducted the first nationwide Farm to School Census in 2013. USDA conducted a second Farm to School Census in 2015 to measure progress towards reaching this goal. In 2015, USDA surveyed over 18,000 public, private and charter school districts and 12,585 school districts responded for a response rate of approximately 70 percent. Data were collected through an online survey and through a printable mail-in questionnaire. To view the full results, visit <https://farmtoschoolcensus.fns.usda.gov>.

Farm to School is part of the Office of Community Food Systems and is one of many initiatives of USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) aimed at improving the health of our next generation. FNS administers America's fifteen nutrition assistance programs, including, but not limited to, the National School Lunch and School

Breakfast programs, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, the Summer Food Service Program, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Together these programs make up the federal nutrition safety net.

The Farm to School program is a core element of the USDA's Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food Initiative, which coordinates USDA's work to support local and regional food systems. F2S Census data and F2S grant award information is available on the KYF2 Compass Map, which identifies USDA investments in local foods and is updated regularly to reflect new information.

Over the past seven years, USDA has enhanced federal nutrition programs, providing a critical safety net for millions of American children and families. By expanding access to nutritious foods and increasing awareness about the benefits of a healthy lifestyle, USDA programs have made a real difference in the lives of many, promising a brighter, healthier future for our nation. March is National Nutrition Month. Throughout the month, USDA will be highlighting results in improving nutrition and reducing food insecurity at www.medium.com/usda-news.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2/29/16

This 29th day of February, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

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

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Warrants documented as 222885 through 222946 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

The Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claim on February 29, 2016, Warrant numbered 222890 in the amount of \$1,939.50; and it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. Now, therefore the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING A PAULDING COUNTY CYBER SECURITY POLICY:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby adopt the Paulding County Cyber Security Policy, a copy of which is on file in the Commissioners' Office.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2016 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 052)

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend

1938 FOOTBALL TEAM'S FINAL HOME IN HALL OF RECORDS



By: Stan Jordan

On Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at the Antwerp High School there was a program for the Winter Athletic Awards for 2015 - 2016.

I asked Mr. Altimus if I could have eight or ten minutes to talk a little about those 24 boys and the two coaches in that picture. He said, "Take all the time you want."

The picture is of the Antwerp High School football team of 1938. That fine team played five games and were undefeated, untied and unscored upon, the only team with that record in the state of Ohio that fall.

Mr Ehrhart took a picture of the team at that time. Mr. Bryce Steiner, of the West Bend Printing Co., took that 8 X 10 photo and enlarged it to be 41 inches by 29 inches. A fine job! That picture was 78 years old.

In this picture there were 11 seniors, 4 juniors, 3 sophomores and 6 freshmen. All eleven men on the field played both ways, offense and defense. Defense was

the name of the game. We averaged about 20 points per game. We were mostly defense, not so much offense.

That was 78 years ago and we played on what is now the outfield of the ball diamond north of Woodcox Street.

We played one more year and then they dropped football for a while for a number of reasons.

I want to thank Tim Copsey, Mr. Altimas, Dr. Miller, Bryce Steiner of West Bend News, the staff of Antwerp High School and the students, on behalf of the fellows in the picture, for the courtesies extended that night.

I knew all the boys and they would be proud to know that the picture is being hung in the hallowed halls of Antwerp High School.

I am very proud to be a part of that team and having a part in getting the picture enlarged and presenting it to the people for all time. Many thanks to all involved. See Ya!

the 2016 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Senior Center Fund (Fund 052): 052-001-99990/Senior Center/Real Estate Fees AMOUNT: \$5,000.00

Meeting Notes of Appointments

- Marsha Yeutter, Paulding County Senior Center - Ms. Yeutter reported the recent audit conducted at the Senior Center went very well. She also noted the vehicle inspections have been completed for another year. Ms. Yeutter and the Commissioners discussed the administrative fees related to running a levy.
- Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - The County Cyber Security Policy was discussed.
- Jan Commers, BOE - Ms. Commers provided paperwork explaining the process of calculating charge backs for running levies on the ballot. She explained it makes a difference running in an odd year versus an even year; as well as running in

the primary or general election.

- Doug Cook, Ewing Nursery - The Commissioners requested Mr. Cook do landscaping work around the Jacob Eaton Children's Home. In a separate plan, the Commissioners asked that Mr. Cook level and re-seed the yard where the sewer work was done. This includes the yard at the Dog Kennel. Mr. Cook agreed to work up a plan, which is to include a third quote for a few trees in the Jacob Eaton Children's home front yard. The Commissioners agreed that trees native to Paulding County be considered.

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dards for Excellence program, OANO offers a monthly series in Capacity Building for Stronger Nonprofits. More information about these programs can be found at www.OANO.org.

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NAR APRIL 16th & APRIL
20th**

Imagine Real Estate, in conjunction with Ruoff Home Mortgage and local non-Profit Pathfinder Services will be hosting a Credit Seminar on Saturday April 16th from 9am-noon and Wednesday April 20th from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the office of Imagine Real Estate located at 2221 Lincoln Highway East in New Haven. Information will be provided in an open house format so come with any questions you may have regarding Credit, Credit Repair, Credit Building, Home Buying, Down Payment Assistance and more.

Representatives from the Pathfinder Home Ownership Center (formerly Community Connections) will be presenting information on First Time Homebuyer Down Payment No-interest Loans, Individual Development Accounts (IDA) and Credit Building/Repair. Mortgage Prequalifications will also be available.

Light Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Steve at 602-6606 or visit www.ImagineRealEstate.net.

Pathfinder Home Ownership Center is the community development division of Pathfinder Services and was created in 1997. Pathfinder Home Ownership Center is a certified NeighborWorks HomeOwnership Center with offices in Huntington and Fort Wayne. The division guides potential home buyers through the entire process of pre-purchase education, financial capabilities, homebuyer education, loan packaging and closing, post-purchase counseling and foreclosure prevention if needed, free tax preparation, individual development accounts, community building and organization, and an auto buying program. Pathfinder Home Ownership Center serves Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Huntington, Jay, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Marshall, Noble, St. Joe, Starke, Steuben, Wabash, Wells and Whitley Counties. More information can be found online at www.cchomes.org.

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FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION AWARD
SCHOLARSHIPS**

iAB Financial Bank, the wholly-owned subsidiary of Independent Alliance Banks, Inc., and the Fort Wayne Community Foundation are pleased to announce the 7 recipients of the iAB Financial Bank Employee Scholarship award. Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement and personal qualities such as character, leadership ability and community service. Since partnering with the Fort Wayne Community Foundation in 2003, iAB has awarded over

\$134,600 in scholarship monies to 133 local students as they pursue educational excellence.

The 2016 recipients are:

• **Andrew Felger** - Pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Accounting from Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne, Andrew is the son of Nicholas and Allison Felger of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

• **Alyssa Garver** - Alyssa is a sophomore pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Nursing from the University of Saint Francis, Fort Wayne. Alyssa is the daughter of Greg and Dana Garver of Harlan, Indiana.

• **Ashley Johnson** - Ashley is a senior pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Indiana-Purdue University Fort Wayne.

• **Samuel Krivacs** - Samuel is pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Business from Indiana University, Bloomington. Samuel is the son of Jeff and Jane Krivacs of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

• **John Neidich** - John is a sophomore pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Physics from Indiana-Purdue UniversityFort Wayne. John is the son of Lori Neidich and Richard Neidich, both of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

• **Amy Roth** - Amy is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in both Elementary Education and Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages at Bethel College in Mishawaka, Indiana. Amy is the daughter of Kevin and Lorraine Roth of Grabill, Indiana.

• **Lori Stanfield** - Lori attends Ball State in Muncie, Indiana and is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education Spanish. She is the daughter of Brad and Kate Stanfield of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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HISTORIC LAKE ERIE

By: Caroline Zimmerman

Lake Erie was the first of our "Great Lakes" to take form, and the last to be discovered. When there was an ice sheet over that area, in the last ice age of over 10,000 years ago, a preglacial river had been flowing eastwardly through, what is now, the Lake Erie basin. After the ice sheet was fully formed and moved south, it scrapped big, deep grooves in the Devonian shales of stone on the islands at Sandusky Bay to the west. These grooves are still visible on Kelley's Island today at the state park. This glacier was called the Wisconsin Glacier. As it dried up, the receding ice sheet created the Great Lakes (and Lake Erie) and water was drained south down the Maumee River to the Wa-

**RAIDER ROBOTICS WIN JUDGES AWARD
IN IOWA**



Front (seated): L-R Nick Durre, Weston Sinn. Back (kneeling): L-R Scott Wenninger, Arlyn Cooper and Trent Church

Raider Robotics travelled this past Wednesday to Cedar Rapids Iowa to compete in The Super Regional Robotics tournament that they had prepared all season to earn qualifications for. The competition ended Saturday. In a crowd of several thousand people at the US Cellular Center in downtown Cedar Rapids, the Raider Robotics was named the recipient of the Judges Award. The Judge's Award is given to only one team for their outstanding efforts both on and off the competition field. The judges were very impressed by this rookie team who not only designed an innovative robot to compete, won numerous awards leading up to super regionals, but have planted the roots for this program to grow and expand in their county. This is an extremely outstanding accomplishment for a first year team to receive this award.

Raider Robotics is the very first FTC Robotics Team to represent Paulding County Ohio. Raider Robotics consists of 4 Wayne Trace High School seniors and one sophomore who have a love for science and engineering technology. The team is currently sponsored by Cooper Farms, R&B Fabrications, Alliance Automation, Iigus, and Solidworks. Their team is part of a non-profit worldwide organization called FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science & Technology). The

basin River. The Niagara Falls were also created to get rid of some of the overflow over the centuries.

As the glacier melted, it formed "Lake Maumee" which was located over what became know as The Great Black Swamp. Eventually, the Maumee River changed its course of flow and started coming back toward Lake Erie. Lake Maumee was at an elevation of 785 - 795 feet (Lake Erie is now about 573 feet) ca 1945. When the Maumee River went back north, Lake Maumee started drying up, causing it to be a swamp. (Actually, even up to and into the 1900's AD, the Black Swamp of Paulding Co. and NW Ohio was still being battled by settlers in the area. The soil is still very heavy from being at the bottom of the "Lake"/Swamp and getting the settling of the silt. It is rich, but heavy soil when wet.)

The Lake Erie shoreline, because of its unstable and restless shoreline, had had a profound effect upon its history and its economy. Between Port Clinton and Toledo, the

mission of First is to inspire young people to be science and technology leaders. The founder of First believes that one day some of these very young people will find cures to cancer, Alzheimer's, and design devices to help move science, engineering, and technology forward for the world.

The Raider Robotics team met a major hurdle when their team captain, Trent Church was diagnosed this past fall with an inoperable brain tumor. He was transferred to Houston, Texas for several months for treatment. Despite these obstacles, this pioneer team for Paulding County has designed and built a very competitive robot and impressed the judges both on and off the playing field. The team consists of Arlyn Cooper, Scott Wenninger, Trent Church, Nick Durre, Weston Sinn, and college mentor

Suzanne Tate Church. Suzanne Cooper is the team coach. Mark Sinn has recently joined the team as a coach as well. The team's coaches are currently beginning to plan for next year and expand the teams to also include an FLL (First Lego League) team which would encompass the younger students from grades 4-8 as well. If you or your business is interested in this team & their future endeavors, please feel free to contact the team coach, Suzanne Cooper at 419-796-0011.

shoreline is weak, marshy and silty clay with no rocks to speak of. Migratory birds stop by here to feed in the marshlands. Marblehead is a peninsula, that is a low limestone cliff. Across Sandusky Bay is the sand arm of Cedar Point. On toward Cleveland, are cliffs of shale. All along this southern shore there is little that resists erosion (or for that matter on all it's border). (Lake Superior, the deepest (Great Lake, has a hard bowl of pre-Cambrian rock that has changed little from eon to eon.) The rivers coming into Lake Erie wash sand and soil and gravel into the lake and onto the lake floor. (Does this indicate a progressively larger, shallower, muddier lake each year?) It was considered that in the 1940's at least 1/2 million \$ worth of land was washed back into the lake by erosion each year. At today's rate it would be much more, although, there are now better safeguards with better docks, etc.

Historians have said that Judge James Kingsbury was probably the first settler to spend the winter in the West-

ern Reserve (a parcel of Ohio set aside by the U.S. Gov. for soldiers). His cabin stood near the edge of the lake at Conneaut, and his child, the first white child born in the Reserve, died of starvation during the harsh winter. Seventy five years later, the site of Kingsbury's cabin was on the floor of Lake Erie, torn down by the ceaseless attack of the waves. Any homes that were constructed on limestone cliffs in the past are probably gone by now, as overhangs are eroded and blown away by the waves and is now resting on the floor of Lake Erie. Roads and shrubbery are eroded out along the shores and bay areas at the average of 12 feet annually per shoreline. Progress perhaps has improved on this erosion rate just by having better paving materials and better environmental methods to prevent this from happening. We border on our own "Great Lake". Take Advantage!

If you have not visited Lake Erie, Port Clinton, Marblehead Lighthouse, Kelley's Island (Glacial Grooves), Johnson's Island, Put-in-Bay, rode the Jet Express, and much more, you are missing some beautiful places. It's now only 2 hours from Antwerp (with the new US 24). If you pack a cooler and your water and even stay over one night, it won't cost that much to get away this summer. Put it on your Bucket List. Get on the internet and get some ideas and driving details. Let me know what you think.

P.S. Just a clue for bus Tours (why not this one?)

**PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MINUTES 3/16/16**

This 16th day of March, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk. Absent: Tony Zartman

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:

Warrants documented as 223297 through 223351 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on March 16, 2016, Warrant numbered 223350 in the amount of \$6,261.85; and

It is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and

Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners; now, therefore

The Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open

meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF AN ADDENDUM TO THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2016:

On December 30, 2015, a resolution was adopted setting the holiday schedule for 2016; According to the County Personnel Manual, one-half day on Good Friday is to be observed; The Board of County Commissioners does hereby amend the 2016 holiday schedule to include a half a day on Friday, March 25, 2016, as an approved 2016 holiday.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

The appointing authority for the Paulding County Hospital Board of Trustees met with the following members present: Commissioners Roy Klopfenstein, and Mark Holtsberry; Common Pleas Court Judge Tiffany Beckman; and Probate/Juvenile Division Judge John DeMuth.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Holtsberry to reappoint Connie Gerber and appoint Diane Olwin to the Paulding County Hospital Board of Trustees, each for a six (6) year term expiring March 6, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Roy Klopfenstein. Motion carried.

Meeting Notes of Appointments:

• Common Pleas Judge Tiffany Beckman, Probate/Juvenile Judge John DeMuth - Judge Beckman and Judge DeMuth met with the Commissioners to appoint two new members to the Paulding County Hospital Board (see resolution above).

• Lisa Nicely, Crescent News - Ms. Nicely stopped by the Commissioners' Office with questions about the Coroner's budget.

• Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; Ryan Nelson, CFA, RedTree Investment Group - Mr. Nelson presented the Paulding County Investment Review as of February 29, 2016. He reported a slight increase in Target Federal Funds rate. He also noted the Nation has added 223,000 jobs on average per month for the past year. The unemployment rate is now at 4.9%, down from 5.5% a year ago. Mr. Nelson pointed out that as it is a good thing there are more jobs, more positions are part time, at a lower pay rate, and with no benefits. Mr. Nelson praised Ms. Wannemacher for her diligent work with the local banks resulting in securing good interest rates on investments. Ms. Wannemacher reported the county will surpass the amount she estimated for interest income.

• Corey Walker, JFS - Mr. Walker stopped in for permission to stake posters in the Courthouse lawn for Child Abuse Awareness month.

• Doug Cook, Ewing Nursery - Mr. Cook presented proposals for lawn care at the Jacob Eaton Children's Home and the Paulding County Dog Kennel. He also submitted recommendations for landscaping at the Home and for trees to be planted in the yard. The Commissioners will consider all proposals.

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RED, WHITE AND BLUE DAY @ PEVS



Fifth graders Paige Hull and Ashton Manz as they present money to Annette Schreiner, one of the Paulding Putnam reps who came to visit the school on Wednesday.

Paulding Exempted Village Schools named Wednesday, March 23rd as Red, White, and Blue Day as a day to raise money for the Paul-

ding Putnam Honor Flight project. Over \$2000.00 was raised and donated to the Paulding Putnam representatives that day.



Members of the Paulding FFA as they present a check to Tara Schlatter and Annette Schreiner, Paulding Putnam Honor Flight fundraiser members. The FFA voted to give a donation out of their account for this worthwhile cause.

PAULDING SOFTBALL OPENS SEASON WITH A WIN!

The Paulding Lady Panthers took the field on Saturday, March 26th against Continental. Paulding defeated Continental 8-7.

Score by the Inning:
Paulding — 0 1 4 1 1 0 1 = 8; 10H, 3E, 11L
Continental — 1 0 0 3 0 0 3 = 7; 7H, 5E, 9L
Winning Pitcher: Schilt — 7 IP, 7H, 7R, 4ER, 7BB, 7SO
Losing Pitcher:

Quigley A — 3IP, 5H, 5R, 1ER, 3BB, 2SO
A Mansfield — 4IP, 4H, 3R, 1BB, 2SO
Scorers of the Game:
Paulding — Beck 2, Andrews 1, Dominique 1, Manz 1, Trausch 1, Pieper 2
Continental — Quigley A 2, Troyer 1, Logan 1, Weller 1, Collier 1, Homier 1

MVNU THEATRE PRESENTS "YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN"

Mount Vernon Nazarene University's theatre program, MVNU Theatre, presents the Tony award-winning musical "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown." Based on the comic strip Peanuts by Charles M. Schulz, this perennial favorite was originally written by Clark Gesner in 1967. In 1998, the production was updated for a modern audience by Michael Mayer (additional dialogue) and Andrew Lipka (additional music and lyrics). In 1999, the show received a Tony nomination for Best Revival of a Musical, and stars Roger Bart and Kristin Chenoweth won Tony awards for Best Featured Actor/Actress in a Musical. Cast recordings for both productions were Grammy nominated for Best Musical Show Album. Performances will be on Thursday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m.; Friday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m.; and Saturday, April 16, at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. All performances are in Thorne Performance Hall inside the R.R. Hodges Chapel Auditorium on the campus of MVNU.

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown," the final production of MVNU Theatre's 2015-16 season, is directed by Ryan Long, Assistant Professor of Theatre at MVNU, with music directed by Elizabeth Barrett, In-

structor of Music at MVNU. For more information, visit theatre.mvnu.edu, email theatre@mvnu.edu, or call the MVNU Theatre box office at 740-397-9000 ext. 1620. Follow MVNU Theatre on Facebook and Twitter to keep up with the latest program news and events.

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ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 3/30 - 4/5

3/30 - Salisbury steak on bun, tossed salad, pears, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
3/31 - Hodge podge breakfast, orange juice, milk; PLUS: Salad bar
4/1 - 4/5 - No information available

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 3/30 - 4/5

Jr/Sr High - Breakfast:
3/30 - Ham & Cheese bread, juice/fruit, milk
3/31 - Cinnamon rolls, juice/fruit, milk
4/1 - Sausage gravy with biscuits, juice/fruit, milk
4/4 - Breakfast pizza, bacon & eggs, sausage, juice/fruit, milk
4/5 - Sausage, egg & cheese burrito, salsa, juice/fruit, milk
Jr/Sr High - Lunch:



Good Times Saloon grabs the 2nd place spot in the Women's Division.

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School with 43 points; 2nd place: Antwerp Exchange Bank 39 points

Sportsmanship: Payne Super Valu

Mini-youth Division:
1st place: Paulding Napa True Value with 50 points; 2nd place: Williamson Insurance Agency with 47 point

Sportsmanship: Grosse-trotters

Youth Division:
1st place: Benschneider Auto with 76 points; 2nd place: Prestige Worldwide with 72 points

Sportsmanship: Jamaican Hopscotch Mafia

Women Division:
1st place: St. John's Tire Service with 35 points; 2nd place: Good Times Saloon with 27 points

3/30 - Cheeseburger, breaded chicken, bun, oven potatoes, fruit, milk, Toppings: Onions, pickles, tomato slices, banana peppers, lettuce
3/31 - BBQ pork, bun, pickles, potato soup, juice box OR Chicken drumsticks, celery w/dip, dinner roll, fruit, milk
4/1 - Chili cheese oven fries, breadstick, granola bar, fruit, milk OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick
4/4 - Italian dunkers, marinara sauce, vegetable ranch salad, fruit, milk OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick
4/5 - Grilled chicken, tender salad, tomatoes, pretzel b.stick, fruit, milk OR Asstd entree items, pickles, oven fries

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:
3/30 - Burrito, juice, fruit, milk
3/31 - Muffin, cheese stick, juice, fruit, milk
4/1 - Cereal or cereal bar, graham, juice, fruit, milk
4/4 - Yogurt and goldfish graham, juice, fruit, milk
4/5 - Pancakes, juice, fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Lunch:
3/30 - Cheese bread, pizza sauce, green beans, fruit, milk
3/31 - Cheese and nachos, tots, carrots, fruit, milk
4/1 - Pizza, mx. veg., broccoli, sherbert, fruit, milk
4/4 - Grilled chicken on a bun, mx. vegetables, celery, fruit, milk
4/5 - hot dog on a bun,

baked beans, carrots, fruit snack, fruit, milk
Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:
3/30 - Breakfast burrito, juice or fruit, milk
3/31 - Breakfast pizza, juice or fruit, milk
4/1 - Ass't cereals, juice or fruit, milk
4/4 - Warm cinnamon roll, juice or fruit, milk
4/5 - Mini pancakes, fruit or juice, milk
Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:
3/30 - Hot dog, wg. bun, tator tots, celery stix, fruit, milk
3/31 - Chicken fajita wg. wrap, romaine let., green beans, fruit, milk
4/1 - Taco in soft shell, romaine let., refried beans, fruit, milk
4/4 - Hamburger, wg. bun, romaine lett., grape tomatoes, oven potatoes, fruit, milk
4/5 - Br. chicken strip wrap, romaine let., corn, fruit, milk

Co-ed Division:

1st place: A-Trains a Pimp with 96 points; 2nd place: Soix City Curry's with 76 points

Sportsmanship: Baughman Tile

Mens Division:
1st place: The Linder Clan with 122 points; 2nd place: The State Bank with 121 points

Sportsmanship: Susie's Family Bakery; Sportsmanship: Michael Mott DDS

The traveling plaque was given to: Chase Holt 50/50 winner for \$45.00 was Spencer Wise

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Family Medicine, Occupational Health

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FOUR VANTAGE BPA STUDENTS HEADING TO NATIONALS!



Vantage Business Professional of America (BPA) 2016 National qualifiers show off their hardware! (l to r): Spencer Wannemacher, Alexis Forester, Lexi Doster, and Kenneth Pinks-Liebert.

And then there were four...Twenty-three Vantage business students competed recently at the Ohio BPA competition in Columbus and four will move on to the final step - the National Leadership Conference in Boston, Massachusetts!

Alexis Forester, an Interactive Media senior from Crestview placed 2nd in the Computer Modeling contest, while Medical Office Management senior Lexi Doster from Continental qualified for nationals in the Integrated Office Applications competition.

Two Network Systems students are also heading to Boston. Senior Kenneth Pinks-Liebert from Parkway will be making a return trip to Nationals, as he took second place in the Network Administration Using Microsoft® contest. Junior Spencer Wannemacher from Delphos Jefferson placed third in the Java Programming contest and will be making his first trip to

Nationals. "Being a junior, it's more of an honor to represent Vantage and Delphos Jefferson at the BPA Nationals. I'm excited to compete," Spencer said.

In addition to the national qualifiers, several students placed in the top 10 of their contest. Network Systems students receiving Top 10 medals include: Drayson Wenzlick (Paulding) - Computer Network Technology, Cullen Wenzlick, (Paulding) C++ Programming, Austin Metz (Parkway) - Computer Security, Christian Lintermoot, (Lincolnview), Justin Moenter (Delphos St. John's), and Cory Miller (Lincolnview) - Computer Animation Team, Nathan Poling (Parkway), Collin Wilson (Parkway), and Sam Roughton (Paulding) - Parliamentary Procedure Tea. From Interactive Media, senior Serena Drake (Antwerp) - Digital Publishing and the Interactive Media Parliamentary Procedure Team of Domino Daugherty

(Antwerp), Alexa Longberry (Ft. Jennings), Will Placke (Van Wert), and Madison Smith (Van Wert).

The national qualifiers, along with their teachers, will be a part of the 2016 Business Professionals of America Leadership Conference "This Is Our Time" from May 5 - May 9 in Boston, Massachusetts. Thousands of students from across the country will gather there to compete, showcase their business aptitudes and develop leadership skills. The National Leadership Conference is the culmination of the BPA year filled with hard work and dedication put into competitions, Torch Awards, leadership development, service and more. Activities will include general sessions with keynote speakers, business meetings, leadership workshops, contests, and the election of national officers.

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 3/30 - 4/5

Breakfast:
 3/30 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice/fruit, milk
 3/31 - Cheese omelet/toast, juice/fruit, milk
 4/1 - Cinnamon roll, juice/fruit, milk
 4/4 - Sausage pizza, juice/fruit, milk
 4/5 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice/fruit, milk
Lunch:
 3/30 - 4/1 - No information available
 4/4 - Bread sticks w/cheese, broccoli w/cheese, cooked carrots, assorted canned & fresh fruit, milk;
 PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub

or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar

4/5 - Breaded chicken sandwich, french fries, assorted juices, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Breaded chicken sandwich w/ salad bar

WT PAYNE, GH & DIVINE MERCY SCHOOLS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 3/30 - 4/5

Breakfast:
 3/30 - Mini pancakes/sausage, fruit, milk
 3/31 - Cheese omelet/toast, fruit, milk
 4/1 - Mini cinnamon/apple bosco stick, fruit, milk
 4/4 - Ham/cheese rippers, fruit, milk
 4/5 - Egg/cheese muffin, fruit, milk
Lunch:
 3/30 - 4/1 - No information available
 4/4 - Bread sticks w/cheese, broccoli w/cheese, cooked carrots, fruit, milk
 4/5 - Breaded chicken sandwich, french fries, cooked peas, fruit, milk

SECRETARY HUSTED URGES FEDERAL COURT TO DROP DRUG PRICE RELIEF ACT SUIT

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted filed a reply in support of his motion to dismiss Case No. 2:16-cv-00038, Tracy L. Jones vs. Husted.

"In simple terms, I have a responsibility to act on behalf of the people of Ohio to make sure the law is followed and that is exactly what I am doing," Secretary Husted said. "Stop this nonsense litigation that wastes time and tax dollars."

Below are excerpts from the filing, as well as links to the full filing and other helpful resources:

Secretary Husted's Response, Pages 3 & 4:

"Plaintiffs have not pointed to any provision in the Ohio Constitution or in any Ohio statute that prohibited the additional

PAULDING ELEMENTARY HOST CHOCOLATE FAIR



The Paulding Elementary 4th graders held a chocolate fair. Each student was to create a house or other structure using a variety of chocolates. Shown are students Victoria Dunson and Christopher Smith with their chocolate projects.



Students Emma Townley, Kelcie Pack, Salem Raens, Hunter Couets, and Marley Sprouse with their chocolate projects.

review by the boards of election. In fact, Ohio's laws say just the opposite. The Secretary's duty is to 'receive all initiative and referendum petitions on state questions and issues and determine and certify to the sufficiency of those petitions,' Ohio Revised Code 3501.05(K).

"He is able to send a petition to the General Assembly only 'when... there shall have been filed with the secretary of state a petition signed by three per centum of the electors and verified as herein provided... ' Ohio Constitution art. II, § 1(b).

"In other words, the Secretary is more than a de-

livery person, as Plaintiffs portray. Before certifying a proposed initiative to the General Assembly, the Secretary needs to verify whether the petitions include the mandatory number of signatures."

"The dispute here is whether the Ohio Constitution and Ohio statutes permitted the second review of Plaintiffs' petitions. Plaintiffs say no. The Secretary says yes. The Secretary is right, but the important point for abstention purposes is that the issue centers on Ohio law, not something else..."

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LONG & HORNISH PLACE 6TH AT OAC ELEMENTARY STATE



On March 19th, five members of the Wayne Trace Wrestling Club traveled to the Covelli Centre in Youngstown for the OAC Grade School State Wrestling Championships. Colton and Corbin Kimmel, Devin Huffine, Hunter Long, and Jarrett Hornish, all district placers, were hoping to land a spot on the state podium this year.

Colton Kimmel, his first time making his trip to the state wrestling tournament, unfortunately was unable to pick up a win. Kimmel lost his first match to Daniel Carroll (East Liverpool Pottermites) with a score of 10-0. Falling into the losers bracket, Kimmel had his final loss to Sloan Mcghee (CFW) with a score of 7-0.

Corbin Kimmel, just like his brother, his first trip to the state tournament as well. Kimmel fell short his first match with a score of 14-2 against Brennan Warwick (Midpark). Kimmel's second round match was against a tough Prodigy wrestler, Nathan Attisano. Kimmel unfortunately fell short in this match with a final score of 6-2.

Devin Huffine, another wrestler to make his first trip to state, won his first round with a bye. Huffine won his second round as well against Joe Reynolds (BRAV) with a score of 6-4. Huffine had now made it to

the second day of wrestling. Huffine was pinned in the quarterfinals by Joe Thurston (VEV). Huffine, now in his match to stand on the podium has a devastating loss to Roman Henry (THW). Huffine ended his first journey to state with a record of 2-2, which is a great accomplishment at this level.

Jarrett Hornish had one goal and one goal only this year, and that was to stand on the state podium. Hornish has made it to state five times, this year being his last year to compete at the elementary level. Hornish has been only a match away from standing on the state podium several times, he wanted to be there this year and starting his journey as a District Champion was a good start. In the first round of competition, Hornish secured a win over Brandon Allen (MTV) with a dominating score of 10-1. In the second round, Hornish secures yet another win over Ryan Zentkovich (MASS), defeating him 8-7. In the quarterfinals, Hornish fell short against Pablo Castro (Brecksville) losing 7-2. Hornish advanced to day two of wrestling and came back with a big win against Alec Homan (Burnett Trained) pinning him in just 15 seconds. Hornish knew he would now stand on the state podium, now

to see how far he could go. In the consolation quarter finals, Hornish once again defeated his opponent with a score of 7-2. Now on to the consolation semis, Hornish is defeated with a pin by Branton Dawes. Hornish now in his placement match for 5th or 6th place is defeated by Dominic Hoffarth (SVWC) with a final score of 3-0. Hornish not only met his goal, he went farther ending his journey at state with a 6th place finish.

The final wrestler competing for WTWC is Hunter Long. Long is a four-time state placer, and just like Hornish, he wanted to end his last year of elementary wrestling with another state placement medal. Long came in strong the first round, pinning Jason Shaffer (GFF). On to the second round of competition, Long wins in over time with a score of 4-2 over Conner Kleinberg (Prodigy). In the quarterfinals, Long fell short to Ethan Birden (Palmer) losing 10-3. Long advanced to day two of wrestling and came back with a big win against Maximus Shore (GFF) pinning him in just 59 seconds. Long, just like Hornish, knew he would now stand on the state podium, now to see how far he could go. In the consolation quarter finals, Long once again defeated his opponent with a score of 13-6. Now on to the consolation semis, Long is defeated by Eric Williams (ELP) 5-0. Long now in his placement match for 5th or 6th place is defeated again by Ethan Birden (Palmer), however Long did wrestle better the second time around only losing 4-2. Long finished his journey at state for the final time with a 6th place finish.

Sending five kids to the state tournament was an accomplishment for WTWC. With the competition at this level, winning a single match is an accomplishment for a young wrestler. Both Kimmel boys fell short of winning a match, however they will wrestle harder and try to come back stronger next year. For Huffine's first year he did excellent winning two matches. Long and Hornish have been long time best friends and wrestling partners, they have put in a lot of extra time and hard work together this season. Both ending with 6th place finishes shows it has paid off.

FOOD & AGRICULTURE GROUPS EXPRESS SUPPORT, OPTIMISM FOR NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN CUBA

Leaders from across the U.S. agriculture and food sectors are expressing support and optimism in new opportunities for collaboration with their Cuban counterparts, announced during President Obama's historic visit to the island. The two neighboring countries share common climate and agriculture related concerns, and the measures announced today in Havana will mutually benefit the Cuban people and U.S. farmers and ranchers.

While in Cuba with President Obama, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced that USDA will allow the 22 industry-funded Research and Promotion

Programs and 18 Marketing Order organizations to conduct authorized research and information exchange activities with Cuba. These groups represent U.S. beef, pork, corn soy and other commodities and are responsible for creating bonds with consumers and businesses around the world in support of U.S. agriculture. Following today's announcement, they will be able to engage in cooperative research and information exchanges with Cuba about agricultural productivity, food security and sustainable natural resource management. Secretary Vilsack called the announcement "a significant step forward in strengthening our bond and broadening agricultural trade between the United States and Cuba."

As food and agriculture groups continue to review today's announcement, they expressed their support in the following statements:

Statement by American Farm Bureau Federation President Zippy Duvall

"American-grown foods hold a clear competitive advantage in the Cuban marketplace, and the use of farmer- and rancher-generated funds to promote and market U.S. farm goods fits the checkoff mission perfectly. This announcement by USDA represents a major boost in growing the Cuban market that sits just 90 miles off our coast. I want to personally thank USDA and Agriculture Secretary Vilsack for the support shown America's farmers and ranchers in this matter."

Statement by Joel G. Newman, President & CEO, American Feed Industry Association (AFIA)

"AFIA is pleased with Secretary Vilsack's announcement today that USDA will allow Research and Promotion Programs and Marketing Order activities in Cuba. This is the first step to the U.S. industry better understanding the Cuban market and to sharing vital information and expertise with Cuba on agriculture production. Once existing regulatory and financial hurdles and restrictions have been lifted, this foundation of knowledge sharing and relationship building will serve in providing greater opportunities for U.S. feed and pet food products to Cuba."

Statement by Richard Wilkins, President, American Soybean Association (ASA)

"Today's announcement is a big step forward in terms of expanding the Cuban marketplace for U.S. soy. The important thing to remember about checkoff funds is that they're farmer dollars--they belong to producers to do with as best they see fit to grow their industries. Because this is the farmers' money, it's only logical that we as farmers ought to be able to use it to expand whatever markets we see as the most promising for our individual commodities."

Statement by Daryl Cates, Chairman, Illinois Soybean Growers

"This is great news. We really appreciate everything Secretary Vilsack and the USDA staff did to make using checkoff dollars in Cuba a reality. Cuba is an

important market for Illinois soybean farmers and the livestock producers who use our soybeans. It's vital that we collaborate on exchanging information about our product with Cuban government and industry officials. We look forward to advancing two-way trade with the Cuban people and fostering relationships."

Statement by Connie Tipton, President & CEO, International Dairy Foods Association

"Cuba is a natural market for the products made by U.S. dairy companies. We look forward to working with Secretary Vilsack and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative to further explore this potential new market."

Statement by Leigh Allen, Executive Director, National Black Growers Council

"The National Black Growers Council (NBGC) is pleased that U.S. research & promotion boards will now be able to engage in an exchange with the Cuban growers and people to allow for dialogue and open information exchange. As an immediate neighbor of the United States of America, it is mutually beneficial that the strong agricultural industries in both countries share a common interest as it relates to food, fuel, and fiber of these commodities and their by-products. We commend the action and efforts of President Barack Obama, Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and others such as the U.S. Agriculture Coalition for Cuba for bringing this to fruition. I am encouraged that the R&P boards, which in part has sustained American agriculture as a global leader, will now be able to be utilized by our counterparts in Cuba and vice versa. The NBGC looks forward to working closely with the R&P Boards and respective parties within the Cuban Ag sector in the near future to achieve this goal."

Statement by Roger Johnson, president, National Farmers Union (NFU)

"NFU fully supports the use of all tools available to normalize relations and fair trade with Cuba. As such, we appreciate AMS' decision to allow checkoff programs to use their resources for the promotion of American agricultural products to a market of 11 million people just 90 miles away from American shores."

Statement by National Grain and Feed Association

"The NGEA believes strongly in normalizing agricultural trade relations with Cuba, including arrangements under which Cuba can finance its purchases of U.S. agricultural products on normal commercial terms. While full normalization of trade ul-

timately will require congressional action, the steps announced today by Secretary Vilsack to promote cooperative research and information exchange activities with Cuba are another positive step forward along the journey to that ultimate destination."

Statement by Brian King, Chairman of the USA Rice Western Hemisphere Promotions Subcommittee

"The announcement today, like the White House announcements on liberalized travel from last week, continues the momentum toward normalized commercial relations with Cuba. We are looking forward to a USDA presence at the U.S. Embassy in Havana."

Statement by Devry Boughner Vorwerk, Chair, U.S. Agriculture Coalition for Cuba (USACC)

"U.S. Agriculture Coalition is proud to be on the ground in Cuba in tandem with USDA continuing to forge industry to industry partnerships during the President Obama's historic visit. We applaud Secretary Vilsack for his leadership on advancing US-Cuba agricultural relations and are pleased that the two countries have signed a groundbreaking MOU in agriculture. We are especially pleased that farmer-funded checkoff dollars can now be used to facilitate relationships in country. USACC continues to support USDA's effort to place staff on the ground in Cuba."

LATTA QUESTIONS EPA ADMINISTRATOR ON CONTINUED, HARMFUL REGULATORY OVERREACH

During the House Energy and Commerce Committee's joint hearing between the Energy and Power and Environment and the Economy Subcommittees, Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) questioned U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy regarding the unnecessary and detrimental regulations imposed by the EPA on businesses and their impacts on Americans across the country.

"By lowering the ozone standard last fall, before the 2008 standard has even begun to be implemented, the EPA has continued its pattern of imposing excessive regulations on American businesses, and shown a refusal to focus on achievability or reasonableness," said Latta. "EPA needs to refocus its efforts on standards that allow the American economy to flourish while also protecting air quality. Instead these misguided regulations harm American businesses by making it harder for them to expand and hire, in turn placing further strains on American families."

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Recently kindergartners at Antwerp Elementary School learned about the importance of recycling from Becky Suvar. They learned what types of materials can be recycled. Pictured with Mrs. Suvar are Aaden Friend, Tucker Doster, and Franco Rivera.

WAT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY THIRD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2015/16

- All A's
- 6B: Haylee Finrock, Faith Meraz, Tatum Tigner
- 6A: Madison Farquhar, Claudia Sinn, Abbie Stoller
- 5B: Anna Miller, Rylee Miller, Joshua Shelton, Ezra Sinn, Kara Stoller
- 5A: Hannah Maenle, Elise Miller, Sydnee Sinn, Laura Thornell
- 4B: Kyla Hurd, Kyle Stoller,
- 4A: Libby Meraz, Larissa Whitman
- 3B: Gage Ogle, Nicholas Sinn, Kathleen Stoller
- 3A: Brady Miller, Ava Stoller, Natalie Stoller, Trent Thornell
- 2B: Lily Boyd, Gabby Carman, Riley Manz, Caitlyn Mead, Torree Sinn
- 2A: Whitney Boroff, Izzy Foust, Lance Maenle, Aubree Miller, Lexi Moore, Addison Stoller
- All A's & B's
- 6B: Hunter Long, Brayson Parrish, Rachel Stoller
- 6A: Alexa Campbell, Allen Minck, Karlie Simminger, Nathan Sinn, Eli Spinner
- 5B: Macy Doster, Alyssa Greathouse
- 5A: Kaden Colley, Ava Dougal, Makenna Elliott, Kameron Shellenberger, Blake Stoller
- 4B: Tucker Antoine, Kasidey Lewis, Hayden Manson
- 4A: Citlali Aguilar, Harley Halliwill, Mary Lands, Kaden Landwehr, Graiden Troth
- 3B: Morgan Elliott, Jarrett Jewell, Eli Martinez, Amos Sinn
- 3A: Ryan Bostelman, Ciarra Cotterman, Corbin Kimmel, Anna Meraz, Lorie Sinn, Tianna Sinn, Tori Young
- 2B: Ethan Fisher, Jordan Hale, Adan Jasso, Ryann Jay, Cole Miller, Natalie Richie, Myleigh Sheets, Caden Sinn, Lance Whitman,

Zanden Wineland
 2A: Audrey Dougal, Laura Garberson, Gauge Landwehr, Zachariah Landwehr, Koden Martz, Micah Sinn

LATTA PRESENTED CHAMPION FOR LIFE AWARD

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) was presented the 2016 Champion for Life award by Greater Toledo Right to Life President Jeff Barefoot at the organization's annual legislative briefing.

"Bob Latta is a Congressman with a true north moral compass. He has real clarity about protecting the lives of the unborn, and shows no confusion about the evil and tragedy of abortion," commented Jeff Barefoot. "He is consistent and courageous, and has done a great job for all northwest Ohioans on this vital moral issue."

Congressman Latta graciously accepted the award presented to those who advocate protecting unborn life. He was chosen as the 2016 recipient for his years at the local, state and national level in promoting pro-life legislation and policies.

"I am truly humbled by this award and I will continue to fight for the unborn and promote family values," said Latta. "I appreciate the good work and dedication of Greater Toledo Right to Life in educating the community on the value of human life and defending the lives of the unborn."

"I WILL" SEEK TO SERVE CAMPAIGN GOAL MET @ MVNU

Mount Vernon Nazarene University announces the successful completion of another portion of "I Will...The Campaign for MVNU." One portion of the two-year \$11 million campaign focuses on reestablishing the tennis

program at the University.

The tennis program portion of the campaign focuses on all aspects of funding the new addition to our athletics program. This includes equipment, scholarships for athletes, and other needs associated with a new team. The initial goal for this part of the campaign was \$800,000 and we have reached that milestone. Although this specific campaign goal has been met, the opportunity for additional funding to build the tennis program continues.

Joe Noonan, Chaplain and Vice President for Student Life at MVNU, said, "We are pleased to announce the return of tennis to MVNU. Tennis will be a club sport for the 2016-17 school year as we search for a coach and recruit student athletes to compete in tennis as a varsity sport starting in the fall of 2017."

Through the generosity of individual donors, tennis courts will be constructed on the west side of Martinsburg Road adjacent to the women's softball facility in June 2016, with a projected completion date of September 2016.

Keith Veale, Athletic Director at MVNU, said, "MVNU is so thankful for the financial support to build a quality tennis facility. Having the opportunity to add another sport to attract student athletes is a plus for the University and the athletic department."

I-69 \$6.8 MILLION REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGES OVER CEDAR CREEK SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 22

Lane restrictions planned between exits 318 and 321 in Allen County

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces that a \$6.8 million project to replace two bridges on Interstate 69 over Cedar Creek, just north of the Union Chapel exit, is scheduled to begin Tuesday, March 22, weather permitting.

The two-season project will facilitate the construction of two bridges over Cedar Creek, with the northbound bridge being built this year and the southbound bridge constructed in 2017.

In late March, between mile marker 318 and 321, asphalt work will begin on the shoulder in preparation for the construction of temporary crossovers in the median. Daytime lane restrictions and lane shifts should be expected during this time.

Later this spring, crews will begin building the northbound bridge over Cedar Creek. At that time, the crossovers will be used to shift traffic, keeping two 12-foot lanes open in both directions. Additional lane shifts will continue through November as the bridge is completed. Motorists are encouraged to pay attention to signage in preparation for these lane shifts.

The speed limit in the construction zone is 55 mph and will be strictly enforced. IN-DOT reminds drivers to use caution and consider worker safety when driving through an active work zone.

The project was awarded to Primco for \$6.8 million.

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CHIEF LITTLE TURTLE

By: Caroline Zimmerman
 Mihsikhinaahkwa (The Turtle or more commonly known as Little Turtle) was a war chief of the Myaamia (Miami) people and one of the most renowned Native American military leaders of his time. Under his leadership, the Myaamia, Delaware, Ottawa, Shawnee and Wyandot achieved major victories against Mihsimaalhsa (United States) forces in the 1790's during the Mihsimaalhsa Wars (also called the Northwest Indian Wars, or Little Turtle's War). In 1791, they defeated General St. Clair, who lost 600 men, the most decisive loss by the United States against Native American forces ever.

The Native Americans from these tribes were all defeated at the battle of Fallen Timbers and later forced to relocate west. The Miami Tribe mostly relocated to Kansas and later to Oklahoma. Some that hung back stayed around Peru, Indiana (in Miami Co.).

New Purchase Of Property

In 2015 the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma wanted to boost its presence in Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have purchased property at 10910 Trentman Rd. in SE Allen Co. near interstate 469 for the tribe's planned Cultural Resources Extension Office. It will enable the tribal organization to better consult with the U.S. Government on construction projects involving the discovery of tribal remains or artifacts - a right afforded to Native American tribes by the National Historic Preservation Act.

"It's up to the state to notify former tribes that lived there about the discoveries, and sometimes they leave us out," said Chief Doug Lankford of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma. For that reason a more centralized office is being formed in Indiana.

Chief Little Turtle's Memorial is being refurbished and his trail is being mapped out. Mound Builder sites in Northeastern Indiana and Northwestern Ohio are being marked and archaeological studies are being done. (<http://www.gravecrawler.com>)

The office will also provide cultural programming for the 500 Miami tribe members who reside in Indiana. This includes: language classes, dinners, get-togethers, arts and crafts event and story telling. In the next 2 or 3 years, they hope to purchase another property in or around Ft. Wayne. There are about 500 Miami tribe members who reside in Indiana (January 2015). For more info contact

OWEN DOSTER SIGNS WITH WABASH



New Haven wrestler Owen Doster will continue his career at Wabash College. The senior signed his letter of intent on Thursday, March 24.

Doster advanced to the IHSAA wrestling state championship this season.

Owen has been named the Salutatorian for the Class of 2016, with a GPA 4.2; has been a member of the National Honor Society and Student Council President. He is the Senior representative for NHHS Principals Cabinet and a Peer Mentor, Member of YFC Youth For Christ. He is on the 1st team Academic All-State for Wrestling 2015 & 2016, a 4 year Varsity Letter Winner for Wrestling, and 3 time Sectional Champ

2013,15,16; 2 time Regional Champ 2015,16; 2 time Conference Champ 2015,16; 2 time Semi State Runner Up 2015,16; State Placer 2016 Finishing 5th @ 132lb class.

Owen is also a Member of Team Indiana that traveled to Iowa 2015, 132lb; is a Representative for Team Indiana All-Stars competing in Pittsburg at the Pittsburg Classic 2016, and a 4 year Varsity Baseball Player.

He volunteers his time with youth athletics at New Haven and Central Lutheran as well as umpires for NHBA. He ushers at Emanuel Lutheran Church, loves the lake, his family and friends. Owen is NH Proud!

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the Miami Tribe (of Oklahoma) at 10910 Trentman Rd., Ft. Wayne, Indiana or dgong@jg.net.

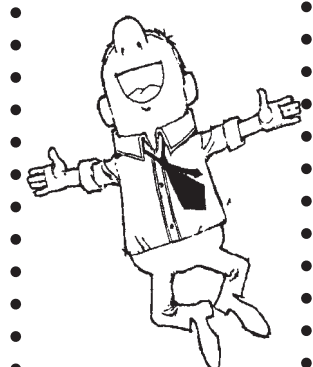
LATTA STATEMENT ON CONTINUED OVERSIGHT OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH), Vice-Chairman of the House Communications and Technology Subcommittee, joined colleagues in a hearing to continue its oversight of the Federal Communications Commission.

"The Federal Communications Commission plays an integral role in telecommunications policy and fosters a dynamic sector of our economy. Given the economic significance of these industries, it is the duty of Congress to provide oversight of the regulatory policies produced by the Commission," said Latta. "While there are numerous proceedings pending at the FCC, I am most concerned with the recent set-top box proposal that seeks to replace the failed CableCARD regime with yet another government-dictated standard. When Congress eliminated the integration

ban, we intended to rid the marketplace of an outdated technological mandate. Unfortunately, the FCC's proposal will obstruct the future of pay-TV with unnecessary government involvement rather than allowing consumer demands and competition to shape the industry. This proposal will impede innovation and limit choice for consumers."

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TRUSTEES ELECTED & RE-ELECTED



(left to right) Jay Dangler, Steve McMichael, and William Dowler.

Two new members were elected to the board of trustees of Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC) and one trustee was re-elected at the 80th annual meeting of the cooperative, held on March 19, 2016 at its headquarters in Paulding. Newly elected to the board were William Dowler of Union Township in Van Wert County and Jay Dangler of Paulding Township in Paulding County. Re-elected was Steve McMichael of New Haven, Indiana. Approximately 450 members of the cooperative and guests attended the meeting.

Dowler was elected to represent PPEC's District 2 in Van Wert County. A lifelong resident and farmer in Union Township, Dowler and his two sons are partners in a cash grain farming operation. He serves as a township trustee and is a member of the Farm Credit Advisory Board and president of the congregation at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Convoy. He is a past member of the Lions Club and Farm Bureau.

Dangler will represent the cooperative's District 4, which encompasses Emerald, Jack-

son, Blue Creek and Paulding townships in Paulding County and Delaware Township in Defiance County. He is the owner of Jay Dangler Excavating, LTD, which he started in 1992. He also has been a Paulding Township trustee for 22 years and the president of the Paulding County Township Association for six years.

McMichael will continue as trustee for PPEC's District 5 in Allen County, Indiana. He has been a realtor since 1993 and owner of New Haven-based Imagine Real Estate since 2001. He has served on the PPEC board of trustees for three years and earned both the Credentialed Cooperative Director and Board Leadership Certificate industry certifications. He is currently the chair of the New Haven Community Foundation, vice chair of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce, chair of the New Haven Board of Zoning Appeals and a board member of the New Haven Redevelopment Commission. He also serves as board president of the Adams Township board of trustees.

In his report to members,

Board Secretary/Treasurer Gary Hayden stated that margins exceeded \$3.5 million in 2015, with the amount reinvested in PPEC's electric plant. Total debt of the cooperative was reduced by about \$3.5 million. Purchased power continues to be the cooperative's most significant expense, accounting for more than 65 percent of each member's bill, Hayden said, but was reduced by approximately \$1.5 million from the previous year, partly due to the buyout of the cooperative's contract with Wabash Valley Power Association. The resulting savings of more than \$870,000 in 2015 will allow for a full payback of the buyout cost in less than two years.

Total sales of the cooperative were 351 million kilowatt hours, slightly ahead of budgeted projections, Hayden said. Sales of electricity to members decreased by about 2 percent in 2015, due in large part to the mild summer weather.

Board President John Saxton told the members that PPEC did not have a rate increase in 2015 and will also have no increases in 2016. Saxton said the cooperative's electric rates are below those of Toledo Edison and AEP Ohio and only slightly higher than Indiana Michigan Power. Paulding Putnam's controllable expenses are well below the Indiana average and almost half of the Ohio average, with PPEC having fewer employees per member than other cooperatives its size, Saxton said.

Saxton also urged cooperative members to join ACRE/COPA (Action Committee for Rural Electrification and Co-op Owners for Political

Action), organizations which are actively working with legislators and elected officials in Washington and Columbus to help keep electric service reliable and affordable. The work of these political action committees is especially important now since the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has submitted a Clean Power Plan that will impact Ohio's coal-fired electric generation and force a substantial raise in electric bills. "Imagine if our ACRE people could go to the national and state Houses and Senates and say 'I represent 900 electric cooperatives with 42 million Americans who are cooperative owners. That would be a great and powerful story. You can bet they would pay attention.'"

In his presentation to the membership, PPEC CEO and General Manager George Carter began by recognizing John McMaster, a lineman with the cooperative, who had just returned from helping to electrify a remote mountain village in Guatemala with other linemen from other Ohio electric cooperatives. "Spending two and a half weeks away from your family doing hard work like that is a level of commitment we truly appreciate," Carter said.

Carter also said that the cooperative will celebrate its 80th birthday on June 16 and among PPEC's many accomplishments, the cooperative's performance in 2015 was also stellar. "We didn't have a rate increase in 2015, yet with cost control and favorable power costs, we had great margins — maybe the best ever. At the same time, we reduced outage hours and invested in utility plant without adding to our debt — in fact we reduced debt by more than \$3 million. Our employees and the cooperative were recognized for national safety achievement, with an outstanding high score.

As an example of how PPEC takes to heart one of the Seven Cooperative Principles, "Concern for Community," Carter pointed out that even though PPEC has 22 percent fewer employees than other cooperatives its size, 90 percent of them participate in the local United Way campaign with an average donation of \$219. Employees also volunteered 188 hours to a service project helping an elderly person with home repairs and energy updates, and also were helping to raise the \$70,000 necessary to send World War II veterans to Washington, D.C. via the Honor Flight program.

Two retiring trustees, Ron Neiswander and Karl "Bud" Koenig, were recognized during the annual meeting for their service. Both served 15 years on the PPEC Board of Trustees. A number of employees with significant anniversaries in their years of service were also recognized, including Dennis Clark and Doug Johans (30 years); Mike Klima and Mary Arend (20 years); Joanne Mobley (15 years); Terry Minic and Renee Boss (10 years); and Andy Hermiller, Zachary Kausser, Amy Waters, and Annette Schreiner (5 years).

Winners of the Children of Members Scholarships announced at the meeting were Allison Harpel from Paulding Exempted Village School and Brandon Weis from Ottawa Glandorf High School (1st place); Jenna Niemeyer from Heritage High School

PAULDING KINDERGARTEN RECEIVE VISITS FROM SPECIAL GUESTS



We were visited by 2 very special guests in Kindergarten. Jerrolyn Parrett brought a 3 day old goat for us to see. And just this week we were visited by a familiar face. Mrs. Erford played us some tunes on her violin. We love having special guests. If you would like to visit our awesome students contact Kelly Snyder or Kylee Miller to schedule your visit!

and Colton Niese from Miller City High School (2nd place); Taryn Homier from Wayne Trace Local High School and Abram Klopfenstein, home schooled at Klopfenstein Academy (3rd place); and Christian Ulman from Bishop Luers High School (At large). This year's winner of the Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship was Jordan Schmenk from Miller City High School.

Local high school students who were selected to attend the annual Youth Tour to Washington, D.C. in June were Alex Hoehn of Ottawa Glandorf High School and Makenna Ricker of Miller City High School. Last year's attendees Megan Niese of Miller City High School and Maggie Wilson of Antwerp High School told of their experiences last year of attending the Youth Tour, where cooperatives from all over Ohio and all over the country send high school students to the nation's capital.

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative serves nearly 12,900 members in Paulding, Putnam, Defiance, Van Wert and Allen counties in Ohio and Adams and Allen counties in Indiana.

ALL-IN PROGRESSIVE LIBRARY VISIT

Friday, April 1 - Sunday April 3, 2016. Spend some time visiting all fourteen Allen County Public Library locations as part of Allen County's Bicentennial Celebration.

Friday, April 1: Monroeville & Woodburn 3:00-5:00 p.m.; Dupont 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 2: New Haven 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; Shawnee 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; Hessen Cassel 12:00-2:00 p.m.; Waynedale & Pontiac 1:00-3:00 p.m.; Tecumseh & Georgetown 2:00-4:00 p.m.; Little Turtle & Aboite 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 3: Main Library 1:00-4:00 p.m.

There will be activities to do at each location that encourage you to think, talk, read and do, and if you complete the activities you will be entered to win some great prizes.

- Grand Prize - iPad
- Second Prize - Kindle
- Third Prize Family attraction and restaurant packs
- Fourth Prize - TinCaps Lawn Tickets
- Fifth Prize - Bicentennial Activity Books

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OHIO INDUSTRY INVESTMENTS: AN INVESTMENT IN OHIO FAMILIES



Guest Column from Representative Tony Burkley
It is no secret that Ohio is home to some of the best companies our nation has to offer. From Kroger, to Nationwide Insurance, to Marathon Petroleum and dozens more,

Ohio is able to be home to countless successful companies both big and small.

Having the headquarters of 23 Fortune 500 companies gives Ohio much more than just bragging rights, however. These companies allow us to invest in our workforce, restore economic prosperity to our economy, and ultimately create jobs both directly and indirectly throughout our communities.

Seeing the need to make Ohio competitive for the investments of industry corporations is exactly why the Ohio General Assembly developed JobsOhio. JobsOhio is a non-profit, private organization whose mission is to attract industry investment across our state so Ohioans can reap the benefits of company expansion and job creation.

Recently, JobsOhio re-

leased their 2015 annual report, which demonstrates the tremendous impact this organization has been having on Ohio's economic development. Throughout 2015, JobsOhio was able to collaborate with local and regional partners to obtain 330 investment projects across varying industries. These projects will directly account for 23,602 new jobs and \$6.7 billion in new capital, which is certainly a win for all Ohioans.

In northwest Ohio specifically, JobsOhio has partnered with the Regional Growth Partnership to revitalize northwest Ohio's economic centers. Through the work of this alliance in 2015 alone, our region has been able to see \$1.4 billion in capital investment and the creation of thousands of jobs. One of the most notable acquisitions includes the recent announcement that NatureFresh Farms has chosen northwest Ohio for their first U.S. facility to expand their operations from Canada.

In light of these tremendous economic development numbers, it is no wonder that Ohio's economy is beginning to thrive again. With the help of JobsOhio and the Regional Growth Partnership, our state and our northwest Ohio communities are able to feel the benefits of industry investments that are spurring job creation. I look forward to the continued success of JobsOhio, northwest Ohio and most importantly our Ohio families.

iAB FINANCIAL BANK PROMOTES MORRISSEY AND-SHEIBLEY AND TO VICE PRESIDENT

iAB Financial Bank is pleased to announce the promotions of Eric J. Sheibley to Vice President, Controller and Jody J. Morrissey to Vice President, Compliance Director.

Jody Morrissey has been with iAB for over 3 years. Prior to iAB, she has worked in the banking industry over 20 years including management roles in loan documentation, including mortgage, consumer and commercial as well as loan systems



administration. She joined iAB as a Lending Compliance Specialist and has combined her background in lending with an in depth knowledge of banking regulation to lead the Compliance Department at iAB. In her spare time she volunteers in her community and enjoys traveling and spending time with family and friends.



Eric Sheibley has been with iAB for over 10 years. His professional background also includes working as a Senior Accountant for a large public accounting firm where he assisted in providing assurance services. He earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree from Manchester University and is also licensed as a Certified Public Accountant. Eric enjoys giving back to his community and has spent time working with Miss Virginia's Mission, St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Habitat for Humanity and Woodburn Christian Children's Home. In his free time, he enjoys outdoor activities such as hiking, biking and cross-country skiing.

iAB Financial Bank, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Independent Alliance Banks, Inc., is one of the largest locally-owned community banks in the area and employs approximately 290 people throughout Allen, Huntington, Marshall and Wells counties.

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

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT REPORTS

Criminal Disposition
Derek J. Varner, Oakwood, OH; Fail Control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Roman J. Osborn, Defiance, OH; Fail Control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Amrit S. Mundi, Brampton, ON; Fail Control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Conrad L. Samonek, Whittaker, MI; Towing Viol; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Conrad L. Samonek, Whittaker, MI; High Beams; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
David P. Erman, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Andrew L. Hulett; Cloverdale, OH; Fail Control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Evan J. Ibrahim, Warren, MI; Driving/texting; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Tara L. Fraley, Paulding, OH; Cruel to animal; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Complete 10 hrs of community service at the Paulding County Dog Kennel; May not own, purchase or have in possession any animals; Shall maintain general good behavior
Rhonda G. Whitacre, Van Wert, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by the defendant
Rebecca R. Brown, Paulding, OH; Following close; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 5/27/16 or will be sent to collections
Steven J. Jacko, Auburn, IN; Pass bad check; Dismiss; JE: Case dismissed per state; Without prejudice
Myranda R. Sherry, Oakwood, OH; Fail reg. dog; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Myranda R. Sherry, Oakwood, OH; Fail reg. dog; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Zane R. Graham, Lynchburg, VA; No tail lights; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 4/29/16 or will be sent to collections
Tyler C. Enmark, Paulding, OH; Dom violence; Prel-waive; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over to the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio
Trina D. Rodgers, Portland, IN; O.V.I./under inf; Pled no cont., found guilty; May attend the DIP in lieu of jail; Proof of financial responsibility provided; Shall pay \$30 a mo commencing 4/29/16; Has a POC date if 7/29/16; Community control two; 10 hrs of community service; 87 jail days reserved
Adam J. Basch, Indianapolis, IN; Following close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Robert W. Topping, Chatham, ON; Following close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Marcos M. Santos, Woodburn, IN; 81/65 speed; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today
Marcos M. Santos, Woodburn, IN; No O.L.; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today
Juan C. Garcia Valle, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
David J. Chandler, Defiance, OH; Criminal damage; Dismiss; Case dismissed per state; Without prejudice; Costs waived
Real Estate Transfers:
Latty Village:
 3/23/16; Michael L. Pastor; Lot 61; 0.2 acres; Lot 62; 0.2 acres; To: Orman E. Goings, Jr.
Melrose Village:
 3/21/16; Robert L. Tom; Lot 5; 0.1722 acres; Lot 6; 0.1722 acres; Lot 7; 0.1768 acres; To: Robert L. Tom, trustee & Lynette J. Thomas, trustee
Paulding Village:
 3/22/16; Boyd Automotive, LTD;

Lot 3; 0.214 acres; To: Colton D. Danberry
 Boyd Automotive, LTD; Lot 4; 0.53 acres; To: Colton D. Danberry
 Delores K. Stahl, et al; Lot 160; 0.15 acres; To: 1902 Building, LLC
Oakwood Village:
 3/23/16; Barbara C. Lawson & Guy W. Lawson; Lot 9; 0.2775 acres; To: Amber R. Plotts
Blown Twp.:
 3/22/16; Jenis E. Youtse; Lot 2, Sec. 8; 0.7 acres; To: Steven L. Youtsey & Julie A. Youtsey
Crane Twp.:
 3/21/16; Robert L. Phillips & Diana M. Phillips; Sec. 19; 2.29 acres; 2.31 acres; Lot 10, 0.397 acres; To: David L. Fisher & Lisa K. Fisher
Harrison Twp.:
 3/21/16; Michael L. Wobler; Sec. 17; 1 acre; 79 acres; To: Michael L. Wobler & Nancy K. Wobler
 3/22/16; Harry W. Molitor, Sr., le; Sec. 13; 36.87 acres; To: Harry W. Molitor, Sr., le
Latty Twp.:
 3/24/16; Sharon R. McConahay, et al; Sec. 14; 39 acres; To: Sharon R. McConahay, le
 Sharon R. McConahay, et al; Sec. 13; 60 acres; To: Eugene D. Arn & Drema D. Arn
Paulding Twp.:
 3/21/16; James J. Woodring; Lot 1; 0.574 acres; Lot 2; 0.574 acres; To: Home Loan Mortgage Federal Corporation

LEGAL NOTICE 2016 Joint Chip Seal Projects

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding, Ohio, at its office in the Court House, 115 N. Williams Street, Rm. B-1, Paulding, Ohio, until 10:00 A.M., D.S.T. on April 4, 2016

PROPOSAL:

Chip sealing various Township roads within Paulding County, Ohio.
Engineer's Estimate = \$347,456.03
 Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed as listed above.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

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

All contractors must provide current Certificate of Liability Insurance Coverage for \$1,000,000 along with a current Certificate of Worker's Compensation

Coverage, before they can be hired to perform any type of work for the Paulding County.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations.

All materials shall conform to the 2013 revision of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.

"DOMESTIC STEEL USE REQUIREMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE APPLY TO THIS PROJECT. COPIES OF SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY OF THE OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES."

Prevailing Wage. Recipient shall comply, and shall require that all Contractors and subcontractors working on the Project comply, with the prevailing wage requirements contained in Sections 4115.03 to 4115.16 of the Revised Code.

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

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

PROPOSAL: "2016 JOINT TOWNSHIP CHIP SEAL PROJECT"

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

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Nola Ginter
Clerk, Board of Commissioners

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
REBECCA A. NEFF, ET.AL.
Defendants,
Case No. CI-16-019
Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman
TO: REBECCA A. NEFF, UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND EXECUTORS OF REBECCA A. NEFF; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF REBECCA A. NEFF
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 103 N. Laura Street, Payne, Ohio 45880

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by REBECCA A. NEFF to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you.

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

Situated in the Village of Payne, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot twenty-two (22) of the Original Plat of the Village of Payne, Paulding County, Ohio, thence west forty (40) feet; thence North sixty-six (66) feet; thence East forty (40) feet to the East line of said lot; thence South Sixty-six (66) feet to the place of beginning.

Included as part of this real estate is the 1972 Holly Park Mobile Home (on foundation) located thereon.

LESS AND EXCEPT THEREFROM:
A part of Lot number twenty-two (22) in the Original Plat of the Village of Payne, in said County of Paulding and State of Ohio, and more particu-

larly described as follows: **Commencing at a point being in the Southeast corner of Lot Number twenty-two (22), and thence North 89°50'30" West, along the South line of Lot 22, thirty-eight and 85/100 (38.85) feet to a point for the TRUE PLACE OF BEGINNING; thence continuing North 89°50'30" West, along the aforesaid South line, one and 15/100 (1.15) feet to a point; thence North 00°00'00" East, sixty-six and 00/100 (66.00) feet to a point; thence South 89°50'30" East, along the North line of Lot 22, one and 00/100 (1.00) feet to a point, and thence South 00°07'49" East; sixty-six and 00/100 (66.00) feet to the place of beginning. Containing 70.95 square feet, more or less.**

Parcel 19-16S-019-00
Property Address: 103 N. Laura Street, Payne, Ohio 45880

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

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding County, Ohio

By: *Ann Pease*
Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph K. Burkard
Joseph K. Burkard, (#0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
112 1/2 N. Water St.
Paulding, Ohio 45879
419-399-8270

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
Plaintiff,
vs.
Jesse Branham, Et. AL,
Defendants,
Case No. CI-16-018
Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman
TO: JESSE BRANHAM, UNKNOWN HEIRS, ASSIGNS AND EXECUTORS OF JESSE BRANHAM; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JESSE BRANHAM
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 400 E. Harmon Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by JESSE BRANHAM to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you.

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

Situated in the Village of Oakwood, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio, to-wit: Beginning at a point on the North side of Harmon Street in the Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio, same being three hundred fifty (350) feet East of the East side of Third Street; thence two hundred sixty-two and thirty-six hundredths (262.36) feet Northerly and parallel with Third Street; thence one hundred thirty-five and forty-three hundredths (135.43) feet East and in a true line with the North line of Lot One (1) Cooper's Parcels, Oakwood, Ohio; thence two hundred sixty-three and forty-nine hundredths (263.49) feet Southerly to the North line of Harmon Street; thence one hundred thirty-five and forty-three hundredths (135.43) feet along the north line of Harmon Street to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains .82 acres, more or less and is described on the Auditor's Tax Duplicate as Oakwood Village, Section 26, Lot 12 pt. Parcel 2, Outlots.

Parcel ID No. 10-22S-027-00
Property Address: 400 E. Harmon Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873
You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of your real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding County, Ohio

By: *Ann Pease*
Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-03** on March 21, 2016, entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF OHIO, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR PROJECT IDENTIFIED AS PAU SRTS ANTWERP PHASE II PID 93589, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with the State of Ohio, Department of Transportation, for the second phase of the safe routes to school project.

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

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP HYDRANT FLUSHING SCHEDULE

The Village Utility Department intends to start hydrant flushing starting the week of April 4, 2016. The first area to be flushed will be located south of River Street, depending on weather this process should take the month of April. Starting approximately May 2, 2016 hydrants north of River Street will be flushed. The above schedule is contingent on weather and/or emergency repairs.

Residents may experience temporary discolored water during this process. If noticed, residents should run your tap water until the water is clear. This notice is being given to try to avoid discoloration to clothing during the hydrant flushing.

If you have questions, please call the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371

CITY OF WOODBURN MEETING MINUTES 2/15/16

Meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Chief Duhamell, Superintendent Walls, as well as Councilman Watts, Voirol, Gerig, Renner, and Martin were in attendance. **CHIEF'S REPORT:** The new police truck has arrived with installation of lights and the radio complete. The police markings will be put on shortly. After that, the prisoner containment system will be installed. The police chief has asked the council to approve the purchase of three body cameras for the department, one per vehicle. He recommends a wireless camera that he has used in the past by Viewu. This would be priced at nearly \$2,700 for all three of the cameras. This will be brought up as new business for the next meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: The Mayor is receiving quotes from multiple companies for a city website to be created. He is checking with the Community Association and the Chamber of Commerce to see if they want to join together to cost share. The Mayor has gotten quotes for new banners from both Northern Lights and Wahli Printing. An INDOT traffic study occurred investigating speed limits on SR-101 on the north side of Woodburn in response to Mayor Hoepfner's request for an extension of the 40 mph speed zone to encompass the US-24 interchange. This request was presented due to the increased traffic near Love's truck stop. The study did not show that the request should be fulfilled, but INDOT will change the speed limit to 50 mph instead of the current 55 mph. An INDOT sign crew has been out to put these new signs up.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Meeting minutes from February 1st were presented. Councilman Watts moved to accept minutes as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Warrants were presented to Council. The Clerk-Treasurer discussed training that is provided by the Indiana League of Municipal Clerk Treasurers in the upcoming month and requested payment in the presented warrants for this training as there will not be another meeting before that training session. Councilman Gerig moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: The Superintendent mentioned that she and the mayor had discussed the idea of changing out our green signs in the city with blue signs with white block lettering. The idea is to replace them over time, specifically the ones that need to be replaced in the near future. We can phase out the old signs with the new ones a few at a time. Councilman Watts moved to purchase the new signs for Main Street as well as the signs that need repaired right now throughout the City, second

by Councilman Renner, all in favor. There was a break on the water line at the Hamptons that was fixed by Dozer Werks.

COUNCILMANS' REPORT: Councilman Martin has requested that we replace the American Flag that is located at the police station. He also mentioned that the flag at city hall needs to be at half mast right now. Regarding the flag hanging over the street, apparently INDOT has regulations that do not allow for the flag to hang over the street at that height. Councilman Voirol mentioned about the City of Ligonier and was curious as to why they were able to do that and we are not. He also asked if Superintendent Walls would be able to sell the old Christmas tree decorations to other interested cities or towns. Superintendent Walls thought that the City of St. Joe or Milan Township may be interested. The Clerk-Treasurer will check on the treasurer's listserv to see if any other city or town would be interested in purchase.

OLD BUSINESS: The Clerk-Treasurer could not find evidence of a recent donation to the Woodburn Youth League. The Council would like to have this knowledge before deciding a course of action.

NEW BUSINESS: Greater Fort Wayne INC is coming out to meet with the Mayor to see about new industry and what the city needs to do to make sure we are able to handle any future businesses. In order to get financial assistance from the county for the development of a roadway in the industrial park, the city would have to own the property in question. The Clerk-Treasurer had gotten a price estimate for a new color printer for city hall. The current price from Strategic Business Technologies was for just over \$3200. Councilman Watts requested a price for service on a device as well as both a lease and a purchase price from both Strategic Business Technologies and WM Imaging for next meeting. Strategic Business Technologies is able to offer on site hard drive storage for around \$800 for initial setup. Superintendent Walls recommended that we have our back-up storage outside of this building. Councilman Watts recommended that we check to see if Carbonite is sufficient for our needs. If so, then we would not need to change our current setup, which is through Carbonite.

AUDIENCE: A resident mentioned that the Strategic Planning Group has suggested that we need a tagline for the City. A recommendation of "Gateway to the Heartland" has been shared in the past. She is asking if all organizations relating to the City would be interested in sharing a common letterhead that would incorporate this idea. The Mayor mentioned that he would check with Wahli Printing and see what price would be involved with this.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

WORLD'S LARGEST ONE-DAY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE TO BE SIMULCAST IN VAN WERT COUNTY ON MAY 6



From left, Debbie Compton, Amy Rode and Anne Dunn feel the energy at Leadercast 2015.

Leadercast is the world's largest one-day leadership event, broadcast to hundreds of locations around the world on May 6th, 2016. This year marks the sixteenth year of the annual leadership event and the 3rd year that the Van Wert Area Chamber of Commerce will host the event at LifeHouse Church at the YMCA Camp Clay, 9196 Liberty Union Rd.

The theme of this year's conference is, "Architects of Tomorrow," focuses on visionary leaders who imagine and build a future that is rich in innovation, collaboration and full of hope. A future where problems are solved, questions are answered, and confusion gives way to clarity.

The May 6th event will equip attendees to create their own visionary path. Key speakers - visionaries in their own fields - will inspire more than 250 people who attend locally, and the more than 100,000 people who will attend the event live in Atlanta or at hundreds of other simulcast locations in more than 20 countries. Among the keynote speakers are:

Kat Cole—Group President, FOCUS Brands, Inc. (including Cinnabon®, Moe's Southwest Grill®, Auntie Anne's®, and more); Steve Wozniak—Co-founder of Apple, Inc.; Henry Cloud—Acclaimed Leadership Expert, Clinical Psychologist, and Best-Selling Author; Nick Saban—Head Football & National Champion Coach, The University of Alabama; Andy Stanley—Leadership Author, Visionary and Communicator; James Brown—Network Broadcaster, CBS Sports and News; Rorke Denver—Navy SEAL Commander and Author; Chris Barez-Brown—Author and Creativity Guru;

Tripp Crosby—Host of Leadercast, Comedian and Director

For years, Leadercast has brought people together and equipped them to become better leaders, managers, community members, and employees. Here is what Van Wert County Hospital Wellness Coordinator Anne Dunn has to say about Leadercast:

"For the past two years, I have not only attended the Van Wert Area Chamber of Commerce Leadercast event but have been inspired and enlightened! The day's agenda provides leaders of all types the opportunity to grow personally and professionally in an environment full of passion, energy and fun. I look forward to it every year! We are so fortunate to have a community committed to creating and nurturing "Leaders Worth Following!"

Just as engaging as the speakers is the environment that our host, LifeHouse Church creates for the day. From the moment you enter YMCA's Camp Clay to make your way to LifeHouse Church, you immediately realize this event will be so much more than watching on a few speakers present on big screens. From the parking assistants to the incredible volunteers to the special touches to encourage engagement, the scene is set to inspire attendees to open their heads and hearts to bold, brave leadership concepts.

For more information on purchasing individual tickets or group tickets for 10 or more to Leadercast, please contact the Van Wert Area Chamber of Commerce at (419) 238-4390 or via email, chamber@vanwertchamber.com.

APRIL HAPPENINGS AT WOODBURN BRANCH LIBRARY

STORYTIME: *Fridays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 10:30 a.m.* - This Storytime features finger plays, songs, stories of various lengths and crafts.

YARN LOVER'S GATHERING: *Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 7:00 p.m.* - If you already know how to knit or crochet or if you want to learn how to knit or crochet join us at Woodburn. We have people that can help you get started or teach you new techniques. Join us for a creative evening.

WOODBURN LEGO CLUB: *Monday, April 11, 4:00 p.m.* - Grades 3 and up can create with Legos. There will also be Legos at the library for you to use. And, of course, snacks.

WOODBURN KIDS CLUB: *Wednesday, April 13, 4:00 p.m.* - A special club for children ages 6 - 11. Each meeting will include a game, a readers' theater, a craft and a snack as well as book sharing. You will receive a button each time you attend. This month Game it Up!

THE LUNCH BUNCH CLUB: *Monday, April 25 11:00 a.m.* - Adults, each month we will spend time talking about what everyone has been reading and then discuss a specific title. You are not required to read the title to join the group. We will then have lunch, registration is requested. This month A Promise to Protect by Patricia Bradley

3D PRINTED KEY CHAIN FOR A LIBRARY CARD: *April 10-16* - Use our 3D printer and make a key chain for your library card. Don't have a library card? Well then, we can sign you up for one.

GARDEN POTPOURRI: *Tuesday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.* - Master Gardener and Educator Ricky Kemery will be at the library to discuss all that you can do in the garden

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 2/24/16

This 24th day of February, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtzberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk **ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:** Warrants documented as 222811 through 222876 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtzberry to go into executive session at 8:06 a.m. with the Paulding County Sheriff to discuss personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting ye.

At 8:26 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF CREATING NEW REVENUE LINE ITEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN FUND 226:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to create a new expense line item and appropriate funds in the OSU Extension Fund (Fund 226):

226-001-00001 Extension Expenses -- \$123,707.00

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE 2015 ANNUAL REPORT FOR PAULDING COUNTY FAMILY AND CHILDREN FIRST PROGRAM (FISCAL YEAR 2015):

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby approve the 2015 Annual Report for Paulding County Family and Children First as submitted by Western Buckeye Educational Service Center.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FOR A NEEDS ASSESSMENT/FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

The Board of County Commissioners does hereby accept a proposal from Garmann/Lincoln Architects-Engineers, 38 South Lincoln Drive, Minster, Ohio 45865, to develop a needs assessment/feasibility study to renovate and update the current Sheriff's Office to meet office needs, space requirements, area adjacencies, and future growth. Quote for the study is \$10,500.00.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

Ed Bohn, Paulding County EMA director; and Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - Mr. Bohn met with the Commissioners with a positive report. He noted the first of three haz-mat emergency training took place at the Extension Building recently with 26 first responders attending. The second training is scheduled for March 19 and the third for April 30. Mr. Bohn was pleased with the attendance, commenting there were nine from the Scott fire department/EMS and 11 from the Paulding fire department/EMS. The courses offered contain classroom and hands-on training, valuable information to first responders to handle haz-

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SHELTON ESTATE AUCTION
6:00 PM - THURSDAY, APRIL 7 - 6:00 PM
LOCATION: 7443 Rd. 71; Paulding, OH; north edge of Worsville; 3 miles SW of Briceton - 1/2 mile south of St. Rt. 613; watch for signs - sale on site;
POLE BLDG-GARAGE-WELL: Situated on 27/100 if ab acre; has a well; 20'x20' garage - 1995; 52'x18' pole building - 2011; did have power to the building(s) at one time; surely needs attention but not much money for storage/your needs; auditor's value is \$8,900 - you tell us what it's worth to you.
--see STRALEYREALTY.COM for more info/photos--
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AUCTIONEERS: Chester M. Straley, Warren J. Straley, William C. Straley, CAI
211 NORTH MAIN ST. PAULDING, OH Phone: 419-399-4444 or 419-203-4616

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Semi Tractor & Trailers: Makers: Buddy L, Nylint, Ertl. **Makes:** Kenworth, Peterbilt, Mack, International.
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Owners: Estate of Delbert R. Baker, Williams County Probate Court, Case Number: 20151226, Douglas A. Baker, Administrator Rob Scott
Go To Bid: www.proxibid.com/darrenbok
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ardous spills in a "defensive fashion", Mr. Bohn's goal is to rejuvenate the interest of a trained haz-mat team in the county. He noted that through the support and funding from the Commissioners, a new response trailer has been purchased. The cost of the trailer will be partially reimbursed through the EMPG the Paulding County EMA receives. Mr. Bohn noted the trailer is 85% complete, with just a few supplies needed to be complete. He anticipates receiving cost recovery (from the state) in the amount of \$8,526.00 from a February, 2015, accident on US 637. The cost recovery dollars will reimburse first responders' units for man power hours, chief officer hours, and vehicles (at an hourly rate). The EMA is entitled to a 10% administrative fee, which Mr. Bohn intends to use to purchase supplies for the response trailer. Mr. Bohn noted there are 31 'reportable' facilities that handle hazardous materials in Paulding County. These facilities include not only manufacturing/factories, but agricultural and some retail businesses selling general items that would be considered hazardous materials should a spill or a fire occur. The Commissioners commended Mr. Bohn for his diligence in scheduling and presenting training session that are vital to prepare the County's first responders should the need arise. Commissioner Zartman noted he is pleased with the county's first responders' buy-in and participation in EMA trainings and activities. Commissioner Holtsberry quoted John Wooden "Failure to prepare is preparing to fail" and also commended Mr. Bohn's attention to proper training for potential mishaps. Mr. Bohn then discussed the Local Government Safety Capital Grant Program, offered by the Ohio Development Services Agency. Grants may be awarded to political subdivisions to be used for the purchase of vehicles, equipment, facilities, or systems needed to enhance public safety. The program received \$10,000,000 for FY 16 and also for FY 17. The program is administered by the Local Government Innovation Council. Not more than \$100,000.00 in total grants shall be awarded to an individual political subdivision. A qualifying subdivision means a county, township, municipal corporation, joint emergency medical services district, fire district, joint fire district, fire and ambulance district, joint police district, or joint ambulance district. Grant applications are due March

21, 2016, with the Council awards meeting scheduled for May 19, 2016. Mr. Bohn is very excited to apply for this grant and had several ideas of purchases that would qualify for funding.

• Tom Kime, Defiance County Commissioner; Deb Hubbard, SWCD Ditch Maintenance - The Commissioners, Mr. Kime, and Ms. Hubbard discussed the maintenance for the Rosedale Road ditch. This ditch is a joint project between Paulding and Defiance Counties. The question of which county is responsible for the ditch's maintenance was discussed and the Paulding County Prosecutor's opinion was reviewed. Because there was not a quorum, it was decided to schedule another meeting at a later date to make a final decision as to the maintenance issue.

• Jason Landers, Paulding County Sheriff; Jared Renollet, Paulding County Dog Warden; Jim Henriott and Del Schwab, Friends of the Paulding County Dog Kennel; Phillip Jackson and Hayden Krick, INSBIT - Mr. Henriott and Mr. Schwab, representing Friends of the Paulding County Dog Kennel ('Friends'), were pleased to announce they have secured a grant for \$1,750.00. The 'Friends' would like to install security cameras at the dog kennel site and intend on utilizing the grant dollars for a portion of the project. Mr. Jackson was asked to submit a quote for the cameras and installation. The 'Friends' have agreed to fund the difference between the quote and the grant award.

• Jason Landers, Paulding County Sheriff - Sheriff Landers reported he has had positive feedback from a recent news article pertaining to the possibility of re-opening the Paulding County Jail. Mr. Landers noted he will contact the engineering firm (see resolution above) selected and will work in conjunction with them and the Commissioners on the need assessment/feasibility study process.

USDA AWARDS MORE THAN \$30 MILLION IN GRANTS FOR FOOD SAFETY AND PLANT HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the award of \$30.1 million in competitive grants to fund 80 research projects to improve food safety, reduce antibiotic resistance in food, and increase the resilience of plants in the face of climate change. The grants are made possible through USDA's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), the nation's premier competitive, peer-reviewed grants program for fundamental and applied agricultural sciences. Dr. John P. Holdren, President Obama's Science and Technology Advisor and Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, joined Secretary Vilsack to make the announcement.

In addition to the awards made today, Vilsack and Holdren announced that the President's 2017 Budget will invest a total of \$700 million for AFRI, the fully authorized funding level established by Congress in the 2008 Farm Bill. In the seven years since AFRI was established, the program has led to true innovations and ground-breaking discoveries in agriculture to combat childhood obesity, improve and sustain rural economic growth, address water availability issues, increase food

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BAUGHMAN TILE COMPANY, the regional leader of corrugated plastic pipe is now hiring. Fabricators: Fabricate plastic fittings and special order pipe, construction background helpful. Truck loaders: load trucks for delivery, forklift experience preferred. General laborers: many positions available, ability to lift 50-75 pounds. Benefits package includes a strong health insurance plan, 401K retirement plan and vacation plan along with a competitive salary. Applications are available at Baughman Tile Company, 8516 Road 137, Paulding, OH. Located 4 miles east of US 127 on SR 613. 11,12,13

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production, find new sources of energy, mitigate the impacts of climate variability and enhance resiliency of our food systems, and ensure food safety.

"In the face of diminishing land and water resources and increasingly variable climatic conditions, food production must increase to meet the demands of world population projected to pass 9 billion by 2050," said Vilsack. "Funding in research to respond to these challenges should be considered as an investment in our nation's future, an investment which will pay big dividends in the years to come."

Since its creation, AFRI

has been funded at less than half the levels established in the 2008 Farm Bill, and USDA has only been able to fund one out of ten research proposals presented. While grants awarded to universities, non-profits, community groups, businesses, foundations, associations, and federal agency and international partnerships have led to significant achievements that address critical issues related to agriculture, food, the environment, and communities, thousands of innovative research proposals have been left unfunded.

"Science, technology, and innovation are essential to meeting virtually every

challenge our Nation faces, which is why the Administration has consistently supported increasing Federal investments in R&D," said Dr. Holdren. "Further strengthening our investments in agricultural research will be essential for U.S. farmers to be able to keep the Nation's food supply abundant, healthy, reliable, and sustainable through the 21st century. That's why the President's forthcoming 2017 budget request doubles funding for the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative to the full authorized level of \$700 million."

AFRI grants are administered by USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), which is making today's awards through funding provided in fiscal year 2015. NIFA is awarding \$15.1 million to fund 35 projects in AFRI's Food Safety area, focused on enhancing food safety through improved processing technologies, effective mitigation strategies for antimicrobial resistance, improving food safety, and improving food quality. \$3.4 million of this funding will be used to address antimicrobial resistance throughout the food chain. Since 2009, more than \$82 million in food safety research and extension grants has been awarded through AFRI.

NIFA is also awarding \$15 million to universities, laboratories, and research organizations to fund 45 projects in AFRI's Plant Health and Production and Plant Products area. These grants focus on plant breeding for agricultural production; plant growth and development, composition, and stress tolerance; and photosynthesis and nutrient use in agricultural plants.

Since AFRI's creation, NIFA has awarded more than \$89 million to solve challenges related to plant health and production. Additional grants for studies and outreach that address plant protection against microbes, insects, and weeds

will be announced later this year.

Established by the 2008 Farm Bill and re-authorized in the 2014 Farm Bill, the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) is the nation's premier competitive, peer-reviewed grants program for fundamental and applied agricultural sciences. The National Institute of Food and Agriculture awards AFRI grants in six Farm Bill priority areas: plant health and production and plant products; animal health and production and animal products; food safety, nutrition, and health; bioenergy, natural resources, and environment; agriculture systems and technology; and agriculture economics and rural communities.

The Farm Bill builds on historic economic gains in rural America over the past six years, while achieving meaningful reform and billions of dollars in savings for taxpayers. Since enactment, USDA has made significant progress to implement each provision of this critical legislation, including providing disaster relief to farmers and ranchers; strengthening risk management tools; expanding access to rural credit; funding critical research; establishing innovative public-private conservation partnerships; developing new markets for rural-made products; and investing in infrastructure, housing and community facilities to help improve quality of life in rural America. For more information, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Since 2009, NIFA has invested in and advanced innovative and transformative initiatives to solve societal challenges and ensure the long-term viability of agriculture. NIFA's integrated research, education, and extension programs, supporting the best and brightest scientists and extension personnel, have resulted in user-inspired, groundbreaking discoveries that are combating childhood obesity, improving and sustaining rural economic growth, addressing water availability issues, increasing food production, finding new sources of energy, mitigating climate variability, and ensuring food safety. To learn more about NIFA's impact on agricultural science, visit www.nifa.usda.gov/impacts, sign up for email updates, or follow us on Twitter @usda_NIFA, #NIFAimpacts.

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

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NEW HAVEN LIONS CLUB PRESENTS CHECK TO BURN COUNCIL



New Haven Lions Club Have present a Check to Burn Council at Saint Joseph Hospital. In the amount of 1,300.00. They held a skating party in February at Bell's Rink. The money was raised to help off set the cost of expense to the family and the burn council.

CELEBRATE NATIONAL POETRY MONTH AT ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Tuesday, April 12, 7:00 p.m. Indiana's Current Poet Laureate, George Kalamaras will present a poetry reading. Dr. Kalamaras is a professor of English at Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne and the author of fourteen books.

Author Visit:
A Reading with B.J. Hollars

Wednesday, April 13, 6:30 p.m., Meeting Room C, Main library, 900 Library Plaza

B.J. Hollars is the author of several books most recently two nonfiction books,

From the Mouths of Dogs: What Our Pets Teach Us About Life, Death and Being Human, and This is Only A

Test. He will be reading from and discussing these books as well as accepting answers from the audience. Books will be for sale after the reading.

Hollars is an assistant professor of English at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. He serves as a mentor of Creative Nonfiction, the reviews editor for Pleiades, and a contributing blogger for Brain Child and the Michigan Quarterly Review.

<http://www.bjhollars.com>

NEW HAVEN BICYCLES RIBBON CUTTING

There will be a ribbon cutting at New Haven Bicycles at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 502 Broadway Street, New Haven, IN. with an Open House to follow.

PAULDING CO. CHAPTER OF THE OHIO GENEALOGY SOCIETY

The Paulding County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society met on March 9, 2016 at the Paulding Carnegie Library. January & February 2016 meetings were canceled due to inclement weather.

Vice President Dave Betts focused on what we want to accomplish in 2016. Members, who haven't paid 2016 dues, payable to PCCOGS Treasurer Sue LaFountain, c/o Paulding County Library 205 S. Main St. Paulding, Ohio 45879.

Minutes from December 2015 were read by Kay Stoller and the current financial report was given by Sue. Was informed this society purchased three books to be used in the Paulding Co. Library. 1. Abstracts & Extracts of the legislative Acts & Resolutions of the State of Ohio Volume 20 - 29 (1821 - 1831). 2. The Ohio Genealogy Society Periodicals Index topical by location 1960 - 2000. 3. Ohio's Black Soldiers who served in the Civil War.

President Terri Gorney informed members that memorial donations have been received from Mr. Ray Keck's family wishes. As one of the founding members of this society, he will be sadly missed by many. Suggestions were to purchase an engraved memorial bench, security cameras for the Library's genealogy department, create or display a Ray Keck's Personal Library for public use or digitize popular indexes and books.

Another option was offered from Rhonda Burke-Feasby. She would create and maintain a private website domain for our Genealogy Society in Ray's memory. The first & century family applications and other records would be available for members use or to print. Requirements suggested: Must be a current member of the PCCOGS society and have an assigned Log-In number to use this new website. No decisions were made at this meeting. Any 2016 members with other ideas please contact the society through the Library's address above or attend the next meeting April 13, 2016. Currently, Rhonda's personal Paulding County Ohio History website has 246 members.

Most meetings are held at the Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, ground floor meeting room at 6:30 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday monthly. Everyone is welcome! Contact Marilyn Smith at 419/399-4663 or Karen Sanders at karen15806@gmail.com for First and Century family applications or needing assistance in proving eligibility in these two categories. Did your ancestors reside in Paulding County, Ohio 100 years or 136 years or more ago?

BLUE RIBBON WORKERS 4-H CLUB OF PAULDING HOST SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Blue Ribbon Workers 4-H Club of Paulding County will be holding a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, April 9, 2016 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Youth Leadership Building at the Paulding County Fairgrounds.

The Club participates in several community service projects including making fleece blankets for children cancer patients at Lutheran Hospital, Easter

Baskets that are donated to local food banks in Payne, Paulding, and Grover Hill, and camp scholarships for 4-H Camp. To facilitate these community service projects, the Club will be holding the Spaghetti Supper to help with community service projects.

We will be serving Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, french bread, water/lemonade, and dessert. The Club will also have baked goods during the dinner where you can get cookies, pies, cakes, brownies, cupcakes to help with the community service projects.

Please join us from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 9th.

PAULDING SWCD ASSISTS WAYNE TRACE STUDENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT PROJECT



Picture here on left Hunter Showalter, middle Anthony Baxter, right Brooke Sinn using the Paulding County Platbooks to locate their environmental impact property location.

By: Staci Miller, Education Specialist, Paulding SWCD

Staci Miller, Education Specialist recently went into Mrs. Heather Hatcher's 10th grade Biology class to assist them with their environmental impact project. This is the first year for the environmental impact project. The students were organized into groups where they were given a specific plot of land that made up approximately 324 acres in Paulding County. Then the students decided as a group what they were going to build on their land.

They had a wide variety of choices that included: power plant, amusement park, zoo, mall, amphitheater, oil refinery, farm, university or even a nature park. Once the students decided what they were going to be building they had to research the various animal and plant species that reside on their piece of land. They also had to learn about the different soil types and put together an environmental impact assessment as well as evaluate the economic and social benefits of this project. Staci Miller assisted the students with their projects by helping them to identify their plot of land in a platbook. The students then learned about the 12 different townships in Paulding County and approximately how many acres are in the county. The students then got the opportunity to locate their own house in the platbook. After learning how to use a platbook, the students

learned about how the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District assists producers and landowners with a variety of different conservation practices to help them conserve the land and natural resources in Paulding County.

The students learned about native and nonnative plants that reside in Paulding County as well as wildlife common to the area. Staci brought in a variety of different wildlife pelts for the students to look at. She then discussed the characteristics of a flood plain and discussed the importance of water quality to our fish and wildlife. She shared with the students water samples collected out of Flatrock Creek where their land drains into. The students analyzed the results to help them determine the water quality. Students then learned about macroinvertebrates as well as the different groups they are divided into to help determine the amount of pollution present in the water. To conclude the presentation, Staci had the students think about what impact their projects will have on the environment and to make wise decisions as a group. The students really appreciated this information and felt that it was valuable for their project. Once the students complete their project they will have to present their information to the town council (Mrs. Hatcher) for consideration prior to construction of project.

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