

WT SOPHOMORE PRESIDENT HELPING KASICH RUN FOR PRESIDENT



Pictured L to R; Gov. Kasich, Owen Brigner, State Rep. Tony Burkley.

A young man who attends Wayne Trace High School was noticed with Ohio Governor John Kasich recently. Owen Brigner, who also happens to be the sophomore class president, has helped with John Kasich in his election campaign for President.

I asked Owen what made him interested in politics. "Mitt Romney came to Defiance running against Barack Obama and I got to meet John Kasich who was also there for Romney. It was the first time I really felt like it was something I wanted to be involved in." It all began on October 25, 2012.

Since then, 16 year old Owen has participated in numerous events. He met State Rep. Tony Burkley while taking a tour of the State House in Columbus several months later in February 2013. He also met Governor Kasich again while there and went to his office at the state house.

This alone can't make someone want to run for an election. Politics is a complex

and difficult subject especially in election years like this. Owen believes this could be his calling. He intends to major in Political Science in college.

There has been many more times that he has met Governor Kasich, not to mention having a short time dating with the governor's daughter, Reese. They still are good friends texting and calling each other.

During this time, there were other rallies that Owen attended including the 2013 Governor's State of the State in Lima, 2014 State of the in Medina's and this past year's 2015 State of the State in Wilmington.

Recently, Owen worked at the phone Bank for Kasich's

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THE 7th ANNUAL VETERANS' MEMORIAL RIDE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MAY 14



Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. at the American Legion Post 330 Entrance Dr., New Haven, IN 46774.

The event features a new 40+ mile route, contests, door prizes, raffles, non-profit organizations, and vendors on site.

A breakfast buffet is available from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Entertainment by The Mason Dixon Line Band starts at 2:00 p.m. with lunch available.

Opening ceremonies begin at 12:30 p.m. and the ride leaves at 1:00 p.m. from the Legion. The ride benefits Schnelker Veterans' Memorial Park.

For more info call American Legion Post 330 at 260-749-0313 or the New Haven Parks and Recreation Office at 260-749-2212. Rain date is May 21, 2016.

<http://newhavenparksandrec.com/events-2/new-haven-veterans-memorial-motorcycle-ride/>

ANTWERP ROTARY TENNIS COURT RENOVATION SET TO BEGIN

The Antwerp Rotary is excited to announce that work on the tennis court will begin on April 16th. The project includes renovating the court and surrounding area to include proper drainage and an improved playing surface. Spear-headed by Rotarian Floyd Ramsier, the project has finally come to fruition after many years of raising funds for the renovation. In addition to traditional tennis play, lines will be added to the court to accommodate the game of "Pickle-ball".

Pickle-ball® was invented in 1965 on Bainbridge Island, outside Seattle, WA. The goal of Pickle-ball® then and now was to create a game that is fun for every member of the family. The court is smaller and the net is lower. The lower net and the use of a wiffle-type ball allow the game to be accessible to people of all ages and abilities.

This project was made possible by the hard work of the Antwerp Rotary, Rotary District 6600, Village of Antwerp, Antwerp VFW, and the Paulding Eagles, and by the generosity of numerous individuals within our community. Donations may be dropped off at Marilyn's Petals and Vines, Antwerp Exchange Bank and the Office of Floyd Ramsier, Attorney.

The court will be under construction until approximately June 15th, weather permitting, and the court and surrounding work areas will be closed to the public until officially reopened. You can watch the progress and transformation on the Antwerp Rotary Facebook page.

COOPER FARMS CELEBRATES NEW HEALTH AND WELLNESS CLINICS



Cooper Farms celebrated their new health and wellness clinics with ribbon cutting events at both locations, St. Henry and Van Wert. The clinics, along with a third in Defiance that was previously operational, are a new team member benefit provided by the farm and food company. The clinics provide primary care services, physicals, health coaching, select lab testing and generic medications to team members on the company's health plan at no cost.

"I am so proud that Cooper Farms can offer our deserving team members such an awesome benefit," said Jack Staugler, Cooper Farms Director of Human Resources and Safety. "We truly hope and believe it will prove to be a life and health changing experience for them."

Cooper Farms has partnered with Activate Healthcare, a third-party provider,

to offer the comprehensive health and wellness centers to Cooper Farms team members and their families.

"Adding value to our partner organizations by generating significant cost savings and enabling a healthier workforce are tangible results of the important work we are doing to transform health care," said Debra Geihlsler, Principal and Co-founder of Activate Healthcare. "We are empowering physicians to develop long-term relationships with patients, provide preventive care, educate patients and activate them to take control of their health."

The health and wellness centers are patient-centered offices staffed by doctors, nurse practitioners and nurses to provide primary care to those enrolled in the Cooper Farms health plan. Appointments are patient-centered with little to no wait time and extensive face-to-face time with the physician. The dedicated staff will help individuals to become active participants in their own health and wellness. The clinics also feature a lab and pharmacy.

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selection campaign at the Republican Headquarters in Columbus.

So what do you think of this year's election? Many are thinking that John Kasich is the only one that seems civilized in the Republican race. A couple weeks ago the primary took place in Wisconsin and Tony Burkley and Owen travelled up to the "Forward" state to go door to door and promote the Kasich for president.

In Burlington, after meeting with potential voters, they had a round table discussion directing the campaign and having Owen participate with the governor and his advisors. He also was there for the interview between the candidate and George Stephanopoulos.

Three days after he got his license he was up and driving to Michigan to pick up a stack of signs for Kasich.

Owen's parents are Wes and Tracy Brigner and he has a younger sister, Madilyn, who is also a student at Wayne Trace. He also has grandparents in Paulding County - Mary and Jerry Price, and Mac and Deb Brigner.

Owen already has great insight into the political process and he will be a great asset now and in the future for the state and the country. It's great to see such a young person involved in so many ways!

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 4/20 - 4/26

4/20 - Brd. pork cutlet, mashed potatoes, California blend, grapes, birthday cake, dinner roll, milk

4/21 - Pepper steak w/ white rice, Scandinavian blend, apple juice, tropical fruit, dinner roll, milk

4/22 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, hot fruit, cheesy garlic bread, milk

4/25 - Smoked sausage, mashed potatoes, sauerkraut, warm peaches, tomato juice, dinner roll, milk

4/26 - Turkey & cheese on rye, vegetable soup, coleslaw, cinnamon apples, crackers oatmeal raisin bar, milk

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 4/20 - 4/26

4/20 - Birthday & anniversary celebration; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Bunco at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.

4/21 - Blood pressure & toe nail clinic at 9:00 a.m.; Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Penny Pitch with Meadows of Kalida at 12:00 p.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.; Evening meal at 5:00 p.m.

4/22 - Red hat day; Spring fling; Bible study at 10:30 a.m.; Bingo w/Vancrest at 12:00 p.m.

4/25 - Raffle day; "Shedding pounds" at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00 a.m.; Fin-

gernail clinic at 10:00 a.m.; Volunteer appreciation celebration at 1:30 p.m.

4/26 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.; trivia with Nicole at 12:00 p.m.

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We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization seeking useable space or funding to operate a curricula library and administrative office.

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NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER TO BE OBSERVED IN OAKWOOD

The National day of prayer on May 5th will be observed at the Oakwood Town Hall at 12:00 noon. The Auglaize Chapel Church of God, Twin Oaks UM and Melrose UM will be sponsoring the event. All are invited to attend. Bring a lawn chair. The Oakwood second graders will be sharing a patriotic song during the service.

LOCAL STUDENT PART OF BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCE IN KENTUCKY, WEST VIRGINIA

Cameron Huss of Antwerp, Ohio, is participating in a Bluffton University cross-cultural experience in Kentucky and West Virginia during the month of May.

Huss along with other Bluffton students will collaborate with Sharing with Appalachian People (SWAP), a program run by Mennonite Central Committee. Students participating in this program will complete a variety of hands-on projects for the citizens of Eastern Kentucky and West Virginia.

Huss, son of Robert and Melinda Huss, is a junior majoring in pre-medicine and biology. He was a 2013 graduate of Antwerp Local Schools.

This experience will fulfill Bluffton's undergraduate cross-cultural requirement that must be completed before graduation. Students can either complete a cross-cultural experience or take six credit hours in one foreign language. Bluffton University is a

liberal arts, residential campus with more than 80 undergraduate majors, minors and programs; a bachelor's degree evening program in social work for working adults; and an adult degree-completion program in organizational management. Bluffton also offers master's degree programs in organizational management and business administration, as well as MBA programs with concentrations in leadership, health care management, accounting and financial management, leading nonprofits, conflict transformation, sustainability, production and operations management, sport management and intercultural leadership, plus a self-designed concentration.

Founded in 1899 and affiliated with Mennonite Church USA, the university is located in Northwest Ohio. It has an enrollment of more than 1,100 students and 14 NCAA Division III athletic teams. Bluffton's 100-year legacy is expressed today in its enduring values of discovery, community, respect and service that are woven into the academic program and campus life. Bluffton students go into the world prepared for life as well as for their chosen vocations.

OHIO DIGGING UP IDEAS FOR BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGE MATERIAL

Lake Erie is one of Ohio's greatest assets and its harbors must be dredged regularly to keep ports open for shipping. Much of the material dredged from the lake currently is dumped into the open waters of the lake. However, most of the material could be used for projects to benefit the environment and economy. In addition, Governor Kasich signed Senate Bill 1 into law in 2015, which requires open lake disposal of dredged material to end by July 1, 2020.

Ohio is looking for alternatives to open lake disposal and wants to hear new ideas. To facilitate the discussion, Ohio EPA is holding a dredge material workshop on May 11 at Lorain County Community College. Registration for the "Digging Up Ideas Workshop" is open through April 27.

Anyone with ideas to share or who wants to learn more about dredging and beneficial use of dredge material is encouraged to attend. Public, private and nonprofit stakeholders are in ideal positions to help identify and benefit from beneficial use projects.

The workshop agenda includes sessions on the dredging issue, existing beneficial uses of dredge material and regulatory requirements for beneficial use in Ohio. Afternoon breakout sessions cover opportunities for beneficial use, barriers to use and moving forward to the 2020 deadline.

The day-long workshop runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in The John A. Spitzer Conference Center at Lorain County Community College, 1005 North Abbe Road, Elyria, OH 44035. Go to the Digging Up Ideas Workshop website to register. Registration closes at 8:00 p.m. on April 27.

More information on the Ohio EPA's Lake Erie dredged material program is available online at <http://epa.ohio.gov/dir/dredge>.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved."

—Romans 10:9-10

IT TAKES HEART TO BE A HERO



Alexus Stemen, Kyle Stoller and Lynsey Pease

Grover Hill Elementary School students participated in the 2016 Jump Rope for Heart during Mrs. Jenn Mohr P.E. classes. This event is held at schools to help raise money for the American Heart Association. Grover Hill Elementary has participated for 21 years.

FIRST UMC VISITS TRULY D'VINE BREAD CO



Recently, the children from First United Methodist Preschool located at 113 W. Central Ave. took a tour of the Truly D'vine Bread Co. While visiting, the children watched how the salads are prepared for lunch and dinner.

They were able to see the large ovens, and hear how the breads, donuts, and cakes are made. At the completion of the tour the children each purchased a donut that they enjoyed for their morning snack.

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About Cooper Farms:

Growing healthy live turkeys, chickens, egg layers and hogs and producing great food products has been a tradition for the Cooper family of northwest Ohio for three generations. Founded in 1938 by Virgil and Virginia Cooper, Cooper Farms is still family owned and operated. Today, with the help of our team members, Cooper Farms is a leading food supplier, selling a variety of delicious fully cooked and ready-to-cook turkey, ham and chicken products to customers throughout North America. Visit www.cooperfarms.com or www.facebook.com/cooperfarms for more information.

About Activate Healthcare:

Activate Healthcare provides on-site and near-site comprehensive primary care services, which focus on improving each person’s health and well-being, addressing their root causes of health conditions and reducing future health risks. Activate Healthcare’s approximately 150 employees serve more than 60 clients across 30 clinics in Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin and West Virginia. Three more clinics are scheduled to open within the next six months in Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.

COLLABORATION IN CREATING A PARTNERSHIP IN SHARING A SUPERINTENDENT



pleased to formally announce that Mr. Stephen Arnold has been hired as the shared superintendent for both neighboring ESCs. All ten Board members representing both ESCs interviewed Mr. Arnold and agreed that he met the desired established criteria to lead both ESCs starting with Allen County ESC on August 1, 2016, upon the retirement of Allen County ESC Superintendent Dr. Dean Wittwer. Dr. Wittwer has served the Allen County ESC as their Superintendent the past two years. He will be formally hired at the next Allen County Educational Service Center Board meeting on April 25th. This fall he will lead the Allen County Educational Service Center and start building relationships with school districts and staff. Mr. Arnold will then transition into the Western Buckeye ESC Superintendent’s position after Mr. Brian Gerber retires in the spring of 2017. Mr. Arnold has served the Wayne Trace Local School District as their superintendent for the past five years. Prior to serving as the Wayne Trace Superintendent, Mr. Arnold served as an administrator for the Antwerp Local School District for fourteen years. He served in each administrative position which included Athletic Director, Elementary/Middle School Principal, and Jr./Sr. High School Principal.

At the request of the Governing Boards, Mr. Gerber and Dr. Wittwer developed criteria for the shared superintendent’s position. They desired a highly qualified candidate who had experience as a Superintendent and understands, or is willing to learn the business world of an Educational Service Center. Previous school district Superintendent experience was desired/preferred and the ideal candidate would agree to longevity/commitment for stability of both organizations. A small list of candidates were identified, invited to have conversations to seek interest, and then interviewed. They desired to find the right candidate who had the experience, excellent people skills, strength in instructional practices, diplomacy, networking, communication, and legislative protocol and connections. They strongly believe Arnold possesses the necessary criteria for a successful superintendency.

Allen County ESC and Western Buckeye ESC are neighboring ESCs that mirror each other. Their philosophy regarding the methods used to serve their client districts are parallel. Many months of research went into this process. The pros and cons were weighed and studied and in the end the advantages far outweighed the disadvantages.

This collaboration is not a merger, it is a partnership. It will allow both ESCs to increase their capacity in many ways.

1. It will create a strong

network of collaboration with School Psychologists; Special Education Directors; Curriculum Directors; Gifted Education Coordination; Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapists.

2. Create a stronger grant writing network as both ESCs align to team with each other that will allow a broader network to secure potential and future grants.

3. Local Superintendent and Principal networking regarding programs, staffing, fiscal resources, evaluations, and negotiations.

4. Bus driver in-service and training.

5. The cost efficiency of sharing the salary and benefits of the superintendent.

6. All schools in Allen County and Western Buckeye ESC, which include Paulding and Van Wert Counties, will be served equally. No district will be shorted time or resources.

Mr. Steve Arnold added the following statement when asked about this unique administrative opportunity, “I would like to thank the Allen County ESC and the Western Buckeye ESC Boards of Education for the opportunity to lead both organizations as their superintendent. I am honored to have been chosen for this position and look forward to this exciting and unique opportunity.”

“I know have big shoes to fill with the retirements of Dr. Dean Wittwer and Mr. Brian Gerber. I hope to continue the many outstanding programs that these men and their staffs have in place with the goal of moving both ESCs forward in a very positive light.”

“Having lived in NW Ohio my entire adult life, I have witnessed first-hand the great civic pride in the school districts of Allen, Paulding, and Van Wert Counties. I am very excited to have this opportunity and look forward to becoming a part of each school’s tradition.”

“One of my first goals will be to further develop my professional relationship with the superintendents of all our partner schools. I know many of them well already, but I look forward to getting to know all of them in order to start the collaboration process. My main priority is to make the transition to a shared superintendent as smooth as possible for each school district in all three counties.”

Both Dr. Wittwer and Mr. Gerber look forward to this new partnership and new style of leadership as the ESC continues to move forward in the 21st Century of Education.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVE PURCHASE

The Paulding County Hospital Board of Trustees approved purchase of leading edge equipment that tests for septicemia and infectious organism. The test platforms can identify organisms in blood, gastrointestinal system, respiratory system, and spinal fluid. The new equipment improves accuracy and cuts diagnostic time from days to as little as an hour. Currently specimens must be grown in a culture media for days before an organism can be identified or sent to a reference lab for identification. Currently, some testing is done that employs a reaction to an organism.

The new equipment is manufactured by BioFire Diagnostics of Salt Lake City, Utah called the FilmArray and Biomerieux of Durham, North Carolina called the BacT Alert 3D. The new equipment when employed together will help identify infectious organisms faster using a technique called molecular testing, which identifies actual DNA associated with viruses and bacteria. This results in a highly accurate diagnosis. Because results are obtained quickly, life saving treatment can begin days sooner than current technology allows. The results pinpoint the species of the organism so that treatment can be focused on the specific organism. This equipment compares with that found at major medical centers.

PAULDING EMA AWARDED FROM HMEP

The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency has been awarded \$ 7,830.00 from the FY15 Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant Program. The HMEP Grant is a 20% matching fund that will be coming from the LEPC Funds. The grant will be used to complete a comprehensive Hazardous Materials Transportation Study of the federal and state highways in Paulding County. “The last traffic study was completed eight to ten years ago and, with the expansion of US 24 to four lanes, has increased the semi traffic, making it extremely important to know what hazardous materials are traveling down our highways”, stated EMA Director Edward Bohn.

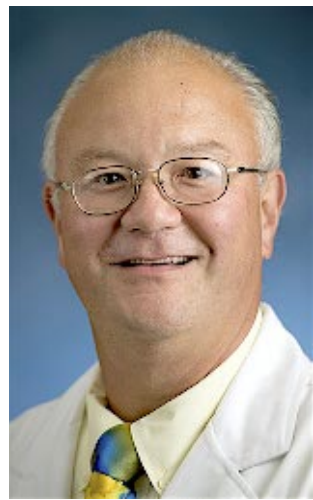
The study will be conducted in the next two months by the University of Findlay All Hazards Training Center. The study will show the amount of truck traffic in a given period, but more importantly, will track the number of trucks carrying hazardous materials through Paulding County”. With the expansion of US 24, semi-truck traffic has increased on US 127 as well as the state highways in the county, Director Bohn said. The need for accurate information, in regards to the transportation of hazardous materials through Paulding County is an essential component of the county’s hazard analysis plan. “In 2015, the Ohio EMA, in their evaluation of the Hazard Analysis Plan for Paulding County, pointed out the deficiency in not having an updated highway transportation study,” stated Bohn.

The second item funded with the grant, will be a CAMEO based analysis of the Tier II and EHS Facilities in Paulding County. CAMEO stands for Computer-Aided Management of Emergency Operations. Paulding County will be contracting with Michael Frey from Toledo, Ohio on the facilities in Paulding County that have reportable quantities of hazardous materials at their facilities throughout the given year. Director Bohn stated, “that the ability to have the CAMEO Analysis done on each of the facilities allow the 1st Responders to plan, train and prepare for an incident if it were to occur at any one of the facilities in their run district”. Director Bohn will continue to seek out funding to help further the planning and preparedness process in Paulding County.

AREA PHYSICIAN RECEIVES SAGAMORE OF THE WABASH



Fort Wayne physician Brian Youn, MD, the medical director of critical care at St Joseph Hospital, has received one of Indiana’s highest honors. Governor Mike Pence bestowed upon Youn the rank and title of Sagamore of the Wabash in Indianapolis Monday evening. Youn was joined by family members, Lutheran Health Network administrators and Fort Wayne-area business leader Tom Kelley for the presentation.



Youn, best known for the care he provides to patients at the St. Joseph Regional Bum Center, has been on the medical staff at St. Joe since 1996 and has served in a variety of leadership roles at the hospital throughout the years. He joined St. Joseph Medical Group as an intensivist in 2008.

“Rarely a day passes that we’re not reminded of the profound impact Dr. Youn has had on the lives of so many thousands of patients and their families,” said Kenneth Jones, chief executive officer, St. Joseph Hospital. “Few hospitals in the entire country deliver the type of care available in our burn center and he continues to play an essential role in St. Joe’s ability to continue that tradition of excellence. Considering the level of expertise he brings to this special setting, I’m hard-pressed to think of a person more deserving of this accolade.”

The bum center at St. Joe is northeastern Indiana’s only verified burn program and one of only three in the

entire state. It is verified by the American College of Surgeons and the American Bum Association, a rare and elite distinction for a program offered outside of a university setting. The center provides adult and pediatric bum care.

“It’s very rewarding to pay tribute to the heroes of patient care who would never consider drawing attention to themselves,” said Brian Bauer, chief executive officer, Lutheran Health Network. “While he may not seek the limelight, Dr. Youn’s commitment to delivering life-saving critical care warrants this prestigious recognition. Fort Wayne is truly fortunate to have a physician of his skill and integrity.”

Youn, who is a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, is board certified in critical care and internal medicine, and he is a fellow in the American College of Chest Pain Physicians and the American College of Physicians. He has published extensively.

DR. MILLER VISITS ANTWERP ELEMENTARY STUDENTS



This week at Antwerp Elementary School, Dr. Miller was the Star of the Week in first grade. He visited the first grade classrooms to share his favorite things, show students pictures of his family, read his favorite book, and provide a mystery item for the students to guess. Dr. Miller also ate lunch with the first graders. The students loved learning more about their superintendent.

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"It's just what you do..." Susan B. Crossland's desire for caring, doing, helping and serving has deep roots. Her dad, Don Sr. was always coaching something, or leading the opening for Sunday School at church. Her mom, Phyllis, ran the church nursery, was the church treasurer for many years, directed Bible School, or had some volunteer project going. Sue herself has served in many ways over the years: Girl Scouts, Alpha Xi Delta president twice, head of the Presiding Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the pastor search committee twice, EMS coordinator for many years, church organist for 50 years, as well as choir director for many years. She also served on Village Council, played piano for music programs at school, coached track, gymnastics and volleyball. It's just what you do.

Sue's love of music, her love of her church and her Lord have kept her here at First Presbyterian in Paulding. She began playing for the Sunday School opening while in Junior High ("only the simple hymns," she states) and continued with piano lessons until she moved on to the organ. Her first Sunday to play was a Youth Sunday service, and she has continued on. While attending Defiance College, she put many miles on the car her parents bought for her just for the purpose of getting her back and forth.

On April 24, we will celebrate the love and the faithfulness of the Lord, shown to us through the music of our wonderful pipe organ as presented by our friend, Susan B. Crossland. We will sing for joy at the work of His hands, accompanied by her music.

For many of us, music is the bridge between our everyday life and the life we wished

we lived as a Christian. Music gives us a taste of the glory, a taste of the love and power of the Lord. When she plays, this church senses His majesty. As she plays at Christmas, we feel the love of the parents of the newborn Jesus, we feel the fear of the shepherds, the joy of the angels. During Holy Week, through her music, we know the pain and suffering that Jesus endured, we experience the sorrow and loss of those who loved Him and then we rejoice at His resurrection. All these emotions come through the hands and heart of the woman playing the 100 plus year old pipe organ.

None of this comes easily: even when you are given a spiritual gift, you have to do the work needed to grow and improve that gift. Sue is here every week to practice for Sunday. She is here for every choir practice. Not feeling well? Too bad, gotta go to practice. Had surgery? Too bad, gotta go to practice. Broken finger or toe? Too bad, gotta go to practice. Coughing so hard you think you'll slide off the bench? Too bad, gotta go to practice. It's just what you do.

Music is deeply rooted in our souls. And for the followers of Jesus, it is a powerful means of encouraging each other along the journey of faith. Whether our hearts cry out, "Create in me a clean heart, O Lord." (Ps. 51:10), or joyfully shout "And He will reign forever and ever" (Rev. 11:15) the power of music that exalts God lifts our spirits and grants us peace.

You are invited to join us as we sing to the Lord, listen to His music, celebrate Sue's dedication to serve both God and her fellow congregates on Sunday April 24 at 10:15 a.m. Lunch will follow, with an informal program.

A MIRACLE FROM GOD II

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

"And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ... When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, because she thought, 'If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed.'" Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering." Mark 5:25, 27-29 (NIV).

In the early morning of December 18, 1990, I was called at a local business where I was working third shift and was told to go home as something had happened to my wife. I went home and the EMS medics had her, my wife Roberta, on the floor in the living room where they were applying shocks from paddles to her and she was not responding. Our daughter Gretchen, she was the one who called me at work, and I followed the ambulance to the old Lutheran Hospital. There, the ER doctor told us that Roberta was brain dead and heart dead. They could keep her hooked up to medical equipment but she still would not last long.

Roberta's death, she was 49 years old, was very much a shock for our daughter and I, as it was completely unexpected. In the early part of 1991, I fell into a deep dark depression and I couldn't shake it, even with medication from a doctor. At that time, there was a TV program called HEE HAW, one of their songs was, "Deep dark depression, excessive misery, if I had no bad luck, I'd have no luck at all." It was intended to be funny, but when you are the person that has the deep dark depression it is not funny at all.

One day I was reading this scripture about the woman that touched Jesus' robe and was healed, I cried out in my spirit, "Why can't I do that!" I reached out my hands and at the end of my fingertips I touched Him. Something like electricity when up my arms into my head and down my spine to the tips of my toes. I was healed of the deep dark depression, it was gone and I knew I was healed in the same way that woman so long ago knew she was healed. I still had to go through a grieving process because of my loss, but it was much easier to cope with now that the depression was gone. Thank God that Jesus still heals today!

BIBLE QUESTIONS: ON THE LORD'S CHURCH

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

As I mentioned in the last lesson about studying the five items of worship in the Lord's church which will be our study for today. The way that we worship at the Oakwood Church of Christ:

1. First is singing: Christians are commanded to praise God in song (Colossians 3:16). "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in Psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. (NKJV). The kind of music God commands for His church is vocal, music only that is singing. There is no

HOPE FORMS IN ANTWERP



pictured L to R: Elaine Carr Phillips, Kathy Getrost Whitney and Pam Slight

Helping Other People Everyday (HOPE) is a non-profit 501-(c)(3) team formed in January 2016. The organization consists of 3 women who were raised in Antwerp and work very hard to "pay it forward" to their community.

Pam Slight, Kathy Getrost Whitney and Elaine Carr Phillips all graduated from Antwerp Local. They joined together in 2013 and formed a Relay for Life team. "So many of our family and friends had and were suffering with cancer. Our idea was to help local people in need. After 3 very successful years of doing Relay, we felt like it's a great organization, but we wanted to get more personal and impact the lives of local people in need" stated the women.

After much thought and discussion, they withdrew from Relay for Life and formed their own independent team. HOPE was born.

They are not limited to cancer patients. Their desire is to help people suffering from medical issues who are struggling in life to get by. Get them assistance with paying bills, help with paperwork. Put some food in their kitchen, help in ways that kitchens do. Give them gas cards to get to a medical appointment they otherwise would not be able to make or have a volunteer be able to take them

to their appointments. They want to be able to give them a lodging voucher if they find their loved one is at a hospital far away and they cannot afford the luxury to be near them.

HOPE is a 100% volunteer organization. All donations and contributions given to the HOPE team are fully tax deductible and 100% will be put back into the community in people's hands that truly need it.

Based in Antwerp, OH, they help several counties in Ohio and Indiana. HOPE depends on fundraisers, donation cups and the generous donations of companies in order to raise the money needed to provide assistance to those in need.

They have helped several families in the towns they serve. Some have been posted on Facebook seeking assistance and others are a private nature. HOPE covers 14 towns in the 15 mile radius they serve. They have placed donation buckets in each town and the money collected in each town, stays in that town.

They partner up with churches and organizations already in place to serve the local towns as best as possible. "We have many plans in the works of growing and helping even more people with com-

munity involvement".

The team has 3 big Fundraisers planned for this year with the first one on May 7th. The "1st Annual HOPE Golfing Fundraiser" will be held at Pond-a-River Golf course and the dinner and prize portion of the day will be at the Oasis Bar and Grill in Antwerp. HOPE and Hicksville Helping Hicksville have joined forces for this event to help many families in need. Please think about signing up for a great fun-filled day and many great prizes for a terrific cause!

The 2nd fundraiser is being held at the ACDC Ribfest on June 4th. HOPE will host a children's carnival in the parking lot over by the grain elevator complete with a bounce house, dunk tank, several fun games, BB hoop shooting, Magician and face painting. HOPE will have food especially for the kiddos as well as their traditional Elephant Ears and other goodies for the adults. They wish to make it something special the children really enjoy.

The 3rd Fundraiser will be a Kickball Tournament Aug. 20th at the Antwerp baseball fields. This will be an all day event with the tournament as well as the Dunk tank and Port a Pit chicken meals.

They are also hoping to have a booth at Day in the Park in August.

If you would like to volunteer some time to HOPE, please contact them and inform how you wish to help. The ladies state they can always use more volunteers and ideas. They can be reached several ways.

Phone 419-405-6555 and leave a voicemail. Email 419HOPE@gmail.com. www.facebook.com/HOPE419

If you know of someone in need of assistance due to a medical issue, please contact HOPE. We are here to help.

command or example anywhere in the New Testament for the use of mechanical instrumental music in worship. To add instruments of music to our singing is a sin for it is adding to what God has told us that He wants. No man has a right to do this.

Please read Revelation 22:18-19 and also 2nd John 1:9-11. We are to "make melody in our hearts" (Ephesians 5:19), the instruments made

by God not the instruments of men, Genesis 4:16-22 this is the generations of the ungodly line of Cain. Notice in verse 21 that instrumental music came through ungodly and sinful man. Yes God authorized instrumental music in the Old Testament but not in the New. Loved ones, neither has God commanded us to have special singers in our worship such as choirs. Every Christian must praise God in

song just as everyone must partake of the Lord's Supper for himself or herself. Loved ones, the purpose of our worship to God is not to entertain ourselves. Loved ones, what we do in worship is not based on that which appeals to our physical senses, but must be based on what pleases God. Loved ones, don't you think it is time that we stop focus-

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ing on self and demanding what we want. When we understand God's greatness, His glory, majesty, wisdom, strength, and reflect upon His infinite mercy in giving His only begotten Son to save us from our sins. This is why those who worship with us, their hearts overflow with joy as we praise our great God and His son in our singing. Hebrews 13:15 therefore by Him (Jesus) let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His (God) name.

For those who have comments, questions or maybe need some help in their study I am available to assist you. Jesus loves you and so does the church of Christ.

"Ol Baldy" says bye now, but remember in the Lord's church we sing a Capella as the New Testament tells us to. We also have prayer, Lord's Supper, offering and preaching to go yet. "Luv ya". Contact James Potter at 419-393-4775 or e-mail jsp1941@yahoo.com also there is the editor and proof reader 419-399-5022.

ON EARTH DAY, COMMIT TO THE GREAT TURNING

By: Rivera Sun
Viewing the destruction of the planet and our natural systems as a form of violence, Campaign Nonviolence - a long-term movement to build

HARLAN LIONS CLUB DONATES \$500



From left to right is lion Gary Ehle, Angie Whitacre, Jeff's wife, Jeff Whitacre, lion Mark Fogle, and Lion President Pat Ehle.

Harlan Lions Club recently donated \$500 to Jeff Whitacre to help him achieve his goal.

Jeff was born legally blind. He has no vision in his right eye and the vision in his left eye is approximately 20/400. Because of this he has never been able to do the things that most people take for granted, like sitting and watching TV, or reading a book or even clearly see the faces of his family and friends.

Jeff and his wife recently saw a news article about a young girl who had lost most of her vision a few years ago and how a pair of electronic glasses actually worked to help her see. Jeff contacted the company to request a free demo. The glasses worked wonderfully. With the glasses he went from about 20/400 in his left eye to 20/40. For the first time in his life he had eye

a culture of nonviolence - engages people across the country in working toward sustainability, renewable energy, reducing meat consumption, supporting local food, and many other practices of living nonviolently on this beautiful Earth.

As we commemorate Earth Day on April 22, we are called upon to recommit to protecting our planet to ensure that the human species and our fellow beings will have a long-term future. Founded in 1970, Earth Day is an internationally celebrated day, honoring the natural systems of the planet, and a day of action in support of climate protection. The commemoration was first proposed by two different people, peace activist John McConnell, who created the iconic Earth Flag, and Senator Gaylord Nelson.

In an era of climate crisis, Earth Day reminds us of the urgency and importance of transforming our way of life . . . today! One resource for this is to reimagine these times as an epochal period of

wear that he could use for distance sight as well as for reading. He actually saw his dad and his wife's faces clearly for the first time in his life.

The cost for this new technology is \$15,000. This is why they are reaching out for the help of many individuals.

Jeff's ultimate goal is to be able to purchase and be using E-sight I wear by June 3. This date is important to him because not only will he be able to fully see his son's baseball games for the first time, but it is the date of his daughter's high school graduation. He would like to be able to see his firstborn child walk across the stage and receive her diploma.

Jeff has worked for Meijer's for 22 years if you see him in the Maysville Road store say hi he's a great guy. Harlan Lions Club secretary Mike Downey

great change, one that many people are calling the Great Turning.

The Great Turning is a phrase popularized by teachers and writers Joanna Macy and David Korten that describes our current time period as a massive shift from the industrial growth society to a life-sustaining civilization. We may not make this transition in time to prevent catastrophic climate change . . . but billions of people around the globe are engaged in the three types of actions that support the Great Turning.

These three types of actions are:

Holding actions to slow the destruction of human-based systems on the Earth and other beings. These activities include all the political, legislative, and legal work required to reduce the destruction, as well as direct actions--blockades, boycotts, civil disobedience, and other forms of noncooperation and nonviolent intervention.

These are important to stop the worst of the destruction, but they are not enough on their own; they must be supported by . . .

Creating new systems that support a life-affirming society, including local agriculture, reducing meat consumption, switching to renewable energy, creating mass transit systems, watershed protection and restoration, cooperative housing and eco-villages. And, to support the movement toward these visionary goals, it is also necessary to engage in . . .

Shifting beliefs away from old concepts of domination, separateness, greed and destruction. We must move towards new understandings of interconnection, general and living systems theory, deep ecology, cooperation, and collaboration.

The three dimensions of the Great Turning are equally

vital. Look around your community and notice how many people are engaged in one or several aspects of this work! Question your own participation - how do you contribute? What more could you engage in? What excites and intrigues you? For the Great Turning to be successful, we need all hands on deck! How will you be a part of this historic moment?

Author/Activist Rivera Sun, syndicated by Peace-Voice, is the author of The Dandelion Insurrection and other books, and the Programs Coordinator for Campaign Nonviolence.

HEROIN USE, PRESCRIPTION DRUG MISUSE STILL CLIMBING IN OHIO

According to the Ohio Department of Health, nearly 2,500 Ohioans died from an unintentional drug overdose in 2014. This is a steep rise from 2003, when only 650 adults died from an overdose. Unintentional drug overdose became the leading cause of injury death in Ohio in 2007 and has continued to climb since then. In 2014, more than 80% of these drug overdose deaths were from opioid use—either the misuse of prescribed opioids or the use of heroin.

3 in 10 know someone who has misused pain drug, more than in 2014

The 2015 Ohio Health Issues Poll (OHIP) asked Ohio adults, "Thinking about your friends and family, have any of your family members or friends experienced problems as a result of abusing prescription pain relievers?" In 2015, 3 in 10 Ohio adults (29%) said yes. This is a steep rise since 2014 when only 2 in 10 Ohio adults (18%) said yes.

2 in 10 know someone who has used heroin

OHIP also asked Ohio adults if they had any family members or friends who had experienced problems as a result of using heroin. In 2015, more than 2 in 10 Ohio adults (22%) said yes. Only 14% of adults said yes in 2014.

Many know someone who overdosed OHIP asked adults who knew someone who had problems due to these drugs if they had any friends or family members who had overdosed. Four in 10 of these Ohio adults (40%) knew

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READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, The Rootbeer Stand, Agora, Pit-Stop

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, H2O, Senior Center

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

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Oakwood: Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, The Oakleaf, Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware

Paulding: Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Chief, Corner 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 Library, Financial Partners, Love's Travel Center, Feders

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someone who had overdosed due to a pain drug. For heroin, that percentage was nearly 6 in 10 (56%).

Problem spans race, sex, region; steep rises since last year reported problems with these drugs varied little by sex, race or region. The percentage of adults who knew someone who had problems with prescription drugs rose in all regions since 2014. It also rose in all age groups except younger adults. The percentage of adults who knew someone who had problems

with heroin rose the most among adults ages 46 to 64 or older than 65.

Problems more likely among those with less education

Reported problems with these drugs did vary by education. Misuse of pain drugs and heroin use were both reported most frequently among adults with less than a high school education. However, the percentage of college graduates reporting both also rose dramatically since 2014.

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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

We took off this morning and headed up into Luxembourg to the area around the Snee Ifel, that is the area where all the German tanks were hiding when they started the Battle of the Bulge. We figured there will be some German tanks leaving the Bastogne area and trying to flee back into Germany.

We flew up to Bastogne and then east into that Snee Ifel area and we did find some tanks going east.

My first target was an older model tank. I swung out to my right and made a circle and came back and put a rocket right into the turret and it just blew it into pieces. I went on by and came back to that highway again, and I could see the other pilots had each got one tank.

I put a rocket right into the front of another old tank, and what an explosion! They have a lot less armor in front than the Tiger Tank series.

We went up to a few hundred feet altitude and looked around and discussed what to do now. We had destroyed several old tanks and we ran out of targets. We made up our minds to go west into Belgium and end up at Bastogne.

We went west following the main highway and we used our .50 caliber guns on some truck traffic. There was also some German Command Cars going east toward the homeland and we destroyed them also. The war was going bad now for Hitler.

We met a flight of P-47 Thunderbolts today, and they were all equipped with the 4 inch Jumbo Rocket. They are American planes, and I knew there were already a few of the R.A.F. planes armed with rockets. The rocket surely is a good tank destroyer. They surely helped to stop the German advance.

We spotted some Tiger Tanks at the east side of Bastogne, it looks like they were a rear guard for the other

tanks to leave Bastogne and go east to Germany. I guess I was a little nervous because my rocket hit the tank in the right rear and tore off part of the track and bogie wheels. Then I went on by and I heard Lt. Barnes say over the radio, "I got him for you!" Well, the tanks were standing still and we destroyed all four of them.

We stayed down low and we headed back to our air base. By golly, we had a pretty good day.

See Ya!



TRUMP THE BASHER - LEARNED WELL

By: Stan Jordan

In my way of thinking, Donald Trump has hit a new high in bashing people in his political endeavor to be President of the United States. He shoots from the hip and lets the chips fall where they may. He has brought his opponent's wife into the mud of politics. But, believe it or not, our fumbling forefathers used some degrading words back 200 years ago.

The New York Times has counted 200 times that Donald Trump has called people names. But, Thomas Jefferson accused Adams as suffering from "hideous hermaphroditical character, which has neither the force and firmness of a man, nor the gentleness and sensibility of a woman." Adams' supporters, in turn, called Jefferson, a "mean-spirited, low-lived fellow, the son of a halfbreed Indian squaw sired by a Virginia mulatto father."

Theodore Roosevelt called Woodrow Wilson "that Byzantine logothete, supported by all the flubdubs, mollycoddles and flapdoodle pacifists. This translates to a paper pusher, a guy who speaks non-sense and mollycoddle means to treat someone with kid gloves.

Thomas Paine, who wrote the "Rights of Man" and some of his critics, described him as horribly ugly, smelly, rude and relentlessly cruel causing his first wife's death by beating her when she was pregnant and abusing his second wife almost as badly, except

she wasn't his wife because he never consummated that marriage, preferring to have sex with cats!

Jefferson was accused of having sex with his slaves; centuries later it was proven that he did.

Ben Franklin wrote a column about sex advice in the 1700's and it was very risqué. Adams said of Franklin, "His whole life has been one continued insult to good manners and decency."

They called John Q. Adams a pimp, but he wasn't. They called Andrew Jackson, a bigamist, but he wasn't. Then they smeared Jackson's wife because she got married before her divorce was final. Then the opponents of Jackson got onto Jackson's mother and called her a common prostitute, brought into the country by the English soldiers. She, afterwards, married a mulatto and had several children and Jackson was one of them.

Oh yes, they got onto the wives also. They called Grant's wife cross-eyed, Mary Todd Lincoln spent too much money on clothes and she believed in reanches, Nellie Taft smoked, Reachel Jackson was fat. When Harding died in office, they claimed his wife poisoned him. Candidates use the word colored quite often. Cruz called Trump "a sniveling coward and leave Heidi the hell alone."

Grant, the 18th president, said of James Garfield, the 20th president, "he don't have the backbone of an angleworm!" When they quit talking about each other's backbones, they started on their brains.

John Adams said of Washington, that he is not a scholar, it's for certain, that he is illiterate, unlearned, unread for his station is beyond despair.

Republican candidates are falling all over themselves to admire Abe Lincoln. Abe was not considered very bright, a buffoon, ignoramus Abe, in a word meaning baboon, that was some of Abe's critics. Against Douglas in 1860, Lincoln said of Douglas, "his argument is as thin as homophath soup that was made by baiting the shadows of a starved pigeon," but the idea that Lincoln was uneducated, bordering on illiteracy followed him into the White House.

Trump has warned there might be riots if he is denied nomination. Well, back in 1912, backers of Teddy Roosevelt and that of Taft, brought bats, guns and dynamite to the convention floor. Yes, people say that has happened in the past, but that doesn't make it right or okay.

Norms and standards have changed now and leaders should change also. Our country is looked up to and our leaders should be also. A leader has a to be fit enough to lead.

See Ya!

ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REORGANIZATION CONTINUES

The AC of C committee to reactivate the organization met for the third time on April 13. Much progress has been made, with a business survey being the basis of information from which the committee will recommend changes to be approved by the entire body of the AC

of C in the near future. The survey revealed that Antwerp businesses appreciate and respect the efforts of the Chamber to help them attract people to Antwerp, along with needs and desires of local merchants. Participants have stepped forward to help serve as officers and workers at Chamber events, and new areas of service have been revealed to further assist local merchants. This new interest was inspired by an appeal from the same officers and core group of people who have been serving on the Chamber for many years.

New ideas evolving from the meetings have been to serve as a networking organization and to bring in business specialists to help educate local merchants in marketing, lowering costs of operation, promoting co-operation among local merchants and spotlighting local businesses. Educational and motivational speakers will be made available at meetings as well as social times and focus on local services. An appreciation banquet is being planned to honor our local businesses in the near future. Also, the Chamber is planning to put on the Day In The Park on the second Saturday in August as always. Subway donated gift certificates at the last meeting, and Marilyn's Flower Shop will give away a bouquet of flowers at the next committee meeting in a door prize drawing. If you are interested in promoting Antwerp merchants and our community, please attend. Or call 419- 258-1985 for more information.

The next Committee meeting will be held at the Essen House, April 27, at 12:30 p.m. Come early and have your lunch. In the next two weeks the committee will be communicating via email with each other to pinpoint specific items of action to take immediately with Chamber whole body approval. Appreciation has been expressed by all to the current Chamber Officers: Shawn Dooley, President; Brian McLaughlin, V. President, and Cheryl Lichty, Secretary/Treasurer, and to the past officers and core working group for assisting local businesses and making Antwerp a better place to live.

ANTWERP ROTARY FREE CPR CLASS

Antwerp Rotary has teamed with the Lutheran Thrivent Group and Antwerp EMS to offer American Red Cross CPR certification class free of charge to Antwerp residents. The last class is scheduled for Monday, May 2 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Antwerp EMS building. To register, email your name, address and working phone number to: antwperprotary@gmail.com. Space is limited.

REMINDER OF HYDRANT FLUSHING IN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP

The Village Utility Department in Antwerp 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

THE CEMENT CRUSHER



The above picture shows the huge machine crushing up the cement floor of what used to be the River Street Market.

Ben Kauser is the man in charge of this whole operation of cleaning up the debris left from the fire at the River Street Market.

This machine belongs to a company from Ottawa. It has a diesel engine of hundreds of horsepower.

Ben's excavator will pick up the pieces of cement and drop them into the crusher. The crusher can handle a piece of concrete up to about 3 feet square and chew it up and spit it out. Now, the machine here has a powerful magnet under the belt and it will separate the metal from the concrete. Then a CAT with a blade will move all the loose particles back to where the floor was and level it off.

PPEC GETTING CLOSER TO \$70,000 HONOR FLIGHT GOAL



Kalida Telephone Company Employees from left to right: Chris Phillips, Stacey Birkemeier, Doris Rampe, Joyce Grote



Vietnam Veterans of America, Defiance from left to right: Dan Wilder, Aaron Stevens, PPEC Employee Renee Boss, and Ric Booher

Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op gets closer to raising \$70,000 for their Honor Flight Fundraiser. So far, \$51,000 has been raised in an effort to sponsor an entire flight out of Fort Wayne International Airport. 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. Truck Raffle tickets are \$100.00 and the winner will be announced June 4th at PPEC's office at noon. PPEC recently accepted donations from Kalida Telephone Company for \$500.00 and another \$500.00 from Vietnam Veterans of America out of Defiance, Ohio.

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

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Mrs. Chelsea Miller's first grade math students at Grover Hill Elementary are practicing telling time to the hour and half hour. They really enjoyed making a large watch to demonstrate the time.

L-R Front: Zach Stoller, Cole Manz, Stefany Lopez, Logan Schnepf, Colton Kimmel, Konner Clemens, Bella Cutright and Braxton Merriman.

L-R Back: Noah Schlatter, Corbin Varner, Caleb McClure, Amber Stoller, Hayden Warren, Roman Delong, Campbell Volk, David Fiedler and Alex Doster.

BRIAN STEEL PRESENTS "IMPAIRED PERCEPTIONS"

Brian Steel's "Impaired Perceptions" will be on display at Mount Vernon Nazarene University's Schnormeier Gallery May 4 to June 24. A reception for the show will be held on Friday, May 6, from 6:00 -9:00 p.m.

Brian Steel was born with short fiber syndrome, meaning he has small and weak skeletal muscles. In his show, "Impaired Perceptions," Steel presents a series of black and white portraits of himself and other physically impaired people. The purpose of these portraits is to bring false social perceptions to light.

Steel explains, "I knew my body from birth, but... my biggest handicap is how others react to it. Some of my subjects have physical

impairments that are not visible, which further challenges the notion that seeing is believing. My work strives to confront socially constructed perceptual fallacies that misrepresent people who are considered physically 'different.' It challenges the viewer to examine their own perceptions and make any necessary corrections."

Steel's work will be on display at Schnormeier Gallery weekdays from noon to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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GIRLS TRACK TAKE WIN AT PANTHER FIELD

On April 12th, the Paulding Panthers played host to Lincolnview and Continental in high school track & field action.

BOYS:

Team - 1st Lincolnview (L) 91, 2nd Paulding (P) 42.5, 3rd Continental (C) 37.5

Shot Put - 1st Adams, L, 36'9"; 2nd Crow, L, 35'0"; 3rd Matthews, L, 32'5"; 4th Sanchez, P, 31'3"

Discus - 1st Adams, L, 104'5"; 2nd Crow, L, 96'9"; 3rd Horstman, P, 87'10.25"; Slattman, C, 83'7.5"

High Jump - 1st Blankemeyer, L, 6'10"; 2nd Neat, L, 5'10"; 2nd Recker, C, 5'10"; 3rd Riethman, P, 5'4"; 3rd Mason, C, 5'4"

Pole Vault - 1st Lothamer, P, 10'6"; Krendl, C, 10'; Kester, P, 9'6"

200m Dash - 1st Bowers, C, 23.8; 2nd Rager, L, 24.1; 3rd Keller, C, 25.0; 4th Goings, P, 25.9

110m Hurdles - 1st Blankemeyer, L, 15.3; 2nd Robey, L, 21.4

100m Dash - 1st Blankemeyer, L, 11.4; 2nd Ingol, P, 11.6; 3rd Bowers, C, 11.8; 4th Keller, C, 11.9

800m Run - 1st Neate, L, 2:10.9; 2nd Snyder, L, 2:15.3; 3rd Williams C, 2:16.4; 4th Elick, L, 2:21.1

1600m Run - 1st Tow, L, 4:53.3; 2nd Recker, C, 5:05.8; 3rd Bowersock, L, 5:06.0; 4th Elick, L, 5:06.2

3200m Run - 1st Tow, L, 10:51.4; 2nd Krendl, C, 11:23.9; 3rd Keysor, L, 11:25.2; 4th Pracht, P, 11:40.6

400m Run - 1st Keller, C, 55.5; 2nd Ludwig, L, 56.7; 3rd Pracht, Pa, 57.8; 4th Arend, P, 59.6

300m Hurdles - 1st Blankemeyer, L, 43.00; 2nd Goings, P, 49.7; 3rd Clapsaddle, P, 51.3; 4th Robey, L, 52.00

1600m Relay - 1st Lincolnview 3:50.4; 2nd Continental 3:50.9

Long Jump - 1st Ingol, P, 18'3"; 2nd Mason, C, 17'2.5"; 3rd Morrison, C, 16'5.5"; 4th Arend, P, 5'6"

3200m Relay - 1st Lincolnview 8:54.3; 2nd Paulding A 9:22.7

800m Relay - 1st Paulding 1:41.2; 2nd Lincolnview 1:49.4

400m Relay - 1st Paulding A 47.9; 2nd Lincolnview 49.7

GIRLS:
Team - 1st Paulding 82; 2nd Lincolnview 59; 3rd Continental 28

Shot Put - 1st Nusbaum, P, 30'3.5"; 2nd Coil, P, 26'9"; 3rd Matthews, L, 26'2"; 4th Powell, P, 26'0"

Discus - 1st Bradford, C, 84'8.5"; 2nd Clapsaddle, P, 78'1.25"; 3rd Nusbaum, P, 73'8.5"; 4th Coil, P, 72'4"

High Jump - 1st Razo, P, 4'6"; 2nd Bradford, P, 4'6"; Thatcher, L, 4'

Long Jump - 1st Plummer, P, 13'6.5"; 2nd Weller, P, 11'1.5"; 3rd Karlstadt, P, 10'7"; 4th Welch, L, 10'4"

200m Dash - 1st Langdon, L, 28.4; 2nd Stahl, P, 28.7; 3rd Campbell, L, 29.7; 4th Katalenas, L, 30.6

100m Dash - 1st Myers, P,

13.5; 2nd Weller, P, 14.1; 3rd Klausung, L, 14.4; 4th Campbell, L, 14.6

100m Hurdles - 1st Lawhorn, C, 17.3; 2nd Plummer, P, 17.9; 3rd Thatcher, L, 18.8; 4th Keefer, C, 22.2

800m Run - 1st Gorman, L, 2:31.6; 2nd Bradford, C, 3:03.3; 3rd Brzozowski, C, 3:04.7; 4th Ringler, P, 3:04.8

1600m Run - 1st Byrne, L, 6:00.5; 2nd Bradford, C, 6:20.9; 3rd Brzozowski, C, 6:48.4; 4th Dickson, L, 7:10.6

3200m Run - 1st Byrne, L, 12:49.6; 2nd Panico, P, 16.39.7

400m Run - 1st Gorman, L, 1:02.5; 2nd Langdon, L, 1:04.3; 3rd Collier, C, 1:12.3; 4th Katalenas, L, 1:13.0

300m Hurdles - 1st Lawhorn, C, 54.00; 2nd Weller, P, 58.2; 3rd McMichael, P, 1:05.0

Pole Vault - 1st Harwell, P, 8'6"; 2nd Salinas, P, 8'; 3rd Leaman, P, 6'6"

1600m Relay - 1st Lincolnview 4:32.2; 2nd Paulding 4:44.3

3200m Relay - 1st Lincolnview 11:02.5; 2nd Paulding 12:56.9

800m Relay - 1st Paulding 2:00.0; 2nd Lincolnview 2:01.7

400m Relay - 1st Paulding 54.7; 2nd Lincolnview 57.3

FAIRVIEW ATHLETIC RESULTS

The jh boys and girls track teams both won their first meet April 11, at Tinora vs Archbold.

Results were:

Girls: FV 68, Archbold 51, Tinora 32

Placing first : Riley Mealer 100 H; Kendall Baker 100M

4x1relay: Linda Arend, Michel Marshall, Hallie Hart, Kendall Baker Karrie Smith 400

4x2 relay: Linda Arend, Hallie Hart, Audrey Hug, Emily Singer Ashton Gessner -discus; Riley Mealer long jump; Kendall Baker pole vault

Boys: FV 72, Archbold 54, Tinora 29

Caleb Frank 100m; Treyvon Hastings 1600m; 4x1 relay: Russ Zeedyk, Caleb Frank, Doug Rakes, Noah Hagerman, Brayden Kolb 400, Luke Timbrook 800; 4x4 relay: Rakes, Kolb, Hastings, Hagerman, Trevor McMahon - high jump

The boys and girls track teams both placed first at the Eisenhart Invitational April 12.

Individual winners for the girls: Logan Posey- High Jump; Lexi Johns- Pole Vault; Emily Culler- Long Jump; Allison Vetter- 400 meters; Allison Schwarzbek- 300 hurdles (new meet record); Katie Crites- 800 meters (new meet record)

4x400 Relay: Allison Vetter, Chyanne Retcher, Katie Crites, Allison Schwarzbek, Allison Schwarzbek was the meet MVP

Individual winners for boys: Alex Sliter- Pole Vault and 100 meters; Paul Arend-Discus; Austin Johnson- 800 meters; Shamar Midgett- 3200 meters

4x100 Relay: Thomas Vance, Eric Culler, Patrick Voirol, Alex Sliter

4x200 Relay: Thomas Vance, Alex Sliter, Patrick Voirol, Lane Kolb

4x400 Relay: Thomas Vance, Austin Johnson, Garrett Carpenter, Lane Kolb

4x800 Relay: Jaxon Hart, Shamar Midgett, Lane Kolb, Austin Johnson

PAYNE ELEMENTARY'S WILLIAMS WINS COLORING CONTEST



Pictured are Dr. Carl Jeffery, Dr. Jessica Jeffery-Mohr, Principal Jody Dunham and Monica Williams.

Jeffery-Mohr Dentistry of Van Wert is very happy to announce that Monica Williams of Payne Elementary is a \$20 winner of the coloring contest to celebrate National Children's Dental Health Month. Isabel received a \$20 gift certificate to Wal-mart Supercenter for her great drawing. The entire school was very excited to learn that she won the gift certificate.

During the month of February and March, Dr. Jessica Jeffery-Mohr visited the local area schools and the children

received kits that included a sticker, pencil, and a toothbrush. During the program, the kids met her friend B.G. Roo, the kangaroo tooth fairy, who showed the kids how to brush correctly and how to be a great patient at the dental office.

The contest included preschoolers to first graders from 14 different schools around the area. There were 1079 who participated in the coloring contest and 1327 dental kits were given to the kids during the program!

THE DENIM JUNGLE DONATED TO GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY



Recently, Cathy Taylor stopped by Grover Hill Elementary to donate the book, The Denim Jungle. The author of the book is former Grover Hill Student, Angela Taylor Hylland. Angela wanted a book donated to her elementary school that helped to foster her love of reading. Pictured here: Author Angela Taylor Hylland's mother Cathy Taylor reading to Caleb McClure, Campbell Volk and Cole Manz.

WAYNE TRACE SOFTBALL VS OTTAWA GLANDORF

First game - Wayne Trace 17, Ottawa Glandorf 6

Ottawa Glandorf - 0 0 0 6

0=6, 14H, 1E

Wayne Trace - 9 3 5 0

x=17; 11H, 2E

Winning Pitcher - Maggie Crosby (5 innings, 14 hits, 6 runs, 1 strikeout, 0 walks)

Losing Pitcher - K. Yoder (1 inning, 7 hits, 9 runs, 1 strikeout, 4 walks)

Other OG Pitchers - B. Kramer, K. Bellman

Wayne Trace Hitters - Brooke Sinn (single, triple), Megan Moore (two singles), Natalie Torman (single), Maggie Crosby (single), Sydney Critten (single), Madison Zartman (single), Alex Fast (two singles)

OG Hitters - B. Klemann (single), J. Gerdeman (single), B. Beach (single), K. Kuhlman (single), E. Enesser (two singles)

Wayne Trace is now 7-0 on the season.

Second game - Wayne Trace 2, Ottawa Glandorf 1

Ottawa Glandorf - 0 0 1 0

0 0 0=1; 6H, 0E

Wayne Trace - 0 1 1 0 0 0

x=2; 8H, 0E

Winning Pitcher - Madison Zartman (7 innings, 6 hits, 1 run, 1 strikeout, 0 walk)

Losing Pitcher - K. Bellman (6 innings, 8 hits, 2 runs, 6 strikeouts, 4 walks)

Wayne Trace Hitters - Megan Moore (single), Carrie Thrasher (single), Natalie Torman (single), Maggie Crosby (single), Sydney Critten (single), Madison Zartman (single), Alex Fast (two singles)

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PARKVIEW SPONSORS ALL-STAR CLASSIC

On Sunday, April 18 Parkview Sports Medicine held their annual All Star Classic at the Antwerp High School with combined teams from the area and visiting Ohio vs Indiana in boys and girls basketball. A 3 point competition and a half-time dunk contest both took place in this fun cross-state line event.

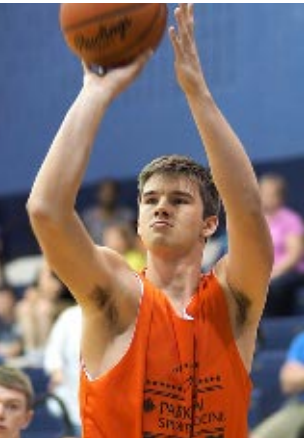
The Ohio girls players were: Kiana Recker, Antwerp; Audrie Longardner, Antwerp; Avery Braaten, Antwerp; Claire Zaleski, Crestview; Emily Bauer, Crestview; Ashton Bowersock, Lincolnview; Samantha Meggison, Paulding; Morgan Magowan, Van Wert; Courtney Mead, Wayne Trace; Erin Mohr, Wayne Trace. On the Indiana side of the line players were: Jessica Franke, Heritage; Daisha Green, Leo; Morgan Sanderson, Leo; Cindy Groen, South Adams; Madison Morgan, South Adams; Skylar Zuber, South Adams; Hailey Lasch, New Haven; Kenzie Salzbrenner,



Girls Three point champion was Audrie Longardner from Antwerp. More pictures at westbendnews.net



Woodlan's Andrew Krahn was named Boys MVP (Indiana) after scoring 21 points in the game. More pictures at westbendnews.net



Leo's Dylan Barrow was named Boys Three Point Contest Winner. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Woodlan. The game started off with Ohio taking an early lead, and the first half ended with the eastern team keeping half at 24-13 with points spread across the entire team.

The second period continued with Ohio still doing well and Erin Mohr shined and eventually taking the girls MVP. On the Indiana side, the game completely changed and they took back scoring more points than Ohio for the period. Daisha Green became the MVP for this side scoring 12 points and making a big difference in the game. Though they earned 24 points, it wasn't enough to compensate for the lack of score in the first period, and Ohio won 44-37.

Between games was the 3 point contest and Audrie Longardner won, though it



Sam Williamson of Antwerp wins the Slam Dunk contest on Sunday afternoon at the Indiana Ohio Parkview Sports Medicine game. More pictures at westbendnews.net



The Ohio Girls Team Champions. More pictures at westbendnews.net

was close when she tied the first round with Emily Bauer and they had to go again.

On the boys side of the 3 point contest was Dylan Barrow taking home the trophy.

The Ohio Boys Roster included: Sam Williamson, Antwerp; Josh Longardner, Antwerp; Connor Lautzenheiser, Crestview; Cody Mefferd, Crestview; Nathan Owens, Crestview; Hayden Ludwig, Lincolnview; Trevor Neate, Lincolnview; Alex Arellano, Paulding; Chandler Adams, Lincolnview; Luke Miller, Wayne Trace; Alec Vest, Wayne Trace.

The Indiana roster included:

Trace Bauer, Belmont; Sam Aimsforth, Belmont; Blake Williams, Woodlan; Andrew Krahn, Woodlan; Jacque Jacquay, Heritage; Billy Lowmow, Heritage; Kray Klopfenstein, Leo; Dylan Barrow, Leo; Luke Voirrol, Adams Central; Jonah Tijerina, Adams Central.

The game started with Indiana taking a very strong early lead. It looked like the game would be a blowout. Towards the latter half of the first period Ohio started coming back with lots of help by Connor Lautzenheiser, who later became MVP for Ohio, and by the half

looked pretty good. Indiana led at half with 54-46.

During the half was the boys slam dunk contest. There were very impressive players and the dunks looked great. By the end, Sam Williamson had the top score in dunking with the stars.

The second half of the state line boys game was reversed with Ohio taking charge and leading the period by 4 points at the end, but it was not enough to compensate for the deficit in the first and the game was won by Indiana, 89-85

Altogether, it was a great time of fun for these seniors on both sides of the line.

WOODLAN WINS BY NEARLY 100 POINTS

PAR 36
South Side: K. Rattie 76, E. Masten 86, B. High 82, J. Graham 78; Total 322
WHS: C. Pettyjohn 49, Z. Weitfeldt 55, K. Vance 59, C. Stocksdale 62; Total 225

ANTWERP ARCHER BASEBALL RESULTS FOR 4/12/16

Antwerp 2 Holgate 1
Defense
Winning Pitcher for Antwerp was Dylan Peters (1-1) 7 innings pitched, 4 hits, 1 run, 9 Ks
Offense (Antwerp)
Josh Poulson - 3 for 3 with three singles & 2 stolen bases
Trey Mills - 1 for 3 with a double (Hit in game winning runs), 2 RBIs

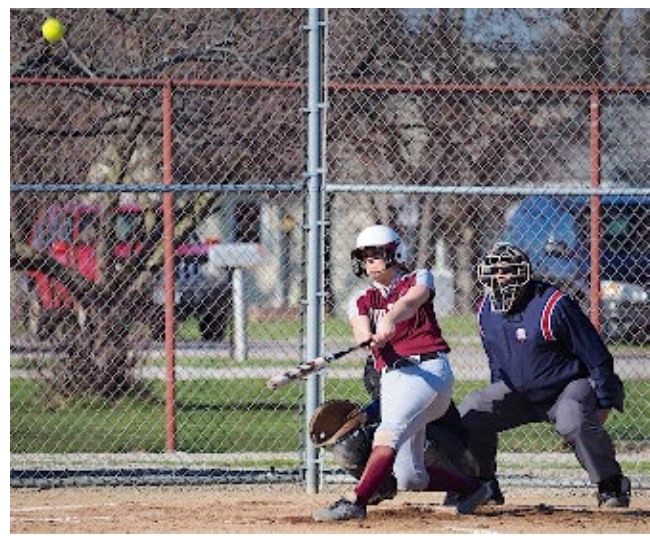
BASEBALL: WAYNE TRACE VS HOLGATE

Wayne Trace: 2 0 1 4 0
0 0 = 7 runs, 8 hits, 6 errors
Holgate: 0 2 2 0 3 2 x =
9 runs, 4 hits, 2 errors
Winning Pitcher - Jack Clady (3-1/3 innings, 2 hits, 0 runs, 5 strikeouts, 1 walk)
Other Pitcher - Dylan Szabo
Losing Pitcher - Alec Vest (1 inning, 0 hits, 2 runs, 2 walks)
Other Pitchers - Austin Winebrenner, Jake Baksa
Wayne Trace Hitters - Korbin Slade (four), Austin Fast (two), Noah Stoller (one), Luke Miller (one)
Holgate - Bailey Hohenberger (two), Trey Jones (one), Dylan Szabo (one)

SOFTBALL: WAYNE TRACE VS HOLGATE

Wayne Trace - 2 5 1 2
0=10; 14H, 0E
Holgate - 0 0 0 0 0=0; 2H, 1E
Winning Pitcher - Maggie Crosby (5 innings, 2 hits, 0 runs, 7 strikeouts, 0 walks)
Losing Pitcher - Bailey Plott (5 innings, 14 hits, 10 runs, 2 strikeouts, 3 walks)
Wayne Trace Hitters:
Alex Fast (single); Sydney Critten (two singles, double); Kalin Gerber (single); Madison Zartman (two singles); Carley Wright (double, home run); Maggie Crosby (single, double); Carrie Thrasher (double); Natalie Torman (two singles)
Holgate Hitters: Sarah Niese (single); Kacee Theisen (single)
Wayne Trace is 4-0 overall, 2-0 in the Green Meadows Conference

LADY PANTHERS DEFEAT MONTPELIER



Paulding's Kelsey Beck hit an amazing 2 home runs over the fence and scoring every time she was at bat in this game. Seen in this picture is Kelsey nailing this ball over the centerfielder's head. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Montpelier traveled to Paulding and went home with a loss 2 to 5
Montpelier 200 000 0 -- 2
Paulding 130 100 x -- 5
Prekop 1, M. Schilt 1, Paulding Scorers: K. Beck

ANTWERP TAKES WIN IN SIXTH INNING



Lindsay Bok hits the ball in the sixth inning driving other players further on the bases. The game was tied until the bottom of the sixth when the Lady Archers drove in four more and winning 8-4. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Antwerp played Lincolnview at home and won 8 to 4.
Pitching Antwerp: C.Perry-7 innings, 8 strikeouts. 5 hits, 1 walk
Batting Antwerp: C. Franklin - double, single, 2 RBIs; R.McCrosky - double, single, 2 RBIs; H.Smith - 2 singles, RBI, stolen base; C.Perry - 2 singles, RBI; E.Phillips - 2 singles, stolen base; B.Hatlevig-sac, RBI; C.Johanns and B.Johanns-single

Pitching Lincolnview: M.Ashbaugh - 6 innings 4 strikeouts, 12 hits, 1 walk
Batting Lincolnview: M.Ashbaugh - 2 doubles, single, rbi; Ma.Miller - 2singles
Runs by inning:
Antwerp 1 (0) 2 (0) 3 (4) 4 (0) 5 (0) 6 (4)
Lincolnview 1 (1) 2 (1) 3 (1) 4 (1) 5 (0) 6 (0) 7 (0)
Antwerp's record is now 3-2

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WAYNE TRACE GIRLS WINS IN LAST INNING AGAINST BULLDOGS



Wayne Trace's Natalie Torman from the centerfield catches two hits from Edgerton in a row and ending the top of the inning, bringing the Raiders up to bat. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Edgerton 000 000
 0 = 0 runs, 5 hits, 1 error
 Wayne Trace 000 00
 0 2 = 2 runs, 6 hits, 2 errors
 Winning Pitcher - Maggie Crosby (7 innings, 5 hits, 0 runs, 3 strikeouts, 0 walks)
 Losing Pitcher - S Slesman (6-2/3 innings, 6 hits, 2 runs, 2 strikeouts, 2 walks)
 With one out in the seventh, Kalin Gerber singled. One out later, Carrie Thrasher singled to put runners at first and second. Natalie Torman tripled with two outs to score

Gerber and Thrasher for the Raider victory.
 Wayne Trace is now 3-0 overall, 1-0 in the Green Meadows Conference.
 Edgerton Hitters - H Slesman (two singles), C Whitman (single), M Rowe (single), M Miller (single)
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Carrie Thrasher (single), Maggie Crosby (single), Carley Wright (single), Natalie Torman (triple), Sydney Critten (single), Kalin Gerber (single)

PAULDING SOFTBALL VS DELPHOS JEFFERSON

Delphos Jefferson lost to Paulding 1 to 14.
 Score by the Inning:
 DJ - 000 10=1
 Paulding - 232 7 x=14
 Jefferson Scorers: C. Thompson 1
 Paulding Scorers: Beck 3, Manz 1, Dominique 1, Schilt 2, Andrews 1, Lucas 2, Arellano 1, Andrews 1
 Losing Pitcher: Thompson (4 innings, 14 runs, 10 hits)
 Winning Pitcher: Manz (5 innings, 1 run, 2 hits)

Paulding Scorers: Edwards 2, Egnor 2, Sitton 1, Johanns 2, Doster 2, Arellano 1, Martinez 1, McGarvey 1, Miller 1, Mourey 1, Cook 1
 Losing Pitcher: Stockwell (2 innings, 8 hits, 13 runs, 4 strikeouts)
 Winning Pitcher: Egnor (5 innings, 0 hits, 0 runs, 9 strikeouts)

PAULDING SOFTBALL AT PARKWAY

Paulding girls took a loss against Parkway 14 to 15.
 Paulding - 000 17 2 4=14
 Parkway - 330 511 2=15
 Paulding scorers: Beck 3, Manz 1, Dominique 2, Pieper 1, Schilt 1, Andrews 2, Lucas 2, Andrews 1, Arellano 1

PAULDING BASEBALL VS DELPHOS JEFFERSON

Paulding won their game against Delphos Jefferson 14 to 0.

lano 1
 Parkway scorers: Bates 3, Sipe 3, Slusher 3, Hawk 2, Gray 1, Lies 1, Haynes 1
 Losing Pitcher: Schilt (6 innings, 18 hits, 15 runs, 3 strikeouts)
 Winning Pitcher: Henderson (7 innings, 12 hits, 14 runs, 5 strikeouts)

WAYNE TRACE IS NOW 5-0 ON THE SEASON

Score by the Inning:
 Wayne Trace - 000 002 2=4; 7H, 3E
 Continental - 012 000 0=3; 5H, 1E
 Winning Pitcher - Crosby (7 innings, 5 hits, 3 runs, 2 strikeouts, 2 walks)
 Losing Pitcher - Quigley (2 innings, 1 hit, 4 runs, 1 strikeout, 5 walks)
 Other Continental Pitcher - Logan (5 innings, 6 hits, 0 runs, 3 strikeouts, 3 walks)
 Wayne Trace Hitters: Wright (double); B Sinn (double)
 Continental Hits - all singles

FAIRVIEW BASEBALL FAIRVIEW VS WAYNE TRACE

Score by the Inning:
 Fairview - 010 610 2=10; 8H, 1E
 Wayne Trace - 003 200 0=5; 9H, 3E
 Winning Pitcher - Smith (6 innings, 7 hits, 5 runs, 10 strikeouts, 2 walks)
 Other Pitcher - Puffinberger
 Losing Pitcher - Toppe (3-1/3 innings, 2 hits, 7 runs, 4 strikeouts, 3 walks)
 Other Pitchers - Jerome, Noah Stoller
 Wayne Trace Hitters: Miller (home run, triple, single); Vest (home run); Jerome (two singles); Zuber (double)
 Fairview Hitters: Smith (two singles); Meyer (double)

BASEBALL: OTTOVILLE VS WAYNE TRACE

Score by the Inning:
 Wayne Trace - 000 10=1; 4H, 2E
 Ottoville - 209 0 x=11; 6H, 0E
 Winning Pitcher - Moorman (5 innings, 4 hits, 1 run, 10 strikeouts, 1 walk)
 Losing Pitcher - Zuber (2-1/3 innings, 4 hits, 8 runs, 4 strikeouts, 5 walks)
 Other Wayne Trace Pitchers - Toppe, Baumle
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Miller (single), Stoller (single), Jerome (single), Baumle (single)
 Ottoville Hitters - Fanning (double), Moorman (two singles), Schimmoeller (double)

BASEBALL: ANTWERP VS PAULDING

Score by the Inning:
 Paulding - 000 000 0 4=4
 Antwerp - 000 000 0=0
 Paulding Scorers: Egnor 1, Sitton 1, Miller 1, Doster 1
 Losing Pitcher: Peters (7 innings, 2 hits, 4 runs, 5 strikeouts)
 Other pitcher: Altimus
 Winning Pitcher: Martinez (8 innings, 4 hits, 0 runs, 7 strikeouts)

BASEBALL: HICKSVILLE VS PANTHERS

Score by the Inning:
 Hicksville - 100 030=4
 Paulding - 102 320 x=8
 Hicksville Scorers: Thiel

1, Neidhardt 1, Yoder 1, Hostetler 1
 Paulding Scorers: Edward 1, Egnor 4, Sitton 1, Johanns 1, Doster 1
 Losing Pitcher: Thiel (4 innings, 7 hits, 6 runs, 1 strikeout)
 Other pitchers: Perry
 Winning Pitcher: Johanns (5 innings, 6 hits, 4 runs, 6 strikeouts)
 Other pitchers: Cook, Egnor

VAN WERT SOFTBALL AT PAULDING

Van Wert traveled to Paulding and left with a win 10 to 7.
 Score by the Inning:
 Van Wert - 204 1030=10
 Paulding - 113 2000=7
 Van Wert Scorers: Stittsworth 1, Peebles 1, Brown 3, Steinecker, Bradford 1, Kennedy
 Paulding Scorers: Beck 1, Manz 1, Dominique 1, Schilt 1, Pieper 1, Trausch 1, Arellano
 Losing Pitcher: Dominique (6 innings, 12 hits, 10 runs, 5 strikeouts)
 Other pitchers: Schilt
 Winning Pitcher: Steinecker (7 innings, 13 hits, 7 runs, 3 strikeouts)

PAULDING SOFTBALL LOSSES TO TINORA IN CLOSE MATCH

Score by the Inning:
 Tinora - 001 0202=5
 Paulding - 101 1100=4
 Paulding loses to Tinora 4 to 5.
 Tinora scorers: Slattman 2, Pscodna 1, Brown 2
 Paulding Scorers: Beck 1, Schilt 1, Andrews 1, Arellano 1
 Losing Pitcher: Manz (7 innings, 8 hits, 5 runs, 7 strikeouts)
 Winning Pitcher: Ziptel (3 inninigs, 7 hits, 2 runs, 2 strikeouts)
 Other pitchers: Clemens, Helmke

ANTWERP ARCHER BASEBALL DEFEATED BY LANCERS

Score by the Inning:
 Antwerp - 310 0000=4
 Lincolnview - 610 300 0=10
 Winning Pitcher for Lincolnview was Jaden Youtsey (6 and 2/3 innings pitched, 12

TINORA TAKES ANTWERP GAME



Shown here is Junior Matt Jones pitching a fast ball to the Tinora batter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Antwerp 2 Tinora 20
 Defense
 Winning Pitcher for Tinora was Carson Detroy
 4 innings pitched, 2 hits, 2 runs, 5 Ks
 Losing pitcher for Antwerp was Hunter Noel
 Offense (Tinora)

Reid Anders - 4 for 5 with 1 double and 1 RBI; Mathias Grube - 2 for 3 with 1 RBI; Brevin Renollet - 2 for 4 with 2 RBIs
 Offense (Antwerp)
 Cole Seslar - 2 for 3 with 1 RBI; Michael Taylor - 1 for 2 with 1 RBI

HISTORIC SWINNEY HOMESTEAD OPEN HOUSE

Historic Swinney Homestead Open House will be Friday, May 6 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., 1424 W. Jefferson Blvd. The Homestead will be open free to the public, with early Americana music by Hearthstone Ensemble in the morning, refreshments, Bake Shop, Gift Shoppe, hand-arts display, Settlers, Inc. memberships. (260)637-8622. www.settlersinc.org
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EMA SEVERE WEATHER SAFETY POSTER CONTEST



Paulding Elementary would like to recognize the grade level winners who were selected to compete in the EMA Severe Weather Safety Poster Contest. The students are shown from left to right: Myrriah Manz - 1st grade; Malia Manz - 4th grade; Carlea Kuckuck - 5th grade; Blayze Vance - 3rd grade; Hayden Gill - 2nd grade.

OHIO TEENS CAN COMPLETE DRIVERS ED VIA MOBILE APP

Aceable, the mobile education software company that created the first state approved drivers ed mobile app in Texas, announced expansion and availability in Ohio. As of April 14, 2016, Ohio teens between the ages of 15 years and five months and 18 years old can fulfill their 24-hour classroom requirement on a mobile app. The app works on iOS and Android and allows students to learn how and when they want. Like all states, the written exam is within the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

Aceable's drivers ed app was designed to better meet the needs of busy teens and their parents. The curriculum includes fresh, funny content like videos and memes to appeal to a teen audience and unlike any other drivers ed courses in Ohio,

it offers and encourages parental involvement. Aceable is the only app where the parents can track their child's progress via the "parent" login and monitor how they are doing.

"The rapid adoption of our mobile-first drivers ed apps and web course illustrate teens are hungry for innovation, in an outdated industry," said Blake Garrett, CEO of Aceable. "Ohio is one of the largest driving states and has a sizable teen population, so it was a no-brainer to make it our next target market"

According to McKinsey, mobile learning and education is slated to be a \$38B industry by 2020. Aceable is already investing in the future of mobile learning and recognizes the benefits beyond just ease-of-use. In fact, according to a Department of Defense Mobile Learning study, participants believed that mobile course delivery provides many

benefits in regards to time management, convenience, lack of distraction and more concise information.

The company recently raised \$4.7 million and part of the growth strategy is to be available in all U.S. states that allow online drivers ed by the end of 2016. For states that don't allow online drivers ed, Aceable will be creating separate courses to teach kids the rules of the road, to help them get their permit. In the last 19 months since its initial launch, Aceable has scaled up to more than 100,000 users in Texas, Florida, California and Illinois, and has a consistent five star rating in the iOS and Android app stores with almost 800 reviews.

About Aceable

Aceable is the first mobile app that allows students the convenience of completing accredited driving courses on the go. Headquartered in Austin, Texas, Aceable's mission is to make drivers ed enjoyable and accessible to everyone by replacing boring classroom lectures with fun, educational content that's affordable and easy-to-use across all mobile platforms. The company is starting with drivers ed and plans on using the platform as the foundation for many types of education moving forward. For more information about Aceable, visit www.aceable.com.

ODOT HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION WEEK OF APRIL 18, 2016

The following is work scheduled to occur in the coming week on state high-

ways within the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 which includes the counties of Defiance, Paulding and Van Wert. For the latest in statewide construction visit www.ohgo.com.

Please contact us at 419-999-6803; rhonda.pees@dot.ohio.gov for information regarding highway construction in the area.

Defiance County

Ohio 15 (Clinton Street) on the bridge over the Maumee River in the city of Defiance may be restricted at times, one direction at a time, through the week for inspection of the bridge abutments and soil boring work. The restriction will occur generally between 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Work is being performed by Pro GeoTech, Cleveland.

Paulding County

U.S. 24 from the Indiana state line to the Defiance County line will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for maintenance of drainage structures. Work is being performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage.

Sealing of pavement cracks on overpass bridge structures will take place on the following routes throughout the county through the week. Work is being performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage:

- U.S. 127
- Ohio 49

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

Ohio 49 north of the village of Payne, between Road 94 and Road 96, closed March 21 for 60 days for a bridge replacement project. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 500 and Ohio 111 back to Ohio 49. Work is being performed by Vernon Nagel, Napoleon.

Van Wert County

U.S. 30, both directions, from Ohio 49 to Dutch John Road will be reduced to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks. Work is being performed by the ODOT Van Wert County maintenance garage.

U.S. 127 (Washington Street) between Fox Road and Ervin Road in the city of Van Wert closed April 11 for reconstruction and widening of the road. Access to local businesses is maintained. Traffic is detoured onto Ohio 81, Ohio 118, Ervin Road/Van Wert-Decatur Road, U.S. 224 and U.S. 30 back to U.S. 127. The closure will remain in place until fall. Work is being performed by Helms & Sons Excavating, Findlay.

BALLOT BOARD CERTIFIES THE MEDICINAL CANNABIS AND INDUSTRIAL HEMP AMENDMENT AS SINGLE BALLOT ISSUE

The Ohio Ballot Board today certified the proposed constitutional amendment known as the "Medicinal Cannabis and Industrial Hemp Amendment" as a single ballot issue.

Petitioners will now need to collect 305,591 signa-

PAULDING EMA PUTS NEW EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAILER INTO SERVICE



The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency recently put into service a new Emergency Response Trailer for hazardous material incidents. The trailer was purchased through EMPG Funds and Cost Recovery Monies from hazardous material incidents in the county. EMA Director Edward Bohn stated that when an incident occurs within Paulding County when hazardous materials are released and the local fire department(s) and EMA is called out to handle the incident, the party that is responsible, is also responsible for reimbursement. The fire department(s) are reimbursed for their costs for apparatus, personnel and equipment. The EMA gathers all the bills together and submit it to the insurance companies. Director Bohn said, "the monies paid to the EMA go into a Cost Recovery account, so that equipment used at the scene can be replaced. The supplies and equipment within the trailer

er were all purchased with cost recovery monies." The Emergency Response Trailer is equipped with a variety of absorbent materials such as 8" absorbent booms for materials in water ways, ditches, creeks and narrowing areas of the two rivers in Paulding County. Some of the other absorbent materials are absorbent pads, 3" absorbent socks and "Peatsorb", which is a lightweight non-biodegradable, natural organic absorbent made from 100% Canadian Sphagnum peat moss.

Other equipment on the trailer includes PPE (personal protective equipment). Level "B" Haz-Mat suits, various gloves of different materials, boots, hard hats and other PPE. The other tools, equipment and kits are all to be utilized in an Operations Level manner. The trailer will be taken around to the eight fire departments in the county to have the fire fighters and EMTs familiarize themselves with the equipment and locations on the trailer.



tures, 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 Senator Michael Skindell, State Representative Kathleen Clyde and Mr. William Morgan. Ballot Board meetings are open to the public.

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PAYNE ELEMENTARY APRIL SOM



Payne Elementary April Students of the Month. Front Row: Kyren Karhoff, Tyler Blankenship, Kaiden Suffel, Sapphire Ingle, Christopher Dilling, Mason Lee, Logan Lotz, Katelynn Bauer, Monica Williams; Back Row: Race Price, Jordan Banks, Kate Laukhuf, Emily Thrasher, Andrea Endicott, Brandy Miller, Brookelynn Lee, Skylar Zuber

WAYNE TRACE MARCH SOM



Wayne Trace JH-HS teachers recently nominated and voted upon March Students of the Month. Nominated students include: 7th: Dade Sanders, Wyatt Shelton, Jayden Moliator, 8th: Nathan Gerber, Nate Showalter, Bryan Coyne, 9th: Gracie Laukhuf, Brooke Greulach, 10th: Leah Maassel, Erica Mohr, Maggie Crosby, Gilly Wiseman, 11th: Monique Goings, 12th: Kenzie Clemens and Sydney Hofmann. Winners were shown above; Left to Right: Kenzie Clemens, Monique Goings, Gilly Wiseman, Gracie Laukhuf, Nate Showalter, and Wyatt Shelton. These students received a "Raider Pride - Pay Forward" t-shirt as part of their award.

NORTHWEST OHIO FISHING FORECASTS - TOP 5 INLAND LAKES FOR 2016

As the spring days grow warmer, more and more Ohioans will be venturing out to go fishing. Ohio offers many fantastic opportunities for the public to fish, including 124,000 acres of inland water, 7,000 miles of streams, 2.25 million acres of Lake Erie water, and 481 miles of the Ohio River, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR). Here are a few areas in northwest Ohio anglers may want to check out.

The ODNR Division of Wildlife has numerous resources available to assist anglers, including lake maps, fishing tips by species, and fishing forecasts based on survey data. New this year, is an interactive fishing map which allows anglers to select features to customize their own fishing maps for Ohio's inland lakes. The interactive map is even mobile friendly so anglers can access information

right on the water. For more information, click the fishing tab at wildohio.gov.

Black Bass
Clearfork Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties)- Ranks in the top 10 statewide for both the number and size of largemouth bass. Explore the western, shallow end for bass hiding among fallen trees and stumps. The reservoir features a multilane concrete ramp and docks, as well as a full-service marina. This is an unlimited horsepower lake with an 8 mph speed limit. Clearfork Reservoir is also one of the states premiere muskellunge lakes. For more information about this lake, visit wildohio.gov

Crappie
Pleasant Hill Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties)- Contains a large number of crappie, with good numbers of fish over 9 inches. Popular spots for fishing are along the rocky ledge on the southern shore, and small coves along the southern neck of the res-

ervoir. Focus on trees or logs lying in the water. The northern end becomes more popular in the summer as fish seek more cover. Pleasant Hill has an improved boat ramp with courtesy docks, an accessible fishing dock near the boat ramp. Check out the new interactive fishing map for depth contours and habitat information.

This lake is an unlimited horsepower lake that attracts a lot of water skiers and personal watercraft. Try fishing in the upper end of the reservoir when the recreational boating makes fishing difficult in the lower part of the reservoir.

Sunfish
Lake La Su An (Williams County) - The lakes and ponds on Lake La Su An Wildlife Area are managed for large populations of big bluegill (longer than 8 inches).

For the largest lake on the area, Lake La Su An, the east shoreline and the south shoreline directly across from the fishing dock are the best locations to start. Live bait such as waxworms or redworms will entice panfish to bite. This lake features a concrete boat ramp with a boat dock, plus an accessible fishing dock near the launch ramp. The lake is unlimited horsepower with a no wake restriction. Other ponds on the area have primitive boat ramps suitable for small boats. Fishing is available from early May through late summer on Monday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Please see the wildohio.gov for a full listing of the rules.

Channel Catfish
Bresler Reservoir (Allen County)- This upground reservoir offers good bank access for anglers of all ages. Look for channel catfish in deeper water using cut baits or night crawlers. For anglers fishing from boats, try fishing the submerged island area southwest of the boat ramp. The reservoir has an improved concrete ramp with dock, and is limited to electric motors only. Boats with larger motors can keep them tipped up and out of the water. Be aware of strong winds which can affect launching and landing boats.

Saugeye
Pleasant Hill Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties)- When possible fish the flat just outside the marina area which holds fish, as well as the area where the reservoir bends south to the dam. Saugeye fishing can also be good just off the beach area in 10 to 15 feet of water. Try fishing that area at night with a jig tipped with a live minnow near the bottom. There is an improved boat ramp with courtesy docks, plus an accessible fishing dock near the boat ramp. This lake is an unlimited horsepower lake that attracts a lot of water skiers and personal watercraft. Try fishing in the upper end of the reservoir when the recreational boating makes fishing difficult in the lower part of the reservoir. Check out other fishing tips by species page at wildohio.gov.

Yellow Perch
Findlay Reservoir No. 2 (Hancock County)- This reservoir offers some of the

best Buckeye State inland yellow perch fishing. Good numbers of large perch over 10 inches are caught every year. Shoreline fishing in the Spring and fall can be productive over the fish attraction structures. If fishing from a boat, start along the dike opposite of the boat ramp and move east. In summer, the deep water in the eastern part of the reservoir usually holds perch. When the reservoir is being filled, the area near the inflow on the northwest dike is usually good for a variety of species. Findlay No. 2 has an improved concrete ramp and launching dock. There is a 10 horsepower limit for gas motors. Wind is usually more intense on this reservoir due to its height. Be careful of the wind direction and speed before venturing out. For more fishing forecasts and a list of other top inland lakes by species, visit wildohio.gov

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UNITED WAY OF GREATER TOLEDO INVESTS IN THE GIRL SCOUT LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE AND THE COMMUNITY

The Girl Scout Leadership Experience encourages girls to discover themselves and their values, interests and skills; connect with others locally and globally; and take action to create sustainable solutions to issues of concern to them. This program aligns with United Way's Live United 2020 goals, centered on advancing education, income and health in our community," said Karen Mathison, president and CEO of United Way of Greater Toledo. "It's a pleasure and privilege to partner with Girl Scouts to deliver results that change lives of people in our community."

The Girl Scout Leadership Experience offers innovative and fun approaches to learning that directly complement all of the great work girls are already doing in school every day. Through a unique combination of grade level services, including girl-led, hands-on and small group/cooperative learning activities that are fun and enriching, girls build self-confidence, practice creative decision-making skills, and develop teamwork and real-world leadership abilities—all skills that will help girls succeed throughout school and life.

"By doing what they're interested in and deciding how to learn more, over 950 Lucas and Wood County girls are developing leadership skills that aren't offered by any other extracurricular activity," said Angela Tennaro, director of regional services for Girl Scouts of Western Ohio. "After participating in the Girl Scout Leadership Experience,

LOCAL BEEKEEPER VISITS ANTWERP ELEMENTARY



Jamie Walters, a local beekeeper from Defiance, recently visited Antwerp Elementary School and spoke to kindergarten and first grade students about honey bees. He showed the students a bee box, beekeeping tools, honeycomb, and even some real bees working!

DERBY SAYS BYE WITH "ANNIE"



Matt Derby's final show at New Haven High School has come and gone. He directed over 60 shows in over 30 years. This year's production was Annie, on March 18-20. What a great contribution has given to the New Haven High School community!

Some of the cast of Annie included: Annie — Claire Mooney; Warbucks — Xavier Mueller; Grace — Meredith Lancaster; Lily — Maryann Beck; Hannigan — Olivia Dorrolff; Rooster — D'aontae Figgs
www.newhavenbulletin.com



these girls will join thousands of other Girl Scouts in being prepared for student, work and life success as predicted by positive attitudes toward challenges, cooperative relationships and resourceful problem-solving." While Girl Scouts is open to all girls from kindergarten through grade 12, anyone over the age of 18 can become a Girl Scout volunteer. Girls cannot experience the positive impact of Girl Scouts without adult

volunteers, and each adult who volunteers has the opportunity to make a real difference in the life of a girl. Girl Scout volunteers come from all walks of life; they are men, women, young professionals, retirees, college students, and more. Both girls and adult volunteers can join at any time of the year. To join Girl Scouts or learn more about volunteering, please visit: gswow.org/join.

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CITY OF WOODBURN ACCEPTS PRINCE & PRINCESS NOMINATIONS

Woodburn Summerfest is gearing up for warm days in the sun on June 10-11, 2016. The committee is now accepting nominations for the Prince & Princess of Summerfest 2016. Nominees must be 4-6 years old. The first five entries will be accepted. The deadline is May 2, 2016. For more information, please call 260-632-5318 to register.

USDA ISSUES FINAL RULE EXTENDING NEW RELIGIOUS LIBERTY PROTECTIONS TO BENEFICIARIES OF FEDERALLY-FUNDED PROGRAMS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, along with other federal agencies, published a final rule that will provide new religious liberty protections for beneficiaries of federally funded social service programs, while also adding new protections for the ability of religious providers to compete for government funds on the same basis as any other private organization. For example, a beneficiary who participates in The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), or any other USDA service offered by a faith-based organization, must be notified in writing that he or she cannot be discriminated against based on religion, cannot be required to attend or participate in any privately funded religious activities that are offered separate from this federally funded program, and may request an alternative provider, if the beneficiary objects to the religious character of the organization. At the same time, the regulations require that all decisions about federal financial assistance be based solely on merit, without regard to an organization's religious affiliation or lack thereof. The regulations - which are being published after public notice and comment - formally implement Executive Order 13559.

"Here at USDA, we are grateful for partnerships that help us serve Americans in their time of need. Today's regulations not only protect the religious liberties of USDA customers, but also reflect the concerns of our community and faith-based partners," said Norah Deluhery, Director of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships at USDA. "Faith-based organizations support the delivery of critical safety nets that improve quality of life for many. Today's reforms will strengthen these services while reflecting the constitutional principles that define our nation."

For example, these final regulations:

Require the U.S. Department of Agriculture and other federal agencies to ensure all decisions about federal financial assistance are based solely

ly on merit, without regard to an organization's religious affiliation or lack thereof, and free from political interference, or the appearance of such interference.

Make clear that faith-based organizations are eligible to participate in USDA social service programs on the same basis as any other private organization.

Clarify what activities can and cannot be supported with direct federal financial assistance by replacing use of the term "inherently religious activities" with the term "explicitly religious activities" and providing examples of such activities.

Prohibit organizations that receive federal financial assistance for domestic social service programs from discriminating against beneficiaries, including denying services or benefits, based on religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice.

Require faith-based organizations that receive direct federal financial assistance to provide written notice of certain protections to beneficiaries of the program.

Specifically, an organization that receives direct federal financial assistance is required to give notice to beneficiaries that—

(1) The organization may not discriminate against a beneficiary based on religion, a religious belief, a refusal to hold a religious belief, or a refusal to attend or participate in a religious practice;

(2) The organization may not require a beneficiary to attend or participate in any explicitly religious activities that are offered by the organization, and any participation by the beneficiaries in those activities must be purely voluntary;

(3) The organization must separate in time or location any privately funded explicitly religious activities from activities supported by direct federal financial assistance;

(4) If a beneficiary or prospective beneficiary objects to the religious character of the organization, the organization will undertake reasonable efforts to identify and refer the beneficiary to an alternative provider to which the beneficiary does not object; and;

(5) A beneficiary or prospective beneficiary may report violations of these protections, including any denials of services or benefits, to the federal agency or intermediary administering the program.

While these regulations become effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register, recipients of federal financial assistance have until 90 days after publication in the Federal Register to satisfy the new obligations in the final regulations. For further information, visit the federal register notice.

PAULDING PRESCHOOLERS FIND WORM



Mrs. Kohart's afternoon preschool class at Paulding Elementary made a discovery as they were weeding their spring flower garden. They found a worm!! Since they are learning about habitats, they decided to make a worm habitat so they could observe some worms in their classroom as well.

ANIMAL RESEARCH REPORTS AT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY



5th and 6th grade students in Mrs. Casey Schlatter's ELA class at Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary recently completed animal research reports! Proudly displaying their animal shadowboxes are Front: Karlie Simindinger, Chloe Beining, Faith Meraz and Tyler Sinn. Standing: Rachel Stoller and Devin Huffine.

WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL WELCOMES INDIANA WILD



Indiana WILD visited each classroom and shared their animals with all of our students. Indiana WILD celebrates human-animal cultural connections through conservation, education, and exotic animal rescue.

continues to grow, the USDA organic seal has become a leading global standard. The increasing number of organic operations shows that USDA's strong support for the vibrant organic sector is helping to create jobs and opportunities in rural communities."

USDA REPORTS RECORD GROWTH IN U.S. ORGANIC PRODUCERS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced a significant increase in the number of certified organic operations, continuing the trend of double digit growth in the organic sector. According to new data, there are now 21,781 certified organic operations in the United States and 31,160 around the world.

"Organic food is one of the fastest growing segments of American agriculture," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "As consumer demand for organic products

According to data released by the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) National Organic Program (NOP), the number of domestic certified organic operations increased by almost 12 percent between 2014 and 2015, representing the highest growth rate since 2008 and an increase of nearly 300 percent since the count began in 2002. The total retail market for organic products is now valued at more than

\$39 billion in the United States and over \$75 billion worldwide.

Along with consumer demand for organics, increasingly they are asking for local foods. Under Secretary Vilsack, USDA has supported providing consumers a stronger connection to their food with more than \$1 billion in investments to over 40,000 local and regional food businesses and infrastructure projects since between 2009. Industry data estimates that U.S. local food sales totaled at least \$12 billion in 2014, up from \$5 billion in 2008. More information on how USDA investments are connecting producers with consumers and expanding rural economic opportunities is available in Chapter IV of USDA Results on Medium published today.

USDA has strengthened programs that support organic operations over the past seven years, helping to make organic certification more accessible, attainable, and affordable through a "Sound and Sensible" approach. This initiative includes streamlining the certification process, focusing on enforcement and working with farmers and processors to correct small issues before they become larger ones.

USDA has also established a number of resources to help organics producers find technical and financial resources to help them grow domestically and abroad. The site www.usda.gov/organic creates a one-stop-shop for operators, and USDA has made market and pricing information for approximately 250 organic products available free of charge through USDA's Market News. In 2015, USDA made more than \$11.5 million available to assist organic operations with their certification costs.

The NOP maintains the list of organic operations and leads activities that support organic integrity and market growth. In addition, USDA helps organic stakeholders access programs that support conservation, provide access to loans and grants, fund organic research and education, and mitigate threats from pests and diseases. USDA also administers organic certification cost-share programs that offset the costs of organic certification for U.S. producers and handlers.

The data announced are publicly available as part of the recently launched Organic Integrity Database, a modernized system for tracking certified organic operations.

In the past, USDA published an updated list of certified organic operations once each year. With the new database, made possible by the 2014 Farm Bill, organic certifiers can add new operations and report changes to existing operations at any time, allowing USDA to report updated counts of certified organic operations throughout the year. The modernized system will provide data for market research, enable stakeholders to identify market opportunities and make supply chain connections, support international verification of operator status to facilitate trade, and establish technology connections with certifiers to share more accurate and timely data.

Since 2009, USDA has focused significant and targeted investments in America's rural communities to bring transformative change to millions of rural businesses and families, demonstrating USDA's efforts to help farmers and ranchers bring their products to tables domestically and abroad, build critical infrastructure in America's rural areas, conserve our nation's natural resources through long-lasting partnerships, and continuously work toward improving the lives of all Americans. Those investments have blossomed across the United States with substantial results in the burgeoning bio-economy, an exploding local and regional food system, unparalleled investments in renewable energy, improved nutrition interventions for young people, historic partnerships in conservation and greenhouse gas reduction, and major contributions in rural infrastructure, among some.

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iAB FINANCIAL BANK PROMOTES CHANEY & McEOWEN TO VICE PRESIDENT

iAB Financial Bank is pleased to announce the promotions of Sherri S. Chaney to Vice President, Wealth Management Administrator and Travis D. McEowen to Vice President, Wealth Investment Manager.



Sherri Chaney has been with iAB since May of 2003. Her professional background includes over 35 years experience in the trust industry. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Organizational Leadership and Supervision from Purdue University. Additionally, she is a Certified Trust Financial Advisor, a Certified Securities Operations Professional as well as Series 7, 63 and Life and Health insurance licensed. Sherri dedicates time to various causes in her community, including Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, Fort Wayne Centers for Learning as well as being a member of the Finance and Leadership teams at St. Joe Community Church. In her spare time, she enjoys snow skiing, biking, reading and volunteering.



Travis McEowen has worked in the trust industry and investment management for over 17 years. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Finance from Olivet Nazarene University, as well as a Masters in Business Administration from Indiana Wesleyan University. Additionally, he is an Accredited Fiduciary Investment Man-

ager as awarded by the Canon Financial Institute and Center for Fiduciary Studies.

Travis enjoys giving back to his community and is an Investment Committee member for the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne and a Board Member for the Churubusco Church of the Nazarene. With his free time, Travis enjoys singing, playing instruments, outdoor sports and spending time with his family.

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.

BRYAN AREA BUSINESS WOMEN'S CLUB

Bryan Area Business Women's Club is a friendly group of professional women from NW Ohio. We meet at 6:00 p.m. once a month, September-June, to network, enjoy a delicious dinner, and hear inspiring local speakers. You don't have to live in Bryan or own a business to join.

Come visit. We'd love to get to know YOU! Meet us face-to-face at www.facebook.com/BABWC. For more information, please contact

Pegge Sines: 419-212-1588.

Bryan Area Business Women's Club is a nonprofit organization committed to promoting the importance of business and professional women in our communities. We seek to expand our personal and professional growth in a supportive environment. We meet to empower women in business and professional positions to attain economic, professional, and personal goals, and to influence the future of our communities.

BEGINNING BIRDING TOURS AVAILABLE

The Ohio Ornithological Society (OOS) is now accepting signups for guided beginner bird tours during the International Migratory Bird Day weekend, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

The OOS, in cooperation with the ODNR Division of Wildlife, will be conducting guided bird walks May 14 and 15 at Magee Marsh Wildlife Area. These outings are targeted at novice or new birding enthusiasts and help people

who are new to birding get better acquainted with the beauty of birds.

The walks on May 14 will be held at: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. and the walks on May 15 will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Walks are limited to 15 participants each and will be filled on first come, first served basis. To sign up, applicants should send an email to: marshmadness@ohio-birds.org. All emails should contain the applicant's name, phone number, date and requested time-slot. A return email will confirm the meeting place, date and time.

In 2011, there were an estimated 3.2 million wildlife watchers in Ohio. Approximately 48,000 out-of-state birders visited Ohio in 2011, with Lake Erie being the most popular destination. These groups spent more than \$843 million in Ohio in 2011 alone on supplies, lodging, gasoline, travel expenses, and food. A typical May can see 80,000 visitors from across the country come to Magee Marsh Wildlife Area to witness the spectacle of the spring migration. Magee Marsh Wildlife Area is listed as one of the top 10 bird watching spots in the country.

Birders and others who enjoy nature and want to help fund conservation in Ohio can now purchase the 2016 Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp. This year's collectible stamp features a Common Buckeye butterfly. The sale of the Ohio Wildlife Legacy Stamp benefits the Wildlife Diversity Fund, which is used to protect and manage wild animals and their habitats. The stamp may be purchased at wildohio.gov or any license agent.

OOS is a statewide organization devoted to fostering a deeper appreciation of birds, fellowship and collaboration in advancing our collective knowledge, and ability to speak with one voice to preserve Ohio's bird habitats.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

LETTER FROM A BIRMINGHAM JAIL: POIGNANT AND TIMELY

By: Rivera Sun

On April 16, 1963, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was sitting in a stark jail cell in Birmingham, Alabama, where he had been arrested for engaging in nonviolent

PTO PURCHASES U.S. PRESIDENTS BOOKS



Students at Grover Hill Elementary School have more books at the school this year due to the efforts of the school PTO. The Parent Teacher Organization purchased a set of United States Presidents books for the library. Sixth grade students from Mrs. Jessica Davis and Mrs. Trisha Beining's class would like to express their appreciation to the PTO!

direct action.

An ally had smuggled a newspaper into the jail that contained the recently published piece, A Call To Unity, written by eight local white clergymen who thought civil rights should be won in the courts, not in the streets. Dr. King began drafting his response on the margins of the newspaper - the only paper he was allowed at first. Later, a black trusty brought Dr. King some scratch paper. Dr. King's lawyers pieced the writing back together and prepared it for publication. It was widely published in 1963, and included in Dr. King's book, Why We Can't Wait, in 1964.

In Letter From A Birmingham Jail, Dr. King responded to criticisms of nonviolent direct action on religious, moral, legal, historical, and political grounds. He chastised the attitudes of the white clergymen, and other white progressives. He stated clearly the intentions of the movement, and wrote expressively and honestly about the cruel effects of racism and discrimination.

Some of our most widely recognized quotes from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. come from Letter From A Birmingham Jail, including, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

Dr. King concludes the letter by apologizing for its length, writing poignantly, "but what else can one do when he is alone in a narrow jail cell, other than write long letters, think long thoughts and pray long prayers?" He reaches out a hand of reconciliation to the eight clergymen, hoping they can meet in person one day, and saying, "Let us all hope that the dark clouds of racial prejudice will soon pass away and the deep fog of misunderstanding will be lifted from our fear drenched communities, and in some not too distant tomorrow the radiant stars of love and brotherhood will shine over our great nation with all their scintillating beauty."

Letter From a Birmingham Jail is as timely today as it was in 1963. The scourge of racism has not vanished; it has changed form. Segregation has ended, legally, but persists economically and socially. Many white allies find their stances eerily reminiscent of the eight Alabama clergymen as they rebuke Black Lives Matter over choices of tactics. And, the contemporary voices of African-American organizers share Dr. King's clarity about the scope of injustice

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY SPONSOR LEARNING IS AN ART



Oakwood Elementary sponsored "Learning is an Art" night on Thursday, April 7th. Performing a duet on their flutes are music teacher Mrs. Nancy Wehrkamp and one of her sixth grade students, Sophia Fisher.

PAULDING ELEMENTARY HOSTS ART SHOW



Paulding Elementary hosted an Art Show on Wednesday, April 13th. Showing off their musical talent at the event were fifth graders Carmen Reno and Cameron Laker as they perform a duet on their clarinets.

they face, and the importance of immediate action. Reading Letter From a Birmingham Jail with an eye on the past, the present, and the future is a powerful, challenging, and insightful experience. As we approach the anniversary of this historic letter, take the time to read, reflect, and find ways to engage with the ever-timely messages it contains.

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WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 4/20 - 4/26

HS Breakfast:
 4/20 - Mini pancakes, sausage, juice/fruit, milk
 4/21 - Cheese omelet/toast, juice/fruit, milk
 4/22 - Cinnamon roll, juice/fruit, milk
 4/25 - Sausage pizza, juice/fruit, milk
 4/26 - Egg/cheese muffin, juice/fruit, milk
HS Lunch:
 4/20 - Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll w/butter, cheese stick, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; Plus: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Pretzel w/cheese w/salad bar
 4/21 - Cheeseburger sandwich, french fries, baked beans, assorted juices, assorted canned and fresh fruit; Plus: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Breaded chicken sandwich w/ salad bar
 4/22 - Pizza bosco sticks, romaine lettuce salad w/dressing, cherry tomatoes, assorted canned and fresh fruit; Plus: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Cheeseburger sandwich w/salad bar
 4/25 - Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, dinner roll w/butter, assorted juices, assorted

canned & fresh fruit, milk; PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar
 4/26 - Pizza burger sandwich, sweet potato fries, baked beans, assorted juices, assorted canned and fresh fruit, milk; PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Breaded chicken sandwich w/ salad bar
E L E M E N T A R Y SCHOOLS:

Breakfast:
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Lunch:
 4/20 - Breaded chicken sandwich, green beans, dinner roll w/butter, fruit, milk
 4/21 - Chili soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, carrot & celery sticks w/dip, fruit, milk
 4/22 - Pizza bosco sticks, romaine lettuce salad w/dressing, cherry tomatoes, fruit, milk
 4/25 - Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes w/gravy, corn, dinner roll w/butter, fruit, milk
 4/26 - Pizza burger sandwich, sweet potato fries, cooked peas, fruit, milk

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS 4/20 - 4/26

4/20 - Grilled chicken on bun, green beans, pears, milk; Plus: Salad bar

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4/21 - Tex mex chili, baked fries, pineapple, milk; Plus: Salad bar

4/22 - Cheese rippers, tossed salad, applesauce, milk; Plus: Salad bar

4/25 - Fish on bun, peas, pineapple, milk; Plus: Salad bar

4/26 - Chicken fajita, tossed salad, pears, milk;

Plus: Salad bar

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 4/20 - 4/26

Jr/Sr High - Breakfast:
 4/20 - Sausage cheese biscuit, tater coins, juice/fruit, milk
 4/21 - Dutch waffle with fruit, juice/fruit, milk

4/22 - Sausage gravy with biscuits, juice/fruit, milk
 4/25 - Breakfast pizza, bacon & eggs, sausage, juice/fruit, milk
 4/26 - French toast stix, juice/fruit, milk
Jr/Sr High - Lunch:
 4/20 - Meatball sub OR Sub sandwich, oven potatoes; Toppings: Onions, pickles, tomato slices, lettuce, banana peppers, fruit, milk
 4/21 - Meatloaf, baked potato, broccoli w/cheese, biscuit OR Pretzel, marinara sauce, cheese cup, fruit, milk
 4/22 - Cheeseburger, bun, pickles, oven potatoes OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, fruit, milk
 4/25 - Pizza stix, green beans, marinara sauce OR Salad bar, garlic breadstick, fruit, milk
 4/26 - Buffalo or reg. popcorn, chicken salad, tomatoes, cheese breadstick OR Asstd entree items, pickles, oven fries, fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:
 4/20 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk
 4/21 - WG muffin, juice/fruit, milk
 4/22 - Assorted cereals, juice/fruit, milk
 4/25 - Warm cinnamon roll, juice/fruit, milk
 4/26 - Mini pancakes, fruit/juice, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Breakfast:
 4/20 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk
 4/21 - WG muffin, juice/fruit, milk
 4/22 - Assorted cereals, juice/fruit, milk
 4/25 - Warm cinnamon roll, juice/fruit, milk
 4/26 - Mini pancakes, fruit/juice, milk

Oakwood Elementary - Lunch:
 4/20 - Grilled chicken, wg bun, broccoli, carrot stix, fruit, milk
 4/21 - Hot dog, wg bun, mixed vegetable, celery stix, fruit, milk
 4/22 - Cheese pizza, corn, carrot stix, fruit, milk
 4/25 - Cheese cup, wg tortilla chips, green beans, grape tomatoes, fruit, milk
 4/26 - Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, bread, romaine let. salad, fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Breakfast:
 4/20 - Burrito, juice/fruit, milk
 4/21 - Muffin, cheese stick, juice/fruit, milk
 4/22 - Cereal or cereal bar, grahams, juice/fruit, milk
 4/25 - Yogurt and goldfish graham, juice/fruit, milk
 4/26 - Pancakes, juice/fruit, milk

Paulding Elementary - Lunch:
 4/20 - BBQ rib on a bun,

Sudoku solution from page 13

6	1	8	9	7	2	5	4	3
9	4	7	3	5	8	1	2	6
5	2	3	6	1	4	8	7	9
7	9	5	1	8	6	2	3	4
2	8	6	4	3	5	7	9	1
1	3	4	7	2	9	6	8	5
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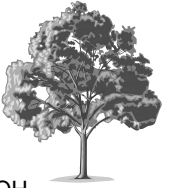
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VOODOO BBQ OPENS IN NEW HAVEN



The long awaited opening of VooDoo BBQ Grill, in the Lutheran Health Plaza, New Haven, happened Tuesday.

VooDoo BBQ opened at the Lutheran Health Plaza in New Haven this past Tuesday. This is been a long-awaited opening which has been worth it. VooDoo's Cajun-spiced meats are slow-smoked to perfection and topped off with your choice of signature BBQ sauce. Ca-

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WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL PROM 2016 - A NIGHT IN PARIS

On Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 8:00 - 11:00 p.m. Wayne Trace will hold its prom, "A Night in Paris",

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Tim Carlin in Bryan, OH toll free at **1-866-704-7253**

FREE AUTO CLINIC FOR SINGLE MOTHERS & WIDOWS

Signs of spring are finally here and part of spring is the Single Mothers & Widows Free Auto Clinic. This is the 29th year for the Single Mothers & Widows Auto Clinic shared Pastor Paul & his lovely wife Susie. The spring of 1987 was the beginning of a local ministry that has touched over 2,000 local single mothers and widows and their families with the love of God in a practical way and assisted them in saving thousands of dollars in automotive expenses.

For the last seven years, First Friends Church at 210 South Franklin in Van Wert has hosted the community assistance program. Each spring and fall, the caring and dedicated men and women of First Friends freely give of their time and resources to show the Love of God in this small way. Pastor Paul shares that helping Single Mom's and Widows with the Free Auto Clinic is a major part of the book of James's definition of pure and undefiled religion.

At the Free Auto Clinic they change the oil and the filter and do a mutli-point inspection and offer car care information. They are very appreciative of the financial support that Walmart offers as a Community Friend in helping financially challenged Single Mothers and Widows with their car care costs through the Free Auto Clinic. Also other Community Friends such as Advance Auto helps with discounted filters and other businesses that donate supplies to make the Free Auto Clinic possible. The generous support of community minded businesses allows First Friends Church to not have to turn away any single mom or widow because of First Friend's limited resources. It truly is a community effort working together to make Van Wert a better place to live. Early Saturday morning, April 30th First Friends volunteers gather together to pray and begin for a long but fulfilling day of caring and loving area Single Mothers and Widows through the Free Auto Clinic. Pastor Paul shares how amazed and proud he is of the caring people of First Friends. This is a small part of their being "A Church with Heart, Caring for Our Communities".

They have to limit the Free Auto Clinic to the first

50 who call and pre-register because of time restraints. It is a long day after doing up to 50 oil changes in their parking lot. For more information or to pre-register please call Pastor Paul at 419-771-9378 or Susan Mell at 419-203-2266. They need you to pre-register by Wednesday April 27th so they can have the correct oil filter for your vehicle.

If God's puts on your heart to help in any way with this community ministry please call Pastor Paul at 419-771-9378. Pastor Paul welcomes any assistance: workers and financial help are always needed and appreciated. Pastor Paul shared if you are looking for a growing and vibrant church that cares for others, please join them Sunday mornings at 210 South Franklin St. in Van Wert.

20th ANNUAL ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL BENEFIT

St. Jude's Benefit is set to be held on April 23rd at 4:00 p.m. at Porter Auction, 19326 CR 60, Grover Hill, OH 45849.

A large variety of items have been donated and more coming in daily including Harter office chair, patio heater, food items, candy, pizza gift certificates, Kings Island tickets, and many more items. They will be collecting items all the way up to Benefit day. Donations are down this year, so please consider a donation.

There has been a lot of support over the past 19 years. With this help, they have raised over \$114,000 for St. Jude's Children's Hospital. In 1997, the first Get Sold on St. Jude's Children's Benefit was held and raised \$2,200. This benefit has become an annual event with this being the 20th benefit planned.

WMYW GIVEAWAY WITH LINDSEY & CO



Mother's Day is coming up. I bet you forgot. Even if you didn't, WMYW wants to invite you to join in on the fun! Go to Facebook.com/my1027Paulding and like the local radio station's Facebook page, beginning April 22.

Lindsey & Company has graciously donated this prize for the WMYW 102.7 giveaway. It's a basket full of goodies worth nearly \$300 including a manicure, conditioning treatment and much more—everything to make you look and feel great. You, I mean your mother, will love it!

The deadline for entry is May 5th at noon, so don't hes-

itate. The winner will be notified by the radio station on the same day as the drawing and the basket will be ready for pickup at Lindsey & Co. So whether you want to give this to your mom or use it for yourself, check out the page and sign up beginning April 22.

This is just one of the giveaways this year coming from the WMYW 102.7 Prize Closet. If this one isn't up your alley, stay tuned, they next one surely will be.

The WMYW Facebook page is a great way to connect with local events, business and non-profits and all that is going on the area.

All the money raised goes directly to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN, where they treat all children with good care and great dignity regardless of their ability to pay. St. Jude's

Children's Hospital has treated over 270 children from the state of Ohio over the years.

Be prepared for a fun night complete with cake and fun for all who attend.

Community Lunch
HELP HONOR OUR Ohio & Indiana **HEROES**
visit: ppec.coop

April 22nd from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Held at Herb Monroe Community Park

in Downtown Paulding

***Free Will Donation for Lunch-Cook-Out Style Food**

Come See The Truck To Be Raffle Off June 4th!

Fun Food!

Truck Raffle Sponsored by: **ESTLE**

GARAGE SALE

Think spring! Garage Sale season is right around the corner! Advertise your garage sale in the West Bend News and receive **FREE** yard signs to use to help let everyone know - courtesy of WB Print!

*\$15 deposit for each sign. Deposit returned upon receipt of undamaged sign(s) & up to 2 weeks past date of sale.

DEADLINES FOR CLASSIFIED ADS: Mondays @ 12, NOON

DEADLINES FOR BOXED ADS: Fridays @ 5PM



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