

HABITAT VP EARNS SAFETY CERTIFICATION



Recently, Jerry Riggenschach, vice president of the Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County, attended a construction safety seminar in Columbus through the Ohio Habitat for Humanity. Each representing Habitat office is required to have a certified person in construction safety as part of their team. This certification needs to be completed

every two years. Pictured here is Jerry (left) being presented with his certification by Laurie Lucas (right), president of Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County, at the March Habitat board meeting.

Upcoming events for Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County includes a Golf Outing at Auglaize Golf Course on May 21st.

PIE & COFFEE AT THE POWER HOUSE MINISTRIES

Although we have been in New Haven for 20 years, there are still many who do not know what The Power House does for the youth of our community.

Join us on Thursday, April 14th at 5:00 p.m. in the Power House cafe.

Hear from our board, staff, and students about how you can promote and partner with us.

RSVP brianjgerig@gmail.com by April 12 if you can attend.

JPHS HOSTS BEER & FOOD PAIRING EVENT

Ever wonder what all those "specialty" beers taste like? Now's your chance to sample 20 different ones, from fruity to spicy, you're sure to find one you like! Plus delicious food and great music! The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting a Beer and Food Pairing event on Saturday, April 16 starting at 7:00 p.m. The musical entertainment for the night will be Corduroy Road. This band is excellent and plays a wide variety of music. They are sure to put a smile on your

face. This event will help the museum. Information can be obtained by calling Ashley Doctor 419-406-0911; Gene Olwin 419-263-2750 or Kim Sutton 419-399-2388 - or stop out to the museum on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

BRIDGE MAINTENANCE IN ALLEN COUNTY BRINGS RESTRICTIONS

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces that a bridge replacement project is scheduled to begin on Yoder Road, over Interstate 69, on Monday, April 11, weather permitting.

Yoder Road will be closed during the work. Drivers are encouraged to follow local detours.

Drivers may also see shoulder work on I-69, between mile marker 293-295 to accommodate for the bridge replacement on Yoder Road. Motorists are advised to watch for overnight lane restrictions throughout the project. INDOT reminds drivers to use caution and consider worker safety when traveling through any construction zone. Work on the overpass will continue through late October, weather permitting.

WOODLAN TEACHER, WRESTLING COACH TO BE DEPLOYED



By: WANE Staff Reports

A Woodlan teacher and wrestling coach is set to be deployed.

Tony Girod, a junior high science and math teacher and the Warriors head wrestling coach, has been called up for active duty with the National Guard. Girod will deploy to the Middle East in the coming days and will serve a 5-9 month tour, the school said.

Woodlan teacher and wrestling coach Tony Girod (in purple shirt) is being deployed with the National Guard to the Middle East.

It will be Girod's second deployment.

Girod will leave a wife and a 3-year-old son while he serves.

He'll also leave a whole school, who collectively gath-

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The West Bend News website has many pictures of area events. Be sure to visit www.westbendnews.net

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OBITUARIES



WINTER HAVEN, FL
Richard Lee "Obie" Obenour, age 72, went home to be with his Savior, on December 12, 2015 at his home in Winter Haven, Florida.

He was born July 6, 1943 in Adrian, Michigan to Paul and Frieda (Myers) Obenour. He retired from General Motors Foundry in Defiance, Ohio on January 1, 1996 after 25 years of service. He attended Woodburn Missionary Church in Woodburn, Indiana, while living in Ohio, and he was a member of Christ Community Church in Winter Haven, Florida. He loved wood working, and building decks.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother, Ronald Obenour. He is survived by his wife, Carol (De-long) Obenour, of Winter Haven, Florida; sons, Michael A. Kipker (Virginia) of Farnsworth, Texas, David A. Obenour, of Sylvia, Ohio; daughter Patricia J. Turner (Brad) of Carmel, California; grandchildren, Daniel R. Beck, Jason P Beck (Amy), Kate L. Kipker, Kylie J. Turner, and Erica Rippie; two great grandsons, and three great granddaughters; brother, Robert Obenour (Patricia), of Buckeye Arizona; and a sister, Jean M. Onsted (James), of Adrian, Michigan.

A Memorial Service will be held to celebrate his life on Saturday, April 9th at 11:00 a.m. at the United Methodist Church in Antwerp, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Christ Community Church in Winter Haven, Florida or Woodburn Missionary Church in Woodburn, Indiana.



ANTWERP, OH
Mitchel "Mick" Whitehouse, 67, of Antwerp, passed away Friday, April 1st, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mick was born in Fort Wayne on May 2, 1948, a son of the late Phoebe Ruth (Helsel) and John "Jack" Whitehouse.

Although Mick spent his work week at BF Goodrich in Woodburn, his heart was with his life in Antwerp. Many will remember when he started the softball program in Antwerp but this crowning achievement was his family. He loved his wife and was proud of his children and the fact that they, like him, all grad-

uated from college. Mick loved to repair antique furniture, collect stamps and read about the Civil War and was equally happy to listen to early rock music and cheer for the Cleveland Browns.

On May 21, 1971 he married Brenda Green who passed away July 30, 2012.

He will be sadly missed by his children, Dawn (Gregory) Koehler of Freetown, IN, Heather (Ryan) Konrad of Ypsilanti, MI & Christopher (Stephanie) Whitehouse of York Haven, PA; grandchildren, Cassidy & Chase Konrad & Larson Koehler and beloved dog, Cody.

Viewing is Thursday, April 7, 2016 from 5 to 8 pm at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp.

His funeral service is at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp at 11 am on Friday, April 8th, with viewing one hour prior.

He will be laid to rest at Maumee Cemetery.

Memorials to Lynne Mansfield Dog Rescue, 2187 CR 144, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

Condolences and fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

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ered Tuesday to honor the hero. In the school's gymnasium, students and staff sang the National Anthem as a fitting send-off for their teacher and coach.

Students lined up after the ceremony to hug Girod. Woodburn Mayor Joe Kelsey, himself active duty and preparing for a short tour, also spoke at the assembly.

A banner honoring Girod will be placed outside of school until he returns.

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 4/6 - 4/12

4/6 - Chicken salad sandwich, potato soup, broccoli salad, orange juice, perfection salad, crackers, milk

4/7 - Baked pork chop, baked potato, carrots, peaches, sherbert, w.w. bread, milk

4/8 - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, peas & onions, fruit cocktail, w.w. bread, apple granola bar, milk

4/11 - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, warm pears, w.w. bread, milk

4/12 - Cabbage roll casserole over rice, fruit compote, grape juice, dinner roll, milk

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 4/6 - 4/12

4/6 - PERI 10:00 a.m. meeting; Lunch at 11:30 a.m.; Bunco at 12:30 p.m.; Canvas painting w/AmeriCare at 9:30 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.

4/7 - Blood pressure & toe nail clinic at 9:00 a.m.; Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Exercise 10:00 a.m.; Turn up at 12:15 p.m.

4/8 - Bible Study at 10:00

a.m.; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

4/11 - Raffle day; "Shedding pounds" at 9:30 a.m.; Morning movie and coffee starting at 9:30 a.m.; AmeriCare checkup at 10:15 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Site council at 10:30 a.m.; fingernail clinic 10:00 a.m.; Bingo w/Country Inn at 12:00 p.m.

4/12 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

PC RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SETS APRIL MEETING

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association will meet for a luncheon meeting Monday, April 11 at 11:30 a.m. at the Vagabond Village, located at 18187 U.S. 127, Cecil, OH. The guest speaker will be Sheriff Jason Landers, a former student of Paulding Exempted Village Schools.

No reservations are necessary. All teachers who retired from Antwerp, Wayne Trace and Paulding schools are invited to attend.

SECRETARY HUSTED RECOGNIZES CPA BUSINESSES AHEAD OF TAX DAY IN APRIL 2016 OHIO BUSINESS PROFILE

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced the Ohio Business Profile Program will be featuring Certified Public Accountants throughout the month of April.

"There are over 85,000 CPAs in Ohio representing small businesses and job creators across the state," Secretary Husted said. "CPAs help position businesses to flourish in the global economy and also work with public officials to simplify the tax code and create policies that make sense for business in Ohio."

Companies profiled this month include:

- Woods & Woods Associates, Ltd. (Vandalia, Ohio) provides practical, concise and easy-to-understand advice to clients of the firm. High quality service, energy and expertise of the staff contribute to a quality experience for clients.

- Barnes Denning (Cincinnati, Ohio) was founded over 50 years ago with a passion for client service and respect for their employees. The firm has grown to serve clients in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.

- HW&Co. CPAs and Advisors (Cleveland, Ohio) focuses on providing comprehensive services including accounting and auditing, tax planning, healthcare consulting, mergers and acquisitions and valuations.

- Clark Schaefer Hackett (Dayton, Ohio) is one of the 60 largest CPA and advisory firms in the nation. The firm

strives to build relationships with clients and deliver excellent services and has published a book about their approach entitled The CSH Way.

- Ary Roepcke Mulchaey, P.C. (ARM) (Columbus, Ohio) leverages their industry expertise to provide clients with remarkable service. Knowing the market, anticipating and responding to their client's rapidly-changing business needs is ARM's specialty.

- Kaiser Consulting, LLC (Powell, Ohio) develops custom and innovative solutions to improve their clients' businesses and increase efficiency. Kaiser Consulting was also named as a 2015 Central Ohio Best Place to Work by Columbus Business First.

- Gilmore Jason Mahler, LTD (Findlay, Ohio) serves clients across many industries including healthcare, real estate, construction and manufacturing. The firm believes their greatest asset is their people and they work hard to attract the best and brightest to join their team.

In January 2016, Secretary Husted announced that 2015 was Ohio's sixth consecutive year of record business growth. Ohio has seen a 21.8 percent increase in the number of newly-registered businesses and a 24.4 percent drop in rejections from 2010 to 2015. This growth can largely be attributed to Secretary Husted's efforts to provide better customer service to Ohio businesses by reducing the costs associated with registering a new business, ensuring faster processing time and launching online services at the Ohio Business Central.

In addition, Secretary Husted began a partnership with Google's "Let's Put Our Cities on the Map" program in 2015. Ohio businesses now have easy access to free tools through Google when they apply to start a business online with the Secretary of State's office and Ohio is now the least costly state in the region to start and maintain a new business. Learn more by reading Secretary Husted's guest column in the Cincinnati Enquirer here.

Launched in June 2011, Ohio Business Profile has helped raise awareness about companies registered and doing business in Ohio that are creating interesting products, offering outstanding service, contributing to their local communities and employing Ohioans in the process. Each month, a handful of diverse businesses linked together by a common theme are featured on the Secretary of State's website, where Ohioans are encouraged to submit companies they feel are deserving of recognition in future months.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace"

—Ephesians 1:7

NEW BUSINESS IN PAULDING COUNTY



Advanced Coatings & Blasting is new to Paulding County. Tim and Kenji Harvey have teamed up with Dan and Traci Bowers to bring some services that have been lacking in the area. On the coating side of the business Tim is busy doing custom powder coating for everything from Harley parts and tractor pulling chassis to machinery parts from the local businesses. With the 4' x 6' x 9' batch oven we can do anything that will fit inside.

Of course they are not just Advanced Coatings, they have an abrasive side too. On this end, they went with the state of the art "dustless blaster" from the guys at MMLJ in Texas. This mobile unit is powered by a large diesel driven compressor to mix high pressure water and media (usually recycled glass) to strip rust and paint from nearly any surface. The difference between this style of blasting and the time honored "dry" blasting is that with the

water, comes cooling and dust control. The cooling is a big factor when it comes to doing cars and thin sheet metal parts. Since it is water cooled the surface can be cleaned, stripped and ready for paint without the warpage issues that come from heat build-up. This also allows them to strip powder coated surfaces that dry blasting has troubles with. With the low emissions diesel powered mobile unit they can go anywhere, even inside manufacturing environments to handle almost any job. This unit can be used with the conventional dry medias and even soda blasting. From taking off graffiti, to removing stripes from parking lots, this unit does it all. They were so impressed with this system that they bought another cabinet style unit for the shop.

For more information call 419-263-8052 or email advancedcoatingson500@gmail.com.

NH PARKS & RECREATION BRINGS MACKINAC ISLAND'S GRAND EXPERIENCE IN 2016

This fall, New Haven Parks and Recreation is offering area residents a unique opportunity to travel to Mackinac Island in Grand style! New Haven Park's "Grand Experience" trip provides exciting programming and events, accommodations at luxurious Grand Hotel, five-course meals, carriage tours around the historic island, discounts at Mackinac shops and more!

The Grand Experience is a travel program for individuals ages 50 and above. Presented in partnership between the Michigan Recreation and Park Association and Grand Hotel, the Grand Experience is provided in communities statewide as an opportunity for residents to enjoy the best of Mackinac Island, at a greatly reduced, all-inclusive rate.

Local park and recreation departments, senior centers and travel groups present the Grand Experience trip in their communities, bringing the benefits of the Grand Hotel partnership directly to residents. Once on the island, Grand Experience staff members provide programs such as bocce tournaments,

behind-the-scenes kitchen tours of Grand Hotel, golf tournaments, carriage tours and more! Motor Coach transportation to the island is provided by New Haven Parks and Recreation as well.

The 2016 New Haven Parks and Recreation Grand Experience will take place October 25-27. To learn more, email Anna Gurney at agurney@newhavenin.org, contact the Park Office at (260)749-2212 or visit our web site at www.newhaven-parksandrec.org.

The Vision of New Haven Parks and Recreation is to build community and increase quality of life through people, parks, and programs. For 60 years, New Haven Parks has been striving to provide programming for all ages in our community.

Founded in 1935, the Michigan Recreation and Park Association (mParks) provides advocacy, resources and professional development opportunities to a devoted and diverse membership of park and recreation agencies, professionals, vendors and advocates. mParks exists to provide our members with resources, to advocate for the profession and to prove parks, recreation and leisure services matter. Learn more at www.mparks.org.

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BUTLER EARNS INSURANCE DESIGNATION



Central Insurance Companies employee Kim Butler has been awarded the professional insurance designation Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) from the American Institute for Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters.

This is a professional credential recognized throughout the risk management and insurance business. She has completed an eight-course program in addition to ethical and experience requirements.

Ms. Butler resides in Scott with her husband Dave. They have 4 daughters, Hailey, Laura, Chelsea & Kayla. Ms. Butler is the daughter of Jerry and Mary Price of Defiance.

Ms. Butler graduated from Paulding High School and holds a bachelor's degree from University of Northwestern Ohio. She began her career at Central Insurance on October 25, 2005, as a workers compensation claim representative and is currently Senior Workers Compensation Claim Representative. Butler also holds the Associate in General Insurance (AINS), Associate in Insurance Services (AIS) and the Associate in Claims (AIC) designations.

The American Institute for Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters is a non-profit educational organization founded in 1942 to establish a program of professional education and certification for those employed in the property and casualty insurance business.

LATTA VISITS SMALLER COMMUNITIES

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) visited mayors and village council members in Putnam, Hardin, Defiance and Fulton Counties during the week of March 28, 2016. Congressman Latta discussed topics with municipal leaders ranging from EPA mandates, opiate abuse, water quality and economic and workforce development. In addition to visiting smaller communities, Congressman Latta spoke at the Northern Ohio Mayors and Managers Association annual meeting in Pemberville, Ohio on Wednesday, March 30th.

"I believe it is essential for me to listen to the concerns of mayors and council members," said Latta. "We

must work together to address these issues affecting our communities and create an atmosphere that promotes economic development and guidance on the future of our workforce."

APRIL AT THE OLD FORT/HISTORIC FORT WAYNE 2016

April 9-10: British Garrison (Seven Years War), Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Elite troops of land and sea loyal to the King of England gather to prepare for battle, train new recruits, and enjoy rest and recreation in the comfort of the Old Fort.

April 16: 13th Pennsylvania Drill: 1776 - 1782, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Come and discover the rigors of daily life for a soldier at a wilderness fort. Members of the 13th Pennsylvania Regiment of Foote (infantry) will recreate the daily duties of officers, enlisted men, and their families during American Revolution.

April 23: Early Modern Muster of Arms: Soldiers of Pike and Shot 1580 - 1610, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The Fort will play host to a mercenary company, representing the years 1500 - 1650. Soldiers from England, Spain, France, Germany, and Poland, will converge on the fort to train and become a unified fighting force, showcasing the life and times of the late 16th and early 17th centuries. See what soldiers and civilians in the Age of Discovery wore and ate, as well as how they trained in their trade and interacted with one another.

About Historic Fort Wayne, Inc.: Founded in 2004, Historic Fort Wayne is a Non-Profit Organization that manages the Old Fort in Fort Wayne, IN. Our goal is to educate the community about Historic Fort Wayne and its significance to the Northwest Territory, the State of Indiana, and the United States during the 17th and 18th centuries through interactive programming. We are a 100% volunteer organization. All of our events are free to the public. All programming is funded by private and corporate donations.

All events are open to the public at no charge. For more information call (260) 437-2836. The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at Headwaters and Lawton Parks.

WOODBURN COMMUNITY HIST. SOCIETY MEETS

Submitted by: **Caroline Zimmerman**

The Woodburn Community Historical Society met Thursday, March 24 at the Woodburn Library, Woodburn, Ind. at 7:00. President, Ms. Gloria Gerig opened the meeting with the Pledge to the flag of the USA. After introduction of those present, the meeting was forwarded to

the program.

The program was given by Tom Weigmann, aged 15yrs, from the Bull Rapids area of Allen Co. He lives at home with his parents, Mr./Mrs. Lyn Weigmann (Ins. Agent) and is home schooled by his mother, spending 3 to 4 hours per day reviewing for the United States History Bowl. At this time he is the sole competitor from Indiana, having beat out all his rivals in Bowl competition. He read some of the difficult questions that were presented to the entrants on history and his knowledge was impressive.

This Youth was here to request contributions so that he can continue to represent his title (and Indiana) in the US History Bowl in Arlington, VA on April 22, 23, and 24. Tom is a High School Freshman and wants to be a professional baseball player as an adult. The Society passed a motion to donate a sum of money toward Tom's trip to Arlington and wished him well.

Information was distributed concerning using the American Bison/Buffalo as the symbol for the 200th Indiana Anniversary. Some organizations would like to have this symbol openly placed (statues, etc.) in each county during that celebration. It was brought up that Bull Rapids was at one time a Buffalo Wallow on the Maumee River and that it might be an appropriate place for an image or statue. No motions were made on this subject.

Discussion was held on the US flag that once was flown over the grade school in Woodburn in 1964. (An inquiry was made by a guest as to the where-abouts of this flag as he said that it had flown over the White House). Does any reader know where that flag is today?

A long banner was brought in by Pres. Gerig. Past member, Jim Bridge, had gotten it from Mr. Lyn Weigmann, who had found it when he remodeled a bldg. on Center St. in Woodburn. It had hung above the stage in Woodburn High School when it was built. There were painted advertisements from the area on it.

A picture was also presented to the Society which appeared to be a Woodburn "Spring" Play (circa 1940-1942 either school or church group that had many handwritten names on the back. If anyone is one of these persons or knows of any of these persons, please come to our next meeting, April 28 (Thursday at 7:00 p.m.) at the Woodburn Lib. Or call Gloria Gerig. We would like to put this on display. (Sorry if the name was mis-interpreted, some of the writing was hard to read.)

Persons in picture: ROW # 1: 1)Max Messman, 2) John Meyers, 3)Frederick Knoblauch, 4)Frederick Hoepfner, 5)Harold Kammeyer, 6)Virgil Hoepfner, 7)Melvin Gerbers, 8) Ernst Knoblauch, 9)Darrold Witte, 10) Edwin Kammeyer, 11)Walter Bruns, 12)Milton Helmke, 13)Melvin Kammeyer, 14) Bernard Koithan. ROW # 2: 15)Phylis Ehrman, 16)Valecia Messman, 17)Hildegard Kuchnert, 18)Maxine Keller, 19)Hilda Kellermier, 20)Marie Knolslauds, 21)Mardella Kammeyer, 22)Jean Neunslander, 23)Marceil Rekeweg, 24)Mary Nording, 25)Eleanor Kammeyer, 26)Clara Kuchnert, 27)Alice Fry, 28)Dorothy

Kuchnert, 29)Selma Kort-han, 30)Phyliss Hoepfner, 31.)Margaret Knoblauch, 32) Ruth Brenneke. ROW # 3: 33) - - Bruns, 34)Fred Kammeyer, 35)Blossom Wegmann, 36) Ida Kammeyer, 37)Ida (Della) Kellerman (Kellermier), 38) Francis Norde(in), 39) Mildred Rekeweg.

One of the guests from New Haven brought a very interesting album of historical photos of the area and his family to share with those present. The next meeting is April 28. Visitors welcome.

HOOSIERS ASKED TO KEEP CAMPAIGN SIGNS OUT OF RIGHTS OF WAY

The Indiana Department of Transportation urges political candidates and their supporters to keep our roads free from encroaching campaign signs for the safety of the motoring public. The signs can block visibility for traffic entering and exiting the roadway at intersections and driveways.

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MILLER-SHULL ENGAGEMENT



Edward and Donna Miller of Antwerp, OH announce the engagement and forth coming marriage of their daughter, Tina Irene, to Benjamin Allen Shull, son of Kimberly Shull and Robert Shull, Jr., of Akron, OH.

The bride elect is a 2004 alumni of Antwerp High School and attended Stark State Community College in North Canton, OH. She received her Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from Northwest State Community College of Archbold, OH. She is currently employed by Walmart in Defiance, OH.

Her fiancé is a 2004 alumni of Kenmore High School. He received his Associates Degree in Social Work from Stark State Community College in North Canton, OH and received his Bachelor Degree in Social Work from the University of Akron. He is currently employed at InfoCision-Communicator in Uniontown, OH.

Tina and Benjamin will exchange wedding vows on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Antwerp United Methodist Church. The future Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Shull will reside in Mansfield, Ohio.

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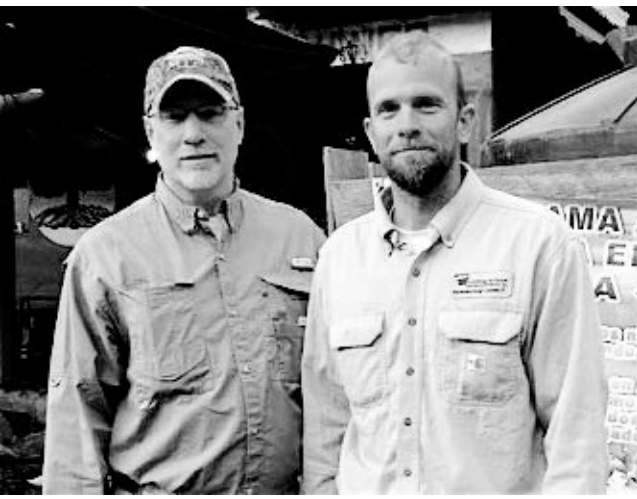
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Project Ohio is the Ohio Electric Cooperatives effort to electrify the rural Guatemalan village of La Soledad. The team was comprised of 17 electric co-op workers from all over the state and Paulding Putnam Electric's Lineman, John McMaster was one of those chosen to go on this trip of a lifetime.

The 18-day journey occurred in early March. McMaster says it's a trip he'll never forget, "The people are very reserved. When we energized the transformers we went to every house and checked every switch, bulb, and outlet. We showed them what to do and their faces no matter age or gender would relax and show real joy. Some would cry out in happiness. In the evening, some of the older people went outside and looked up and down the hills at the lights where their entire lives it had been darkness. This truly touched me."

General Manager/CEO George Carter was part of the

first exploration committee to plan this project and was able to attend the village celebration after the electrification. "This project is a perfect example of the cooperative spirit in action and we're very proud of John and commend him on his take action approach to help bring electricity to La Soledad."

When asked if this was a life changing experience McMaster stated, "We went there to run power into the houses. When you go to the house and see the depravity, it is heavy. To be able to share the convenience of electricity, is more than just light. It's education, more opportunities, and community improvement. When you step back and think about that...the future is great."

If you have any questions regarding this conference or you would like an interview, please contact Marketing Manager, Erika Willitzer at 419-399-1868 or email at ewillitzer@ppcc.coop

For ticket information, please call Woodburn Missionary Church as 260-632-4615.

Register online at www.woodburnmc.org and click on the Event Registration button. If you attend WMC, you may sign up at the Women's Ministry kiosk.

BIBLE QUESTIONS: ON THE CHURCH

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

1. Acts 2:1-13; The Holy Spirit came upon the apostles on the day of Pentecost.

2. Acts 2:16-21; Peter said this was the fulfillment of Joel's prophesy. You can read Joel's prophesy. Joel 2:28-32.

3. Acts 2:22-47; Peter and the other apostles preached the Gospel to the people. When they heard, believed, repented, and were baptized they were added to the Lord's church. All today who obey the same Gospel in the same way are added by the same Lord to the same church. What Jesus said in Matthew 16:18 has now come into existence. Also in Matthew 16:19 Jesus said to Peter "and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Peter in his preaching the Gospel Acts 2:22-47 used the keys to the open the door of the Lord's church. The church is now in existence and has been since Peter preached that first sermon. As long as there are faithful men, who will face ridicule, mockery, beatings and even death, who will preach this Gospel, the true churches of Christ will continue as it has for two thousand years.

4. How can we have salvation in the Lord's church? Loved ones if you ask fifty different people on the street what must I do to be saved you would probably get fifty different answers. The only answer that counts is God's. As the creator of the universe and all that is in it He is the only one with the real answer. God says what we must do to be saved.

1. Hear the Gospel of Christ. Romans 10:14 how then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? Romans 10:17 so then faith comes by hearing (the Gospel) and hearing by the word of God.

2. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God: Mark 16:16 he who believes and is baptized will be saved. John 8:24 therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.

3. Repent of your sins: Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38 Luke 13:3 I tell you no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. Acts 2:38 then peter said to them, repent and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. For their mission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

4. Confess Christ before men: Matthew 10:32-33 therefore whoever confesses me before men, him I will also confess before my Father in heaven. Romans 10:10 for with the heart one believes to righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made to

salvation.

5. Be immersed (baptized) into Christ Galatians 3:27 for as many of you were baptized into Christ have been put on Christ. 1st Peter 3:21 there is also an anti-type which now saves us, namely baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Acts 22:16 and now why are you waiting? Arise and baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.

Loved ones, we will continue our study next week, but in the meantime continue to pray, read and study the New Testament. "Ol' Baldy" says bye for now and I love you people.

LADIES SOCIETY OF EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH SUPPORTS MANY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Ladies Society of Emanuel Lutheran Church sponsors two events each year, April and September. The Society supports many charities including: New Haven Food Bank, Lutheran World Relief, Worship for Shut-Ins, Lutheran Social Services, Emanuel's Vacation Bible School, Concordia Theological Seminary, Mission trips to Kenya, and other charities.

Emanuel Lutheran Church is located at 800 Green Street in New Haven, IN. Members donate many items, such as clothing, shoes, purses, linens, tools, kitchenware, games, toys, craft items, small furniture, and small appliances. The event begins on Thursday, April 21 from 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. and on Friday April 22 from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Outside items are available both days at 8:00 a.m.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend this fun event, everyone is welcome.

HOME BUILDING SERIES AT FIRST UMC

The focus of the First Friends Church's "Home Building Series" for Sunday April 10th is "How to Build a Great Home". The "Home Building Series" is designed to help good relationships become better and to assist broken relationships in rebuilding.

Every great home begins with a strong foundation. Effective communication is a major cornerstone in building or rebuilding of any great home. Learning how to successfully share feelings and needs, in a way that others understand and can relate to, is a lost art today. That will be the core of this week's focus. Whether you are in a new relationship or a long term relationship, engaged, newly-wed, or been married for years, everyone has the potential to learn keys to build a stronger, healthier, and love filled home shares Pastor Paul.

Pastor Paul and his best friend and wife, of soon to be 44 years, have taught Couples Communications Series for over 20 Years and have experienced, or have counseled the good, the bad, and even the ugly of relationships. The focal point of their Couples Communications is pastoral counseling through training and life experience.

The "Home Building Series" is a part of this year's focus of First Friends Church's

mission of being "A Church with Heart Caring for our Communities". The "How to Build a Great Home" will be presented Sunday April 10th at their 10:30 a.m. worship service.

First Friends Church is known as a growing church that has a big impact on our communities, way beyond their size or resources. First Friends Church is located at 210 South Franklin St, (corner of S. Franklin & E. Central) in Van Wert. For more information about the 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 that seeks God's help.

A MIRACLE FROM GOD

By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, Maples United Methodist Church

"I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." Surely he will save you from theowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night... nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday. If you make the Most High your dwelling-- even the LORD, who is my refuge-- then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; ...'Because he loves me,' says the LORD, 'I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation.'" Psalm 91:2-6, 9-11,14-16 (NIV).

February 22, 2016 at 6:30

4th ANNUAL TAMMY GIBSON MEMORIAL SPAGHETTI DINNER



There will be a spaghetti dinner at the Scott Fire Department on April 9, 2016 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Carry-out will be available. The dinner includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, dessert and a drink.

This dinner will help the Tammy Gibson Memorial Scholarship which is through the Paulding County Area Foundation.

Tammy was killed in a car accident 4 1/2 years ago. Tammy went to school at Wayne Trace and her children still go to school at Wayne Trace so, in honor of her memory her family started a scholarship for a Wayne Trace student.

p.m., I was asleep in my reclining chair in the living room when a male voice spoke in my right ear but rather in my mind as if it was from the right ear, "You're dying!" The voice awakened me and I realized I was having difficulty breathing. I told my wife that I needed to go to the ER then when we realized I was too weak for her to take me she called the ambulance. Treatment was started in the ambulance and I was then transported to the ER. There, after tests, it was determined that I had blood clots in my right leg and blood clots in both lungs, an acute saddle pulmonary embolism. And, of course, I was in danger of having a stroke or heart attack. Had I not been awak-

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WOODBURN MISSIONARY CHURCH TO HOST PRISCILLA SHIRER SIMULCAST EVENT

Bible teacher and best-selling author, Priscilla Shirer, will be speaking live from Reading, PA and it will be simulcast to host churches across the globe. Woodburn Missionary Church will serve as a host location for the Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio area.

Priscilla Shirer Live, sponsored by Nashville-based publishing company LifeWay Christian Resources, will feature Shirer's dynamic storytelling and passionate Bible teaching.

Shirer has authored a number of published Bible studies, books and devotionals specifically for women including Bible studies such as

Armor of God; Gideon: Your Weakness, God's Strength; Jonah: Navigating a Life Interrupted and Discerning the Voice of God. She also recently starred in the Christian film, War Room, which has touched hearts around the world.

Recording artist Anthony Evans, who also happens to be Priscilla's younger brother, will be leading worship for the event. Evans was featured on NBC's reality show, The Voice, a few years ago and is also a Christian recording artist.

The Priscilla Shirer Live, simulcast kicks off on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 4:30 p.m. There will be a full day of music and worship, sessions led by Priscilla Shirer and opportunities for fellowship with other women from the surrounding area. A box lunch is included.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It never ceases to amaze me how the left reacts to truth. They blame the bearer of the facts rather than accepting what is before them. After 7 1/2 years of Obama rule the left is still jumping on George Bush. Weapons of Mass Destruction, well they didn't find any did they? But all the intell from France, Germany, England, Israel and many other intell sources said there were. Need proof? 1979, Iran and Iraq are at war. Iraq uses MUSTARD GAS, killing over 20,000 Irani soldiers. Shortly after that, Iraq uses the same gas on Kurdish women and children. (I saw their bloated bodies.) Would any of you on the left, consider Mustard Gas, a chemical weapon, A Weapon of Mass Destruction? So, why don't we just allow George Bush to live out his years and concentrate on the present?

The next thing Mr. Dunderman proclaims is that I am mistaken about my asserptions of the responsibility, of then Secretary of State, Hillary Rodham Clinton and her ties to Benghazi, Libya are not true. It was under her recommendation along with the Obama Regime to depose Khadaffi. Our men should not have been in Benghazi, but Tripoli. The British Embassy had already been bombed, the Red Cross had been chased and scores of requests for more security at Benghazi went unheeded by Hillary's State Department! The order to STAND DOWN had to be given, because had it not, there would have been help on the way. Our Government said there was no sufficient time to assist those men at the compound, only they DID NOT know how long the attack was to last did they?

That same night, Secretary Clinton emails her daughter, Chelsea and told

her that the compound was attacked by a terrorist group. She also emailed the President of Egypt and the head of the government in Libya, and he affirmed it was a terrorist attack. ALL OF THIS WAS DOCUMENTED. She then, along with Obama and Biden, tell the parents of those murdered, it was a youtube video that was to blame. But, of course, Hillary doesn't lie does she? Or at least she said, "I try not to." I wonder what The Good Lord thinks about that? He said, "Let God be True, every man a LIAR."

Mr. Dunderman states that I have no regard for the truth and that I am influenced by a bunch of Right-Wingers and some Fox Noise? He states that I am just spreading lies and propaganda. Really? Can what I have written be disavowed? Can you, sir, tell me and the readers of this fine paper where I have lied? Did Secratary Clinton land in Kosovo some years back under a hail of rifle fire like she said or was there a tape of her walking up and accepting some flowers from a young girl? You tell me.

I want to close with this. Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton voted to invade Iraq. You have stated, and correctly, that we lost over 4,000 lives in Iraq. I just wanted to share a few last FACTS before I close. September 11, 2001, we lost nearly 3,000 lives in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania. On December 7, 1941, we lost over 2,000 lives in an hour and a half at Pearl Harbor. In WWI, we lost 116,078 men and women, with 204,002 wounded. In WWII, we lost 407,016 with 670,846 wounded. In Korea we lost 33,651 with 103,284 wounded and in Vietnam we lost 58,868 with 153,303 wounded. These numbers do NOT take into consideration those MISSING IN ACTION.

So Mr. Dunderman, did you write about those men and women? Has your heart ached when you lost a buddy? Do you consider these losses as just as important as those in Iraq or is it just political posturing at this point?

The last two words of your fine letter were VOTE DEMOCRAT. Sir, I promise you I will, as soon as the Cleveland Browns win the Super-bowl!

—Kenny Barnes
Paulding, Ohio

iAB FINANCIAL BANK DONATES TO ERIN'S HOUSE FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN

iAB Financial Bank Legacy employees presented Erin's House for Grieving Children with a \$1,000 donation to aid in providing support to children, teens and families who are dealing with the passing of a loved one. Each year, iAB holds a special breakfast in honor of Legacy employees to recognize their years of service and give them the opportunity to select a Charitable organization to partner with in providing aid to

the community. This annual donation serves as a special commemoration of the partnership between iAB and these employees, as well as their individual commitment to one of iAB's core values of brotherhood. "Our employees, upon recognition of their years of service, take the time to identify and fulfill a need in our community," said Michael C. Marhenke, iAB President & CEO. "We are all so privileged to partner with Erin's House in making a real difference for others." 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. caption: From left to right: iAB Legacy Employees Nancy Tumbleson and Bob Michael; Erin's House Special Events/Donor Relations Director Audrey Ehle; Erin's House Executive Director Debbie Meyer; iAB Legacy Employees Deb Bishop, Robb Roehrman, Andria Maus and Eric Sheibley

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 3/7/16

This 7th day of March, 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 222947 through 222985 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST:
John DeMuth, JRC Meeting, Bowling Green OH - March 11, 2016

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 March 2, 2016, Warrant numbered 222982 the amount of \$942.07; 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtsberry to go into executive session at 1:00 p.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting yea.

At 1:05 p.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

• Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel reminded the Commissioners the auditors (Plattensburg) will be in the Courthouse today. Discussed the credit cards and some of the issues that result when payments are late.

• Aaron Timm - Mr. Timm updated the Commissioners on the work the Engineer's Office has been doing at the fair grounds. He noted they have cleaned out brush, bushes, and small trees to allow room for the larger trees to flourish in a better growth area. Mr. Timm talked briefly about some flooding and drainage pipe issues in driveways. He noted there are driveway pipes that are off grade and broken. He also noted they have been working at the Harrison Street storage building installing shelves.

• Jim Langham, Paulding Progress - The topic of discussion this morning was the Eaton Farm. Mr. Langham listened as the Commissioners described the property damage at the Eaton Farm. The farm is located in Crane Township on Road 192. Years ago, the farm was willed to the County and the crop proceeds are used to support the Jacob Eaton Children's Home. The current tenants reported deep ruts in the fields due to unauthorized vehicles running through the mud. The farmers are very discouraged and explained they have a lot of extra work to do before the fields can be planted. They report there are only a select few that show no respect for the property. It was noted the vehicles even run through the Eaton Farm Cemetery, rutting into the gravestones and mak-

ing it very hard to mow and maintain the grounds. The farmers were quick to point out there are people who are respectful, picking up trash and participating in general clean up efforts. The Commissioners are considering several options and would remind those who are unauthorized to be on the property they are prepared to fully prosecute. The Commissioners also discussed their 'no cash' policy effective May 1, 2016. All payments received will be by check, money order, cashier's check, or debit/credit card. The change in payment policy is to help eliminate human error or discrepancy.

• Jim States and Leslie Parrott, State Bank - Ms. Parrott presented information on Bank Card, the company that provides State Bank's credit/debit card services. She explained Bank Card is a nationally known company and then discussed the options available through Bank Card. Ms. Parrott will prepare options and present them to the Commissioners at a later date. The Commissioners advised Ms. Parrott their desire is to be cash free by May 1. The Commissioners then discussed the credit card billing procedure, stating each department needs to receive their respective bills every month, with the Commissioners' Office receiving a master bill for all accounts.

• The Commissioners met with Defiance County Commissioners Otto Nicely and Ryan Mack for a Rosedale Road Jt. Ditch meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to certify the ditch's completion and determine which county would be responsible for the maintenance of the ditch. Paulding County's Soil and Water representative was unable to attend the meeting to present the appropriate paperwork. A meeting was set for Monday, April 25 at 1:00 p.m. in the Paulding County Commissioners' Office.

• Joe Burkard, Harvey Hyman, Pam Miller - Mr. Burkard lead the pre-separation meeting with Ms. Miller and Mr. Hyman, her legal counsel. He explained the termination of the Memo of Understanding (MOU) between the Paulding County Commissioners and the Paulding County Economic Development (PCEd) has resulted in the abolishment of the office manager position at the PCEd. He further explained the Commissioners' intent is to sever ties with PCEd which will allow its board to govern the office. Mr. Hyman spoke on behalf of his client, asking the Commissioners if they would consider drafting a letter of recommendation for Ms. Miller, if requested. Ms. Miller will be paid through March 17. Unemployment compensation (if applied for) would be filed as a county employee.

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ened, I would have ceased being able to breath and would have died.

But here, as Paul Harvey would have said, is the rest of the story. The only ones in the house, other than myself, was my wife and two cats so where did that male voice come from that awakened me? I believe that God sent one of His angels to wake me so that I would not die and would receive treatment for my illness. How else can it be explained? So I have given grateful thanks to God for that voice, that angel, that awakened me that evening.

ENCOUNTERS WITH ANGELS DISCUSSED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

Stories of divine intervention will be explored at Lifetree Café on Thursday, April 14 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "An-

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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 Pizza, Market, Integrity Ford, Napa 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 Market, Integrity Ford, Napa 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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gels Among Us: Stories of Miraculous Encounters," features an filmed interview with Kelley West, a woman who credits angels with saving her life during an explosive domestic incident.

"I believe God sent an angel to protect me," West says. "I think he realized I was in over my head in a situation where I had no way of protecting myself. I really believe God sent an angel to take care of me."

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree

Café is located in The Bachwell Center from Music and Dance at 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Please enter through the handicap accessible door on court Street. Parking is available in the Courthouse lots.

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

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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

The battles around Bastogne are mostly over now. At the start of Germany's big push the 101st Air Borne Division was dropped into the Belgium city of Bastogne to keep it from falling into German hands. Well, after two or three days of fighting to take the town, and couldn't, the Germans bypassed the city and went on by to get to the Meuse River and then onto Antwerp, a big American supply dump that the Germans needed badly.

Besides the 101st Air Borne Division, there were a lot of American soldiers who were running ahead of the Krauts that got into Bastogne, and helped defend the city. Patton's armored division got there after Christmas and the weather cleared up and lots of supplies were air dropped and things looked up a little better for the defenders.

We four pilots flew up to Bastogne also this morning to see what we could do in that area.

Well, there was still plenty of Germans around the outskirts of the city yet. We formed up at about 1000 feet altitude and discussed the action.

We figured we would go on our own, each pilot would find some targets to destroy. I picked out the major highway going east out of the city and there were few tanks in the area. I found a King Tiger Tank and I stood my ship on its nose and I went down. I put my rocket right in his engine area and he started to burn. I made a turn and came back and he was burning and the black smoke was all over. The German had left the tank and was lying in the ditch beside the road.

I picked out another tank and he was pretty well protected in behind a parapit. I fired a rocket and it hit the dirt wall at his side. So, I went upstairs and came back at his rear and put my third rocket right in his engine area and it did a good job. I made another pass and I fired my last rocket at a King Tiger Tank and hit it on the side and pieces flew in all directions, but he was not out of business yet.

I went up a few hundred feet to look around and I called my wingman, Lt. Barnes, and told him to save a rocket and come over and finish my job. Lt. Barnes answered and said he had one rocket left and he was on his

way. Well, I watched and his rocket hit at the back of the turret and blew it about halfway off and the tank started to burn.

All the boys rendezvoused and we headed back to our air base for more rockets and fuel.

See ya!

A DAY WITH STAN

By: Stan Jordan

Today is March 23rd, and I had an appointment in Paulding with Mike Arend, the taxman. It was a very enjoyable morning.

Mike is an avid golfer and he sees eagles a lot at the Auglaize golf course, and we had a good discussion on the eagles and owls.

Mike lives in Paulding and he says that over the years he has seen the Snowy Owl and there is also a Great Horned Owl in the area. Now, I don't think I have ever seen a Great Horned Owl in the wild. He also remarked about how big these birds are, and how plentiful the wild turkeys are.

Mike says that he has a friend that lives over around the Wabash River area and Indiana and the eagles are quite popular over there. He says that whole area over there is a haven for wild life.

I imagine by now the Snowy Owl have gone back to northern Michigan. I only got one report of a Snowy Owl in the Antwerp area. I know they were around Haviland and then on the state line and Gar Creek Road a few times. I had a good time talking to the fine ladies in the front office of the BRSW tax people.

Then, Steve Knapp, my driver, and I went across Forders Bridge and turned right and after about 3 miles, Steve spotted the eagle's nest over there and I was able to see it also. Then we went over into Defiance County on the Farmer-Mark Road. Our friend, Ben, lives over there and we went on into Mark Center. I hadn't been there for years and years.

Then we went on north of S.R. 18 and Steve showed me the big area where Cooper's have a huge hog operation.

We worked our way back to CR 192 the River Road. That road is where a menagerie of wild life is. We saw gray fox and black squirrels, eagles, wild turkeys and all types of birds. We finally got to the C.T. restaurant at lunch time.

After lunch, Steve had chores to do and I went to the West Bend News. I sat at my desk and made a number of notes of our morning sojourn. I could look out my favorite window and I could watch Ben Kausser and his big earth moving equipment tearing up the cement over where the River Street Market used to be.

Then, I talked with my boss, Bryce Steiner, about the Great Horned Owl over in Paulding area. So, he got online and ordered us a new bird book, from the National

Geographic Society, the deluxe edition.

Steve and I had and very enjoyable morning. Rich people like millionaires and billionaires are too busy making money to spend a morning seeing nature and the country side.

It doesn't take much for us old sundowners to have a good time.

See ya!



MISH MASH IN ANTWERP HISTORY

By: Stan Jordan

In November of 1875, legislators were starting as to build a new brick and mortar jail to replace the old wooden jail.

Well, it must have not gone anywhere, because it doesn't mention that again in the council happenings supplied by Mr. Ehrhart's book.

I was wondering where the old wooden jail was located. A little more on this later.

In February of 1892, there was a question of putting before the voters, the issuance of \$6,000 in bonds for the building of a new Public Hall. This was defeated.

In March of 1897, if again, appeared on the ballot for the issuance of \$5,000 of bonds for the building of a new Village Hall, and again it was defeated.

In 1906, the voters were to vote on an issue of \$8,000 for the building of a new Town Hall, this was the third time over a period of 31 years that the building of a new town hall was voted on and this time it passed.

I assume it was built right away as it is mentioned that the Public Property Committee was instructed what to do with the old town hall and the land there, too. That was in 1908.

In 1927, the voters approved the construction of a City Water Works and that water tower was built on the southeast corner of Stone Street and North Erie Street.

When they built the new Town Hall, there was a couple of cells in the basement that was used as a jail for years.

In my remembering, they built the new water tower for the water system on ground that was already owned by the city. I know the old Town Hall or public building was there on the southeast corner of Stone and Erie Streets and I assume that old wooden jail was there also. All of that was torn down in 1928 to make room for the water tower.

See Ya!

USDA INVESTS \$25 MILLION IN HIGH-PRIORITY WATERSHEDS TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced an investment of \$25 million targeted to help agriculture producers improve water quality in high-priority streams and rivers across the country. Through the National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI),

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will help agricultural producers in 187 priority watersheds apply conservation measures that contribute to cleaner water downstream.

"Clean water is in everyone's interest, and the National Water Quality Initiative has been successful because it brings together multiple partners in strategic areas to work towards a common goal," said Vilsack. "Restoring health to waterways benefits not just farmers and ranchers, but it also gives their communities safe drinking water and provides healthy habitat for fish and wildlife."

The goal of NWQI is to implement conservation practices in sufficient quantity within a concentrated area so that agriculture no longer contributes to the impairment of water bodies within these priority watersheds. NRCS and partners work with producers and landowners to implement voluntary conservation practices, such as nutrient management, cover crops, conservation cropping systems, filter strips, terraces and buffers, that improve water quality in high-priority watersheds while maintaining agricultural productivity. Water quality-related conservation practices enhance agricultural profitability through reduced input and enhanced soil health, which results in higher soil organic matter, increased infiltration and water-holding capacity and nutrient cycling.

USDA's targeted approach to improve water quality is working across the country. In Arkansas, conservation efforts improved the water quality to the point that portions of the St. Francis River and the Illinois River are no longer considered impaired streams by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. In coastal Mississippi, focused efforts led to Orphan Creek's removal from the list of impaired streams, and in Louisiana, two watersheds, Big Creek and East Fork Big Creek, are on track for delisting.

This year, NRCS added 17 new watersheds to NWQI, and because of marked progress in some watersheds, "graduated" 13 watersheds from the initiative.

Since 2012, conservation systems have been placed on almost 500,000 acres in priority watersheds through NWQI, supported by \$100 million in USDA investments. Now in its fifth year, NWQI has expanded to include more small watersheds across the nation, and it builds on efforts to deliver high-impact conservation in areas such as the Mississippi River basin, Gulf of Mexico, Chesapeake Bay and Great Lakes.

In 2016, NRCS will bolster its water quality efforts by introducing a new evaluation tool in selected NWQI watersheds. The tool will help producers assess how their farm or ranch is operating, the value of conservation already in place, and to identify areas they may want to improve and practices they may want to implement to get them there.

Known as a resource stewardship evaluation, this new tool integrates many of NRCS' planning tools, and looks holistically at an agricultural operation's current management and conservation activities across five

5 GENERATIONS OF FAMILY



Amira Jordyn Morrow was born March 10, 2016 and makes this 5th generation picture complete. Holding Amira is Great-great grandmother, Rosemary Thomas; Great grandfather, Warren Thomas; Grandfather, Eric Thomas and mother Anna Thomas.

natural resource concerns: soil management, water quality, water quantity, air quality and wildlife habitat. With a resource stewardship evaluation, NRCS helps producers develop a conservation plan that best meets their goals and prescribes the right conservation practices.

NRCS worked with state water quality agencies and other partners to select NWQI watersheds. State water quality agencies and local partners also provide assistance with watershed planning, additional dollars and assistance for conservation, along with outreach to farmers and ranchers. Through NWQI, these partnerships are growing and offering a model for collaborative work in other watersheds.

Deadlines for application vary by state. Contact your local USDA Service Center for more information.

Since 2009, USDA has invested more than \$29 billion to help producers make conservation improvements, working with as many as 500,000 farmers, ranchers and landowners to protect over 400 million acres nationwide, boosting soil and air quality, cleaning and conserving water and enhancing wildlife habitat. For an interactive look at USDA's work in conservation and forestry over the course of this Administration, visit <http://medium.com/usda-results>.

OHIOANS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA AMENDMENT CERTIFIED AS SINGLE BALLOT ISSUE

The Ohio Ballot Board certified the proposed constitutional amendment known as "Ohioans for Medical Mar-

ijuana" as a single ballot issue.

Petitioners will now need to collect 305,591 signatures, which is equal to 10 percent of the total vote cast for governor in 2014, in order to place the issue on the ballot.

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

Secretary Husted serves as the Chairman of the Ohio Ballot Board in his official capacity as the Ohio Secretary of State. Other members include State Senator Bill Coley, State Representative Kathleen Clyde, Former State Senator Nina Turner and Mr. William Morgan. Ballot Board meetings are open to the public.

WOODBURN LIONS CLUB OPENING DONUT DAY

The Woodburn Lions Club will be opening their donut season on Saturday, April 16th. It will be located in the Feder's Market/Woodburn Hardware parking lot in Woodburn. Donuts will be available starting at 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. or until they are gone. The Woodburn Community Association will have raffle tickets available for this year's Summer Fest that will be held on June 10th and 11th. The donut day will help with the Woodlan Service Club for their projects in the community.

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LETTING GO: A HARD, BUT SOMETIMES NECESSARY PROCESS

The Nurturing Well: By Jill Starbuck

Life is full of difficult decisions and moments. Learning to let go often tops the list. For most of us, we fight change. Even those who adapt well to change or look forward to it still have to go through a process to accept that change. We get wrapped up in our comfort zones, making it hard to change what has become familiar. Yet, life is filled with small changes that we adapt to without much effort. It's the big changes or the pieces of our life that affect us more emotionally that we struggle to let go of. Sometimes the seemingly simple things to one person are a big deal to another.

For instance, I recently cut my hair. While a haircut seems like a little thing in the scheme of things, it was a form of letting go for me. For more than two years, I was reluctant to cut my hair, with the exception of a few trims. This was because I lost half the volume of my hair due to a series of medical treatments. Losing my hair was a traumatic experience for me. Therefore, I was desperate to hold on to my hair, even bringing one of my medical treatments to a halt. After the treatments stopped, my hair started to regain its volume. Still, I wanted to hold onto it as long as I could. However, I began to notice in pictures that my hair looked less than healthy, with split ends and a scraggly appearance. I suddenly realized that

all I was doing was holding on to remnants of my illness. What I needed to do was cut my hair so that it could grow back healthy instead of growing longer from the thinning process. Finally, I was ready to let go.

An inability to let go prevents us from moving forward and stifles our ability to enjoy a happier and healthier life. However, it is a scary process—one that may take a tremendous amount of time due to our fears. For some, they never let go, holding onto an agonizing cycle of an unhealthy situation. Whether it is a relationship, a job, an object, or even an emotion of some sort, if you are having a hard time moving forward, the following tips may help you make that leap.

1. **Understand that you will adjust.** Every person has had to let go of something at one time or another. We all get through it. While the transition may be tough, know that you will be fine in the end.

2. **Surround yourself with a support group.** Leaning on friends and family or people who have gone through the same situation as you are can help you deal with the letting go process. This is one of the most powerful tools you can use to your advantage.

3. **Take a break.** Sometimes the idea of letting go consumes us, only making us more reluctant. Taking a break and removing ourselves from the situation can help us view the situation more objectively.

4. **Follow your heart.** In many cases, we know when it is time to let go. We realize that a certain situation is not healthy for us. Trust your instincts and free yourself.

5. **Embrace the unknown.** Holding onto something that we realize we need to let go of makes it harder to move on. However, we often hold on because we are afraid of the unknown. Consider the unknown a clean slate—a new opportunity to make a difference in your life.

Letting go is never easy. However, it can be the sigh of

relief that your life desperately needs.

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

LEARN RESOURCE CENTER OFFERS SUMMER NUTRITION PROGRAM

LEARN Resource Center will operate its Summer Nutrition Program (SNP) again this year to provide kids with free lunch. All children ages 1 – 18 are eligible. The SNP will run June 6 – July 29 at three separate locations: Grace Gathering Church from 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., and Meadowbrook Park and Schelker Park from 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. This event is made possible through partnerships with New Haven Parks & Recreation and the USDA Summer Food Service Program.

LEARN Resource Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that offers before and after school programs for children at New Haven Primary, New Haven Intermediate and Heritage Elementary. The program works to enrich the learning and well-being of children and their families by promoting personal, social and educational development for a lifetime.

USDA ANNOUNCES \$5.2 MILLION FOR NANOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced an investment of more than \$5.2 million to support nanotechnology research at 11 universities. The universities will research ways nanotechnology can be used to improve food safety, enhance renewable fuels, increase crop yields, manage agricultural pests, and more. The awards were made through the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI), the nation's premier competitive, peer-reviewed grants program for fundamental and applied agricultural sciences.

"In the seven years since the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative 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 production, find new sources of energy, mitigate the impacts of climate variability and enhance resiliency of our food systems, and ensure food safety. Nanoscale science, engineering, and technology are key pieces of our investment in innovation to ensure an adequate and safe food supply for a growing global population," said Vilsack. "The President's 2017 Budget calls for full funding of the Agriculture and Food Research Initiative so that USDA can continue to support important projects like these."

Universities receiving funding include Auburn University in Auburn, Ala.; Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in New Haven, Conn.; University of Central Florida in Orlando,

Fla.; University of Georgia in Athens, Ga.; Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa; University of Massachusetts in Amherst, Mass.; Mississippi State University in Starkville, Miss.; Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Mo.; Clemson University in Clemson, S.C.; Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va.; and University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wis.

With this funding, Auburn University proposes to improve pathogen monitoring throughout the food supply chain by creating a user-friendly system that can detect multiple foodborne pathogens simultaneously, accurately, cost effectively, and rapidly. Mississippi State University will research ways nanochitosan can be used as a combined fire-retardant and antifungal wood treatment that is also environmentally safe. Experts in nanotechnology, molecular biology, vaccines and poultry diseases at the University of Wisconsin will work to develop nanoparticle-based poultry vaccines to prevent emerging poultry infections. USDA has a full list of projects and longer descriptions available online.

Past projects include a University of Georgia project developing a bio-nanocomposites-based, disease-specific, electrochemical sensors for detecting fungal pathogen induced volatiles in selected crops; and a University of Massachusetts project creating a platform for pathogen detection in foods that is superior to the current detection method in terms of analytical time, sensitivity, and accuracy using a novel, label-free, surface-enhanced Raman scattering (SERS) mapping technique.

The purpose of AFRI is to support research, education, and extension work by awarding grants that address key problems of national, regional, and multi-state importance in sustaining all components of food and agriculture. AFRI is the flagship competitive grant program administered by USDA's National Institute of Food and Agriculture. Established under the 2008 Farm Bill, AFRI supports work in six 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. Since AFRI's creation, NIFA has awarded more than \$89 million to solve challenges related to plant health and production; \$22 million of this has been dedicated to nanotechnology research. The President's 2017 budget request proposes to fully fund AFRI for \$700 million; this amount is the full funding level authorized by Congress when it established AFRI in the 2008 Farm Bill.

Each day, the work of USDA scientists and researchers touches the lives of all Americans: from the farm field to the kitchen table and from the air we breathe to the energy that powers our country. USDA science is on the cutting edge, helping to protect, secure, and improve our food, agricultural and natural resources systems. USDA research develops and

DISCOVER NSCC DAY SET FOR APRIL 9TH



NSCC student Brock Worden discusses the Nursing program with an interested family. Northwest State offers over 70 degree and certificate programs, and the Nursing program is ranked in the top 2% in Ohio, and the top 4% nationally.

More than 40 years ago, Northwest State Community College began with a graduating class of sixty-six. Since then, the College has grown to offer over 70 degree and certificate programs to a campus of more than 4,000 students. Companies throughout the region are looking for an educated and trained workforce. Discover NSCC Day on Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. will allow area residents to explore the available career training and educational options available at Northwest State.

"Although many people have heard of Northwest State, they have no idea of the wide range of learning opportunities available," said Amanda Potts, Director of admissions. "At Discover NSCC Day, all of our academic divisions will be up and running with interactive activities and demonstrations during this event. From testing specimens in the medical assisting lab to running robots, Discover NSCC Day is a great way to experience the opportunities that NSCC has to offer. The event will have something for everyone, including families and undecided students who

are exploring majors." In addition to the activities and demonstrations, attendees can also apply for an opportunity to win one of two \$500 scholarships. Representatives from financial aid, student services, transfer services and other campus departments will be on-hand to answer questions and share information.

Discover NSCC Day is free and open to the public. For more information on the event, visit NorthwestState.edu or call the NSCC Admissions Office at 419.267.1320.

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transfers solutions to agricultural problems, supporting America's farmers and ranchers in their work to produce a safe and abundant food supply for more than 100 years. This work has helped feed the nation and sustain an agricultural trade surplus since the 1960s. Since 2009, USDA has invested \$4.32 billion in research and development grants. Studies have shown that every dollar invested in agricultural research now returns over \$20 to our economy.

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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TEMPLE SIGNS WITH UNIVERSITY OF SAINT FRANCIS



Wayne Trace's Shayna Temple (seated center) has signed her letter of intent to further her education and basketball career at the University of Saint Francis. Watching Temple sign her letter of intent are her parents Lawrence (seated left) and Brenda Temple (seated right). Also pictured are back row, Jim Linder, Sports Director at Wayne Trace; Bethany Hughes, Wayne Trace's head basketball coach; Jason Ridge, University of Saint Francis women's head basketball coach; and Mike Priest, assistant coach at Wayne Trace.

RAIDERS SWEEP PAST CONTINENTAL

On March 28th, Continental and Wayne Trace battled on the field in varsity baseball action.

Wayne Trace won, 5-4
Score by the Inning:
 Continental - 2 1 0 0 0 0 1=4

Wayne Trace - 0 0 0 3 1 0 1=5

Stats of the Game:
 Continental - 7 hits (Dockery 2, Coleman, DeLeon, Williamson, Williams, Welles)
 WT - 4 hits (Slade, Fast, Miller, Stoller)
Pitching:
 Wayne Trace - Noah

Stoller (1 IP, 1 hit, 1K, 1 run earned); Braden Zuber (6 IP, 10 K's, 6 hits, 2 BB, 3 runs, 2 earned runs)

Continental - Deleon (2 IP, 3 K's, 1 BB, 2 hits, 1 run earned); Dockery (5 IP, 9 K's, 5 BB, 2 hits, 4 runs, 0 earned runs)

***Noah Stoller's single in the bottom of the seventh scored Luke Miller for the winning run.

STRYKER RACES PAST WAYNE TRACE

On March 30th, before the rains came down, Wayne Trace and Stryker took the field for high school baseball play. Stryker took the win, 5-2.

Score by the Inning:
 Wayne Trace - 2 0 0 0 0 0 0=2

Stryker - 0 1 0 4 0 0=5
Stats of the Game:

Hits:
 WT - 1 (Stoller, RBI)
 Stryker - 8 (Shock 2, Ruffer, Ferguson, Benson, Wonders 2, Anders)

Pitching:
 Stryker - Shock (7 IP, 14 K's, 2 BB's, 1 hit, 2 runs-1 earned)

Wayne Trace - Vest (2 IP, 2 K's, 1 BB, 4 hits, 4 runs-2 earned); Baksa (3 IP, 2 K's, 1 BB, 4 hits, 1 run-earned); Baumle (1 IP, 1 K, 0 hits, 0 runs)

OTTOVILLE FALLS TO WAYNE TRACE IN GIRLS SOFTBALL

Ottoville softball took the diamond against Wayne Trace on March 29th. Wayne Trace raked in the win: 10-3

Score by the Inning:
 Ottoville - 0 0 0 3 0 0 0=3; 9H, 3E

Wayne Trace - 7 0 1 0 0 3 x=10; 9H, 4E

Winning Pitcher (WT) - Maggie Crosby (7 innings, 9 hits, 3 runs, 4 strikeouts, 0 walks)

Losing Pitcher (O) - Boecker (6 innings, 9 hits, 10 runs, 2 strikeouts, 12 walks)

Hitters:
 Wayne Trace - Megan Moore (double), Madison Zartman (double), Alex Fast (two singles), Natalie Torman (three singles), Brooke Sinn (single), Sydney Critten (single)
 Ottoville - Schleeter (two

singles), Horstman (single), Winhover (single), Hilvers (two singles), Gamble (single), Burgei (two singles)

ANTWERP WRESTLING CLUB FINISHES STRONG

The Antwerp Wrestling Club finished their season on April 2, 2016 at Antwerp in the 8th Annual Archer Open wrestling tournament. The archers had a season high 22 wrestlers compete in the tournament, with all 22 wrestlers placing in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Placing 4th were AJ Eaton and Karsen Donat. Finishing in 3rd place for the day were Sklyer Octaviano, Tavin Sholl, Tanner Wentland, Dayne Sholl, Zaybriel King-Bauer, Logan McKeever, Riley Smith who earned his 1st win of the season and Briceton Barker who also earned the 1st win of his very young wrestling career. Earning runner up finishes were Kaden Phares, Zoen King-Bauer, Ethan Karam, CJ Eaton, Eli Reinhart, and Teagan Eaton who got her 1st ever win.

The archers crowned a season high 6 individual champions as well on Saturday. Placing 1st were Michael Rohrs, Gage Clevinger, Zacrey Salas, Stroker Etter, Luke McKeever, and Brennan Barker. Saturday also marked the 1st ever individual tournament titles for Zacrey Salas and Brennan Barker as well as the first tournament wins of the season for Luke McKeever and Stroker Etter. Thanks to the effort of all 22 wrestlers, the archers were able to place

HONOR FLIGHT CONTINUES STRONG



Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op's (PPEC) fundraiser for Honor Flight continues strong. So far, \$41,000 has been raised in an effort to sponsor an entire flight out of Fort Wayne International Airport. The cost for an Honor Flight is \$70,000. PPEC is accepting donations and they are also holding a truck raffle.

Donations and truck raffle tickets can be purchased online at www.PPEC.coop. One of the most recent donations was made by Bashore Reineck Stoller & Waterman Inc. Accounting Firm. They donated \$500.00. Pictured Left to Right is (Annette Schreiner-PPEC Employee and Matt Reineck from BRSW.)

2nd as a team in the tournament. Congratulations to all of the Antwerp wrestling club wrestlers for their hard work this past weekend

and throughout this season. We look forward to another successful season next winter.

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LADY ARCHER TAKE THE FIELD!

In 6 innings of play, Antwerp won 4 to 0 over Hicksville at HICKSVILLE on March 29th.

Antwerp pitching:

Avery Braaten - 6 innings, 11 strikeouts, 2 hits allowed, 0 runs

Antwerp Batting:

Sierra Cline - 2 singles, 2 runs
Avery Braaten - 2 singles, 2 stolen bases, 2 runs
Emily Derck - 1 single, 3 RBI

In the 1st inning, Antwerp scored 2 runs, and then in the 6th inning Antwerp earned 2 more runs.

JV SOFTBALL ACTION AT ANTWERP

The Lady Archer opened the field up to the Paulding Lady Panthers on March 29th in JV softball. The Panthers pounced and took the game, 17-1.

Score by the Inning:

Paulding - 5 9 0 2 1 0 =17; 25H, 0E
Antwerp - 0 0 1 0 0 =1; 6H, 0E

Scorers of the Game:

Paulding - Andrews 1, Taylor 2, Tope 3, Rice 3, Gorrell 3, Etzler 2, Townley 1, Estle 1, Iler 1

Antwerp - McDorman 1

Pitching:

Winning (P) - Taylor, 5IP, 6H, 1R, 1ER, 2BB, 5SO
Losing (A) - Phillips, 3IP,

16H, 14R, 14ER, 5BB, 1SO; Franklin, 2IP, 9H, 3R, 3ER, 2BB

ARCHERS TAKE TOUGH LOSS TO EASTSIDE

Eastside met up with Antwerp on the Archers' home field on March 28th. Antwerp struggled to get out of the gate which Eastside took their advantaged and clinched the game. Final score: Antwerp 0, Eastside 15

Defense:

Winning Pitcher for Eastside was Cade Willard
Losing Pitcher for Antwerp was Dylan Peters
Offense (Antwerp):
Michael Taylor - 1 for 3 with a single
Caleb Cline - 1 for 1 with a single
Hunter Strickland - 1 for 1 with a single

LIMA SHAWNEE WINS OVER PAULDING IN VARSITY SOFTBALL

Last Monday, Paulding softball traveled to Lima Shawnee to play some high school varsity softball. Paulding lost 2-12.

Score by the Inning:

Paulding - 0 0 0 2 0 0 =2; 5H, 2E
Shawnee - 4 0 3 0 0 5 =12; 11H, 2E

Scorers of the Game:

Paulding - Manz 1, Iler 1
Lima Shawnee - Fullom 2, Wolff 1, Suever 1, Stahler 1,

Moeller 1, Golden 2, Knight 2, Ballenger 1, George 1

Pitching:

Paulding - Manz, 2IP, 3H, 4R, 4ER, 6BB, 4SO; Schilt, 3.33IP, 8H, 8R, 5ER, 3BB 2SO

Windau - 6IP, 5H, 2R, 2ER, 2BB, 11SO

NARROW LOSS FOR PANTHER BASEBALL

On Monday, March 28th Lima Shawnee baseball took on the Paulding Panthers. Lima made the winning run in the 6th inning, handing them the final win after the end of the game: 2-1

Score by the Inning:

Lima - 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 =2; 2H, 1E
Paulding - 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 =1; 3H, 3E

Pitchers:

Paulding - Egnor 7IP, 2H, 2R, 14SO

Lima - Tovarnak 7IP, 3H, 1R, 9SO

Hitters:

Paulding - Edwards 2b, Sitton 2b, Doster 1b, Mourey RBI

Lima - Tovarnak 2b, Thomas 1b

NHHS TRACK START SEASON WITH SNIDER

The Lady Bulldogs' Track & Field started their outdoor season with a victory over Snider 66 to 39 in a shorten meet due to the weather. First place finishers for the Lady Bulldogs were Hayley New-

FFA BANQUET HELD @ VANTAGE



Vantage FFA newly inducted officers are pictured with their teacher, Mike Miller.

The Vantage Career Center FFA chapter held their annual Awards and Recognition Banquet on Wednesday, March 23 in the Vantage Commons Area.

Guest speaker for the evening was Matthew Klopfenstein, President of the Ohio FFA and a graduate of Wayne Trace High School. Matt spoke to the 150 guests about a life of "purpose" and encouraged everyone in the room to answer the questions, "Who are you?" "What do you do with your life?" and "Why do you do it?" He also reminded everyone that "life is a journey and you're the driver". Good advice for all.

Awards were presented to FFA members throughout the evening. Senior Jacob Sukup (Antwerp) and junior Zach Dealey (Crestview) were presented with "Quiet Leader" awards for setting an example to others by their actions. Jacob Sukup and junior Daniel Sinn (Wayne Trace) were awarded the "110%" award for service above and beyond. The Tractor Troubleshooting team of Jacob Sukup and Zach Sinn recognized for their first place regional finish and their 11th place finish at the state contest.

Receiving the Scholarship award for outstanding grades was senior Jacob



Vantage FFA President, Jacob Sukup and Vice-President Zach Sinn are all smiles as they try to display all the awards and plaques they received at the banquet.

Sukup and junior Daniel Sinn. Senior Jacob Sukup was recognized as this year's Most Valuable FFA member. Most improved awards went to seniors Charles Thomas (Paulding) and Levi Noggle (Wayne Trace).

The chapter honored Staci Miller from the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District and Mike Porter, retired farmer, with FFA Honorary Degrees for their involvement with the Vantage FFA Chapter.

The new officer induction ceremony was held and outgoing officers were recognized for their contribution to the Vantage FFA chapter. Officers for the 2016-2017 school year are President, Blake Miller (Wayne Trace),

Vice President, Daniel Sinn (Wayne Trace), Secretary, Zach Dealey (Crestview), Treasurer, Peter Wharry (Paulding), Sentinel, Andrew Grote (Ottoville), Student Advisor, Wyatt Miller (Paulding), Reporter, Logan Shaner (Antwerp), Chaplain, Logan Gerding (Kalida), and Parliamentarian, Gabe Evans (Lincolnview).

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The Men's Bulldogs' Track & Field team started their outdoor season with a defeat to Snider 58 to 51 in a shorten meet due to the weather. First place finishers for the boys were Mikeal Griggs (110 Meter High Hurdles), Deric Laurer (1600 Meter Run), Jordan Lahr (300 Meter Hurdles), James Gardner (High Jump), Irie Young (Long Jump), and the 4x100 Meter Relay team of Devont'e Brown, James Gardner, Demitri Shaw, and Mikeal Griggs.

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FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC RESULTS

BASEBALL:
Fairview Varsity baseball defeated Montpelier Monday behind the pitching of Junior Nathan Puffinberger. Nathan went 5 innings giving up 0 runs 3 hits 3 walks and 6 strikeouts. Fairview now is 1-0 of the season and Montpelier is 0-1.

Score by the Inning:
Montpelier - 0 0 0 0 0 0=0; 3H, 5E, 6 LOB
Fairview - 2 3 0 3 0 1 x=9; 5H, 1E, 2 LOB

Winning Pitcher (F) - Nathan Puffinberger, 5 innings, 0 runs, 3 hits, 3 walks, 6 strikeouts; Jackson Hart, 2 innings, 0 runs, 1 hit, 3 strikeouts

Losing Pitcher (M) - Dalton Surbey, 2 innings, 5 runs, 2 hits, 2 walks, 2 strikeouts; Wyatt Beck, 5 innings 4 runs, 3 hits, 2 strikeouts

Leading Hitters:
Montpelier (3 hits) - Kolden Uribes double, Andrew Luke single, Dalton Surbey single, Caleb Haines single
Fairview (5 hits) - Wyatt Puffinberger double 2 RBI, Kobe Baker 2 singles 3 runs, Alex Jackson single, Hunter Bostater single

JV BASEBALL:
The JV baseball team defeated Lincolnview last night 9-6. The game went into extra innings but were able to get the win

BASEBALL:
Last night the Fairview varsity baseball defeated Paulding 6-1 behind the pitching of Kody King with 6 innings, 6 hits, 5 walks and 10 strikeouts and Riley Cooper. Matthew Kozumplik and Wyatt Puffinberger both had two singles to lead the Apaches.

Matthew Kozumplik will be playing in the Four County All-Star Cage Classic on April 8th at Bryan High School.

LADY GOLDENBEARS SLAM DOWN PANTHERS

March 30th produced a loss for the Paulding Panther varsity softball record. The Lady Goldenbears served them a 12-2 loss from the mound.

Score by the Inning:
Bryan - 1 0 8 0 3 0 1=12; 9H, 1E
Paulding - 0 1 1 0 0 x=2; 4H, 4E

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding - Beck 1, Manz 1
Bryan - Gorzelancyk 2, Voigr 1, Attaffer 1, Rickenberg 2, Savage 1, Wherto 2, Antigo 2, Speelman 1

PAULDING FALLS TO FAIRVIEW

On March 29th, the Paulding Panthers traveled to Apache country for varsity baseball. The Panthers gained their only run in the first inning, but the Apaches struck back in the 3rd and 4th innings with 2 and 4 runs, respectively to seal the deal in a Fairview victory. Final score: 1-6.

Score by the Inning:
Paulding - 1 0 0 0 0 0 0=1; 5H, 5E
Fairview - 0 0 2 4 0 0 0=6; 8H, 1E

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding - Edwards 1
Fairview - Kozumplik 1, Puffinberger 1, King 1, Puffinberger 1, Bostater 1, Baker 1

Pitching:
Paulding - Martinez 6IP, 8H, 6R, 2ER, 2BB, 4SO
Fairview - King 6IP, 5H, 2R, 1ER, 5BB, 10SO; Cooper 1IP, 1BB, 1SO

VAN WERT COUNTY FOUNDATION ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Van Wert County Foundation is now accepting Scholarship Applications for the 2016-17 school year. Scholarships are based on residency, college grade point average, and financial need. They are available for any recognized field of study leading to an associate or baccalaureate degree.

A maximum of three grants will be made to a student earning a baccalaureate degree in four years. A student whose course of study requires five years to earn a baccalaureate degree may be awarded a fourth grant. Students earning an associate's degree are eligible for scholarship funds after completing the equivalent of one year. No grants are made beyond the baccalaureate degree. Applicants must be full time students, although special consideration may be given to part-time students.

Students who have completed the equivalent of one year in college are eligible to have their application considered, provided they have a 2.75 accumulative grade point average. A first time applicant with above sophomore standing must have a 3.0 accumulative grade point average. Students who have been granted a scholarship must maintain a 3.0 accumulative grade point average to warrant continuation of a scholarship grant.

WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL READING CELEBRATION



Our Kindergarten - 2nd Grade classes recently hosted a reading celebration. Students invited guests to come to school and participate in various reading activities with them. The fun began with students reading a story with their guests and completing a reading activity. Guests ate lunch with the stu-

dents and even went outside for recess! They also enjoyed an afternoon of learning games and crafts. The group learned about Dr. Seuss and how his characters were inspired by the animals he saw at the zoo. Students and guests then created their own animal character and wrote about it.

WOODBURN EASTER EGG HUNT WINNERS



Sunny skies brought many children to the Woodburn Park for the annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, March 26. Age group 2016 Easter basket prizes went to the following lucky hunters: Ages 7-10 was Elly Wilson; Ages 4-6 was Blaise Karhoff; Ages 3 and under was Kaylee Walls. The Easter egg hunt event was organized by Woodburn Partnership for Downtown Revitalization, sponsored by Woodburn Lions Club.

An applicant must have been a resident of Van Wert, Paulding, or Allen Counties when they graduated from one of the following eligible High Schools: Antwerp, Crestview, Delphos Jefferson, Delphos St. Johns, Lincolnview, Parkway, Paulding, Spencerville, Vantage, Van Wert, and Wayne Trace.

Applications may be found online at www.vanwertcountyfoundation.org or students may request an application by calling 419-238-1743, emailing info@vanwertcountyfoundation.org, or by visiting The Van Wert County Foundation, 138 East Main Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

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3.0-3.49: Michael Dangler, Griffin Harder, Taylor March
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4.0: Logan Bradford, Alexandra Brown, Madison Good, Brianna Gorrell, Hallieann Hale, Jacee Harwell,

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3.0-3.49: Cassandra Bishop, Abigail English, Stephanie Habern, Courtney Kupfersmith, Tristin LaFountain, Colton Lloyd, Jessica Logan, Courtney Mullen, Alexis Overly, Madison Parrett, Ethan Rhonehouse, Garret Salinas, Hannah Schevey

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4.0: Alexandra Arnd, Luke Brewer, Charles Clapsaddle, Haylee Dominique, Macy Iler, Courtney Luderman, Heather Manz, Shana Manz, Jaret Miller, Mary Panico, Westen Phlipot, Sydney Price, Allison Reineck, Kalyn Strahley, Jessica Weller

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USDA OFFERS NEW TOOLKIT TO ASSESS ECONOMIC IMPACT OF LOCAL FOODS

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack unveiled a new resource created by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Colorado State University that will help communities and businesses evaluate the economic benefits of investing in local food systems. The Secretary released details about "The Economics of Local Food Systems: A Toolkit to Guide Community Discussions, Assessments and Choices" in his keynote remarks at the 12th Annual Good Food Festival and Conference in Chicago.

"Strong local and regional food systems are helping to revitalize rural and urban communities across the country, and more than 160,000 farmers and ranchers

nationwide are tapping into growing consumer demand for locally grown products. With USDA support, this sector is increasing access to healthy foods for local residents and creating opportunity for small businesses that store, process, market and distribute food," said Vilsack. "Now community leaders have a toolkit that can help measure a job creation and other economic development indicators, which will help make the case for continued investments."

The Local Food System Toolkit was developed by the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) to help communities reliably evaluate the economic impact of investing in local and regional food systems. The Local Food System Toolkit provides detailed guidance in seven modules to measure and assess the expected economic impacts of local food investments. Using real-world projects, experiences, and applied research, it provides grounded, credible, and useable assessment methods. The Local Food System Toolkit can be used by policy makers, community leaders, private businesses or foundations to offer specific estimates that will help them decide whether to invest in initiatives that increase local food activity.

Secretary Vilsack has identified strengthening local and regional food systems as one of the four pillars of USDA's commitment to rural economic development. Over the course of this Administration, USDA has helped farmers, ranchers, and businesses access the growing market for local and regional foods, which was valued at \$12 billion in 2014 according to industry estimates. In the last six years, USDA invested more than \$800 million in more than 29,100 local and regional food businesses and infrastructure projects. These activities contribute to USDA's Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food (KYF2) initiative, which coordinates efforts across USDA to support local and regional food systems.

AMS plays a key role in supporting farmers markets, community supported agriculture (CSA), food hubs, and local food businesses by offering technical assistance, conducting research, and awarding grants. The Local Food System Toolkit is the latest resource offered by AMS in support of local and regional food systems.

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FOUNTAIN PARK SUMMER MUSIC SERIES 2016

The Van Wert County Foundation has announced its 2016 Fountain Park Summer Music Series. It features eight free concerts in downtown Van Wert's Fountain Park. All concerts are on Friday nights, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Food service is available by 5:30 p.m. from various non-profit organizations in Van Wert County.

This is the 15th season for Fountain Park Summer concerts presented by The Van Wert County Foundation in cooperation with the Van Wert City Parks & Recreation. This season includes a wide variety of entertainment and will even include an outdoor family movie on July 1 following the Lima Pops Orchestra concert. The movie is in cooperation with Main Street Van Wert.

The season kicks off with its traditional opener on Friday night of the Peony and Artrageous Festival weekend. The entire line-up is listed below:

Friday, June 3; The Togeth-

er Band
The Together Band, established in the 70's, has been entertaining crowds in a tri-state area for more than four decades. Together provides an action packed show that delivers a classic rock, funk, soul, and feel good music experience for all ages. The band features a 9-piece ensemble of undeniable rhythm section, electrifying horns, and dynamic vocals from all band members.

Friday, June 17; Madrigal-The Ultimate Tribute to Carlos Santana

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Friday, June 24; Beginnings - The Ultimate Tribute to Chicago

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Friday, July 1; Lima Symphony Pops Orchestra
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Friday, July 22; Chris Higbee

The former lead singer of Poverty Neck Hillbillies, this high energy fiddling cowboy puts on a show you will not forget. Often compared to another fiddling singer, Charlie Daniels, Higbee has been known to fiddle his way to the top of rooftops and rock the music from anywhere imaginable. Chris Higbee and his band will create an exciting and fun evening in Fountain Park for everyone to enjoy!

Friday, July 29; Feller and Hill and the Bluegrass Buckaroos

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Friday, August 12; The McCartney Years

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In addition to these outstanding concerts, the Van Wert Area Community Concert Band under the direction of Richard Sherrick will be in concert in Fountain Park on Fridays, May 27, July 8, and August 19 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to bring lawn chairs and blankets to the park to enjoy these free concerts, underwritten through the Saltzgeber Music Fund of The Van Wert County Foundation. Paul Hoverman is the Coordinator of Performing Arts and Seth Baker is the Executive Secretary.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LEARN MEASURING AND TELLING TIME



Blake Noggle and Monica Williams are shown practicing indirect measurement using unifix cubes to estimate and measure objects on a game board. They are first grade students in Mrs. Perkins' class at Payne Elementary.



Students in Mrs. Perkins' class at Payne Elementary are practicing telling time to the half hour. Ella Crosby is shown using both an analogue and digital clock to show the time.

In the case of weather issues, Fountain Park Summer concerts sponsored by The Van Wert County Foundation will be moved into the Niswonger Performing Arts Center located 10700 SR 118 South in Van Wert, OH. Fountain Park is located on the west end of downtown Van Wert, corner of W. Main and Jefferson Streets.

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Kevin Pritchard also has several years in mortgage loan origination as well as management experience. Kevin enjoys the satisfaction of partnering with his customers step by step through the home buying process. He is active in his community and sits on the board of the Boys and Girls Club of Wells County, as well as serving as an Ambassador for the Chamber of Commerce of Wells County. Additionally, he spends spare time coaching for Wells County Junior League Baseball.

Carly Myers has been named the new Director of Marketing. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in English from Indiana-Purdue University Fort Wayne and has

a vast background in corporate communications, brand management and marketing promotions. She is passionate about brand identity and spearheaded a sold-out, grassroots event in 2013 to bring acclaimed graphic designer Aaron Draplin to Fort Wayne. She enjoys fulfilling needs in the community by jumping at the chance to be involved in meaningful ways to promote healthy living, a plant-based diet, and animal welfare, education and rescue. In her spare time, Carly enjoys independent films, stand-up comedy, traveling, running and biking.

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USDA IMPROVES WIC SHOPPING EXPERIENCE TO BETTER SERVE NATION'S LOW-INCOME, NEW & EXPECTING MOTHERS & THEIR YOUNG CHILDREN

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced a major step to make it easier for participants in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) to access nutritious foods. The WIC Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Final Rule will improve the shopping experience for WIC participants by requiring states to transition from paper benefits to EBT systems by October 1, 2020, as required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. Secretary Vilsack made this announcement during a speech at the 2016 National Anti-Hunger Policy Confer-

BOOKMOBILE GEARING UP FOR NATIONAL BOOKMOBILE DAY CELEBRATIONS!



The Bookmobile reaches hundreds of preschool students each month and loans out over 1,000 items a month to patrons of all ages who can not travel, for one reason or another, to a brick and mortar location.

PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO -- National Bookmobile Day celebrates our nation's bookmobiles and the dedicated library professionals who provide this valuable and essential service to their communities every day. This special day provides an opportunity for bookmobile fans to make their support known—through thanking bookmobile staff, writing a letter or e-mail to their libraries, or voicing their support to community leaders.

This year, the Paulding County Carnegie Library Bookmobile will be celebrating on two days. On Tuesday, April 12th in Haviland at the Community Park and on Wednesday at the Grover Hill Elementary School and the Ball Park. Both celebrations will be held from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The Grover Hill celebration will be held

ence, hosted by the Food Research & Action Center and Feeding America, in Washington, DC. The Secretary was joined at the conference by Dorothy McAuliffe, First Lady of Virginia and a champion of child nutrition programs. Virginia is one of 12 states and 4 tribal nations that have already competed the transition to EBT for distributing WIC benefits.

"USDA's WIC Program has a longstanding history of improving the health of low-income women, infants and children at nutritional risk," said Vilsack. "EBT

at the school from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. and then move to the ball parks. These will be the only two service stops on these days.

Join the Bookmobile Team as they celebrate Bookmobiles with a "steam-punk" theme. Patrons of all ages will be inspired by stepping back to an industrial age that was powered by steam, gears and keys. For more information call the main library at 419-399-2032 or the Bookmobile on-board phone at 419-670-3761.

National Bookmobile Day is coordinated by the ALA Office for Diversity, Literacy and Outreach Services, the Association of Bookmobile and Outreach Services (ABOS), and the Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL). Paulding County readers have enjoyed Bookmobiles in the 1960s, 1990s and now, since 2011.

is widely recognized as the optimal method of food benefit delivery, allowing WIC participants to shop conveniently and check out confidently. This final rule is one of many ways we continue to collaborate with states and other stakeholders to significantly improve the delivery of WIC benefits and protect the integrity of the program."

WIC EBT is an electronic system that replaces paper food checks or vouchers with a card – similar to an ATM or debit card – that is used for food benefit is-

suance and redemption at authorized WIC stores. In Fiscal Year 2016, Congress appropriated \$220 million help state agencies fully fund the transition from paper benefits to EBT. This ensures WIC can continue providing quality nutrition services while improving the effectiveness and efficiency of service delivery. USDA will continue to work closely with state agencies to support them throughout the implementation process.

The transition from paper benefits to EBT systems allows WIC participants to shop for items as needed rather than requiring them to purchase all items in one trip or lose the remaining benefits. Implementing EBT will also reduce checkout times and potential stigma associated with using food benefits. Additionally, WIC participants will no longer need to separate their WIC foods from their other grocery items.

Switching to statewide EBT will also strengthen the management and integrity of the WIC program by providing USDA and state agencies with previously unavailable data on the type, amount, and cost of foods purchased with WIC benefits. In addition, this final rule will significantly decrease the time and cost of processing payments for both vendors and the program.

Approximately half of all infants in the U.S. participate in WIC. The program provides nutritious foods to supplement diets, nutrition education (including breastfeeding promotion and support), and referrals to health and other social services to low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and postpartum women, infants, and children up to age five. Services are made available through approxi-

mately 1,900 local agencies and 10,000 clinic sites. Forty-five thousand authorized stores offer healthy WIC foods to participants. More information about the WIC program can be found at www.fns.usda.gov/WIC.

The WIC EBT announcement is just one way that USDA is helping Americans access healthy foods. USDA has also recently issued a retailer standards proposed rule that will ensure stores that accept Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits stock a wider array of food choices. In addition, USDA is conducting a pilot to explore home delivery of groceries to homebound elderly and disabled SNAP participants.

This announcement came on the eve of National Nutrition Month. Throughout March, USDA will be highlighting results of our efforts to improve access to safe, healthy food for all Americans and supporting the health of our next generation. For example, since the program revised its food package in 2014, WIC has been providing participants healthier food choices to meet their needs during critical periods of growth and development.

WIC is one of USDA's Food and Nutrition Service's 15 nutrition assistance programs, which also include the National School Lunch Program, Summer Food Service Program, and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Together, these programs comprise America's nutrition safety net.

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THE STATE OF OHIO,
PAULDING COUNTY:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
ACTING THROUGH THE RURAL
HOUSING SERVICE, UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Plaintiff,
vs.
JEDIDIAH J. HOISINGTON, ET AL.,
Defendants,

Case No. CI 15 198.
Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 12th day of May, 2016 at 10:05 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

**615 West Harrison Street,
Paulding, Ohio 45879
Parcel Number: 30-06S-029-00**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:
**LOU ANN WANNEMACHER
TREASURER
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO,
Plaintiff,
vs.
THOMAS W. NULTON, ET AL.,
Defendants.**

Case No. CI 15 136
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

**14436 Road 171,
Defiance, Ohio 43512
Parcel Number: 01-14D-031-00**

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

Total amount of judgment is Five Thousand One Hundred Seventy-nine and 13/100 (\$5,179.13) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:15 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 12th day of May, 2016, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 26th day of May, 2016 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio

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Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:
**LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
TREASURER
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO,
Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM D. HAWN, ET AL.,
Defendants.**

Case No. CI 15 157
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

**910 Van Wert Street,
Latty, Ohio 45855
Parcel Number: 29-07S-019-01**

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

Total amount of judgment is Six Thousand Eleven and 79/100 (\$6,011.79) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:10 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 12th day of May, 2016, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 26th day of May, 2016 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681
Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
PAULDING COUNTY:
**WELLS FARGO FINANCIAL INDIANA,
INC., Plaintiff,
vs.
NANCY A. HESSLER, ET AL.,
Defendants,**

Case No. CI 15 024.
Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 12th day of May, 2016 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at:

**7237 Township Road 55,
Payne, Ohio 45880
Parcel Number: 17-36S-013-01**

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

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

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

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Carson A. Rothfuss, Attorney for Plaintiff

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Sudoku Puzzle

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Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Elizabeth R. Craft, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Montgomery J. Kitchenmaster Sr., Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Shawn H. Guelde, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tina M. Kesler, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Raymond C. Atkins, Indianapolis, IN; Following close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Earl L. Adams, Urbana, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Bambi D. Gonzalez, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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Bambi D. Gonzalez, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Norman J. Kauffman, Grabill, IN; Cross yellow In.; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Mark A. Mabis, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Taylor N. Kochenour, Paulding, OH; FTY/left turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Taylor N. Kochenour, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Bambi D. Gonzalez, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

PC COUNTY COURT DOCUMENTS

Criminal dispositions

Destiny N. Clements, Petersburg, MI; No tail lights; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 4/29/16 or will be sent to collections

Brandy C. Beard, Oakwood, OH.; Disorder conduc.; Pled no cont., found guilty;

Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

Rodney L. Osburn, Jr., Paulding, OH; A.C.D., Pled no cont., found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 5/27/16 or will be sent to collections

Vidit J. Patel, Danville, IL.; Following close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Samuel M. Koloms, Glenview, IL.; Seat belt/drive; Guilty;

Case was waived by defendant

Morgan R. Riley, Paulding, OH.; Following close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Paul J. Overly, Andover, OH; Tinted windows; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amy Kirkland, Paulding, OH; Disorder conduc.; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

Scott E. Kirkland, Paulding, OH; Disorder conduc.; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

James Tiberius Fisher, Cecil, OH; 2 counts confine of dog & 2 counts fail reg. dog; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall pay restitution in the amount of \$174.98

Jeffrey A. Anderson, Butler, IN; Driv/FRA susp; Guilty; Pay all costs today

David N. Stouffer, Payne, OH; Cross yellow In; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amy J. Dorman, Cecil, OH; Equip regulat.; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Christopher A. Jackson, Cecil, OH; Equip regulat.; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joanne E. Beliles, Evansville, IN; Viol being pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Justin T. Grapengeter, West Unity, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Daniel R. Martin, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jeffrey L. McClinton, House Springs, MO; Driv lic(6mon); Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

feet East and in a true line with the North line of Lot One (1) Cooper's Parcels, Oakwood, Ohio; (hence 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: *Spuch Ann Hart*
Deputy

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

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.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ZONING TEXT AMENDMENTS

The Village of Antwerp will hold a public hearing for comment on zoning amendments on May 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at Village Hall for the following changes to the zoning ordinance.

The Village intends to amend the zoning ordinance which includes the current Business District definition and add two new categories of Business Districts to include and define mixed use retail and commercial definitions for property located near the U.S. 24 exchange in the Village of Antwerp. Also to be reviewed are proposed amendments to the current zoning map to include the new business districts

Additional information can be viewed at the Village Administrator's Office located at 503 W. River, Antwerp, Ohio or by calling 419-258-2371.

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

THANK YOU
PAULDING COUNTY VOTERS
FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THE PRIMARY ELECTION
- CAROL E. TEMPLE
PAULDING COUNTY RECORDER
Paid for by Carol E. Temple • 13563 Rita St., Paulding, Ohio 45879

iAB FINANCIAL BANK DONATES TO ERIN'S HOUSE FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN



iAB Financial Bank Legacy employees presented Erin's House for Grieving Children with a \$1,000 donation to aid in providing support to children, teens and families who are dealing with the passing of a loved one. Each year, iAB holds a special breakfast in honor of Legacy employees to recognize their years of service and give them the opportunity to select a Charitable organization to partner with in providing aid to the community. This annual donation serves as a special commemoration of the partnership between iAB and these employees, as well as their individual commitment to one of iAB's core values of brotherhood. "Our employees, upon recognition of their years of service, take the time to identify and fulfill a

need in our community," said Michael C. Marhenke, iAB President & CEO. "We are all so privileged to partner with Erin's House in making a real difference for others." 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. caption: From left to right: iAB Legacy Employees Nancy Tumbleson and Bob Michael; Erin's House Special Events/Donor Relations Director Audrey Ehle; Erin's House Executive Director Debbie Meyer; iAB Legacy Employees Deb Bishop, Robb Roehrman, Andria Maus and Eric Shebley

ODOT'S 2016 CONSTRUCTION SEASON

The Ohio Department of Transportation will invest \$2.1 billion in the state's transportation network this construction season. The 2016 program is driven by two key components: addressing major critical infrastructure needs today, and introducing an enhanced, data-driven business strategy for maintaining the 43,000 miles of roads and 14,000 bridges on the state system.

Locally, the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 announced its upcoming construction program during a media conference held in Lima.

THE 2016 PROGRAM
ODOT will deliver more than 1,100 projects across the state in 2016. Altogether, they are designed to improve the condition of roads and bridges, increase safety, and make the transportation of people and goods more efficient.

"We're charged with the care of Ohio's largest man-made asset—the transportation network," said ODOT Director Jerry Wray. "We take this very seriously, because investments in our infrastructure are vital to Ohio's economic growth and development. By maintaining a safe, reliable, and efficient system, we help to

create the environment for more jobs, easier commerce, and a stronger Ohio—for today and for tomorrow."

Of the 1,100 projects in 2016, 157 will focus specifically on safety, at a cost of \$256.4 million. The program includes \$417.5 million for improving the condition of more than 1,167 bridges and \$629.3 million for 6,485 miles of pavement.

ODOT is also adding capacity to the system where it is most needed today, after careful planning, research and project development. This year, the state will invest \$207.1 million—or approximately 10 percent of the overall construction budget—in expanding roads to ease current congestion.

The 2016 construction program features 27 projects valued over \$10 million, with a combined value of \$769 million. It also represents a fourth consecutive year of near-record dollars invested, made possible in large part by Governor Kasich's Jobs & Transportation Plan. From 2011 to 2016, ODOT has committed roughly \$12.5 billion across 5,934 projects—the largest overall transportation investment in Ohio's history.

THE PLAN
As it has for decades, ODOT is committing roughly 90 percent of this year's construction budget to activities related to taking

care of existing roads and bridges. This year, the department is introducing an enhanced three-part strategy to strengthen its preservation efforts.

The first component is data, which ODOT gathers and analyzes through advanced software systems. Following a decade of refinement, the data now drives decisions related to the second component: a range of preservation treatments such as asphalt, microsurfacing, and bridge cleaning among many others. The third component, collaboration, unifies the work plans of ODOT's planning and maintenance divisions, creates greater statewide consistency, and depends on strong partnerships between ODOT and its business contractors.

"In order to take care of our transportation network, we have to accurately measure it. That information helps us determine the right actions to take, at the right time, and in the right places, for everything from replacing a culvert on a two-lane state road to adding lanes to an interstate," said Director Wray. "With greater consistency and collaboration across the state, we are making sound business decisions on behalf of Ohio. Once again, this is for the benefit of our transportation system now and into the future."

ODOT's preservation plan is estimated to create savings that will redirect approximately \$300 million back into safety, capacity and preservation projects over the next six years.

Locally, projects which will have the most significant impact to traffic include:

Repair of pavement joints and guard rail, and resurfacing on Interstate 75 from a half mile south of Ohio 235 to just south of County Road 60, south of Findlay

The reconstruction and widening of Washington Street (U.S. 127) from Fox Road to Ervin Road, Van Wert.

Drainage improvements and resurfacing of Ohio 309 west and east of Lima, and between Robb Avenue and Cole Street, Lima.

A CALL FOR WORK ZONE SAFETY

As a consequence of record number of work sites, ODOT has seen an alarming rise in crashes and fatalities in Ohio's work zones, where drivers and passengers are more than twice as likely as workers to be victims. Last year, Ohio recorded 6,035 work zone crashes, the highest number in a decade. Those crashes resulted in 1,150 injuries and 30 deaths.

FEDERAL, PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS JOIN TO STRENGTHEN LOCAL FOOD SUPPLY CHAINS

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials joined 15 national and regional philanthropic partners to announce a new initiative to bolster the supply chain for local food systems around ten key U.S. cities. The project, dubbed 'Food LINC', will connect demand for local food in ten urban areas with supply from farmers and ranchers, strengthening each region's local food business sector and also increasing consumer access to healthy, local food. The announcement was made at the Wallace Center's National Food Hub Conference in Atlanta.

"USDA, the Appalachian Regional Commission and the Delta Regional Authority recognized that our investments in local food infrastructure have the most success in communities with strong coordination between producers, food purchasers, and access to shared resources. Food LINC aims to replicate that coordination in ten cities to create market opportunities for the areas' producers, meet demand for locally produced food and create or sustain jobs along that local supply chain," said Vilsack. "More than 160,000 farmers are tapping into demand for local and regional foods, and industry estimates predict more growth in the next several years. With the help from our partners, USDA can 'supercharge' our resources to create lasting impacts for farmers, ranchers, and rural communities as a whole."

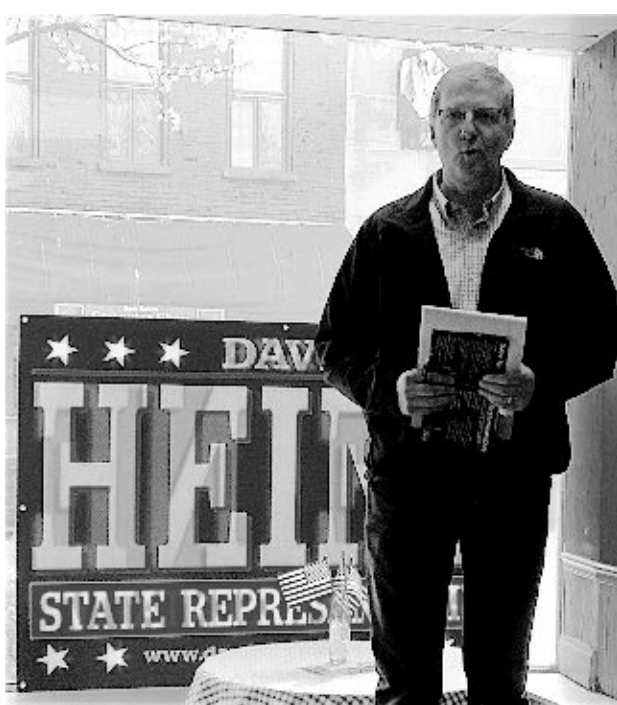
Nearly \$3 million in combined private and federal funding will support coordination by a host organization in each city. A full-time Food LINC coordinator will be embedded in each host organization for up to three years. The knowledge gained through their experiences will help the partnership determine next steps to link producers and entrepreneurs with families and institutional consumers to develop more robust local and regional food systems.

USDA, the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and the Delta Regional Authority (DRA), have committed \$850,000 in public funds to the project, leveraging an additional \$2 million so far from private philanthropic partners.

Host organizations include Common Market Georgia; Louisville's Farm to Table, Kentucky; the Conservation Fund in North Carolina; Rocky Mountain Farmers Union in Colorado; La Montañita in New Mexico; Fair Food Philadelphia; Metro Washington Council of Governments in Washington, D.C.; Appalachian Sustainable Development in Virginia; Soul City Hospitality in Mississippi; and Communities Unlimited in Tennessee.

Philanthropic partners so far include the Agua Fund, CoBank, The Duke Endowment, Gates Family Foundation, Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, Kentucky Agricultural Development Board, Oak Foundation, The One Foundation, Prince Charitable Trusts, RSF So-

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Additional support provided by the Surdna Foundation will also enable the Wallace Center to spread the benefits of this initiative by documenting the work in each region and sharing best practices with other organizations working to grow similar opportunities in their communities nationwide.

Food LINC is part of USDA's Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food Initiative (KYF2) supporting the Obama Administration's work to strengthen economic bonds between rural and urban areas, creating sustainable wealth for rural communities and putting more money into the pockets of rural producers. Launched in 2009, KYF2 breaks down bureaucratic silos and takes stock of USDA programs that support the growing demand for local and regional food systems. Learn more about the \$1 billion USDA has invested in 40,000 projects to develop local market opportunities at <https://medium.com/usda-results> as USDA celebrates Know your Farmer Month in April.

Initial locations and partners include: Albuquerque

and New Mexico Region: La Montañita Co-op, host; Thornburg Foundation, partner; Atlanta, Georgia/South Carolina Region: Common Market Georgia, host; Schmidt Family Foundation, partner; Central Appalachia Region: Appalachian Sustainable Development, host; CoBank, The One Foundation and ARC, partners.; Chesapeake Region: Washington Metro Council of Governments, host; Prince Charitable Trust, Agua Fund and Town Creek Foundation, partners.; Delaware Valley Region: Fair Food Philly, host; RSF Social Finance and Surdna Foundation, partners.; Jackson, Mississippi Region: Soul City Hospitality, host; Delta Regional Authority, partner.; Louisville, Eastern Kentucky Region: City of Louisville (Farm to Table) host; RSF Social Finance and State of Kentucky Agricultural Development Board, partners.; Memphis, Arkansas Region (Including NE Arkansas and NW Mississippi): Communities Unlimited, host; DRA, partner.; Pueblo/Colorado Springs Region: Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, host; Gates Family Foundation, partner.; Raleigh/Durham, Coastal Plain Region: The Conservation Fund, host; Oak Foundation, Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust and The Duke Endowment, partners.

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WESTERN BUCKEYE GOV-ERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES 3/16/16

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held its regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at the Van Wert ESC office. Board President Mr. Ron Treece welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Treasurer Kim Jones reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board.

Superintendent Brian Gerber updated the Board on Legislative Issues, Personnel items, and ESC activities. Mr. Gerber congratulated Van Wert County Franklin B. Walter Award winner Ashton Bowersock and Paulding County FBW winner Scott Wenninger on being selected as their county representative. The Franklin B. Walter All-Scholastic Award was established in 1989 by Ohio's County Superintendents to recognize outstanding student achievement in and out of the classroom. One senior is chosen from each county to receive this annual award. All the candidates who applied were outstanding and tops in their school. Each candidate is rated/graded in the five areas of ACT score, Grade Point Average, Personal Goal Statement, Awards, and Activities. Each category had a maximum of 5 points with a 25 point overall maximum. The candidates closest to the total of 25 points were chosen as the Franklin B. Walter winner for their county. Again congratulations to Ashton and Scott.

Mr. Gerber also discussed the MBR with the Board. The MBR or (Mid-Biennial Review) will be done before June. There could be some educational action included in the MBR, but that is unknown at this time since the education committee has not finalized any language for a possible amendment.

Lastly, Mr. Gerber informed the Board that our Paulding County and Van Wert County ODE Area Coordinator has officially retired. Mr. Ron Heitmeier has been our Area Coordinator for 15 years. Ron was a former superintendent who provided excellent and outstanding service for our local superintendents. We are going to miss him. However, after lobbying ODE to replace his position, we are fortunate to have Abby Dewar replace Mr. Heitmeier as our ODE Area Coordinator. Abby has Principal and Superintendent experience and she will be a welcomed addition to our Paulding County and Van Wert County administrative group.

Consent Items - WBESC:
A. Motion to approve holding a public hearing during the April 20, 2016 Governing Board meeting on the retirement/rehiring of Pat Miller after 2015-2016 school year.

B. Motion to approve holding a public hearing during the April 20, 2016 Governing Board meeting on the retirement/rehiring of Nancy Ruhe after the 2015-2016 school year.

C. Motion to approve following contacts, effective at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year:
Administrative:
Margaret Schilb - 1 year Part-Time Limited; Jeff Humason - 2 year Limited; George Dougal - 1 year Part-Time Limited; Christine Feichter - 1 year Part-Time Limited; Maria Clawson - 3 year Limited; Brian Gerber - 1 year Part-Time Limited; Sandra Freeman - 1 year Part-Time Limited

D. Motion to approve out of state training, Sensory Processing Workshop, for Chelsea Zeedyk, COTA/Paraprofessional.

E. Approve the new or revised NEOLA Policies as presented.

F. Approve 10 additional days, for Laurie Delong, Assistant Principal/Special Education Coordinator for the 2016-2017 school year.

G. Motion to approve WBESC 2016-2017 School Calendar.

The March 16, 2016 Board meeting adjourned with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Paulding ESC office.

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BALLOT BOARD CERTIFIES CLEAN ENERGY AS SINGLE BALLOT ISSUE, ETHICS FIRST AS THREE BALLOT ISSUES

The Ohio Ballot Board certified the proposed constitutional amendment known as the "Ohio Clean Energy Initiative" as a single ballot issue and the "Ohio Ethics First Amendment" each as three separate issues.

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

Section 3519.01 of the Ohio Revised Code has long required that a statewide ballot issue may contain only one proposal and the Ballot Board is required to make the single or multiple issue designation by section 3505.062 of the Ohio Revised Code. This long-standing principle is unrelated to the people's passage of State Issue 2 from the November 3, 2015 General Election.

The Ballot Board certified the "Ohio Ethics First Amendment" as three separate ballot issues, as follows:
The first ballot question

will include paragraphs A, B, E and F of the proposal.

The second ballot question will include paragraph C of the proposal.

The third ballot question will include paragraph D of the proposal.

The proposal as-written: Prior to gathering additional signatures, petitioners for the "Ohio Ethics First Amendment" will need to submit to the Attorney General summaries of the three separate ballot initiatives. Should the Attorney General find their newly-submitted summaries to be fair and truthful, the petitioners will need to collect 305,591 signatures for each of the three ballot proposals, an amount equal to 10 percent of the total vote cast for governor in 2014. They, too, must collect signatures from at least 44 of Ohio's 88 counties, and within each of those counties, collect enough signatures equal to five percent of the total vote cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election, 2014.

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The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District is seeking a full-time **DISTRICT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR** to oversee day-to-day operations of the District staff along with carrying out the mission of the local SWCD. The Administrator is directly responsible to the 5-member Board of Supervisors.
Applicants to have an Associate Degree or a higher degree in one or more of the following: Conservation / Environmental / Agricultural Engineering / Natural Resource Management or Business related field or have a minimum of 5 years experience with a strong management and financial background. Employment is contingent upon passing all pre-employment screenings. Salary ranges from \$34,000 - \$38,000 (plus benefits), commensurate on degree and / or experience.
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ANTWERP YEARBOOK AWARDS



The Antwerp Archer yearbook staff won 10 awards at the Ohio Scholastic Media Association Spring Convention at Kent State University on April 1-2. Five members of the staff traveled to the convention with adviser Amy Sorrell. The staff won 8 awards for entries that were sent in ahead of time. These entries will all appear in the 2016 yearbook. The staff also competed in on-site contests, which required them to design layouts in two hours. Senior Kirsten Price represented the Archer staff at the first annual Swap Shop. Seniors Brittany Smith and Annie Miesle, who are members of the OSMA student board, also led sessions and attended to other board duties.

Becca Johanns: Yearbook Student Life Copy - Honorable Mention; **Erica Meyer:** Yearbook Student Life Copy - Honorable Mention, Best Overall Coverage in a Single Yearbook Spread - Honorable Mention; **Annie Miesle:** Yearbook Sports Copy - Honorable Mention, Yearbook Feature Photo - Honorable Mention, Best Overall Coverage in a Single Yearbook Spread - Excellent, Yearbook Theme - Excellent; **Brittany Smith:** Yearbook Sports Spread - Honorable Mention, On-Site Contests; **Erica Meyer and Megan Price:** Yearbook Design - 2nd Place; **Annie Miesle and Brittany Smith:** Editors' Challenge - 2nd Place.

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The course will be from 6 to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, starting May 3 and continuing through May 31. Students only need a computer with Internet connection to join the five-session course. The classes provide live interaction between students and teachers.

The online course offers flexibility for many participants. The sessions are educational and convenient, and the students like communicating online, said Laura Icardi, the owner of ACT Test Preparation.

"Students often are more apt to ask a question online than speak up in a classroom," said Icardi, who first taught ACT prep courses in Northeast Ohio at The University of Akron. "It's not as intimidating."

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The course combines lectures, visual aids, and PowerPoint presentations. Live video and audio between students and teachers also keep the classes interactive.

For instance, students can ask questions anytime during the course by typing their inquiries. Teachers also can monitor students' typed re-

sponses on practice exams to determine whether more time is needed on teaching particular concepts.

To register or receive more information on courses taught in the classroom or online, call Laura Icardi at 330-722-7235, or email licardi@ACTTestPrep.info. Parents and students also can visit the website at www.ActTestPrep.info or Facebook.com/ActTestPrep.info.

WLS FISH FRY

Woodburn Lutheran School, 4502 State Route 101 N. Woodburn, IN, will host an all you can eat fish and chicken strip dinner prepared by Dan's Fish Fry on Friday, April 15, 2016 from 4:30 - 8:00 p.m. The menu includes "all you can eat" fish and/or chicken strips, in addition: two of the following menu items may be chosen with each meal: coleslaw, green beans, apple sauce or au gratin potatoes. Drinks and a variety of desserts are also included. Carry-out dinners

are available. Woodburn Lutheran School is a Christian School providing a Christ-centered education to the families of East Allen County for the past 60 years. WLS invites all to come and enjoy our annual Fish Fry.

GO GETTERS ELECT OFFICERS

The Maumee Go Getters elected officers at the March 4-H meeting. The following officers were elected: President- Sammie Voors, Vice President- Torie Moore, Secretaries- Sophi Schultz and Dalton Moore, Reporters- Kelly and William Collins, and Recreation Leader- Jacob Bradtmueller. The Maumee Go Getters also collected items for Easter baskets for the Woodburn Children's home, members also signed up for snack and demonstrations. The next meeting will be Tuesday April 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Nahrwold Farm 18812 Gar Creek Rd. New Haven.

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