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Congratulations Class of 2016!

CLASS OF 2016 TOP SCHOLARS!

Paulding High School



Allison Harpel of Paulding High School has been named as valedictorian of the Class of 2016. She earned a 4.140 GPA during her high school career. Her parents are

Gregory Harpel and Rachael Thomas.

She has plans to begin Rose-Hulman attending Institute of Technology to study chemical engineering and biochemistry. She enjoys creating products and ideas that benefit humanity. Allison has been involved in Science Olympiad, marching, concert, pep, and jazz band including Solo and Ensemble. She was a member of the Quiz Bowl team, Engineering team, participated in the Science Fair, 4-H, NHS and cross country. She also has had some after school jobs and volunteered as a tutor for Paulding Elementary stu-

Allison has earned the PPEC scholarship, Student of the Month, and a National Merit Commended Scholar. She also enjoys painting, jogging and reading sci-fi, fantasy, non-fiction, and classic novals

"My most memorable high school experience has been the time I have spent with my band family," Allison concluded.



Megan Reineck of Paulding High School has been named Salutatorian of the Class of 2016. She has earned a 4.116 GPA during her high school career. Her parents are Matt and Linda Reineck. Me-

gan plans to attend the University of Findlay to major in Pharmacy. She loves science and helping others, and she commented, "Pharmacy is a field that allows me to do both."

During high school, Megan was involved in varsity soccer, pep, marching and concert band, and concert choir. She was also a member of the school's Science Olympiad team and of the National Honors Society. Megan is involved in 4-H as a camp counselor, and has been named as student of the month at PHS.

"I enjoy being with my dairy feeder calves, as well as reading and spending time with friends," Megan stated when asked about her interests outside of school. She then continued with these thoughts about high school, "My most memorable experience has been my time in Marching Band, being at every football game, and getting

to perform each week."

Commencement exercises will be on May 29, 2016 at the Paulding High School at 2:30 p.m.

Antwerp Jr/Sr High School



Emily Derck has been named Co-Valedictorian for the Class of 2016. She has earned a 4.0 GPA and is the daughter of Tim and Lisa Derck. Emily plans to attend The Ohio State University to major in Animal Sciences.

She wants to go there because she loves everything about Ohio State and she wants to make her passion for animals her profession.

Extracurricular activities of Emily's include United Way student board, 4-H, Club Volleyball, softball, volleyball, National Honor Society, student council, and band. Among her awards, recognitions, and scholarships are National Honor Society treasurer; 4-H vice-president; 4 varsity letters, coach's award, and Most Valuable Offensive Player Award in softball; and 3 varsity letters, team captain, and the Pursuit Award in volleyball; Outstanding Student Award in English I, Spanish I & II, and Algebra II, and 4 Academic Excellence Awards.

Outside of school, Emily spends her time with animals – she shows horses at the County Fair every year, so she rides whenever time

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AMERICAN PICKERS LOOKING FOR LEADS IN NORTHWEST OHIO!



Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to visit Ohio! They plan to film episodes of the hit series-AMERICAN PICKERS in Ohio with filming scheduled for late June 2016.

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As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank continue their mission to recycle America by rescuing forgotten relics and giving them a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about American history along the way.

AMERICAN PICKÉRS is looking for leads and would love to explore your buried treasure. They are on the hunt for characters with interesting and unique items. Some of what they look for: vintage bicycles, toys, unusual radios, movie memorabilia, advertising, military items, folk art, early firefighting equipment, vintage musical equipment, automotive items, and clothing. They are always excited to find things they've never seen before and learn the story behind it.

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PC SHERIFF TO PAR-TICIPATE IN CLICK IT OR TICKET TRAFFIC BLITZ

Paulding County Sheriff Deputies will be participating in Click It or Ticket traffic blitz sponsored by Ohio Department of Public Safety (ODPS) grant monies. Deputy cruisers will be on roadways for a mandatory sixty-three hours between May 23 - June 6. Deputies will be paying extra attention to seat

Area high schools are also participating by displaying

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JPHS TO HOST GENERAL MEETING

The John Paulding Historical Society will be holding their General Meeting, open to the public, on Tuesday, May 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the museum located across the street from the fairgrounds in Paulding.

Speaker for the evening will be Randy Lehman, site manager of Limberlost in Randy Paige Lehman,Geneva, IN 46740

Since August 1999, I have been the Site Manager at Limberlost State Historic Site in Geneva, Indiana, responsible for the day-to-day operations at Limberlost. These responsibilities include the interpretation of the 1895 log home of Indiana author, Gene Stratton-Porter. I supervise seasonal staff, give guided tours, plan and implement events, do outreach programs, and do strategic planning for future development of the site. I have read all 12 of Gene Stratton-Porter's novels and 10 of

her Nature Studies. I edit and contribute to the site's quarterly newsletter which features reviews of Mrs. Porter's books and informs readers of her natural history and natural science legacy. I have done over 50 presentations about Gene Stratton-Porter and her legacy for various local organizations and at many libraries and other venues around

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Thank You

We would like to thank all of our friends and family for the large amount of support they have given us during this rough time. No words could ever express our appreciation for the love and support you have shown us after the passing of Adam. All of the visits, prayers, food and memorials were greatly appreciated. We would like to say thank you to Shawn and th staff at Dooley Funeral Home, Antwerp VFW, Antwerp UMC and Regan Clem. Special thanks to these ladies for keeping the flower shop open: Cathy, Jackie, Margaret and Mary.

-The Provines Family











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PAULDING:

Patty J. Shafer, age 75, died Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

She was born in Paulding Co., Ohio, on September 12, 1940 the daughter of the late Alfred "Bud" and Virginia (AuFrance) Manson. On December 21, 1962 she married Donald D. Shafer, who preceded her in death on September 3, 2009.

She is survived by two children: Debra (Daniel) Howell, and Roger Shafer; three grandchildren: Alexis, Austin, and Colton Howell; a brother, Jerry (Sharon) Manson; and sister-inlaw, Betty Shafer, all of Paulding. She is also preceded in death

by infant son, Randy Shafer; brother, Richard Manson; and brother-in-law, John Shafer. Funeral services was con-

ducted 11 AM Saturday, May 14 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding with Rev. Karen Stetins officiating. Burial followed in Sherman Cemetery, Oakwood,

Visitation was 2 - 8 PM Friday, May 13 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There was also visitation from 10 AM until time of services on Saturday.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial donations made to Paulding FFA Alumni or Paulding High School Athletic Boosters.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com



PAULDING:

Roger "Bucky" D. Sierer, age 72, died Wednesday, May 11,

He was born November 7. 1943 in Defiance, Ohio, the son of the late Ralph "Dean" and Bettie L. (Shook) Sierer. On August 22, 1975 he married Elaine M. (Cotterman) Lothamer. He was a 1961 graduate of Paulding High School. He attended Architecture School in Chicago, IL; was owner of Sierer Construction from 1975-1990; plant manager of Advance Building Systems (Wausau Homes) from . 1990-1995; employed by Hartzog Lumber Company from 1995-2006; and bus driver for Paulding Exempted Village Schools. He was a 16-year Paulding Village Councilman; a member of Paulding United Methodist Church; secretary of CIC; charter member of John Paulding Historical Society and Museum where he served on Board of Directors from 2008 until present;

Paulding County Democratic Chairman and Paulding County Election Board; Chairman of PCFA; Founder of Paulding High School Athletic Hall of Fame and Chairman of the Selection Committee. Roger coached high school basketball, baseball, little league and softball. He was an avid IU basketball, Tin Caps and Detroit Tiger fan, flea market collector, and collector and co-owner of Baseball Cards of Paulding County. He was a 6-year cancer survivor. He is survived by his wife,

Elaine Sierer, Paulding, daughters, Amy (Brian Rathbun) Laibe, Pandora, OH, Heather (Pat) Kohls, Kalida, OH: sons, Jeff Sierer, Bridgeport, TX, Eric (Ashley) Lothamer, Defiance; grandchildren, Stephanie, William, Molly, Emma, Ashley, Ericka, Erin, Brendon, Ryan, and great grandchildren, Landin and

He is also preceded in death by a daughter, Angela Switzer. Funeral services were con-

ducted 11 AM Monday, May 16 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Rev. Karen Stetins officiating. Burial followed in Hedges Cemetery, Paulding County. Visitation was 2-8 PM Sun-

day, May 15 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation on Monday from 10 AM until time of services. In lieu of flowers, the family

suggests memorial donations made Paulding County Democratic Party; John Paulding Historical Society and Museum; or Paulding County Relay for Life.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com



MONROEVILLE:

Paul E. Lortie, 85, of Monroeville, Ind., passed away early Saturday morning, May 14, 2016 at Parkview Regional Medical Center in Fort Wayne.

He was born on August 16, 1930 in Monroeville, Ind. to the late Francis Lortie and the late Bertha (Leonard) Lortie. Paul married Billie J. Lortie on March 24, 1956 in Georgetown, Texas and she preceded him in death on March 17, 1989. He married Lois Ann (Frederick) Terry on April 29, 1995 in St. James Lutheran Church in New Haven.

Paul served his country in the United States Army from 1955 to 1957.

He was a member of St. Louis Besancon Catholic Church in New Haven and attends the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne. He was also a member of the American Legion Post #420 of Monroeville.

Paul was a lifelong farmer and had worked at General Elecric in Fort Wayne from 1964 to

He was a big fan of NASCAR and enjoyed high school and grade school basketball games. He is survived by his wife,

Lois Ann Lortie of Monroeville; son, Douglas (Sandy) Lortie of New Haven; son, Michael (Kim) Lortie of Rome City; daughter, Rhonda (Donald) Rasnic of New Haven; daughter, Margaret Lortie of Waterloo; daughter, Lori (Jay) Carson of New Haven; step-daughter, Dawn (John) Drewery of Woodburn; step-daughter, Kathy (Greg) Everage of Lagrange; step-son, Alan (Elizabeth) Terry of Monroeville; brother, Dominic Lortie of Butler; 12 grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death

by four brothers, Adrian Lortie; Earl Lortie; Dallas Lortie & John Lortie and two sisters, Shirley Kent & Mary Ann Kreager. A Mass of Christian Burial

will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 19, 2016, in the St. Louis Besancon Catholic Church with Fr. Ben Muhlenkamp officiating. Interment will follow in the St. Louis Besancon Catholic Cemetery with Military Graveside Services by the American Legion Post #420 of Monroeville. Family & friends will be re-

ceived from 2 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home, Jacobs Chapel in Monroeville and one hour prior to the service at the church on Thurs-

Preferred memorials are to the Monroeville Historical Mu-

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 5/18 - 5/24

5/18 - Baked pork chop, baked potato, glazed carrots, peaches, birthday cake, w.w. bread, milk

5/19 - Ham & bean soup, broccoli salad, orange juice, perfection salad, crackers,

5/20 – Mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & onions, fruit cocktail, apple granola bar, w.w. bread, milk

5/23 - Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, warm pears, w.w. bread, milk

5/24 - Cabbage roll casserole over rice, fruit compote, grape juice, dinner roll, milk

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 5/18 -5/24

5/18 - Birthday & anniversary celebration; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Bunco 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.

5/19 - Blood pressure & toenail 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

5/20 - Bible study at 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

5/23 - Raffle Day; "Shedding pounds" at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise 10:00 a.m.; fingernail clinic at 10:00 a.m.

5/24 - Euchre at 9:45 a.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.; trivia with Nicole at 12:00 p.m.

LAWN CARE FOR THE **HOMEOWNER**

By: Len Schrock, Jonathan **Green Lawn Consultant**

Summer is getting closer and one of the biggest problems that your lawn could face is grubs. In this article, I want to explain the life cycle of grubs, their types, and products that control them.

White Grubs are the larvae of Japanese beetles, May and June beetles, European chafers, and turfgrass ataenius beetles. The adult insects lay eggs in the lawn in late summer. The eggs hatch into white grubs, which tunnel underground and eat the roots of grass plants. This is their most active period. They continue eating un-

til cold weather forces them

deeper underground, where they spend the winter. With the arrival of spring, the grubs come back to the grassroot level and continue eating grass roots for a short period before pupating and emerging from the soil as adult beetles...to start the cycle once again. Each type of beetle has its own particular life cycle, but they generally follow this pattern. Most damage is done in

the late summer and fall, although it sometimes is not apparent until the following spring. In severe cases, so many of the grass roots are severed by the grubs that the lawn can be rolled back like a carpet, exposing them to the naked eye. Grubs can also cause oth-

grubs by digging up your turf. By applying a grub control, you will help prevent lawn damage. There are several products

on the market that help in the control of grubs Imidacloprid (Merit) is the one that I'll dis-Merit or Imidaclorprid

is a neurotoxin and kills by blocking the nervous system activity of the insect resulting in slow death by starving. It is ingested or absorbed by the insect to take affect. It achieves 90+% control of grubs and has limited control of sod webworms, armyworms and cutworms. It is somewhat weather-durable and can break down in waterlogged soil. It is also susceptible to sun degradation. Merit must also be watered in after application to be affective. Merit lasts from 15 to 19 weeks so timing is critical for application and control.

VANTAGE MAY BOARD MEETING 5/5/16

The Vantage Board of Education held the May Board meeting on Thurs-day, May 5, 2016 in the District Conference room. The minutes from the April 7, 2016 regular board meeting were ap-proved along with the updated fiveyear forecast and financial statements for the

lst. This social event is to help new students ask any lingering questions they may have before attending next year. Director Winans announced that se-Director Winans announced that senior Welding student, Hunter Blankemeyer of Lincolnview passed a lengthy and difficult process to become only the third Vantage student to obtain an AWS Pipe Welding Certification.

In new business, the Board:

• Employed the following list, as needed as scheduled: Kenneth Pinks-Liebert and Corey Miller, summer technical students and Corey Miller.

needed as scheduled: Kenneth Pinks-Liebert and Corey Miller, summer tech-nology assistants;

• Approved the following Supple-mental Contracts: Amy Grothouse, Mike Miller, Susan Farr, Beth Evans and Theresa Ratliff Dotterer;

• Employed the following list as

• Employed the following list, as Adult Education employees, as need-

will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with Education Lab Assistant, and Ruth Ann FogleBrickner, Assessment Proctor; • Accepted the resignation of Jo Mohr, Secretary, for the purpose of re-tirement effective July 31, 2016; • Approved the purchase of Precision Machine and Construction Equipment Technology equipment for the purpose of instructional use;

er problems. Skunks feed on

month of March, 2016.
Superintendent Staci Kaufman

updated the Board on renewed MOU's with Paulding and Allen County Ohio Means Jobs services. She commended Means Jobs services. She commended retiring secretary Jo Mohr on 40 years of service helping staff and students at Vantage. Superintendent Kaufman reviewed the recommended purchase of two different patient simulators for the health technology program, which will allow vast training in body systems. She also noted the district's concern for the proposed increased speed limit to 45 mph in front of Vantage. Facilities Director Ben Winans proposed to City Council a school zone with reduced speed during hours of student arrival and departure. She also summarized the recent visit to Vantage by members of the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation, Regional Growth Planning Director John Recker, and several manufacturing emplayers. The several manufacturing employers. The first reading of new and revised NEO-LA policies was reviewed. Adult Education Director Pete Prichard reported on the ACCSC Student Survey overview of the Vantage Career Center Ohio Technical Center. During the evaluation a team surveyed 100% of the enrolled stu-dent body, who indicated they felt good about their decision to attend vantage Career Center Ohio Technical Center and would recommend the school to a friend. Director Prichard also updated the Board on the upcoming Manufac-turing Summit with Northwest State Community College on June 7, 2016 at Vantage Career Center. The event will assess and present options to local manufactures to meet their training and skilled workforce needs. High School Director Ben Winans reported that Student Services Supervisor, Mike Knott, has been visiting home schools throughout May to speak with students who have applied for next year and to invite them to the Second Annual Vantage Career Center SummerFest on June 1st. This social event is to help new stu-

GRABILL Eye Center A guest, Tom Brenneke (Parents: Harold and Lorna Brenneke) came forward with 5 pictures of the old lumber yard and other pictures to donate to the Historical Society. Guests, Mr. and Mrs. Halon Wal ton, donated an album on the Bull Rapids bridge for the Historical Society. This information will be shared by the Society and every effort will be made to put it safely on

April minutes. Duplicate pictures/

names were made for those present

to document their information on

what was determined as was a "Lu-theran School Activity" in the early

1940's. It is hoped that more infor-

mation will be gathered on this for a

future meeting. This historical pic-

ture may be on display this summer.

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SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior

who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he

ed, as scheduled: Austin Wisner, Adult

Approved the purchase of intermediate and advanced Health Tech

patient simulators for the purpose of instructional use.;

• Approved the City of Van Wert

Residential Community Reinvestment Area Application between Cynthia Young, 248 Parkview Drive and Van-

• Approved the Memorandum of Understanding with Apollo Career Center regarding the Adult Basic and Literacy Education (ABLE) State Program Grant from the Ohio Board of Regents;

Approve the Memorandum of Understanding for Ohio Means Jobs

Paulding County with Defiance/Paulding Consolidated Job and Family Ser-

• Approved the Renewal Agreement for State Fiscal Year 2017 Local Workforce Development Area Memo-

randum of Understanding with Ohio Means Jobs Allen County / Area 7; • Approved the College Credit Plus

Approved the College Credit FIBS
Memorandum of Understanding and
Data Sharing Agreement with James A
Rhodes State College;
 First reading of NEOLA new &
revised policies (Attachment K):
1130 Administration Conflict of

2452 Program Disclosure of Security Policy and Crime Statistics (Cleary

Interest 4162 Classified Staff Drug and Al-

cohol Testing of CDL License Holders 5200 Students Attendance 5320 Students Immunization

of Grants
6114 Finances Cost Principles
Spending Federal Funds
6116 Finances Time and Effort

Reporting 6325 Finances Procurement Fed-

7300 Property Disposition of Real Property/Personal Property

7310 Property Disposition of Surplus Property 7450 Property Property Inventory

8500 Operations Food Services
• Pursuant to that the Board adjourn to executive

session to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by federal or state law. No action was taken. Ohio Revised Code Section

121.22(G)(5), the Superintendent here-

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday, June 2, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Conference

MINUTES OF THE WOOD-

BURN COMMUNITY HIS-

Submitted by: Secretary

Historical Society met Thursday

April 28 at 7:00 p.m. At the Woodburn Branch of the Allen Co. Li-

The meeting was opened by Sec. Caroline Zimmerman, in the ab-

sence of Pres. Gloria Gerig. All the

guests were welcomed and asked

to join in the Pledge to the Flag of

United States of the USA. Guests

were asked to sign-in. The minutes

of the last meeting were read. Sev-

eral guests were here specifically to

ture and names mentioned in the

address the information on the pic-

Caroline Zimmerman

brary in Woodburn, Indiana.

TORICAL SOCIETY

eral Grants / Funds

by requests

6110 Finances Grant Funds 6111 Finances Internal Controls 6112 Finances Cash Management

3113 Professional Staff Conflict of

4113 Classified Staff Conflict of

It was suggested from the floor that perhaps a biographical-type updated atlas of present and historical families in the Woodburn area may be considered sometime in the future. Biographical sketches and family group sheets, and lineage charts could be collected over a certain length of time and put together into an atlas. There would be restrictions on # of pictures, # of words per sketch, and a certain form used for family group sheets and lineage charts. Each family sketch would be put into a "family folder", and filed alphabetically until further readiness for printing. The files would be the property of the Historical Society after they were turned in. Requests were made for any

2015 History books that may be left from last year's sales. There was discussion on the activities that may be coming up this summer to include: the 2016 Woodburn celebration parade: a Woodburn Historical Walk: the Buffalo Commemoration Anniversary and those persons who might want to help with any of those events.

The next meetings will be Thursday, May 26 and Thursday, June 23. The general time is 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise indicated in the West Bend News. If there are any questions please call Pres. Gerig at 1-260-632-5268. Visitors

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the state of Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio.

"I have read all 12 of Gene Stratton-Porter's novels and 10 of her Nature Studies. I edit and contribute to the site's quarterly newsletter which features reviews of Mrs. Porter's books and informs readers of her natural history and natural science legacy." states Mr. Lehman. In addition, he has done over 50 presentations about Gene Stratton-Porter and her legacy for various local organizations and at many libraries and other venues around the state of Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio.

Don't miss this great program being presented by the John Paulding Historical Society. It's free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served afterwards



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banners and posters along
with other materials bringing awareness to students
regarding seat belt safety. All
materials were supplied by
ODPS. Coupons were donated by Dairy Queen, Subway
and McDonald's of Paulding
and Subway of Antwerp to be
passed out to complying students.

Selective Traffic Enforcement Program grant monies have allowed Paulding deputies to work an extra 122 hours from October, 2015 – April 2016. Thirty-five speeding citations and 8 other citations were issued with 91 traffic stops.

Sheriff's Office also worked 195 hours from October, 2015 – April, 2016 with grant monies awarded by ODPS for its Impaired Driving Enforcement Program. Within this time frame, 31 speeding citations, 2 DUS arrests, 1 no operator's license and 2 felony citations have been issued with 109 traffic stops.

PAULDING COUNTY HOS-PITAL AWARDED QUALITY DESIGNATION

Paulding County Hospital has merited the Top 20 Best Practices in Quality by the National Rural Health Association (NRHA). The 20 highest ranked critical access hospitals (CAHS) in the country, as recently determined by iVantage Health Analytics, will be honored at an awards ceremony during the National Rural Health Association's Critical Access Hospital Conference in September in Kansas City, MO.

The Top 20 CAHs selec-

tion was based on nine indices of strength; inpatient market share, outpatient market share, population risk, cost, charge, quality, outcomes, patient perspectives, and financial stability. This group was selected from iVantage's Top 100 CAH list released earlier this year.

Forty "best practice" des-

ignations were also given to hospitals that have achieved success in one of two areas of performance, based on iVantage's tabulation: 1) Quality index: A rating of hospital performance based on the percentile rank across the five categories of the company's Hospital Compare process of care measures. 2) Patient perspective index: A rating of hospital performance based on the percentile rank on two HCAHPS measures ("overall rating" and "highly recom-

"NHRA is committed to ensuring our members have the best information to manage their hospitals," said Brock Slabach, NRHA membership services senior vice president. "And we're pleased to recognize the accomplishments of these rural hospitals.

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL LAUNCHES "PAULDING HEALTH", A NEW HEALTH MAGAZINE FOR THE COMMUNITY

Paulding County Hospital has launched "Paulding Health", a consumer health magazine being distributed in the Paulding County area.

According to Paulding County Hospital CEO Randal Ruge, "We're pleased to offer this new and informative magazine dedicated to help-

ing you and your family live healthier lives. Healthcare is ever changing and more complex than ever before, and part of our mission is to lead the way in improving healthcare for our community. So, we believe this magazine will be an important educational tool in making a healthy difference in the Paulding County area."

Published quarterly, each issue will feature healthcare topics of interest as well as a personal story about a celebrity that has experienced the healthcare challenge being discussed in the current issue. But each issue will also contain the latest information about new technologies, physicians and services available in your community at Paulding County Hospital.

Ruge continued "As a

consumer, knowledge about healthcare issues gives you the power to make healthy decisions. In each issue of Paulding Health, we'll cover in detail a specific health topic, giving you the information you need to improve the quality of your life and promote your overall wellness."

In this first issue of Paulding Health, our topic is healthcare for seniors, one of the most serious and pervasive health issues facing people today. And the celebrity cover story is Kimberly Williams Paisley who offers her heartfelt story of her own mother's struggle with dementia. Growing older brings with it a new set of health challenges for most people including the real possibility of Alzheimer's. Thanks to Kimberly Williams-Paisley and other celebrities like Glen Campbell, people are becoming much more comfortable

about bringing the difficult subject of dementia out into the light. Growing older also in-

creases the risk of heart disease, cancer, osteoporosis and other serious medical conditions. This issue of Paulding Health is filled with important information about ways to reduce the risk of Alzheimer's, healthcare tips on sleep disorders, a look at the comprehensive ways Paulding County Hospital cares for seniors in their golden years, and a look at the Antwerp Medical Center.

Paulding County Hospi-

ratiding County Hospital provides a full range of advanced medical services, from joint replacement surgery to cancer diagnosis and treatment, to help seniors in our community enjoy healthier, active lives.

"Our mission at Paulding County Hospital is to provide the people of this community with accessible, high-quality, patient-centered healthcare. Paulding Health is just another example of that ongoing commitment. We hope you find it both informative and helpful and, as always, we look forward to serving you with the highest level of care." said Ruge.

WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES 4/20/16

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held its regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at the Paulding ESC office. Board President Mr. Ron Treece welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Treasurer Kim Jones reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board.

Superintendent Brian Gerber updated the Board on Legislative Issues, Personnel items, and ESC activities. Mr. Gerber highlighted the success of the Western Buckeye ESC Resource Center which is home based in Van Wert. The Resource Center is one of the crown jewels in our agency. Very seldom does the public hear about the voluminous amount of success stories that comes from the Western Buckeye ESC Resource Center. Quite frankly, I give all the credit to the staff who works at the Resource Center. People make programs successful. The people employed at the Resource Center are the heartbeat of the program. Director George Dougal and his staff go above and beyond the call of duty to help students in Paulding and Van Wert County. They genuinely care about the students well being and guide those students towards graduation. The Resource Center is not based on the traditional school setting. The Resource Center is a school that tailors to the needs of each student in order for that student to have direct personal contact with teachers and aides on a daily basis who provides structure, guidance, and a path towards graduation. Without the Resource Center, these students would not graduate. Finding the right blend of staff is the key to success. We have found the reci-

pe that works for these kids. Our Resource Center tailors curriculum around their students to meet their specific needs. We have 25 students at the RC and all 25 have a different program. We also have a full time mental health staff member who provides tremendous support for our students. We also serve those students who need to recover credit in order to meet graduation requirements. Director Dougal and his staff work together with our partner schools to develop a curriculum that will allow their students to succeed in life after graduation. This is directly related to the economic vitality of our community and state. These students range

from the most gifted to the most

at-risk, including special needs students and other at-risk popDuring the last few weeks of school, kindergarten students at Antwerp Elementary School completed animal research projects. They researched an animal from the completed a report, created a replica of the animal with their families, and shared their entire project with their classmates. Then they visited the zoo to watch their ani-

Mercedes McCoy, Arianna Hosler, Kaitlin Walz and Bryce-

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ulations such as dropouts and adjudicated youth. I cannot say enough about the all the positives our Resource Center produces for the students they serve.

Fort Wayne Children's Zoo,

Consent Items - WBÉSC
A. Motion to approve the Thomas Edison Early Childhood Center Calendar for the 2016-2017 school year.

B. Motion to approve budget revision for the 2016 Alternative Education Challenge grant due to allocation increase of \$2792.00

C. Motion to approve 5 additional days to the 2016-2017 contract for Margaret Schilb.

D. Motion to approve the following contracts, effective at the beginning of the 2016-2017 school year:

Certified: Donna Clouse, Rod Dudgeon, Zachary Boyer, Rosanah Roster, Jenna Sherry, Brian Rockhold, Ashley Shepherd, Karla Treece, Kate Wenninger, Heather Frey, Amy Wannemacher, Nancy Ruhe, Janice Kohart, Brenda Recker

Non-Certified: Allison Bittner, Kristina Figgins, Laura Boesch, Jeanne Gribble, Kathy Habern, Alicia Hook, Amanda McDorman, Rachel Rager, Kerry Shelton, Denise Shouse, Tasha Miller, Linda Clark, Patricia Miller, Virginia Crisp

E. Motion to approve Julia Baldwin-McGrath as Temporary Speech Therapist for the remainder of the 2015-2016 school year, salary set by board.

F. Motion to approve a 5 year Service Provider Contract for Internet Service with NOACSC for the period 07-01-2015 thru 06-30-2021.

G. Motion to approve 2016-2017 Payroll Clerk's Salary to \$15.00 per hour.

H. Motion to non-renew the following Paraprofessional Contract for Allen County ESC effective the end of the 2015-2016 school year. This reduction is due to a transfer of employment back to Allen County ESC and is no reflection of job performance:

1. Debra Nolte, 2. Jamie

MARY STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN



New Haven Primary students participated in Reading Bingo this year. Students were awarded monthly with a special activity or event when completing one bingo (read 5 books) on a Bingo card. Students that completed a Bingo card (read 25 books) during the school year, received a trip to Bells Skating Rink on Friday. 250 kindergarten through grade 2 students met the challenge. Dr. Folks skated a few laps too.

Fields, 3. Jessica Cartwright, 4. Lora Market, 5. Brittany Cunningham, 6. Cynthia Long, 7. Tonya Ramirez, 8. Rachel Smith, 9. Stephanie Archer, 10. Terri Colley, 11. Jessica Conley, 12. Michael Halker, 13. Sarah Prine, 14. Jana Rayer, 15. Joseph Teodosio

The April 20, 2016 Board meeting adjourned with no additional Board action. The next regular Governing Board meeting of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center will be on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Van Wert ESC office.

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NSCC COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY RECOGNIZES 389 GRADUATES

Northwest State Community College celebrated the 2016 graduating class at its forty-sixth Commencement Ceremony this past weekend. The ceremony recognized 389 graduates who completed an Associate degree or certificate program with the College.



Dr. Thomas Stuckey, NSCC president.

Dr. Thomas Stuckey, NSCC president, stated, "by your example, you are encouraging your children, grandchildren and friends to graduate from college." He also noted the importance of college as the graduates enter the next chapter in their lives. "Embrace life's challenges, they often create our strength. As you go forth, hold your head high, for you are on the path to success," said Stuckey.



Butch Blankenship, student speaker representing the Class of 2016.

Butch Blankenship was the student speaker. He relayed his experience, graduating from Four County with a job in tow, but reached a point where education became a must. Blankenship earned an Associate of Applied Business in Business Management degree, graduating Magna Cum Laude. He remarked, "Northwest State is a treasure. You would be hard-pressed to find a company in northwest Ohio that does not have someone on staff that has taken classes here or proudly holds a de-



& CFO of Spangler Candy Company, keynote speaker.

Keynote speaker for this year's commencement ceremony was William Martin, president / CFO of Spangler Candy Company. Martin noted the graduates are "the smart ones," and touched upon the employment crisis in our region. "The solution (to the skills gap) is right here at Northwest State, and it has been for decades," noted Martin. He closed by saying "God created all of you with a purpose in mind. Get out there and find your purpose. Serve your community, be a leader. Northwest Ohio needs you, and you are well-prepared."

Following the recognition

of the graduates, Dr. Stuckey announced Michael Weber as the recipient of the President's Outstanding Student Award. Weber graduated Magna Cum Laude with an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing. He is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, and was involved in numerous campus activities. Weber resides in Napoleon and is currently an EMT with the Ridgeville Fire Department. He is married, is a proud father of four children, and is actively involved in his community and his church.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

(This is the first part on the "autonomy" of the Lord's church.)

The meaning of "autonomy" is independent or self-governing. The church we read about in the New Testament is made up of autonomous congregations. The word "church" means the 'called out." It is used to describe God's people who have been called out by the Gospel (2 Thessalonians 2:14 to which He (Jesus) called you by our Gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus). They (Christians) have been called out of the world and into the service of Christ.

The word "church" is used in the New Testament in only two senses. First, it refers to the called out people of Christ in all the world. This is the universal sense. When Jesus promised in Matthew 16:18, "Upon this rock I will build my church," He was including all believers in all the world in His church. Thus, Jesus was speaking of the universal

Second, the word "church" is used in the local sense. When Paul addressed the first Corinthian letter to "the church of God which is at Corinth," he was speaking to a group of Christians in Corinth who met together to worship and serve God (1 Corinthians 1:2). The universal church is made up of all the local congregations everywhere. Paul referred to this when he said, "the churches of Christ greet you" (Romans 16:16).

(Romans 16:16). Churches of Christ are autonomous in government. Each one is independent of all others. Each one is independent of all others. Each one has its own leadership. We read in the New Testament of churches in a district such as "the churches of Galatia" (Galatians 1:2). However, there was no district or organization. Each of the churches in Galatia was self-governing. It is easy to see that God's plan for each church in each place to be self-governing. When Paul and Barnabas returned from their first missionary journey, they again visited the churches they had established.

They "appointed elders in

every church" (Acts 14:23). Every church had its own eldership. When Paul wrote to the church of Christ in Philippi, he addressed his letter to: the saints who are in Philippi with the bishops (elders) and deacons" (Philippians 1:1)." The apostle Peter commanded elders to "shepherd the flock of God which is among you." (1 Peter 5:2). They were not to feed other flocks, but they were to shepherd the flock among them. This is the local congregation where they were members. "Ol' Baldy" says bye for

now, but please continue to pray, read, and study the New Testament "Luv Ya!"

THE MYSTERY OF AUTISM EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

One family's journey through a child's diagnosis of autism will be examined at Lifetree Café on Thursday, May 19 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. The program, titled "The

Mystery of Autism: Understand. Support. Connect," features a filmed interview with Patty Smith, a mother whose son Patrick was diagnosed with autism at an early age.

"Autism is a developmental disorder characterized by a lack of social interaction, delayed communication, and a lot of social awkwardness," Smith says. "People look at us funny sometimes, and they shake their heads. If they only knew just a little bit of Patrick's story."

During the program, participants will have the opportunity to discuss their experiences with autism.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located in The Bachwell Center from Music and Dance at 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

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

LIFE'S MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION

By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, Maples United Methodist

"Around midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God. The other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly, a violent earthquake shook the foundations of the jail. All the doors immediately flew open, and all the prisoners' chains came loose. The jailer woke up and saw the prison doors open. Thinking the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul shouted as loudly as he could, 'Don't hurt yourself! We're all here!' The jailer asked for torches and rushed into the jail. He was trembling as he knelt in front of Paul and Silas. Then he took Paul and Silas outside and asked, 'Sirs, what do I have to do to be saved?' They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you and your family will be saved." They spoke the Lord's word to the jailer and everyone in his home. At that hour of the night, the jailer washed Paul and Silas' wounds. The jailer and his entire family were baptized immediately." Acts

16:25-33 (GW).

The Philippian jailer asks life's most important question: "What do I have to do be saved?" It is an important question, an imperative question because no one escapes answering it. Soon or later we all have to face it. It is a personal question that only we can answer. It is also a practical question. We don't wake one morning and discover that we are now Christians. We don't go to the church our entire life and automatically become a Christian and we don't become a Christian by being born into a Christian family. We must do something,

and that something is stated by Paul to the Philippian jailer, "Believe in the Lord Jesus." Believing involves more than intellectual assent. It involves the mind and emotions and leads to a public profession of faith.

C.S. Lewis writes, "When

the author [of life] walks onto the stage, the play is over. God is going to invade, all right; but what is the good of saying you are on His side then, when you see the whole natural universe melting away like a dream and something else comes crashing in? This time it will be God without disguise; something so overwhelming that it will strike either irresistible love or irresistible horror into every creature. It will be too late then to choose your side. That will not be the time for choosing; It will be the time when we discover which side we really have chosen, whether we realized it before or not. Now, today, this moment, is our chance to choose the right

FORT WAYNE CHILDREN'S ZOO COMING TO VBS AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN VAN WERT

The Fort Wayne Children's Zoo is coming to "Pets Unleashed" Vacation Bible School at First United Methodist Church! Community children will have the opportunity to experience zoo animals first hand at this lively, interactive presentation. VBS is June 20-23, 2016 from 9:00-11:30 a.m., and is for kids age 3 through 5th grade. Go to www.kprice410.wix.com/ vbs2016 to register now, or stop in the church office. Follow us on Facebook for updates: "First UMC - Kid's Ministry". Contact Katie Price at 419-238-0631 x 307 for additional information.

First United Methodist Church is located at 113 W. Central Ave. in Van Wert, OH. Sunday service times: 8:15 a.m. Blended Worship, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship.

LATTA & MCNERNEY INTRODUCE LEGISLATION REGARDING ADVANCED NUCLEAR REACTOR TECHNOLOGY

Congressmen Bob Latta (R-OH) and Jerry McNerney (D-CA) introduced the Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act of 2016. This bipartisan legislation will help provide the regulatory structure needed for safe, advanced nuclear energy to continue playing an important role in the U.S. energy portfolio.

Phone: 419-258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net CHRIST LUTHERAN ANNUAL BALLOON LAUNCH



Christ Lutheran Church Sunday School will be wrapping up another wonderful year on May 22, 2016 with a party and the annual Balloon Launch. The Sunday School students and teachers will be sending off balloons loaded with scripture and prayers to wrap up the year. It is the hope to bless people where ever the balloons land. A response was returned a couple years ago from as far away as

This event is open for all and all are encouraged to attend. The last meeting this school year will be Sunday May 22, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. for the balloon launch, fellowship and refreshments. Christ Lutheran Church is located at 4412 Park Street, Woodburn, IN. Please call the church with any questions, 260-632-4821.

Technology Development Act of 2016 requires the Department of Energy (DOE) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to collaborate to provide certainty for the development of advanced nuclear technology. Further, the legislation requires that the NRC establish a regulatory framework to license and oversee such technology.

"Congress must look to the future of the nuclear industry, and this bill provides the certainty needed for continued private sector innovation, while also providing the NRC a path to safely regulate advanced nuclear technologies," said Latta. "I am enthusiastic about this legislation and look forward to working with the Committee to move the bill forward."

"Nuclear power provides approximately 60 percent of the carbon -free electricity in the U.S. It's essential that we invest in clean energy technologies that help us move away from carbon-intensive energy resources" said Mc-Nerney. "Encouraging the DOE and NRC to work together on new reactor technologies has the potential to ensure the U.S. remains a leader in nuclear technology and will provide us with additional security here at home."

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MILITARY PERSONNEL TO RECEIVE OVER 90,000 **BOXES OF GIRL SCOUT** COOKIES

The Girl Scouts of Western Ohio (GSWO) collected more than 7,500 cases of donated cookies, during the 2016 Girl Scout Cookie Program, and is partnering with Heroes in Action in Toledo for the 11th year to provide Girl Scout Cookies to members of the military and their families. That's 90,636 packages donated through the 'Operation Cookie' program,a GSWO community service project.

"Throughout the recent Girl Scout Cookie Program, our girls did a fantastic job asking customers to purchase additional packages of cookies to be donated to a designated organization or military group," said Ashley Thoreen, product sales team leader for GSWO. "Over 1,800 troops participated in 'Operation Cookie' this year, and over 208 girls donated 50+ packages each!"

Each year, donations to Operation Cookie have doubled or tripled. Last year, 59,597 boxes were donated to

"Giving our girls, volunteers, and customers a way to help support men and women serving in the U.S. military really connects them to the world," said Thoreen. "Many girls/troops include cards and letters of friendship and support in their donated cook-

Heroes in Action includes the delicious treats in care packages for military personnel serving overseas and distributes them throughout the year to the National Guard, the 180th, as well as local military families and veterans.

"We are extremely fortunate to be the organization that Girl Scouts chooses to support," said Dawn Heisler, Director of Heroes in Action. "I get a lot of emails from all over asking if we have cookies, Girl Scout cookies we can send overseas. A unit up in Alaska found us while surfing the web and asked if we had Girl Scout cookies."

In addition to the Girl Scout Cookies donated through Heroes in Action, local troops also donated over 24,121 packages of cookies to various organizations across western Ohio.

"Operation Cookie is one of my favorite components of the Girl Scout Cookie program," said Thoreen. "We are able to donate thousands of Girl Scout Cookie packages to our soldiers and local organizations, and our girls learn about philanthropy and the power of giving back to their local communities."

Girls wishing to join Girl Scouts and participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program in 2017 can visit gswo. org/join or call the regional Girl Scout Service Center at 888.350.5090.

129th DEFIANCE COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT CERE-**MONY HELD SATURDAY**

Defiance College held its 129th commencement ceremony on Saturday, May 7. 178 graduates were award-

ed diplomas during the 12 noon event. The College also presented its highest honor, the Pilgrim Medal, to graduating senior Katie Haydett of Saint Clair Shores, Mich.; and DC alumnus David Westrick of Defiance, Ohio. The bronze Pilgrim Medal is awarded to graduating seniors who give the most promise of exemplifying the traits enumerated on the medal, and a silver medal is awarded to alumni and citizens who have in their lives demonstrated these

Graduating senior Dava Donaldson of Elyria delivered the senior class address, and the commencement address was given by Dan Benjamin, head coach of the Women's Basketball Program for Mount St. Joseph University, a Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference peer.

Receiving diplomas were: Bachelor of Arts: Joe Hilton, Antwerp; George Roth, Summa Cum Laude, Ayersville; Kailin Regutti, Cum Laude, Carey; Royce Raymond Laurendeau, Cum Laude, Clyde; Clay Eric Bracken, Summa Cum Laude, Continental; David Besaw, Justin Coressel, Michael Degler, Cum Laude; Julia M. Dickman, Magna Cum Laude; Alex Elkins, Britny Krill, Michelle Elizabeth Puehler, Summa Cum Laude; Bianca Relue, and Johnathan D. Sparks, Defiance; Levi Rosales, Delta; Dava Donaldson, Elyria; Natasha Rhea Balduff, Cum Laude, Fremont; Ricardo Girona, Grand Rapids; Susan D. Korecki, London; Mark Goebel, Montpelier; Lucas Parsell, Cum Laude, Napoleon; Stephanie Lynn Bell, Magna Cum Laude; and Elizabeth Daniel, Cum Laude, Ney; Andrew D. Metz, Northwood; Haley Kuhlman, Cum Laude, Oregon; Heidi Dix, Paulding; Kevin J. Becker, Leland Hays, Jordan Torbet, and Wade Wooley, Wauseon; Zane Hayes, Wellington; Carissa Raven Schreiber, Weston; Jayson Paul Long, Worthington; Wayne E. Kelly II, Cum Laude, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Blayne Joseph Robbins, Cum Laude, Galva, Ill.; Chris Wade, Palm Bay, Fla.; Andrew J. Prielipp, Britton, Mich.; Nicole Darlene Walls, Carleton, Mich.; Joseph Niehaus, Grass Lake, Mich.; Jillian Crowell, Cum Laude, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Chris Douglas, Wixom, Mich.; Melissa Waskiewicz. Minneapolis, Minn.; Jordan K. Dagostaro, Magna Cum

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as; and Lornette Lynch, Cum

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Charloe: Charloe Store **Continental:** Okuley's Pharma- Pizza

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WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MIN-UTES 5/9/16

The Wayne Trace Local District Board of Education met in special session on May 9, 2016 at :30 a.m. in the Wayne Trace Local

High School Lecture Room.
The following members were present: Mr. Pat Baumle, Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mr. Perry Sinn, Mr. Dick Swary

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll Call was taken by Treasurer, Lori Davis

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

6:31 a.m. Motion by: Mr. Dick Swary; seconded by: Mr. Perry

Code Section 121.22(G)(1), a motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the employment of an employee of the School District." Roll call vote: Mr. Dick Swary,

Mr. Perry Sinn, Mr. Pat Baumle, Mrs. Lisa McClure, and Mr. Dick Swary, aye. Nay, none.

Board in executive session.

Regular Session Regular session called back to order at 8:10 a.m. Adjournment

Motion by: Mr. Perry Sinn; seconded by: Mrs. Lisa McClure, to adjourn meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next regular board meeting will be May 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wayne Trace High School Lecture Room.

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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

This is the last part of January 1945. The Germans have all been pushed back to where they were before the Battle of the Bulge. Both sides lost a lot of men and equipment. It was miserable weather, cold, wet fog for days that kept the Air Force on the ground. It was miserably cold and a lot of the boys didn't have their over coats, boots or gloves and they had to lay on the ground in the snow.

We flew east today heading for the Rhine River over in Germany just looking for targets of opportunity. We had not reached the river when one of the pilots saw a flash of reflection light coming from a grave of buses by the road. So we dropped right down to the ground to see what was under those trees. He radioed back that a convoy of trucks was under those trees. They were hiding or maybe they had not started out this morning.

That pilot was Willie Wilson from Pale Moon, Montana. He made the first pass where he saw the light flash and he put a rocket there with a lot of success. He must have hit a gasoline truck or an ammunition carrier, because we had a big fire in a hurry, lots of black smoke and men running out in the road.

Someone jumped into a German Command Car and started down the road. He no sooner got on the highway and I was right behind him. I touched off all my 50 cal. machine guns and I must have killed the driver with the first few rounds. He fell over in the seat and the car careened down the road and then into the ditch and then started to go end over end. I made a big circle and came back, that car was worthless, all sides were gone. The driver was probably thrown out on the first roll

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- MAY 17, 2016 We made pass after pass over that little grove of trees and used up all our rockets and ammo. There was a half a dozen good fires with a lot of flames and smoke.

We formed up at about a thousand feet and decided to go back to the base, as we had used up our ammo.

One of the pilots said, There are four dots in the sky at 12 o'clock high!" Well, none of us had any rounds left to fight if they were German planes. So, we pushed the throttle forward and headed home. We didn't see anymore action, we don't know whose planes those were, but we got home alright.

OFTEN USED PHRASES

Submitted by: Stan Jordan

You only get once to make a first impression

One in the hand is worth two in the bush Wait a second

You can't miss it It's just a little piece down the road

Y'all come

The run for the roses Runs, hits and errors

A face only a mother could

Beauty is only skin deep Well, I'll be He is an old geezer

GMC - got a mechanic

FORD - fix or repair daily It will only hurt a little bit A penny saved is a penny

One for you and two for

I didn't do it

It's them other guys

Politicians make strange bed fellows

You can't pick your rela-

The rich get richer and the poor have children There are two things for

sure, death and taxes This will hurt me more than it does you

HUSTLE AND BUSTLE IN ANTWERP

By: Stan Jordan

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In the next few weeks things are going to get very busy here in Antwerp, so you better get rid of your aches and pains and get ready to grab a root and growl.

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th, The Antwerp Rotary Club will hold their annual pancake and sausage breakfast. This is always a real going Jessie. Over the years it has grown to the big season opener for activities in the area. This year it will be held at the United Methodist Church, as it is close to the Memorial Day Celebration at the Veteran's Memorial Park.

Then on Saturday, June 4th of that same week, the A.C.D.C. will hold their 7th annual Ribfest. That will be down at the area of the fire house and the VFW, as usual. This has always been a day of fun and relaxation and good food. A must go-to day, a sort of like a homecoming.

Then on that following Friday and Saturday, June 10th and 11th, the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is featuring a city wide yard and garage sale and a whole lot

See ya!



In 1775, I went to Philadelphia to visit with my friend Ben Franklin. We went to a couple of night baseball games with the Phillies. Then Ben asked me to go along with him over to Scranton, PA, as he was to speak at the grand opening of his second Ben Franklin Five and Dime Store. There was a lot of people there because at one time Ben was governor of Pennsylvania and he was pretty well liked, besides, he was pretty

At the close of the ceremony, hundreds of people stayed for the Polka Dance. If you remember, Scranton was the home of the Pennsylvania

"It started in Scranton, it's now number 1

"It's bound to entertain ya "Everybody has the mania

"To do the Polka from Pennsylvania"

Everybody had a good time and it lasted for hours. Ben and I talked abut what kind of government we could have after we won our freedom from England.

We would be able to vote for our leader, every vote would count. Ben said, "I look some time down the road for women to be able to vote."

Ben and I went down to the Cream Cheese plant and they had a sit down restaurant and we had some clam chowder and other fare served on pewter dishes. Then we went to the Red Bull and had a few pints of rum and caught up on the local news.

Then we went down by the water front to a pub that Ben frequented pretty regularly. Our table wasn't lonely for long, as some of Ben's lady friends stopped by. Like I said, Ben is pretty famous.

NORTHWEST OHIO FISH-ING 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 reservoir. 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 inch-

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

listing of the rules.

Channel Catfish Bresler Reservoir (Allen

Phone: 419-258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net KINDERGARTEN ANTIQUES ROAD SHOW AT ANTWERP ELEMENTARY



Mrs. McMichael's kindergarten class at Antwerp Elementary School have been learning about the past. To help with this, they held a Kindergarten Antiques Road Show. Pictured with their antiques are Noah Lucas, Clara Rohrs, Taylor Hogans, and Logan Breckler.

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

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.

STATEMENT FROM OHIO **SECRETARY OF STATE JON HUSTED**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted released the following statement in response to amendments made to Senate Bill 63, legislation the Secretary has sought for more than five years, in order to authorize the implementation of an online voter registration system in Ohio. The bill is pending in the Ohio House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee. The following may be attributed directly to Secretary Husted:

'While I'm disappointed we won't be able to offer online registration to new voters in time for the Presidential Election, I do appreciate the work members of the House are doing to get the initiative passed this year.

"Online voter registration is more secure, more convenient and more cost effective than paper registration, which is why I remain a strong supporter and why 35 other states already allow it.

"Moving this legislation forward is good for voters, good for taxpayers and good policy for Ohio. My administration will be ready to switch it on as soon as lawmakers give us the authority to do so."



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You're all invited, so please join us at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 26, 2016, at the Huber!

PARADE OF NATIONS AT ANTWERP



Hope Roebel, Madison Berenyi, and Avin Goings and created a float to repre-

During the last full week of school, fifth graders at Antwerp Elementary School participated in their first-ever Parade of Nations. In groups, students researched a country

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH

5/18 - Mini pancakes, sau-

5/19 - Cheese omelet/

5/20 - Cinnamon roll,

5/23 – Sausage pizza, juice/

5/24 - Egg/cheese muffin,

5/25 - Mini pancakes, sau-

5/18 - Cook's choice; Plus:

5/19 - Cook's choice:

5/20 - Pepperoni piz-

Plus: Chef salad, Pizza sub or

Breaded chicken sandwich w/

za, romaine lettuce salad w/

dressing, green beans, assort-

ed canned and fresh fruit;

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Chef salad, Pizza sub or Pret-

BREAKFAST & LUNCH

MENUS 5/18 – 5/24

sage, juice/fruit, milk

toast, juice/fruit, milk

Breakfast:

juice/fruit, milk

juice/fruit, milk

sage, juice/fruit, milk

zel w/cheese w/salad bar

fruit, milk

Lunch:

er elementary students to see. Plus: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Cheeseburger sandwich w/ salad bar

sent their nation within three

days. Then the fifth graders

pulled their wagon floats

through the hallways for oth-

Cook's choice; 5/23 -PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Grilled chicken sandwich w/salad bar

5/24 - Cook's choice; PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Breaded chicken sandwich w/ salad bar

5/25 - Cook's choice; PLUS: Chef salad, Pizza sub or Pretzel w/cheese w/salad

WT PAYNE, GH & DIVINE **MERCY SCHOOLS BREAK-FAST & LUNCH MENUS** 5/18 - 5/24

Breakfast:

5/18 - Mini pancakes/sausage, fruit, milk

5/19 - Cheese omelet/ toast, fruit, milk

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5/20 - Mini cinnamon/apple bosco stick, fruit, milk

5/23 - Ham/cheese rip-

pers, fruit, milk

5/24 - Egg/cheese muffin, fruit, milk

5/25 - Mini pancakes, sausage, fruit, milk

5/18-19 - Cook's choice

5/20 - Pepperoni pizza, romaine lettuce salad w/dressing, green beans, fruit, milk

5/23-25 – Cook's choice

PEVS BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS 5/18 - 5/24

Jr/Sr High – Breakfast: 5/18-24 - Cook's choice *Jr/Sr High – Lunch:*

5/18 - Walking taco w/ meat, lettuce, refried beans, salsa OR Baked potato with meat, cheese & broc., pretzel b.stick, fruit, milk 5/19-24 - Cook's choice

Paulding Elementary -Breakfast: 5/18 - Burrito, juice/fruit,

5/19 – Muffin, cheese stick, juice/fruit, milk 5/20 - Cereal or cereal bar,

grahams, juice/fruit, milk 5/23 - Yogurt and goldfish graham, juice/fruit, milk

5/24 - Pancakes, juice/ fruit, milk Paulding Elementary -

Lunch: 5/18 - French toast, sausage, oven potatoes, tomato

juice, fruit, milk

5/19 – Cook's choice 5/20 - Pizza, salad, fr. veg., Sherbet, fruit, milk

5/23 - Field Day; Sack lunch available

5/24 - Cook's choice Oakwood Elementary *Breakfast:*

5/18 - Breakfast burrito, juice/fruit, milk

5/19 - Breakfast pizza, juice/fruit, milk 5/20 - Assorted cereals,

juice/fruit, milk 5/23 - Yogurt, goldfish,

juice/fruit, milk 5/24 - Warm cinn. roll, fruit/juice, milk

Oakwood Elementary -

5/18 - Pepperoni cheese, bread stick, marinara sauce, green beans, fruit, milk

5/19 - Mini pancakes wg., sausage patty, celery stix, carrot stix, fruit, milk 5/20 - Wg. cheese pizza,

green beans, carrot stix, fruit, milk 5/23 – Chicken strips, wg.

bread, peas, celery stix, fruit, 5/24 - Hot dog, wg. bun,

corn, carrot stix, fruit, milk

WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES 4/21/16

District Board of Education met in regular session on April 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wayne Trace Local High School Lecture Room. The following members were present: Mr. Pat Baumle, Mrs. Lisa

The Wayne Trace Local SChool

McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mr. Perry Sinn: Absent: Mr. Dick Swary The Pledge of Allegiance was re-

Roll Call was taken by Treasurer, Lori Davis.

Correspondence, Recognition of Guests, Hearing of the Public*

*Thirty minutes of public partici-pation will be permitted. Each person addressing the Board will give their name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted 3 minutes until the total of 30 minutes is used. During that period no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have the opportunity to do so. *All statements should be directed to the presiding officer; no person may

address or question Board members individually. Guests: Michael Wehrkamp, Candidate for Paulding County Probate/Juvenile

Report of the Treasurer:

Consent Agenda Items:

One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following con-

sent agenda items:
Motion by: Mr. Duane Sinn; sec-

onded by Mrs. Lisa McClure,
A. to approve the minutes of the

March 24, 2016 Board meeting;

B. to approve the investment re-ort and payment of bills for March 2016 as presented by the treasurer; C. to approve the cash reconcilia tion for March 2016.

lution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes? Roll call vote: Mr. Duane Sinn,

*Before we pass the consent reso

Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Pat Baumle, and Mr. Perry Sinn, aye. Nay, none. Motion passed.

Vantage Report

Report of the Building Princi-

Committee Reports
Report of the Superintendent

A. Curriculum B. Personnel

C. Buildings and Grounds D. Events

E. Operations

I. Consent Agenda Items One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following con-

sent agenda items: Motion by: Perry Sinn; seconded by: Duane Sinn

Item I was pulled from the consent

agenda by Perry Sinn. A. to accept the resignation of

Bethany Hughes as freshman volleyball coach; B. to accept the resignation of Mike Priest as girls' assistant basket-

ball coach: C. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and IH/HS Principal, to offer Ronda Walters a one vear contract as a business teacher for the 2016-2017 school year, contingent

upon her obtaining an Ohio teaching license, with placement on the salary schedule to be determined: D. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Matthew Wilhelm a one-year contract as a WTPE teacher for the 2016-2017 school year, with

placement on the salary schedule to be

determined;

E. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal, to offer a one-year contract beginning with the 2016-2017 school year to the following certified personnel:

• Dave Alt (approximately 45 days)

F. upon the recommendation of Superintendent and Principals, to offer two-year contracts beginning with the 2016-2017 school year to the following certified personnel: Christen Bauer, Elizabeth Becker, Rachael McCroskey, Kaleb O'Donnell, Kylee Ondrus, Katherine Scarbrough, Maureen Sorensen, Angela Stokes, Marta

G. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and Principals to offer three-year contracts beginning with the 2016-2017 school year to the following certified personnel: Allyssa Alvarez, Shawn Gerber, Lori Heiby, Kara Kelly, Alexis Short, Anne H. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and Principals, to offer two-year contracts beginning vith the 2016-2017 school year to the following classified personnel: Kelvin Davis, Jay Lamb, Julanne Molitor, Ka tie Stoller, Lisa Worden, Dawn Wright

I. to commend Miss Sharon Spinner, Mrs. Joni Wenninger, and the HS band for earning a superior rating at this year's OMEA regional music contest; our band will compete in the state competition the weekend of April 30. HS choir was recognized for earning an excellent rating at this same com-J. to commend Miss Joni Klop-

fenstein, Mrs. Heather Hatcher, se nior Scott Wenninger, junior Brooke Lelonek, and the WT National Honor Society for hosting a highly-successful fund-raiser on April 9, with proceeds benefiting the family of Wayne Trace alumnus Tim West; K. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal to approve an overnight trip for invited FFA members to the FFA State Convention in Columbus, OH, on May 5-6, 2016;

L. to approve the list of seniors for graduation on May 29, 2016, as presented by Mr. Phil Nofziger and Mrs. Sarah Franz, contingent upon completing all graduation requirements. M. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and NEOLA rep resentative, to modify several school board policies to reflect changes in N. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and Treasurer, to approve the guidelines and agreement form for use of school facilities; O. to acknowledge the 20-year Tax

Increment Financing between Benton Township, Willow Tree Pork, LLC, with the property located at tract Parcel ID #03-26S-003-00, and the Wayne Trace Local School District. The School hereby waives compliance with the notice requirements of Sections 5709.73 and 5709.83 of the Ohio Revised Code, but solely with the respect to the Real Property Improvements and to agree to payments in lieu of taxes equal to 15% of the Real Property Improvements while the Tax Increment Financing is in effect: P. to acknowledge the 20-year Tax

Increment Financing between Benton Township, Willow Tree Pork, LLC, with the property located at tract Parcel ID #03-265-003-01, and the Wayne Trace Local School District, The School hereby waives compliance with the notice requirements of Sections 5709.73 and 5709.83 of the Ohio Revised Code, but solely with the respect to the Real Property Improvements and to agree to payments in lieu of taxes equal to 15% of the Real Property Improvements while the Tax

Increment Financing is in effect.

PAGE 7 - WEST BEND NEWS - MAY 17, 2016 STATE FARM INVESTS IN NEW GIRL SCOUT CAMP FOR HISPANIC FAMILIES IN TOL



Due to the financial support from State Farm, approximately 35 Hispanic girls and their families will participate in three fun-filled days of family-friendly activities, including archery, hiking, climbing wall, and Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) activ-The Vive tu Vida Camp is a

partnership between the Girl Scouts of Western Ohio and Adelante, a Latino nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower Latinos and the community at-large through supportive services, education and advocacy for children and families.

Research overwhelmingly affirms that girls benefit immensely from time spent outdoors. According to a recent study by the Girl Scout Research Institute, More Than S'mores, girls who regularly spend time outdoors more readily seek challenges, are better problem solvers, and eclipse their peers who spend less time outdoors in environmental stewardship —all important traits in twenty-first century leadership.

Outdoor experiences are also particularly beneficial

lissa LaBounty as a teacher, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year. S. to accept the resignation of Heather Hatcher as a teacher, effec-tive at the end of the 2015-2016 school

T. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and WTPE Principal, to offer Rachel Rager a one-year contract as a WTPE paraprofessional, with placement on the salary schedule to be determined; U. upon the recommendation of

the Superintendent and WTGH Principal, to offer Camilla Kline a one-year contract as the four-hour cook/cashier at WTGH, with placement on the salary schedule to be determined. *Before we pass the consent reso

lution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting Roll call vote: Mr. Perry Sinn, Mr.

Duane Sinn, Mr. Pat Baumle, and Mrs. Lisa McClure, aye. Nay, none. Motion **Executive Session** 6:44 p.m. Motion by Mr. Duane Sinn; seconded by Mrs. Lisa McClure

"Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), a motion to ad-

regular outdoor exposure through Girl Scouts are likely to credit Girl Scouts with helping them become leaders. Other partnering agencies include ProMedica and Harbor Behavioral Healthcare, who will provide healthy living activities, and The Ohio State University Extension Educators and Boy Scouts of America, who will provide workshops for

socioeconomic status (SES).

More Than S'mores finds

that lower-SES girls who have

Talented and Gifted and the East Toledo Family Center are assisting with recruit-Vive tu Vida Camp is scheduled for June 28-30,

boys. Perrysburg Heights

Community Center, L.

Hollingworth School for the

2016, at Girl Scout Camp Libbey in Defiance, OH. To learn more about Vive tu Vida Camp, contact Joyce

Rhodes at 567.225.3546 or joycerhodes@gswo.org. Find out more about Girl Scout camp at gswo.org/ camp and how to join at

gswo.org/join or by calling 888.350.5090 or emailing customerservice@gswo.org.

journ to executive session for the purpose of considering the employment of an employee of the School District." Roll call vote: Mr. Duane Sinn.

Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Pat Baumle, and Mr. Perry Sinn, aye. Nay, none.

Board in executive session

8:40 p.m. Regular session called back to order. Motion by Mr. Perry Sinn; seconded by Mrs. Lisa McClure

I. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director, to approve Mike Speice as head football coach for

the 2016-2017 school year; Roll call vote: Mr. Perry Sinn, Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Pat Baumle, and Mr. Duane Sinn, aye. Nay, none. Motion passed.
Adjournment:

Motion by Mrs. Lisa McClure; seconded by Mr. Perry Sinn

to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Meeting adjourned. A special board meeting has been

scheduled for April 25, 2016 at 6:30 a.m. to discuss the employment of certified personnel.

The next regular meeting will be May 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wayne Trace Local High School Lec-

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and the weather permits. For most memorable moments, Emily had this to say, "My most memorable high school experience was going to Disney with the band and choir, Junior year. It was fun spending a whole week with my friends in Florida and marching down the middle of Magic Kingdom.'



Jarrison Steiner has been named Co-Valedictorian of the Class of 2016. He has earned a 4.0 GPA during his high school career. His parents are Bryce and Angel Steiner. He plans to attend IPFW majoring in Computer Science. He would like to then apply for Indiana University Medical School.

During high school, Jarrison has been involved in the STS program and NHS. Other awards and recognitions include course achievement awards for biology, statistics, world history, English, algebra, geometry, and economics, 3-year academic excellence award, and the perfect attendance award (11-12, 13-

He also has been an employee of his family's business, West Bend Printing & Publishing, Inc., working in print production and taking sports photography for the newspaper. His hobbies include photography, comput-

ers, and spending time with his family and friends.



Ienna Wilson has been named Salutatorian of the Class of 2016 with a 3.986 GPA. She is the daughter of Tony and Kathy Wilson. Jenna plans to attend Trine University for Mechanical Engineering because, "I have always been fascinated with how machines work and I felt this degree would be a good fit for this interest.

Jenna was involved in varsity golf, marching, concert and jazz band, Quiz Bowl, stage crew for musicals, NHS, and library FTA. She has also been involved as a volunteer at Buckeye Samoyed Rescue, Vancrest, been a member of Antwerp Community Band, Y Disciple, and UWPC junior board.

Awards, recognitions and scholarships that Jenna has earned include Antwerp Academic A, Presidential Academic, Rotary Award, Four Year Letter Winner - Golf, Most Improved Golfer, Most Improved Band Member, John Phillip Sousa Award, winner of Youth Nations at University of Toledo. She has also earned Trine University Merit Award, Trine Music Participation Award, and Trine Valedictorian/Salutatorian Award.

Jenna has several hobbies and interests - reading, puzzles, trivia, golf, music, and dogs. Her most memorable winning the John Phillip Sousa Award at her final high school band concert.

Commencement exercises will take place in the high school gym at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 22, 2016.

Heritage Jr/Sr High School



Lillian Castleman has been named Valedictorian for the Class of 2016 with a 4.0 GPA. She will be attending the Ball State University. She plans to be a teacher simply because, "I love working with children.'

Some of her activities and honors include Volleyball, National Honors Society, Student Council, Prom Committee, LEARN program, Presidential Scholarship, Principal's list, Scholar Athlete of the week, Perfect Attendance, Academic All-State, Ronald and Joan Venderly Scholarship. Hobbies she enjoys are volleyball, spending time with family and friends, shopping, babysitting, and watching sports games.

Commenting on insights she would like to pass on about high school, she states, "I had a great group of friends who helped me have the best high school experience possible.

Lillian is the daughter of Mike and Michelle Castleman



Chevenne Peden has

tend IPFW to earn a Bachelor's degree in Nursing. She states that she wants to help others and give back. Her extracurricular activities are cheerleading.

Cheyenne commented about her high school experience, and about how she felt that it was coming to a close, "It's bittersweet. I have had fun and made many memories." She enjoys bike riding on nature trails and shopping. Her parents are Shawn and Tamara Peden. Commencement exercis-

es will be at the high school on Saturday, June 4, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

New Haven High School



Devin Dubbelde has been named Valedictorian of the Class of 2016 with a 12.2 GPA. He plans to attend Purdue University to major in Aerospace Engineering. He comments, "My passion for space and flight has always been existent. Even as a small child, I always fantasized about becoming an astronaut. I had aspirations of becoming the first man on Mars. I decided to pursue this degree because it infuses both space and engineering.'

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Devin's activities and accomplishments include Students Against Destructive Decisions, President; Key Club, Vice President; National Honor Society; Student Council; CANstruction. He earned the National Merit Scholar, Rensselaer Math and Science Award, and Soccer All-State Academic.

Other hobbies Devin has been involved in are Momentum Youth Group, Soccer, Foot golf, and beating my friends in FIFA 16. "Overall, I have enjoyed

my time in high school. I have been involved in many clubs and activities, and I have made some of my best friends and memories this way. Even though I worked hard to have good grades, I still had time to go out and have fun. High school has been the best years of my life, and I find it hard to believe that my four years have come to a close," commented Devin.

Devin's parents are Scott and Diane Dubbelde



Owen Doster has been named Salutatorian of the Class of 2016 with a 11.7 GPA. He has plans to attend Wabash College to major in Pre-Medicine (Biology). He gives a very thought-provoking statement about his choice of vocation and school, "While I thought about those people that impacted my life and the people that tragically left this world without a reason of my understanding, left me to ponder my life and what I would offer this world. I continued to research the field of science specifically as it pertained to the heart. During the process of research, I met a leader in the cardiology field and was further intrigued. I had the pleasure of interviewing him when I was 14 and was also fortunate to observe him in the operating room during my internship at Lutheran Hospital four years later. It is with that thinking as well as research and well placed opportunities that I desire to pursue my passion to be a cardiothoracic surgeon.' Throughout his high

school career, Owen has been a part of Student Council (President), Principal's Advisory Cabinet (Senior Leader), National Honor Society, Wrestling, Baseball, Peer Mentoring He has also volunteered at Lutheran Hospital & Indiana Physical Therapy, is a Referee for various youth sports. Recognitions belonging to Owen include 2x First Team Academic All-State, 2x 21 Alive Student Athlete of the Week, Presidential Scholarship through Wabash College, Finalist for the Lilly Grant at Wabash College, earned a general scholarship during Honors Scholarship Weekend at Wabash College, Indiana State Wresting Association Scholarship, Wrestling State Qualifier at 126lbs. in 2015, and Wrestling State Place winner (5th) at 132lbs.









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Besides all of these activities, Owen enjoys Wrestling, Wakeboarding & other water sports, going to the lake, hanging out with my friends, playing Yugioh cards, going to concerts, working out, being surrounded by the people that mean the most to him.

Looking back and gleaning about the insights of high school, Owen had this to say, "High school is all about what you make of it. For me, I got involved and connected and high school was a breeze. I enjoyed memories with my friends, and lots of fun through the sports I played and the clubs that I got involved with. It was very important for me to compete on a high level not only on the playing field but also in the class room. Being a hard worker was another thing that contributed to the ease of high school and also the fun

His parents are Dave and Kim Doster.

Commencement exercises will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum.

Woodlan Jr/Sr High School



Mitchell VanBrocklin has been named Valedictorian for Woodlan High School of the Class of 2016. He earned an 11.89 GPA. His plan to is attend Marian University and



major in marketing so he can use his creativity to market products and come up with advertisements

During high school, Mitchell has been involved in Football and National Honor Society. His accomplishments include Football Academic All-State, IFCA Top 50 All-State, St. Clare's Scholarship, and Athletic Scholarship for Football. His hobbies are sports and youth group.

Mitchell has these insights about high school, "Fun and challenging, but pays off in

Mitchell is the son of Tanya Reed and Kevin Van-Brocklin.



Kenzie Salzbrenner has been named as Salutatorian of the Class of 2016 with an 11.73 GPA. She plans to attend the University of Indianapolis to pursue a degree in Psychology for Occupational Therapy. "I chose this field of study because I want to make a difference in the lives of those with physical or mental disabilities," comments Salz-

Some of Kenzie's high school activities are volleyball, Basketball, Softball, National Honor President, Student Council President, Class of 2016 President, Prom Committee, Women's Ensemble Choir, Campus Life, Special Education intern, St. Paul Lutheran Youth Group. Some of her honors Prom Princess Court, Service above Self student leadership award, Volleyball and Basketball Academic All-State, Basketball All-conference, Academic All-conference, Northeast Indiana Senior All-Star Team, and Distinguished Dean's Scholarship.

Her hobbies are sports, singing, swimming, spending time at the lake, and most importantly spending time with my family and friends.

About high school, Kenzie says, "High school has taught me to stay focused and work hard in all that I do. I have also learned that if I fail the first time, I should never give up and keep trying to reach my goals. I will miss my friends and participating in high school sports, but I am very excited for the future."

She is the daughter of Chad and Staci Salzbrenner.

Commencement exercises will be performed at the high school at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 4, 2016.

Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High



Scott Wenninger has been named Co-Valedictorian of the Class of 2016 with a 4.0 GPA. He plans to attend The Ohio State University to study Biomedical Engineering. This field is expanding and he wants to help with research and development for new prostheses and medicines to cure injuries and During high school, Scott

was involved in football, track, band, choir, spring musical, robotics, student council, and National Honor Society. He earned many awards including valedictorian, first honors, department awards - geometry, chemistry, algebra II, physics, advanced math, is a National Merit Commended Scholar, earned the Maximus Scholarship (OSU), and the OSU Alumni Scholarship.

Outside of school, Scott is involved in his church youth group, Honors band, All-State honors band, spending time with his friends, and volunteer-

When asked about his most memorable high school experience, Scott commented, "My most memorable high school experience is when the football team went to the State championship. Being able to spend time with my friends and teammates while going through the playoffs and the championship game was an experience I will never forget."

Scott is the son of Randy and Joni Wenninger.



Brianna Sinn has been named as Co-Valedictorian of the Class of 2016 with a 4.0 GPA. She plans to attend Bluffton University to major in Nutrition Dietetics following her high school career. She enjoys learning how nutrition affects health and wants to help others understand this as well. Among her awards and

achievements, Brianna has earned first honors, varsity letter (basketball and track), Anatomy Departmental Award, world history departmental award, Presidential Scholarship, Academic Excellence Scholarship, and Natural and Applied Sciences Award. Her hobbies include read-

ing, spending time with family and friends, working with cute little spotted pigs, animals, and sewing. Her most memorable high school experiences were spring musicals, and attending the state tournaments for boys basketball and football. Brianna is the daughter of

Gary and Paulette Sinn. Commencement exercises

will be on Sunday, May 29, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. in the high school.

PAULDING WINS AGAINST ALLEN EAST

Allen East - 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0=0 Paulding -030000x=3Paulding scorers: Johanns 1, McGarvey 1, Miller 1

Losing pitcher: Newland (6 innings, 3 hits, 3 runs, 1 strikeout)

Winning pitcher: Egnor (7 innings, 1 hit, 0 runs, 11 strikeouts)

LADY PANTHERS COME HOME WITH A LOSS

Paulding - 0 0 0 0 0 0 1=1 Crestview – 0 1 0 0 0 0 1=2 Paulding scorers: An-

Crestview scorers: Millay 1, Guest 1

Winning pitcher: Manz (6.67 innings, 8 hits, 2 runs, 0 strikeouts)

Losing pitcher: Preston (7 innings, 6 hits, 1 run, 9 strikeouts)

FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC RESULTS

The boys and girls track teams competed in the GMC meet May. The girls finished 2nd and the boys finished 1st.

Girls GMC team results:

1st Holgate 124; 2nd Fairview 106; 3rd Ayersville 62; 4th Wayne Trace 61; 5th Edgerton 53; 6th Hicksville 44; 7th Tinora 39; 8th Antwerp

Girls first place finishers:

Culler – Long Jump (3 time league champion in the long jump); Schwarzbek – 300 hurdles Boys GMC team results:

1st Fairview 141; 2nd Edgerton 88; 3rd Wayne Trace 81.50; 4th Tinora 65; 5th Ayersville 60; 6th Hicksville 49; 7th Antwerp 26.50; 8th Holgate 13 Boys first place finishers:

4x800 Relay - Carpenter, Iohnson, Midgett, Kolb; Sliter - 100 meters; Johnson - 800 Fairview defeated Pauld-

ing in the Sectional Finals to advance to the districts on May 19 of this week against Archbold at 2:00 at Defiance College. Archbold defeated the Apaches the first time that they played, but they have improved much since then which should bring about a good game. Fairview then defeated

Continental on Saturday, May 14, in a double header 12-2 and 14-1. Cooper got his first varsity win on the mound as the Apaches improved to 17-6 on the season.

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMO-NY HELD AT THE MOUNT **VERNON GRAND HOTEL**

A ribbon cutting ceremony for The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel was held Friday evening in downtown Mount Vernon to inaugurate the opening of the hotel to the general public. Hosted by the Knox County Chamber of Commerce and Ambassadors, the ceremonial red ribbon was cut by Mount Vernon Nazarene University President Henry Spaulding.

"I've been waiting for this for about two years, and I'm happy to say that The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel is open for business, and has been for a while. We're happy to be a part of this community and we feel that this hotel is a sign of the kind of partnership that is possible between MVNU and the community. We appreciate your support," said Spaulding. Prior to the ribbon cut-

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ting, a proclamation was read by Ryan Dilworth, a field representative from U.S. Representative Bob Gibbs' office. The proclamation read that the Grand's location in downtown Mount Vernon provides a new home for visitors from the state and all across the nation, and that the state of Ohio is "grateful for the reinvestment into the city of Mount Vernon and its downtown."

After the ceremony the community was invited in to the Grand for tours of the suites, rooms, and banquet spaces, along with hors d'oeuvres and a chance to win priz-Justin Bauer, Director of

Sales and Marketing at The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel, said there were approximately 800 visitors during Friday night's festivities.

For more information viswww.mountvernongrand. com, or call 1-844-700-1717. The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel can also be found on Facebook and Instagram. The Mount Vernon Grand Hotel is owned by MVNU Management, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mount Vernon Nazarene University; and operated by CUSA LLC.

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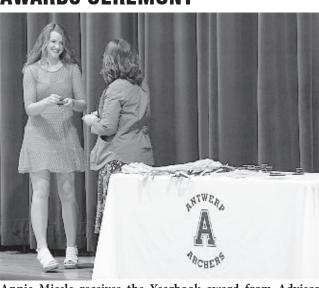
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2015-16 ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS CEREMONY



Annie Miesle receives the Yearbook award from Advisor Amy Sorrell. Annie participated at many events taking pictures throughout the year for the memories stored in the annual publication.

On Tuesday, May 10, the Antwerp High School presented students with awards and scholarships earned for the 2015-16 school year.

Principal's Leadership Award: Aaron O'Donnell The Ryan Family Foun-

dation Scholarships: \$2,000 scholarship to BGSU – Annie Miesle; \$1,500 scholarships – Mikayla Boesch and Jenna Wilson

The Bruckart Family Scholarships – Sidney Barnhouse, Elizabeth Hawley, Kiana Recker

Antwerp Rotary Scholarship: Sam Williamson, Erik Buchan, Mikayla Boesch

Jacobs Trust Scholarship - Mikayla Boesch

J.P. Crain Scholarships – Sidney Barnhouse, Mikayla Boesch, Erik Buchan, Emily Derck, Elizabeth Hawley, Audrie Longardner, Joshua Longardner, Kiana Recker, Jenna Wilson

Parent Employment Scholarships – Sam Williamson, Aaron O'Donnell

Paulding County Area Foundation Scholarships – Emily Derck, Sam William-

Gen Fed Credit Union Scholarship – Mikayla

Boesch
VFW Post 5087 Scholarships – Kiana Recker, Josh
Longardner, Erik Buchan,
Sam Williamson

Jean Detmon Book Scholarship – Erik Buchan, Sidney Barnhouse, Emily Derck, Jeffrey Coleman, Aaron O'Donnell, Jenna Wilson, Annie Miesle, Paige Rebber

Roger Brown Memorial Scholarship – Alex Zartman

Antwerp Education Association Book Scholarship

– Annie Miesle, Mikayla Boesch, Emily Derck, Avery

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Braaten, Sam Williamson, Beth Hawley, Audrie Longardner, Kiana Recker, Paige Rebbber, Jenna Wilson, Blaire Rebber, Erik Buchan, Jeffrey Coleman, Josh Longardner

Students of the Month:

September – Emily Derck; October – Jenna Wilson; November – Annie Miesle; December – Aaron O'Donnell; January – Sam Williamson; February – Elizabeth Hawley; March – Brittany Smith; April – Audrie Longardner

Perfect Attendance:
Seniors – Aaron O'Donnell; Juniors – RJ Duffey;
Sophomores – Joey Craig,
Jonathon Pendergrast; Freshmen – Levi Craig, Charity
Roebel, Jared Sukup, Joshua

Sukup
Academic Content
Awards:

English I - Iris Sorrell; English II - Callie Perry; English III - Jarrison Steiner; AP English - Annie Miesle; Yearbook - Annie Miesle; Broadcasting - Brittany Smith; Applied Algebra - Kolton Titus; Algebra I - Jon Lederman, Brett Fulk; Algebra II -Alexandra Hindenlang; Geometry - Austin Chirgwin; AP Statistics - Alexandra Hindenlang; Pre-Calculus -Joshua Longardner; Calculus Aaron O'Donnell; Biology I - Brett Fulk; Physical Science - John Meglich, Maegen Price; Chemistry - Iris Sorrell, Alexandra Hindenlang; Environmental Science Sam Williamson; Anatomy -Emilee Phillips, Hunter Noel; Physics - Matthew Dooley; World History - Brett Fulk; American History - Callie Perry; American Government Matthew Dooley, Jaime Ryan; Economics Jarrison Steiner; AP Psychol-

ogy - Emilee Phillips; Crim-

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inal Justice – Carlos Sanchez; Spanish I – Austin Chirgwin; Spanish II – Emilee Phillips; Spanish III – Jaime Ryan; Spanish III – Emily Butzin; STS – Matthew Dooley, Aaron O'Donnell; Computer Science I – Josephus Ehlinger

Academic Achievement Awards: Seniors – Sidney Barnhouse, Erik Buchan, Serena Drake, Brooke Gerig, Taylor Kochenour, Kirsten Price, Iann Roebel, Austin Wendt

Juniors – Mariah Elkins, Marissa Elkins, Becca Johanns, Trey Mills, Hunter Noel, Brandon Pendergrast, Arron Romero

Sophomores – Riley Mc-Alexander, Ashley Miller, Jonathon Pendergrast, Dylan Peters, Megaen Price, Kortney Smith, Kylee Trauterman, Rachel Williamson

Freshmen – Keaton Altimus, Kobe Dunderman, Gene Garrett, Aubree Rager, Alayna Ryan, Ty Rebber

Academic Excellence Awards & Academic A's:

Seniors – Mikayla Boesch, Jeffrey Coleman, Domino Daugherty, Emily Derck, Elizabeth Hawley, Audrie Longardner, Joshua Longardner, Anne Miesle, Aaron O'Donnell, Blaire Rebber, Paige Rebber, Kiana Recker, Jarrison Steiner, Jacob Sukup, Samuel Williamson, Jenna Wilson

Juniors – Emma Butzin, Carley DeLong, Matthew Dooley, Joshua Ehlinger, Evan Hilton, Erica Meyer, Emilee Phillips, Hanna Richey, Jaime Ryan, Hannah Schneider, Hayden Spryn, Maggie Wilson

Sophomores – Kaylee Bennett, Kaitlin Clevinger, Brian Geyer, Brooke Hatlevig, Alexandra Hindenlang, Brandon Laney, Amelia Miller, Callie Perry, Joshua Poulson

Freshmen – Ashton Barnhouse, Kendall Billman, Adam Butzin, Kati Carr, Austin Chirgwin, Jason Dunstan, Brett Fulk, Kaitlyn Hamman, Jonathon Lederman, Nathan Lee, Aiden McAlexander, Charity Roebel, Jake Ryan, Iris Sorrell, Gage Speaks, Joel Steiner, Brayton Stuckey, Jared Sukup, and Joshua Sukup

National Honors Society: Seniors – Mikayla Boesch, Jeffrey Coleman, Emily Derck, Elizabeth Hawley, Taylor Kochenour, Audrie Longardner, Joshua Longardner, Anne Miesle, Aaron O'Donnell, Kirsten Price, Blaire Rebber, Paige Rebber, Kiana Recker, Jarrison Steiner, Samuel Williamson, and Jenna Wilson.

Juniors – Emily Butzin, Carley DeLong, Matthew Dooley, Joshua Ehlinger, Evan Hilton, Erica Meyer, Emilee Phillips, Hanna Richey, Jaime Ryan, Hannah Schneider, and Maggie Wilson,

Diploma with Honors: Jeffrey Coleman, Emily Derck, Elizabeth Hawley, Taylor Kochenour, Audrie Longardner, Joshua Longardner, Annie Miesle, Aaron O'Donnell, Kirsten Price, Paige Rebber, Jarrison Steiner, Sam Williamson, and Jenna Wilson

LADY PANTHERS SEND JEFFERSON HOME WITH A LOSS

Paulding defeated Delphos Jefferson 9-1 in sectional finals on Friday in softball. Paulding is now 10-9 on the season.

Score by the Inning:

DJ – 0 0 0 1 0 0 0=1; 2H, 5E Paulding – 4 1 0 2 0 2 x=9; Scorers of the Game: DJ – Hartsock 1 Paulding – Beck 1, Manz

2, Dominique 1, Trausch 1, Lucas 1, Arellano 2 Losing pitcher: Thompson (6 innings 11 hits 9 runs 3

(6 innings, 11 hits, 9 runs, 3 strikeouts)

Winning pitcher: Manz (7 innings, 2 hits, 1 run, 10 strikeouts)

DIVISION IV SECTIONAL SOFTBALL AT WAYNE TRACE

Division IV Sectional Softball took place at Wayne Trace with Wayne Trace losing to Lincolnview, 6-2.

Score by the Inning: Lincolnview – 4 1 0 0 0 1 0=6; 15H, 1E

Wayne Trace – 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 =2; 8H, 1E

Winning Pitcher – Ashbaugh (7 innings, 8 hits, 2 runs, 2 earned runs, 4 strikeouts, 2 walks)

Losing Pitcher – Crosby (7 innings, 15 hits, 6 runs, 5 earned runs, 8 strikeouts, 0 walks)

Scorers of the Game:
Lincolnview - Brant
(single, double, home run,
three runs, one RBI), Ashbaugh (three singles, one
run), Miller (two doubles,
one run, three runs batted
in), Looser (single, home
run, two runs batted in, one
run), Taylor (single, double),
Davis (two singles) Miller

(single)
Wayne Trace – Thrasher
(two singles, run), Critten
(single, run), Zartman (two
singles, one run batted in),
Wright (single), Moore (single), Parrish (single)

FOOTBALL COURSE OFFERED BY 5TH DISTRICT

This course is mandatory for anyone interested in becoming a registered football official in Ohio.

The course will be: Thursday, July 21 and Friday, July 22, 6:00-9:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 23, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 24, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will be held at Defiance College (Dana Hall), 701 N. Clinton Street, Defiance, OH and Hicksville HS (Saturday only).

The course will cover rules in a classroom setting, as well as on-field application of mechanics. Upon full completion of the course and successful passage of an approved OHSAA online examination, you will be certified as a Class II registered official with the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

Interested individual should contact Scott Armey at (419) 351-3230 or at ft-nirish@roadrunner.com for more details.

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Damon Egnor and Alex Arellano are the recipients of the 2016 Zachary Arend Scholarship awarded at Paulding High School.

ARCHERS FINISH SEASON AT SECTIONALS



Antwerp Junior Lindsay Bok slides safely back in to first after leading off. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Sectional game Antwerp softball lost to Lincolnview 6 to 1. Antwerp scored in the 3rd.

Score by the Inning: Lincolnview - 0 0 1 1 0 4

Antwerp – 0 0 1 0 0 0 0=1 Batting: Lincolnview – Brant 2 4 rbi; Miller single; Taylor 3 singles
Antwerp – Derck dbl;

singles; Ashbaugh single dbl

Barnhouse single; Bok single Pitching: Lincolnview – Ashbaugh

(3 hits 9 strikeouts)
Antwerp – Braaten (4 strikeouts 8 hits)



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HONOR FLIGHT DONATIONS



1st Picture: H.E. Orr employees in Paulding, Ohio recently held a free will donation cook out to raise money for Paulding Putnam Electric's Honor Flight Fundraiser. The company matched what the employees raised and also donated an extra \$500. The total donated was \$1510.00. Pictured L to R from H.E. ORR (Donna Garman, Greg Johnson, Mike Mapes, Lisa Roemer, and Alice Dunham.)



2nd Picture: Paulding County Steering Committee donates \$500. to Paulding Putnam Electric Honor Flight Fundraiser. Pictured L to R: Matt Missler, Karen Saxton, (Paulding Co. Steering Committee) & Erika Willitzer with Paulding Putnam Electric.



3rd Picture: Payne Elementary staff and students raised \$1000.00 toward the Paulding Putnam Electric Honor Flight Fundraiser. Students also made cards and letters for the veterans to read upon returning home from their Honor Flights. Pictured L to R: Principal Jody Dunham and PPEC **Employees Kendra Stoller and Annette Schreiner.**

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 2016 SENIOR AWARDS/ SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM

The Senior Awards Program was held at Paulding High School on Tuesday, May 10, 2016.

The following awards and scholarships were given to the Class of 2016:

Oakwood Elementary PTO Scholarships -Arellano, Jowaine Grimes, Bridgett Moore, Haley Porter

Paulding Education As-

soc. Scholarships – Victoria Bradford, Kynsie Etzler, Allison Harpel, Matthew Martinez, Taylor Schooley, Jordan

Board/Administration Scholarships - Alex Arellano, Allison pel, Taylor Manz, Megan Reineck, Taylor Schooley

Retired Teacher's Assoc. *Scholarship* – Jordan Shull

Oakwood Alumni Assoc. Scholarships - Alex Arellano, Audrey Durham

Paulding County Hospital Foundation Scholarship Emilee Ringler

Paulding County Area Foundation Scholarships -Megan Reineck, Jordan Shull

Paulding Putnam Electric **Scholarship** – Allison Harpel Lafarge Scholarship – Allison Harpel

Systech Award - Allison

Harpel

Technologies, *Inc. Scholarship* – Allison

Dr. Bruce Atkinson Schol*arship* – Jordan Shull Russell Bauer Scholar-

ships - Alex Arellano, Jaycie Varner Virgil Cooper Scholar-

ships – Lucas Arend, Brandon Lothamer, Branson Minck, Cullen Wenzlick, Drayson Wenzlick

JP Crain Scholarships Alex Arellano, Victoria Bradford, Audrey Durham, Kynsie Etzler, Sam Ladd, Taylor Manz, Branson Minck, Taylor Schooley, Jordan Shull, Drayson Wenzlick

İris Gallagher Scholarships - Kynsie Etzler, Jordan Gorman Family Trusts

Scholarships - Lucas Arend, Victoria Bradford, Kacie Karlstadt, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Megan Reineck, Jordan Shull

Ira Hamman Scholarships - Kasandra Cogswell, Jowaine Grimes Jacob Scholarships - Alli-

son Harpel, Taylor Schooley,

Jordan Shull Lela McGuire Jeffery **Scholarships** – Lucas Arend, Destiny Dangler-Reed,

Jowaine Grimes, Brendon Lothamer, Haley Porter, Jordan Jerald Rodriguez Memorial Scholarships - Alex Arellano, Audrey Durham,

Skyler Huth Memorial Scholarships - Alex Arellano, Corbin Edwards, Allison

Angelicia Escalera, Johna-

Rosemary Young Book *Scholarship* – Kynsie Etzler Janice Lipp Memorial **Scholarship** – Jordan Shull

Monroe Family Scholar*ship* – Taylor Schooley

Steel Dynamics, *Award* – Luke Jackson

Zachary H. Arend Memorial Scholarships - Alex Arellano, Damon Egnor

Melrose Area Book Schol*arship* – Matthew Martinez

Paulding United Methodist Church - Victoria Mead-

Pepsi Cola Company Scholarships - Kynsie Etzler, Branson Minck, Megan Reineck

GenFed Credit Union **Scholarship** – Taylor School-

NUCOR Scholarship Lauren Johanns

Gleaner Life Insurance *Scholarship* – Luke Jackson

Paulding Football Parents Scholarships - Branson Minck, Jarrett Sitton

PHS Scholar Athlete **Awards** – Lucas Arend, Kelsey Beck, Zach Buchman, Branson Minck, Emilee Ringler, Jarrett Sitton; Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Awards Alex Arellano, Kelsey Beck; OHSAA Scholar Athletes -Lucas Arend, Victoria Bradford; NFHS Award of Excellence - Samantha Meggison, **Jarrett Sitton**

Office Assistants - Alex Arellano, Sierra Bullard, Damon Egnor, Luke Jackson, Samantha Meggison, Emilee Ringler, Johnathon Rose, Taylor Schooley, Jarrett Sitton, Jaycie Varner John Philip Sousa Band

Award – Victoria Meadows Band Booster Scholar-

ships - Victoria Bradford, Allison Harpel, Matthew Martinez, Megan Reineck

Choral Awards - Senior Quartet; Victoria Bradford, Angelicia Escalera, Bailey

Meyer; Director's Award -

Victoria Bradford

Art Awards - Destiny Dangler-Reed, Leigha Flores, Brenna Schmidt

Drama Production Awards - Victoria Bradford, Kasandra Cogswell, Angelicia Escalera, Kelsey Hale, Taylor Jackman, Tori Johanns, Kacie Karlstadt, Emilee Ringler, Kristen Schilt, Brenna Schmidt, Taylor Schooley, Iordan Shull, Michelle Young Engineering Team

Awards - Lucas Arend, Zachary Buchman, Damon Egnor, Allison Harpel, Jarrett Sitton Science Olympiad Awards

Victoria Bradford, Allison Harpel, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Victoria Meadows, Megan Reineck Science Fair Participants

Taylor Jackman, Brenna Schmidt Quiz Bowl - Kasandra Cogswell, Allison Harpel,

Kacie Karlstadt, Bailey Meyer, Emilee Ringler, Jarrett Sitton Spanish IV Awards -Kasandra Cogswell, Kynsie Etzler, Megan Fife, Jowaine

Grimes, Kacie Karlstadt,

Kristen Schilt, Jordan Shull Americanism Awards Luke Jackson, Megan Reineck Peony Pageant Participant - Victoria Meadows

Sr. Panther Pride Award Scholarships - Victoria Bradford, Drayson Wenzlick

Student Council/Class Officers - Student Council Pres - Taylor Manz; Student Council Treas.-Emilee Ringler;, Student Council Members- Kristen Schilt, Taylor Schooley, Jarrett Sitton, Senior Class President - Emilee Ringler, Vice Pres - Kristen Schilt, Sec/Treas. – Taylor Schooley, Officers – Taylor Manz, Jarrett Sitton

Exemplary Attendance 4 years - Nicholas Warnimont; Perfect Attendance Sr. year Allison Harpel, Nicholas Warnimont; Excellent Attendance 4 years - Allison Harpel, David McMichael, Alex Speiser, Drayson Wenzlick

National Honor Society Darian Andrews, Lucas Arend, Kelsey Beck, Victoria Bradford, Zachary Buchman, Kasandra Cogswell, Damon Egnor, Kynsie Etzler, Nathan Gee, Allison Harpel, Lauren Johanns, Kacie Karlstadt, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Branson Minck, Bridgett Moore, Haley Porter, Megan Reineck, Émilee Ringler, Johnathon Rose, Taylor Schooley, Jordan Shull, Jarrett Sitton, Jaycie Varner, Cullen Wenzlick, Drayson Wenzlick

National Merit Scholar -Allison Harpel

Honors Diploma – Darian Andrews, Lucas Arend, Victoria Bradford, Zachary Buchman, Kasandra Cogswell, Allison Harpel, Taylor Manz, Matthew Martinez, Branson Minck, Megan Reineck, Johnathon Rose, Taylor Schooley, Jarrett Sitton, Jaycie Varner

Seniors Graduating with Honors: 3.5 - 3.99 after 7 semesters - Matthew Martinez, Darian Andrews, Jordan Shull, Cullen Wenzlick, Kelsey Beck, Kasandra Cogswell, Drayson Wenzlick, Branson Minck, Jaycie Varner, Jarrett Sitton, Kacie Karlstadt, Zachary Buchman, Kynsie Etzler, Bridgett Moore, Damon Egnor, Nathan Gee, Krista Mullins, Lauren Johanns, Haley Porter, Nicholas

Warnimont, Johnathon Rose Seniors Graduating with *Highest Honors:* 4.0 or higher after 7 semesters - Allison Harpel, Megan Reineck, Taylor Schooley, Lucas Arend,

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Honor Flight Northeast Indiana (HFNEI) will make its 20th flight to Washington D.C. on Wednesday, May 25th. This flight isn't solely

about the 83 deserving Veterans who are scheduled to participate. Flight #20 is also dedicated to Laura Carrico, the founder of Honor Flight Northeast Indiana. It has been affectionately dubbed the "Because of Laura" flight and will pay tribute to Laura and the original five board members, who with her leadership, brought about the first flight on May 13, 2009. Since then, 1300 Veterans have traveled to Washington D.C. to reflect at the memorials built in their honor. There are several surprises in store for Laura and her board. Currently, Flight #20 in-

cludes 29 WWII, 53 Korean and one Viet Nam Veteran for a total of 83 Veterans, one of which is 96 years old. The first flight for the hub in 2009 escorted 27 Veterans. The veterans and volun-

teer guardians will gather at the 122nd Air National Guard Fighter Wing at 6:00 a.m. with take-off projected to be at 8:30 a.m. Returning home, the community is encouraged to patriotically welcome the veterans in the Main Terminal of the Fort Wayne International Airport the evening of May 25. Return time is tentative, but expected to be at approximately 8:30 p.m. More information regarding the public's participation and return timing will be shared on the group's Facebook page at HFNEI.

95% of all donations go directly towards the veterans' trips. Honor Flight NE Indiana, Inc. is a volunteer, nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization. Donations are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law. It is Honor Flight Northeast Indiana's mission to act quickly to serve those who would still like to have the opportunity to see this memorial that was built in their honor before it is too late.

*Honor Flight Northeast Indiana Inc. is not endorsed or funded by the Indiana Air

Taylor Manz, Victoria Bradford, Emilee Ringler

President's Award for Educational Excellence - Allison Harpel, Megan Reineck, Taylor Schooley, Lucas Arend, Taylor Manz, Emilee Ringler, Victoria Bradford, Matthew Martinez, Jordan Shull, Cullen Wenzlick, Jaycie Varner, Branson Minck Kasandra Cogswell, Darian Andrews, Jarrett Sitton, Zachary Buchman, Kacie Karlstadt, Damon Egnor, Johnathon Rose, Lauren Johanns

Valedictorian - Allison Harpel; Salutatorian - Megan Reineck

Kiwanis Student of the Month Awards - Bailey Meyer, Emilee Ringler, Alex Arellano, Allison Harpel, Taylor Schooley, Luke Jackson, Victoria Bradford, Dulce Vasquez

STRICKLAND CONCLUDES **'NO MORE TERRIBLE TRADE DEALS' STATEWIDE TOUR IN YOUNGSTOWN, CLEVELAND & AKRON**

Ted Strickland concluded his 3-day "No More Terrible Trade Deals" statewide tour with stops in Youngstown, Cleveland and Akron highlighting the contrast between himself and Senator Rob Portman on trade policy and protecting Ohio jobs from being shipped overseas.

During the Tour, Strickland spoke with workers and outside companies that lost

National Guard. www.newhavenbulletin.com jobs to foreign outsourcing

following the passage of unfair trade deals supported by Senator Portman. "Rob Portman is the best senator China's ever had instead of protecting Ohio workers, Portman has voted at every turn for unfair, job killing trade deals that have rocked our economy and sent

hundreds of thousands of good paying jobs overseas," said Ted Strickland. "These companies and the workers who lost their jobs are a powerful example of why we need trade policies that put Ohio's interests first — and a Senator who will actually fight for working people. In the U.S. Senate, I will continue opposing these unfair trade deals — and my Plan will require more transparency and accountability to stop these deals from being negotiated behind closed doors by the wealthy and well connected at Ohio's expense. When it comes to trade, Senator Portman is pushing the agenda of China, the Washington insiders and the wealthy special interests he serves — I'll fight for Ohio's working people because that's where I come from and that's who I care about.

In Youngstown, Strickland spoke outside the Parker-Hannifin facility. An estimated 73 jobs have been lost due to outsourcing to China, Mexico and the Czech Re-

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ART EXHIBIT AT THE JPHS MUSEUM

Celebration of the Arts and Artists of Paulding County exhibit opened Saturday, May 14 at 10:00 a.m. and continues through the end of June at the John Paulding Historical Society museum located across from the fairgrounds in Paulding. Come view the beautiful artwork created by glass and enjoy the incredible talent of our pottery artists - all from Paulding County. The John Paulding Historical Society museum is open every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment. The museum will also be open Monday through Saturday, June 13 – 18, during the Paulding County Fair.

PAULDING FOURTH GRADERS ENJOY DAY @ THE NATURE CENTER





The Paulding Elementary fourth graders enjoyed a fun day at the Nature Center learning about many things relating to their science topics throughout the year. Shown eating a fried meal worm is LillyAnn Lane. Shown displaying a worm found in the soil is Maci Kauser.

OHIO EPA AWARDS GRANT TO ADDRESS SCRAP TIRE PROCESSING AND MARKET DEVELOPMENT

To improve markets for scrap tires across the state, Ohio EPA has awarded funding for two projects to assist companies in developing markets for reusing scrap

• Jackson Township is supporting Liberty Tire Services of Ohio, LLC in the manufacturing and processing of scrap tires. Ohio EPA is awarding \$350,000 to purchase a scrap tire processing equipment unit.

· Cuyahoga County Soil and Water Conservation District is partnering with the St. Clair Superior Development

Corporation to purchase processing equipment to create geo cells comprised of scrap tire material. Ohio EPA is awarding \$50,000.

These grant investments will benefit Ohioans by providing an environmentally friendly outlet for used tires. The first grant will allow the applicant to convert scrap tires into a finished product that can be sold to the tire derived fuel market. The second project allows the applicant to demonstrate the effective use of scrap tire material in the construction of geo cells for soil stabilization engineering designs.

The program provides financial assistance for businesses that propose projects to develop successful scrap tire markets or to innovate

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nancial advice." In addition to cosponsoring and supporting H.J. Res. 88, Congressman Latta is also a cosponsor of H.R. 4293, the Affordable Retirement Advice Protection Act, and H.R. 4294, the Strengthening Access to Valuable Education and Retirement Support Act. These two pieces of legislation would amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) and the Internal Revenue Code, respectively, to allow for Congress to review and vote on the Department of Labor's final rule. If "Metal Roofing" Congress votes to disapprove

SECRETARY HUSTED REC-OGNIZES WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESSES IN MAY'S OHIO BUSINESS PROFILE PROGRAM

of the rule, this legislation

would then offer an alterna-

tive standard to ensure that

retirement investors receive

advice in their best interests.

Ohio Secretary of State Husted announced the Ohio Business Profile Program will be featuring "Women-Owned Businesses" throughout the month of

"More than 300,000 women-owned businesses are helping make Ohio's econo-

my roar with over \$40 billion

in revenue for the Buckeye

State," Secretary Husted said. Ohio EPA is responsible "Women business owners are for implementing statewide an important part of Ohio's waste reduction, recycling economic growth for our future." market development, scrap tire and litter prevention

scrap tire-based products.

programs. Ohioans are en-

couraged to reduce waste,

recycle materials and buy re-

contact Ohio EPA at (614) 644-2873, or visit www.recy-

LATTA SUPPORTS LEGIS-LATION TO STOP BURDEN-

SOME REGULATIONS FOR

Congressman Bob Latta

(R-Bowling Green) voted in

favor of H.J. Res. 88, a joint

resolution utilizing the Con-

gressional Review Act to dis-

approve and nullify the U.S.

Department of Labor's final

rule relating to the definition

of the term "fiduciary" and

the conflict of interest rule

with respect to retirement in-

ment of Labor has worked

in secret to put the finishing

touches on this rule, which

has been referred to as the

Obamacare for financial

planning. This one-size-fits-

all regulation will restrict

access to quality investment

advice for millions of Amer-

icans with IRAs and increase

costs for those individuals seeking financial advice," said Congressman Latta. "Both

Republicans and Democrats

agree that a standard should

be defined to ensure retire-

ment advisors act in their

clients' best interests. Un-

fortunately, this final rule as

it is currently written would

result in unintended conse-

quences that will have a neg-

ative impact on our economy.

I applaud my colleagues for

passing this joint resolution

and will continue to work

with them to offer an alter-

native standard that would

require advisors to serve their

clients' best interests and

maintain access to quality fi-

"For months, the Depart-

vestment advice:

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Companies profiled this month include:

- '83 Sweets Cupcakes (Lucasville, Ohio) is a 1980's-themed bakery, specializing in gourmet cupcakes. Owned by a mother-daughter duo, '83 Sweets Cupcakes sources local ingredients for over 83 custom flavors and has won "Cupcake Wars" on the Food Net-• Kids Kastle, LLC (Celi-
- na, Ohio) fulfilled a community need when they opened the first childcare facility in the area in 2007. Children are provided with age-appropriate curriculum and high quality staff with a passion to teach children that learning
- Eagle Cliff Inn (Geneva, Ohio) has been serving customers at their bed and breakfast for over 25 years. In addition to Eagle Cliff Inn, business owner, ĽuAnn Busch, owns Clearwater Homes, a non-profit business providing residential services to individuals with developmental disabilities and Grape Escape, a second business that employs individuals with disabilities.
- · Fur Seasons of Orient, LLC (Orient, Ohio) is a full-service pet grooming, boarding and daycare facility which houses indoor and outdoor recreational activities for both cats and dogs.
- MediaScript (Powell, Ohio) utilizes technology to provide video production, e-learning solutions and video webinars to their clients. MediaScript also provides content development and event services to their customers.
- Painted Cowgirl Tack & Western Store (Greenwich, Ohio) started as a shop inside business-owner Amy Bond's home and quickly grew into its own storefront. Customers from all around the state visit the store and Ms. Bond ships cowgirl boots around the world.
- Carney Ranker Architects, Ltd. (Dublin, Ohio) is a leading team of architects, interior designers and staff that complete commercial, education, medical and industrial design work. Their mission is to collaborate with their clients to meet their design needs with professional integrity, honesty and sincer-

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

In addition, Secretary Husted began a partnership with Google's "Let's Put Our Cities on the Map" program in 2015. Ohio businesses now have easy access to free tools through Google when they apply to start a business on-

PAGE 12 - WEST BEND NEWS - MAY 17, 2016 **VAN WERT D.A.R. NAME GOOD CITIZEN ESSAY CONTEST WINNER**



Essay Contest Winner, Estie Sinn, and Wayne Trace Guidance Counselor, Sarah Franz.

The Isaac Van Wart Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution named its Good Citizen Essay Contest Winner, Estie Sinn from Wayne Trace High School. Estie was presented the

D.A.R. "Madonna of the Trail" traveling trophy with her name engraved on its base. The trophy will be kept at the Wayne Trace High School for the year 2016. Estie was chosen as an

outstanding representative for her qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. Six area schools partici-

pated in this contest. Each

the least costly state in the re-

school selected a senior who displayed an interest in and knowledge of America's history, and their achievement in their high schools. Contestants received a Good Citizen Certificate, Pin and wallet card. Estie received a \$50.00 check from the chapter.

Other representatives were Hannah Brown of Crestview High School, Ashton Bowersock of Lincolnview High School, Samantha Wehe of Parkway High School, Allison Harpel of Paulding High School and Katherine Trittschuh of Van Wert High School.

line with the Secretary of State's office and Ohio is now

gion to start and maintain a new business.

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

SECRETARY HUSTED REMINDS OHIOANS THAT EVERY VOTE MATTERS

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted announced that 10 local races and issues were decided by a single vote or tied during the 2016 Primary Election on March 15, 2016. A total of 108 races have tied or been decided by a one-vote margin since the 2013 General Election.

"The reason we work so

we find races where just one vote tipped the scales," Secretary Husted said. "There is no room for error when just one vote can make a difference."

Those races and issues decided by a single vote or tied include eight local races and two local issues. In fact, five Central Committee races from Greene, Medina, Montgomery and Union Counties were decided by a coin flip.

Since taking office, Secretary Husted has focused on making it easy to vote and hard to cheat in the State of Ohio by creating an online change of address system, maintaining accurate and up-to-date voter rolls, setting uniform, statewide hours for in-person absentee voting to ensure all voters are treated equally and addressing voter fraud and suppression.

To ensure each voter has the opportunity to cast a ballot, Secretary Husted has urged the legislature to pass an address confidentiality bill protecting victims of domestic violence, human trafficking and stalking by removing their personal address from the public voter rolls. He has also advocated for the authorization of an online voter registration system in Ohio which would create significant cost savings for local



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SHERIFF'S SALE OF **REAL ESTATE**

General Code. Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26 THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff, VS.

JON D. ARMSTRONG, ET AL.,

Defendants. Case No. CI 15 177.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding in the above named County. on Thursday, the 16th day of June, 2016 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., the real estate located at: 220 West Wayne Street,

Paulding, Ohio 45879 Parcel Number: 30-24S-096-00 and 30-24S-097-00

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

Said premises appraised at Thirty Thousand and No/100 (\$30,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession. Purchasers are advised they have no

legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office. TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers Paulding County, Ohio www.pauldingohsheriff.com Channing L. Ulbrich, Attorney for Plaintiff

iab financial BANK PROMOTES **HOLLIE QUESIN-**BERRY TO BRANCH MANAGER IN NEW HAVEN



iAB Financial Bank is pleased to announce the promotion of Hollie Quesinberry to Branch Manager of iAB's New Haven office. Hollie has been with iAB

since 2015 and has over 5 years experience in retail banking by holding such positions as a Teller, Customer Service Manager and Personal Banker. She attends Indiana Tech and is pursuing degrees in Human Resources and Management. In her new role, she looks forward to discovering opportunities to partner with iAB customers by finding the solutions that make sense for them, their busy lives and goals for the future. Hollie is involved with St. Joseph Central Elementary PTA and volunteers with Junior Achievement. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, baking and spending time with her family.

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FIRST DEFIANCE FINAN-**CIAL CORP. ANNOUNCES ELECTION OF THOMAS A.** REINEKE TO ITS BOARD OF **DIRECTORS**

First Defiance Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FDEF), the holding company for First Federal Bank of the Midwest and First Insurance Group, today announced that Thomas A. Reineke was elected to the Company's Board of Directors during its Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on April 19, filling the seat left vacant by the retirement of Peter A. Diehl. Currently, Reineke is President and CEO of Reineke Family Dealer-

'We are pleased to have Mr. Reineke as a member of our Board," said William J. Small, Chairman of the Board of First Defiance. "His decades of strong leadership and dedication to the community that fueled the impressive growth of his family business across northwest Ohio will certainly provide valuable guidance and complement our community banking strategy."

Reineke also serves on the Board of Trustees and as a member of the Fostoria Area Chamber of Commerce. In addition, he is a member of the Fostoria Economic Development Committee, Fostoria Rotary Club, Ohio Automobile Dealers Association, National Automobile Dealers Association, Lima Visionaries and is a board member of the Ford Dealer Advertising Fund.

About First Defiance Financial Corp.

First Defiance Financial Corp., headquartered in Defiance, Ohio, is the holding company for First Federal Bank of the Midwest and First Insurance Group. First Federal operates 34 full-service branches and numerous ATM locations in northwest Ohio, southeast Michigan and northeast Indiana. First Insurance Group is a full-service insurance agency with six offices throughout north-For more information, vis-

it the company's Web site at www.fdef.com.

IAB FINANCIAL BANK NAMED FIVE STAR MEM-**BER OF INDIANA BANKERS ASSOCIATION**

iAB Financial Bank was

recognized as a Five Star Member of the Indiana Bankers Association (IBA) at IBA's 2016 Mega Conference on May 4 in downtown Indianapolis. The bank earned the award in recognition of its commitment to the IBA in the areas of political awareness, issues advocacy, life-long learning, volunteerism and Preferred Service Provider utilization. "We are most privileged to once again be named as a Five Star Member of the IBA," stated Karen J. Cameron, Executive Vice President of iAB. "It's an honor to be recognized for exemplifying those leadership characteristics in the partnerships we have formed with our employees, customers and the communities we

The Indiana Bankers Association supports Indiana banking through issues analysis, professional education, and products and services that help banks serve their

communities.

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WILMA A. SCHWARTZ DEATH INVESTIGATION

Paulding County Sheriffs Office investigators have handed over the murder case involving Wilma A. Schwartz to the Paulding County Prosecutor's Office. Schwartz was found dead on March 14, 2016 at 10488 Road 1, Antwerp, Ohio.

The case was presented to the Grand Jury on May 12, 2016 for one count of Murder, an unclassified Felony, against Daniel Zerbe, age 42, Fort Wayne, Indiana. An Indictment was returned and a warrant was issued for the arrest of Zerbe for the above stated charge.

'Through our investigation, we discovered Schwartz was shot inside her vehicle by Zerbe. We learned Schwartz and Zerbe had been in a relationship for several years, and it wasn't good," said Sheriff Jason K. Landers. "My deputies were able to advance this case when Zerbe was arrested

on an unrelated warrant, and

he was found in possession of

the gun used in the murder." Zerbe is currently in Allen

County, Indiana's custody on charges related to Methamphetamine. He also has other outstanding warrants in Wells County, Indiana. Zerbe will be served a copy of the Warrant on Indictment regarding this case, and eventually be extradited to Paulding County for arraignment on these charges.

"There are a lot of agencies involved in this investigation. The cooperation has been outstanding. If it wasn't for the swift actions of law enforcement on the Indiana side of the state line, my guys would not have been able to act so quickly following leads and putting this case together," said Sheriff Landers.
"I cannot give my staff

enough credit publicly," said Sheriff Landers. "For our rural community and rather small office, we have been tasked with some very serious crimes the past several months. This group continues to come into work with positive attitudes day after day to protect and serve this community. It's not easy at times, but all the credit goes to my staff for always showing up to do the best they can for Paulding County. I am very proud of them."

Sheriff Jason K. Landers 500 East Perry Street • Paulding, Ohio 45879 Office Telephone 419-399-3791 • www. pautdingohsheriff.com • FAX 419-399-3216

FROM THE PAULDING **COUNTY GRAND JURY**

Paulding County Prosecuting attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted 10 persons on Thursday, May 12, 2016.

Decoda A. 12/01/1987, Continental, OH; Having weapons while under disability, F-3

Tyler N. Moss, 02/22/1988, Unknown address; Possession of methamphetamine,

Trina D. Rodgers, 7/6/1961, Unknown address, Possession of Cocaine, F-5

Robert A.Banks. 6/25/1974, Oakwood, OH, Non-support of dependents,

Daniel W. Zerbe. 06/10/1972, Unknown address, Murder, Unclassified felony

Hillary Zijlstra, 07/31/1983, Antwerp, OH; Passing bad checks, F-5

Clarence J. Hoskins Jr., 11/27/1969, Oakwood, OH; Burglary, F-2; Aggravated menacing, M-1

Austin K. Zuver, /10/1996, Paulding, OH; Sexual offender registration,

Rodney A.Heath, 2/16/1971, Defiance, OH; Aggravated robbery, F-1; Robbery, F-2

Russell L. Hutchinson, 10/26/1979, Defiance, OH; Aggravated Robbery, F-1

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Dispositions Eric M. Bond, Defiance, OH; FTY mer vehicl; Guilty; Case was waived by Wendy J. Tillery, Grover Hill, PA;

Wenay J. Hilery, Grover Hill, PA; DUS-Non FRA; Pled no cont., found guilty; Provide proof of insurance by 5/13/16; Pay all fines and costs by 12/16/16 or will be sent to collections; Community Control One; Secure a val-

ddriver's license; 90 jail days reserved

Brian E. Eblin, Grover Hill, OH;
Dom violence; Guilty; Defendant to
pay all fines and costs; Work release
granted; Placed on standard probation;
Shall have no contact at all with victim;
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Steven G. Harrison, Paulding, OH;
Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived

Iustin M. Keeterle, Van Wert, OH: Jerid D. Fisher, Payne, OH; Seat

belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by Taylor A. Reed, Union City, OH; Taylor A. Reea, Union City, OH;
Towing viol; Guilty; Case was waived
by defendant

Alvin C. Copsey, Antwerp, OH;
Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived
by defendant

by defendant

Broc M. Forrer, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by

defendant

Ivana J. Huang, Ann Arbor, MI;
Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived

by defendant

Austin J. Puckett, Cecil, OH; Seat

defendant

Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill,
OH; Endanger Child; Dismis; Case dismissed cost waived

Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill, OH; OVI/breath(low); Guilty; Shall pay \$50.00 per mo commencing 5/27/16; Has a POA date of 12/16/16; Evaluation at Westwood. 87 jail days reserved

Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill,

OH; No O.L.; Dismis; CT B dismissed at states request

Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill,

OH; Fail control; Guilty; Shall pay \$50.00 per month commencing 5/27/16; Has a POC date of 12/16/16 Jesus Luna-Lopez, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Dismis; CT D dismissed at states request

Tristen E. Moore, Payne, OH; Drug parapherna; Dismis; Case dismissed per state; Cost to defendant

David M. Berridge, Ottawa, OH; OVI/ under inf.; Guilty; Shall pay \$50 per mo commencing 6/24/16; Has a POA date of 12/16/16; Shall reimburse appointed counsel fees; Community Control Two; Secure a valid driver's license: 20 hrs of community service: Evaluation at Westwood; 87 jail days

reserved

David M. Berridge, Ottawa, OH;
Left of Center; Dismis; CT B dismissed at the states request

Action C. Makle, Antwern, OH;

Adrien C. Nehls, Antwerp, OH; OVI/under inf; Guilty; Restrictive plates required; ALS vacated; Shall pay \$50 per mo commencing 7/29/16; Has a POA date of 12/16/16; Community Control Two; 40 hrs of community service: Secure a valid driver's license Evaluation at Westwood; 160 jail days

reserved

Elaine M. Weaver, Carey, OH;

Morked lanes: Pled no cont., found Marked lanes; Pled no cont., found guilty; Pay all fines and cost today

Austin D. Carder, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case waived by defendent

Taha M. Alzoubi, Inkster, MI; Viol

Taha M. Alzoubi, Inkster, MI; Viol being pass; Guilty; Points waived; Pay all fines and costs today
Tristen E. Moore, Payne, OH; Litering; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/16/16 or will be sent to collections

Daniel L. Gunderman, Oakwood. OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Neil A. Bendele, Middle Point, OH;

costs today Brandon W. Dix, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived

by defendant

Brian A. Sampson, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Russell W. Flint, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived

by defendant Amanda M. Shuherk, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Real Estate Transfers: Paulding Village: 5/13/16; Waterplace Properties II,

LLC; Lot 17; 0.5803 acres; To: Sara K.

Bullinger 5/9/16; Terry L. Neer & Linda K. Neer; Lot 81; 0.2583 acres; To: Linda

Auglaize Twp.:
5/11/16; Wesley Ratliff & Debra
Ratliff; Lot 10, Sec. 31; 0.189 acres; To:
Debra K. Ratliff

Benton Twp.: 5/9/16; Benjamin A. Williams; Sec. 9; 7.185 acres; To: Eric J. Biesler & Rebecca L. Wells

Blue Creek Twp.:
5/13/16; Joshua R. & Veronica Williams, et al; Lot 17&18, Sec. 19; 0.243 acres; Lot 18, Sec. 19; 0.0788 acres; To: Terry D. Williams

Carryall Twp.: 5/10/16; W.E. Parrett, trustee & Carol S. Parrett, trustee; Sec. 33; 3.083

1.083 acres; To: Olen G. McMichael

Harrison Twp.:
5/11/16; Keith S. Williams, trustee
& Mary C. Williams, trustee; Sec. 25;
35.57 acres; Sec. 26; 0.75 acres; 1 acre;
To: Mary C. Williams, trustee

Latty Twp.:
5/12/16; Kent E. Eddy, trustee &
Pamela S. Eddy, trustee; Sec. 32; 39.633
acres; To: Van Erk Dairy, LLC
Dorothy K. Rodman, LE: Sec. 4:

5/13/16; Bradley P. Patricia A. Smith; Sec. 21; 1.25 acres; Lot 1, Sec. 21; 1.083 acres; To: Olen G. McMichael

Dorothy K. Rodman, LE; Sec. 4: 0.688 acres; 19.352 acres; To: Eddette

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Paulding Twp.:
5/10/16; Fallie Webster Shelton;
Sec. 31; 0.27 acres; To: Mary Kay Martin
Richard O. Fraley, et al; Sec. 30;
0.95 acres; To: Richard O. Fraley, et al
Washington Twp.:
5/11/16; Wesley B. & Debra K. Ratliff; Sec. 29; 0.984 acres; 0.695 acres; 0.0
acres; To: Debra K. Ratliff

HALL RECEIVES **FCCLA HONORARY MEMBERSHIP** AWARD



Mary Ann Hall, CTE Supervisor at Vantage Career Center received the Ohio FCCLA Honorary Membership Award at the FCCLA State Leadership Conference recently. This award is designed to recognize individuals who strongly support FCCLA and Family and Consumer Sciences in Ohio. She has served FC-CLA and Family and Consumer Science education selflessly for over 40 years.

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PUBLIC NOTICE The Paulding County

Hospital Board of Trustees will hold a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday May 17, 2016 at the hospital education room to confer with council regarding imminent court action.

By order of the Board of Trustees, Randall Ruge

Chief Executive Officer

to waive any irregularities, informalities, or inconsistencies in the bids, and to reject any and all bids received.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office

of the Village Fiscal Officer, 118 North Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio,

until noon on June 8,2016 for the purchase of real property owned by

the Village of Antwerp. The Village of Antwerp is selling real estate

pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 721.03. There are two (2) parcels of

real property being sold, which are located at 118 Oswalt Street and

120 Oswalt Street. The parcels are each offered for sale separately.

Bids will be opened at noon on June 8, 2016, at the office of the Vil

lage Fiscal Officer. The real property is being sold "AS IS" and without

any warranty or representation whatsoever as to the condition thereof.

In the event the Village of Antwerp is unable to negotiate a satisfac-

tory contract for sale of the property with a chosen bidder, the Village

of Antwerp may terminate negotiations with that bidder and enter into

The Village of Antwerp accepts no responsibility for expenses in-

curred by responding bidders in the preparation or submittal of a bid

and reserves the right not to enter into any contract with any bidder,

inspect the real property.

IKE TRAVELS TO OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



IKE, the school therapy dog from Bryan City Schools spent a day visiting Oakwood Elementary School. Sharing some special time with IKE are fifth graders Gavin King and Clinton VanScoder.



IKE is shown with Mrs. Deedi Miller's afternoon preschool students. The children loved learning about IKE and the ways he is able to help children and adults. Shown with IKE are McKenna Manz, Bracin Bauer, Kelsey Starr, Mason Parker, Rebecca Smith, Paityn Dobbelaere, and Allie Saylor.

STEVIE WINNERS WILL BE PRESENTED WITH AWARDS IN NYC

The New Heights Educational Group was named the winner of a Silver Stevie® Award in the Organization of the Year - Non-Profit or Government category in The 14th Annual American Business

The American Business Awards are the nation's premier business awards program. All organizations operating in the U.S.A. are eligible to submit nominations – public and private, for-profit and non-profit, large and small.

Nicknamed the Stevies for the Greek word meaning

"crowned," the awards will be presented to winners at a gala ceremony at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York on Monday, June 20.

More than 3,400 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories, including Startup of the Year, Executive of the Year, Best New Product or Service of the Year, Marketing Campaign of the Year, Live Event of the Year, and App of the Year, among others. The New Heights Educational Group was nominated in the Organization of the Year

- Non-Profit or Government.
Pamela Clark, Executive

Director, said, "We are truly honored to receive recognition from the Stevie Awards, which they have done for the last four years. We will treasure this year's ABA award for years to come, and appreciate them recognizing our team of over 80 volunteers and our work. We work hard to better education in our community as well as nationally, and in bringing opportunities to all families regardless of school choice or beliefs.

Some of the judges' comments can be seen below:

"Excellent company filling a need in the educational industry"

"Nice job, New Heights Educational Group."

"Sounds like a nice organization with a solid cause."

"Literacy and leadership

programs have NHEG addressing student development at the earliest stages."

More than 250 professionals worldwide participated in

als worldwide participated in the judging process to select this year's Stevie Award winner.

"The judges were extreme-

ly impressed with the quality of entries we received this year. The competition was intense and every organization that has won should be proud," said Michael Gallagher, president and founder of the Stevie Awards.

Details about The Amer-

Details about The American Business Awards and the list of 2016 Stevie winners are available at www.StevieAwards.com/ABA.

ODNR REMINDS PEOPLE TO LEAVE WILDLIFE IN THE WILD GOOD INTENTIONS CAN HURT

The spring season has arrived, offering many opportunities for Ohioans to help protect young wildlife. Each year, Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) officials offer this simple advice: enjoy wildlife from a distance, and leave young animals alone. Wild animals are born to live their lives in the wild, and sometimes good intentions can hurt their chances of survival.

A young wild animal's best chance for survival is with its mother. Most wild-life taken in by people do not survive, except when handled by specially-trained personnel. In many cases, a young animal collected by a person was not lost or abandoned, but was simply waiting for a parent to return.

Many adult wild animals will leave their young alone while they forage for food or to divert the attention of predators away from their vulnerable young, especially during the daylight hours. In the case of white-tailed deer, a doe will hide her young from predators by leaving it alone in a secluded spot, such as a grassy meadow or a flower bed. A hidden fawn has virtually no scent, and when the fawn is left alone, it is difficult for predators to find. The doe is usually nearby and will tend to the fawn during the night.

Baby birds that have fallen from their nests are one of the most common wild-life species that are removed by humans from the wild. Contrary to popular belief, human scent will not prevent the parents from returning to care for their young. Individuals should return the baby birds back in their nests and

then walk away so the parents

can continue to feed the birds without fear of humans.

If individuals find a young animal that is visibly injured or clearly in severe distress and may need assistance, visit wildohio.gov/staywild before taking any action. Specific information for commonly encountered wildlife is available to help guide people on how to best help the wild animal.

State and federal laws

protect and regulate wildlife in Ohio, and only specially trained and licensed wildlife rehabilitators, with special permits issued by the ODNR Division of Wildlife, may possess and care for native wild animals. These laws are in place for the benefit of humans as well as wild animals.

To further protect young

and vulnerable wild animals, keep pets under control so they do not raid nests or injure wild animals. Also, remember to keep pets inoculated against parasites and diseases before venturing out this spring.

Always check for nests

Always check for nests before cutting down trees or clearing brush. It is best to cut trees and clear brush in the autumn when nesting season is over. Teach children to respect wildlife and their habitat, observing wildlife from a distance.

Contact a local wildlife official before taking action. Call 800-WILDLIFE (800-945-3543) or visit wildohio. gov/staywild to connect with the proper individuals and to read about species-specific guidance. Human intervention is always a wild animal's last hope for survival, never its best hope.

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

AUDITOR YOST ANNOUNC-ES OHIO'S FIRST CHARTER SCHOOL SUMMIT

Auditor of State Dave Yost will host Ohio's first statewide Charter School Summit this summer to provide school educators and administrators with financial, professional and academic training.

The two-day summit, held in cooperation with leaders of the charter school community, will be held August 11-12 at the Hyatt Regency Columbus and will feature nationally known experts on school choice, including:

- Dr. Geoffrey Canada, president of the Harlem Children's Zone
- Dr. Steve Perry, founder of the Capital Preparatory Magnet School
- Mike Feinberg, co-founder of the KIPP Foundation

"Charters are an extremely important option for many Ohio parents and their children," Auditor Yost said. "This summit will offer an opportunity for charter school administrators and educators to receive financial oversight training, share best practices, hear from national experts, and discuss the unique challenges facing their schools."

The genesis of the summit is the charter school fiscal of-ficer training provided annually by Auditor of State staff. The summit will also provide training on compliance with Ohio's recently reformed charter school laws; best practices on record keeping and enrollment; teacher de-

AHS PARTICIPATE IN MUSIC IN THE PARKS AT CEDAR POINT



On Saturday, May 7, 2016, the Antwerp High School choir participated in the Music in the Parks at Cedar Point. The choir received a superior rating and a first place trophy. The show choir also received a superior rating, first place trophy, and overall choir trophy. Mrs. Mary Smith is the choir director.

velopment and retention; cultivating public-private partnerships; board governance; and hearing stories of success.

Conference participants include representatives of the Ohio General Assembly, Auditor of State's office, Ohio Departments of Education and Higher Education, and superintendents from four of Ohio's largest school districts.

"Nobody ever learned how to hit a homerun by watching film of strikeouts," Yost said. "The summit will focus on what is working in the school choice movement – and there is much that is excellent."

LATTA HAILS COMMITTEE PASSAGE OF BILL TO HELP VETERANS BECOME CERTI-FIED EMTS

During a markup before the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) voted in support of H.R. 1818, the Veteran Emergency Medical Technician Support Act. The legislation now awaits a vote by the U.S. House of Representatives:

"As more and more of our service men and women return home and re-enter civilian life, it is important more than ever that they are given opportunities to succeed. The unemployment rate for veterans is too high, in part because of barriers that are in place that block them from utilizing the skills and knowledge they have achieved during their military service in the civilian workforce," said Congressman Latta. "At the same time, I have been hearing from my constituents about the shortage of emergency medical technicians (EMTs) in Ohio. I believe this commonsense legislation would both remove roadblocks to the employment of these brave men and women and address the need for qualified EMTs. Our veterans have honored their commitments to this nation and now we must honor ours by assisting them with their transition."

Introduced by Congressman Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) and cosponsored by Congressman Latta, H.R. 1818 would direct the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to establish a demonstration program for states with a shortage of emergency medical technicians (EMTs) to streamline state requirements and procedures to assist veterans who completed military EMT training to meet state EMT certification, licenser,

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State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne) announces his support of Senate Bill 310, legislation that helps fund various community improvement projects around the state. Having cleared both legislative chambers, the bill now awaits final consideration by Governor John Kasich.

Senate Bill 310, also known as the capital budget bill, invests a total of nearly \$2.6 billion in funding across Ohio for priorities like infrastructure, workforce development and the arts. A considerable portion of the funding goes toward supporting repairs and renovations at primary and secondary education facilities through the Ohio School Facilities Commis-

"With the help of local entities throughout the district, we've been able to support

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these worthy investments and fund various projects they're pursuing," said Burkley. "We are fortunate enough to have a fiscally sound state budget and still be able to invest in our communities for years to come." **Auglaize County**

Auglaize County Agricultural Facility Improvements-\$100,000; Armstrong Air and Space Museum and STEM Education Center- \$900,000 **Defiance County**

Hicksville Splash Pad-Village \$50,000;Auglaize Mansfield Museum and Train Depot- \$125,000

Paulding County

John Paulding Historical Museum Expansion- \$30,000

Van Wert County

Middle Point Ballpark Improvements- \$200,000; Delphos Community Pool and Splash Park- \$125,000; Wren Community Building Shelter and Pavilion- \$250,000; Ohio City Recreation Facility- \$149,000; Convoy Opera House- \$60,000; Van Wert Historical Society Museum-\$112,000; Wassenberg Art Center- \$175,000

SB 310 passed the Senate on April 20th before receiving hearings in the House. It is expected to soon be signed into law by Governor Kasich.



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JOB OPPORTUNITY



The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District is currently accepting applications for a Part-Time (30 hr./wk.) **Educational Specialist**

Qualifications:

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- Must be able to work both independently and as a Team Player
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- not required
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- Community about Conserving Natural Resources
- Create, Promote, and Present Conservation Methods and Programs to a
- variety of audiences • Organize, Conduct and Host Student Events and Contests
- Organize, Promote, and Conduct Classroom Programs and Adult
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- Assist the District in other Programs as needed

Application Details:

- Complete applications and submit resumes (8 a.m. 4 p.m.) at 503 Fairground Rd. Paulding, Ohio.
- · Please include a short essay (250 words or less) with the topic being
- "Conserving Our Natural Resources".

 Deadline for Applications: May 27, 2016

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RECTOR WANTED: United Way of Paulding County is searching for an executive director working a flexible schedule of 20-25 hours a week. Please go to www.unitedwayofpauldingcounty.org for the full job description and where to submit

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JOB OPPORTUNITY



The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District is seeking a full-time DISTRICT TECHNICIAN / **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**

to perform the technical duties and assist with administrative duties. The District Technician / Administrative Assistant directly reports to the District Program Administrator.

Applicants to have an Associate Degree in one or more of the following: Conservation / Environmental / Agricultural Engineering / Natural Resource Management field or have a minimum of 2 years of experience in those fields. Experience with CADD, GIS, mapping, Excel, Peach Tree, and Microsoft software desired. Employment is contingent upon passing all pre-employment screenings. Must have a valid driver's license and be insurable. Salary will be based on experience. Complete applications and submit resumes (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) at 503 Fairground Road, Paulding, Ohio. Resume and application deadline is May 27, 2016. Paulding SWCD is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

OHIO SECRETARY OF STATE RECOGNIZES WEST MUSKINGUM HIGH SCHOOL FOR ELIMINATING PAY-TO-PARTICIPATE FEES

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted visited West Muskingum High School to honor the district's recent commitment to eliminate pay-to-participate fees for extracurricular activities. Last month the West

Muskingum Local School Board voted unanimously to eliminate pay-to-participate fees at both the high school and middle school. Prior to this decision, fees totaled \$250 per high school sport and \$100 per middle school sport. Secretary Husted has

been an advocate of removing pay-to-participate fees statewide. Read his editorial, printed by the Toledo Blade, here. Research shows that par-

ticipation in extracurricular activities encourages the development of skills needed in order to be successful in life and that pay-to-participate fees create a financial barrier for poor and middle-class children.

STATEMENT FROM OHIO **SECRETARY OF STATE JON** HUSTED

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted released the following statement in response to Ohio House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee vote on Senate Bill 63, legislation the Secretary has sought for more than five years, in order to authorize the implementation of an online voter

registration system in Ohio. The following may be attributed directly to Secretary Husted: "The members of the

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committee and leaders of the Ohio House supported legislation to allow for online voter registration in Ohio. "This is another step in

striking the balance of making it easy to vote and hard to cheat in Ohio. "Giving Ohioans the ability to register to vote online

is long overdue and will ben-

efit both voters and taxpayers alike by making the process more convenient, more secure and cheaper. "I encourage lawmakers to approve this legislation quickly; there is no reason to

keep the voters of Ohio waiting any longer to enjoy the convenience and security of online registration."



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AHS COLLEGE T-SHIRT DAY

On Tuesday, May 10th, Antwerp Local School had its annual College T-shirt Day. Many of the seniors wore a shirt from the college or university they will attend next year, and staff and faculty joined in and wore a shirt from their alma mater.

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WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MAY MEETING SET

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center has set their May Governing Board Meeting for Wednesday, May 18, 2016, 6:00 p.m. at the Van Wert ESC Office, 813A N. Franklin Street, Van Wert,

ODOT HIGHWAY CON-STRUCTION WEEK OF MAY 16, 2016

The following is work scheduled to occur in the coming week on state highways within the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1 which includes the counties of Defiance, Paulding, and Van Wert and Wyandot. 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:

Pavement repairs will be done at the following locations with traffic maintained through the work zone. Work is being performed by the ODOT Defiance County maintenance garage:

Ohio 66 just north of Defiance to north of Flory Road; Ohio 18 just east of Sherwood to Brunersburg; Ohio 111 from the Paulding County line to the south corporation limit of Defiance

PAULDING COUNTY:

Drainage work will occur at the following locations with traffic maintained through the work zone. Work is being performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage. Ohio 111 east of U.S. 127; Ohio 637 east of Ohio 111

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

Ohio 697 at the west edge of Delphos was closed May 12 for approximately four days for a railroad repair project. Traffic is detoured onto Ohio 116, Ohio 81 and Ohio 66 back to Ohio 697. Work is being performed by the Chicago, Ft. Wayne & Eastern RR.

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.

The entire U.S. 127 (Washington St.)/Ervin Road intersection will be closed from Monday, May 23 through

Friday, May 27 for water main and sanitary sewer work. During the intersection closure, access to local businesses will be available via Fox

EDWARD JONES BRINGS TOP LEADER TO AREA

Financial adviser Bryan Post of Hicksville is helping host Kate Warne PhD., chief investment strategist from Edward Jones, on Wednesday, May 18. Post will attend a private forum with several dozen leading financial advisers in Northwest Ohio. Warne will then address a crowd of 450 invited clients in the early evening.

Warne interprets market conditions and recommends appropriate investment strategies to aid U.S investor clients in reaching their longterm financial goals. She has appeared on CBS, CNBC, CNN, BBC and

Bloomberg and has been quoted regularly in such major publications as The Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, the Toronto Globe and Mail, the Financial Times, Forbes and Fortune.

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The agenda will have Warne discuss top-line issues affecting the market in both briefings Post will be able to speak about the investment outlook for 2016 to interested clients, groups and local res-

LATTA ANNOUNCES CON-**GRESSIONAL ART COMPE-TITION WINNER**

On April 23, Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) announced Delaney McQuown, a junior from Upper Sandusky High School in Wyandot County, as the winner of Ohio's Fifth District 2016 Congressional Art Competition.

In a ceremony at the Marathon Center for the Performing Arts, Fisher/Wall Gallery, Latta honored Ms. McQuown and three other students for their winning art pieces. Ms. McQuown's original photography artwork entitled "Freckled Jungle" will be displayed in the U.S. Capitol Tunnel for one year.

"Delaney has great creativity and artistic talent, and I look forward to seeing her artwork displayed in the tunnel of the U.S. Capitol," said Congressman Latta. "All of our students who participated in this year's Congressional Art Competition did such outstanding work."

The following students received Honorable Mention awards for their artwork:

Paige Burger, a junior from Upper Sandusky High School in Wyandot County for her scratchboard artwork entitled "Cat Scratch Fever"

Amy Sun, a freshman at Ottawa Hills High School in Lucas County for her copper

REP. BURKLEY HONORS GEORGE **CLEMENS IV AS A 2016 DIVISION III** STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION

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State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne) presented a resolution to George Clemens, honoring him as a 2016 Division III State Wrestling Champion.

"I was proud to see George Clemens further his wrestling career and obtain a spot on the state tournament podium," said Rep. Burkley. "With his dedication and perseverance, I expect we will see great success from him as he pursues his future endeavors."

Clemens went 50-0 on the season on his way to becoming the Division III, 126-pound state champion. Clemens made school history last year when he became the first wrestler to place at the state tournament with a seventh-place finish. This year he is the first Wayne Trace wrestler to become a champion.

George Clemens was present along with his parents to receive the resolution during the Ohio House session.

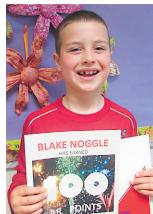
artwork entitled "Copper Leaves"

Katarina Wicher, a senior at Whitmer High School in Lucas County for her printmaking artwork entitled 'Gears'

The three Honorable Mention winners will have their artwork displayed in one of Congressman Latta's congressional offices for the year. There were 68 high school students, representing 18 high schools that participated in the competition. Members of the University of Findlay's art department judged the artwork.

Each spring, the Congressional Institute sponsors a nation-wide high school art competition to recognize the artistic talents of the nation's youth. The Congressional Art Competition began in 1982 and has had more than 650,000 high school students participate in the competition.

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