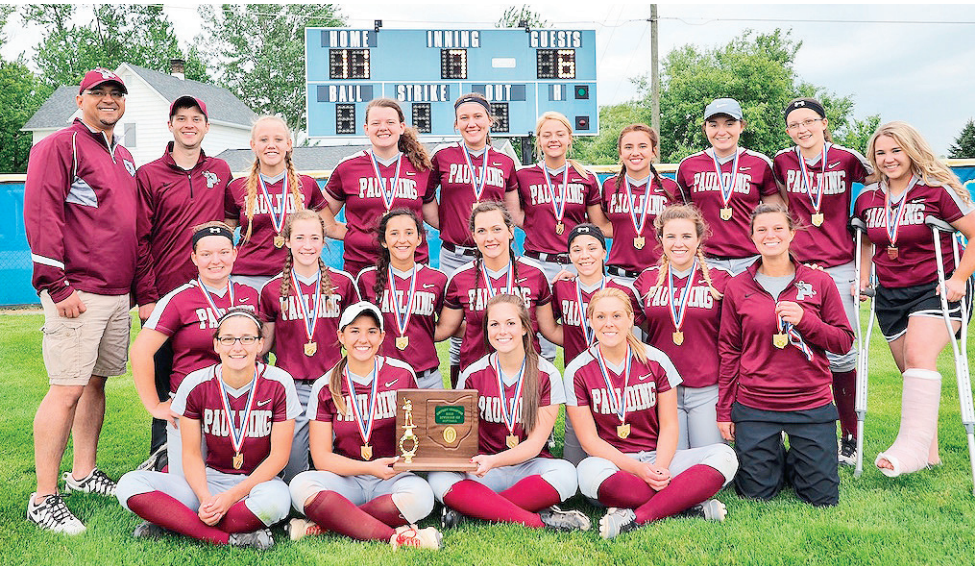


PAULDING GIRLS CRUSH MUSTANGS FOR DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE



The Paulding Panthers win the 2016 District Championship Game against Allen East! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Lady Panthers have had a good season this year but not extraordinary. This tournament run for the Paulding team has been incredible. The tournament has literally been turned upside down. The two teams making it to the final game were seeded at 5th and 6th. What happened to 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th? Unexpectedly they were all defeated in the run up to the final.

The game started with Allen East being on fire and scoring 3 runs in the top of the first inning. The home team fans were wondering what kind of game this would be. Paulding's Audrey

Manz continued through all seven innings, keeping up the pressure on the Mustangs. Even though she had less strikeouts than the Allen East Pitchers, she pitched well and had her team work together to get the outs needed.

The Lady Panthers retaliated in the bottom of the first with 3 runs: One each by Kelsey Beck, Audrey Manz, and Kristen Schilt. It revived the whole team's demeanor after the top, and the inning ended 3-3. Neither team scored in the 2nd inning with 3 easy outs for the Panthers.

Watching the game, I noticed the Lady Panthers have really come along way in team work. Throughout this match the throws were placed well and the receivers were right on top in real solid play.



Audrey Manz had a great night pitching with 6 strikeouts. More pictures at westbendnews.net

By the bottom of the third inning Paulding was still tied until there were four runs

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HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL NAMES VALEDICTORIAN



Harlan Christian School would like to announce Rebekah Chipps as valedictorian of the Class of 2016. This fall, Rebekah plans on attending Ivy Tech, Fort Wayne, IN, then transfer to IPFW to pursue a degree in education. "I would like to teach and prepare the next generation of young, individual minds. I want them to learn to show leadership and dedication in all that they do."

Rebekah is the daughter of David and Susan Chipps of Fort Wayne.

ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING 4/27/16 DISCUSSES DAY IN THE PARK

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce met for a regular meeting on May 18, 2016 at the Essen House Restaurant in Antwerp. Stephanie Kelle, manager of the Antwerp Subway, has been named vice president of the Chamber,

MR. & MRS. MENDER CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Heinz (Peter) and Janice (Ruppert) Menger of Woodburn, IN, will celebrate their 50th anniversary on May 28, 2016. They have a daughter, Ingrid (Harvey) Small-

wood and blessed with one grandchild, Noah Smallwood, all of New Haven, IN. Mr. and Mrs. Menger will celebrate their anniversary with a family dinner.

while Tony Langham has accepted the nomination to step in for Brian McLaughlin as President of the Chamber.

Much discussion ensued concerning Town-Wide Garage Sale Days and Day in

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CHP Home Care & Hospice will conduct its annual Rays of Hope Camp, June 14-15, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily at YMCA Camp Clay and Lifehouse Church, 9196 Liberty-Union Rd., Van Wert. The camp is for children and youth (ages 6-17) from throughout the area, who have recently lost a loved one and helps them gain support, develop friendships and have a better understanding of the grief process. Most importantly, Rays of Hope Camp provides an environment where kids can express feelings of loss among

others their age with similar experiences.

There are also many fun activities like swimming, rock wall climbing, team-building obstacles, crafts, games, music, and more.

There is no cost to families for their children to attend camp this year, the proceeds raised for the Noah's Ark Fund at CHP's dinner/auction held in April.

Call Jeanie Saum (419) 238-9223 or Beth Dye (419) 623-7125 to register. Information is also posted at www.comhealthpro.org.

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR
CENTER DINING CENTER
MENU 5/25/16 - 5/31/16**

5/25 - Beef stroganoff over egg noodles, brussel sprouts, stewed tomatoes, banana, dinner roll, milk

5/26 - Pork Cutlet, cheesy mash potatoes, cauliflower, sherbert, apple cranberry salad, dinner roll, milk

5/27 - Liver & onions, mashed potatoes, wax beans, apple juice, pineapple tidbits, dinner roll, milk; Liver alt: Swiss steak

5/30 - Closed - Memorial day

5/31 - BBQ pork sand., potato salad, coleslaw, pineapple, orange & banana cup, raisins, milk

**PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR
CENTER ACTIVITIES 5/25
- 5/30**

5/25 - Bingo w/Buckeye Hearing at 12:00 p.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30 p.m.

5/26 - Bingo w/Gardens of Paulding at 10:00 a.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m.; Taco Bar!! Evening meal - Relay for life fund raiser 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

5/27 - Red Hat Day; Bible study at 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.; Bingo w/Vancrest at 12:00 p.m.

5/30 - Closed - Memorial Day

**CCS RELEASES "OHIO
PURSUES MULTIPLE
STRATEGIES FOR EXPAND-
ING HOUSING OPTIONS FOR
PERSONS WITH SERIOUS
MENTAL ILLNESS"**

A vital but often overlooked portion of the state of Ohio's capital budget, funding to the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (MHAS), is the focus of the latest edition of State Budgeting Matters, from The Center for Community Solutions (CCS). "Ohio Pursues Multiple Strategies for Expanding Housing Options for Persons

with Serious Mental Illness" examines capital funding for community projects, most notably housing projects, for people living with severe mental illness (SMI).

The link between mental illness and homelessness has been well-demonstrated; nationally, an estimated 26 percent of adults living in shelters are affected by SMI. "Stable housing is a key component in the recovery process of individuals with mental illness, but it is in short supply in many parts of Ohio," says Tara Britton, who serves at the Director of Public Policy and Advocacy and the Edward D. and Dorothy E. Lynde Fellow at CCS. But "there are welcome signs of a long-overdue shift in policy to recognize the enormous cost to society of failing to provide sufficient recovery resources, including housing, to individuals with SMI."

While capital funding for communities to invest in housing and other projects for people with SMI has wavered for over two decades, the more recent trend has been on the side of increasing state investment. In order to access these funds, local Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health (ADAMH) boards are required to submit and prioritize project proposals from their service areas to MHAS for selection and review. MHAS' current practice is to cost-share up to 50 percent with local funds, with a maximum state contribution of \$500,000 to each project.

CCS concludes with policy recommendations seeking to further expand housing capacity and create more uniform access across the state.

Policy Recommendations Include:

- Consider modifying the amount of the match for high need/high priority areas with limited local funding opportunities.

- Increase funding levels to match early 1990s levels, adjusted for inflation.

- Allow for more flexible state funding to match the needs in the community. Much of the federal funding for housing has requirements to serve certain populations. This limits the ability of communities to fully match funding with needs.

- Distinguish the role of the ADAMHS boards versus the role of the state in building and maintaining housing units.

The report also details how communities access state capital dollars, and how the state works with communities to leverage resources in order to increase housing capacity for people with SMI.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

She is a Bernie baby!
Tesla Pearl was born on May 18, 2016 at 7 lbs 10.5 oz. and 20.4 inches long.

Tesla's parents are Mariah Overmyer and Joseph Hilt.

Grandparents are Diane Overmyer of Antwerp, Ohio and Joseph Hilt of Kingston, Michigan.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Thatcher Samuel Brown was born Friday May 20, 2016 at 5:36 a.m. weighting 6 lbs 6 oz and was 19.2 inches long. Parents of little Thatcher are Chris Friend and Elizabeth Brown.

Grandparents of Thatcher are Sam & Deb Friend, Floyd Brown and Mary Brown. Great grandparents are Vellina Doster and Betty Cross.

Thatcher has three siblings: Keegan and Maddox Friend and Aliyah Kiessling.

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the Park. Town-Wide Garage Sales are set to take place June 10-11. All things are in place for the maps and sign up forms. Look for more information about this event in the classified section.

As for Day in the Park, Tony went down the list of things that are done on this special day in August at the Park. Chairs were solidified for all festivities of the day.

Entertainment committee announced the groups they have lined up for the Day. Some of the highlights include Antwerp Community Band, Austin Bowers, and the Dance Dolls. Set up and clean up was settled. Gem of the Year was organized and

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
—Matthew 5:9-10

**MOTHER DONATES THERAPY MATERIALS
TO WAYNE TRACE IN HER DAUGHTER'S
MEMORY**



Pictured here are (standing, l-r) Steve Arnold, Superintendent; Angie Bonifas, Occupational Therapist; Laurie De-Long, Special Education Director; Heather Matthews, Physical Therapy Assistant; (seated, l-r) Michelle Hanneman, Speech/Language Pathologist, Maria Roddy

Gabby's Gifts, has been created by the generous donation of Maria Roddy in memory of her daughter, Gabriella Roddy, who died in March from complications of Muscle

Eye Brain Disease. The lending program houses physical, occupational and speech therapy items. The memorial plaque was donated by Creations for Cancer.

nomination forms will be out to local businesses soon. Ads and classified ads will be placed in the newspaper soon soliciting for food, games and craft vendors. The Chamber is now accepting vendors for all of these areas. If your business or organization would like to have a booth at the Day in the Park, please contact Nancy Lichty at 419-258-

2026 or jimbonancy@yahoo.com. The flag burning ceremony will be moved up to after the opening ceremonies in attempts to obtain a higher attendance.

If you have any questions, please contact the Antwerp Chamber at 419-258-1722, email at antwerpchamber@gmail.com or their Facebook page Antwerp Chamber.

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ANTWERP ELEMENTARY HOSTS AWARD CEREMONY



Fourth graders Caydence Shull, Samantha Sheedy, and Isaac Reutter receive the Presidential Physical Fitness Award from Mr. Drew Altimus.

On Wednesday, May 18, the last day of school, Antwerp Elementary School held its awards ceremony to recognize students for their academic, leadership, physical fitness, citizenship, and attendance accomplishments this school year.

First grader Michael Rohrs received a certificate for his perfect attendance this school year. Third graders Teeghun Marlin, Derek Hines, Allison Carnes, and Aiden Lichty received the American Citizenship Award for going above and beyond this school year to help their teachers and classmates. Fourth grader

Nathan Dzib received the American Citizenship Award for going above and beyond this school year to help his teachers and classmates. First graders Cheyenne Maynard and Danica Lehman were all smiles after receiving their trophies for earning 50 Accelerated Reader points this school year. First graders Reid Nutter and Lincoln Lucas checked out the medals they received for earning at least 25 Accelerated Reader points this school year. Second graders Kendall Simonin and Dylan Hahn compared their Accelerated Reader medals.

TEN OLDER OHIOANS HONORED WITH INDUCTION INTO OHIO SENIOR CITIZENS HALL OF FAME

The Ohio Department of Aging, the Ohio Association of Area Agencies on Aging and members of the Ohio General Assembly honored ten accomplished older Ohioans - who have definitely made aging their business - with induction into the Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame during a special ceremony today in Columbus.

"Ohio's growing and changing older population presents both challenges and opportunities for our state and our communities," said Bonnie K. Burman, Sc.D., director of the department. "The Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame celebrates Golden Buckeyes who continue to grow, thrive and contribute throughout their lives, and who are leaders, advocates and role models. They demonstrate the many ways our elders are a precious resource for our state, nation and beyond."

This year's honorees have elevated Ohio and their communities to the national and international stage, as well as created and fos-

tered opportunities for their neighbors to live "Well Beyond 60."

2016 Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame Inductees:

Elevating Ohio and their communities to the national and international stage

Al Abrams (posthumous), Findlay - Al is regarded as an "international music industry public relations icon" who helped launch an American institution, Motown Records, and served as the company's first publicist. Throughout his life and career, he ensured that the legacy of black history and black music was honored worldwide.

John Eicher, Oxford - John is a professor emeritus of chemistry who worked on notable endeavors including the Hughes Laboratories and the Manhattan Project. A perpetual learner, John is active today in Miami University's Institute for Learning in Retirement, both as a teacher and a student.

Annie Glenn, Columbus - Annie overcame a debilitating stuttering problem at age 53. Since then, she has been an advocate for speech and hearing therapy. Her courage and example have inspired countless others

FIELD DAY AT ANTWERP ELEMENTARY



During the last week of school, students at Antwerp Elementary School participated in a field day. During the event, which is organized by physical education teacher Scott McMichael and supported by the PTO, students burned off end-of-the-school-year energy as they jumped rope, raced, tried the hula hoop, played dodge ball, and more. Here, second grader Zaine McMichael competes in a sack race as kindergarten student Taylor Lockhart tries to catch up to him.

with communicative disorders, and she has worked diligently to promote effective therapies.

Caroline N. Luhta, Concord Township - Connie, as she is known in her community, has served seven terms as Concord Township trustee and has spent most of her life operating Concord Air Park. She works to preserve the history of fellow women in aviation through her work with the International Women's Air & Space Museum in Cleveland, as well as public speaking.

Gloria J. Renda, Steubenville - Gloria worked for 27 years as librarian in Jefferson County Schools and, through various endeavors, has helped bring literacy to countless neighbors. She led efforts to restore a one-room brick school house and create a unique learning experience for community students. She expands her reach by teaching English internationally in Italy, Spain and Mexico.

Creating and fostering opportunities for neighbors to live "Well Beyond 60"

Sister Jerome Corcoran, Canfield - Sister Jerome has been a guardian angel for those less fortunate in her community. She developed programs to support children in school and help adults develop reading and job skills. She founded the Millcreek Children's Center, which she directed for 36 years, and recently retired from another labor of love, Sister Jerome's Mission.

Michael E. Jackson, Tipp City - A retired Air Force Lt. colonel, Mike is executive director emeritus of the National Aviation Hall of Fame in Dayton. He helped honor Vietnam veterans with national and local Operation Welcome Home celebrations, and established the American Veterans Institute to help fellow veterans and their families access

valuable benefits.

Yung-Chen Lu, Ph.D., Columbus - Dr. Lu had an esteemed career in mathematics and is currently a professor emeritus at The Ohio State University. He co-founded the Chinese American Association of Central Ohio and helped established a free clinic for those unable to speak English. He is the inspirational force behind the Columbus Asian Festival, regarded as the largest in the U.S.

Sandra L. Ogle, Rockbridge - Sandy has served her community both as a township trustee and a county commissioner. She advocates for resources, programs and funding to fight opiate drug addiction in her community and across the nation, and provides opportunities for those in recovery. She advocates for elders through the local senior center, area agency on aging and adult protective services taskforce.

E.J. Thomas, New Albany - E.J. is a retired Air Force colonel and pilot. He served eight terms in the Ohio House of Representatives, where he helped transform health care in Ohio. Since retiring from the legislature, he has lead Habitat for Humanity-MidOhio to become one of the nation's premiere organizations providing housing assistance for those in need.

Access detailed bios and photographs of these inductees at www.aging.ohio.gov/news/halloffame.

The Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame honors individuals age 60 and older who are native-born Ohioans or who have been Ohio residents for at least 10 years. Nominations are evaluated on the impact of current contributions or a continuation of work and accomplishments begun before age 60. This year's inductees range in age from 64 to 100. More than 450 individuals have been inducted into the hall since 1977.

The induction ceremony is part of the department's month-long celebration of Older Americans Month, with the theme: "Aging. It's Everybody's Business." The agency, its aging network and state agency partners encourage all Ohioans to make choices that help them and their loved ones live "Well Beyond 60" and continue to have and provide opportunities for everyone to grow, thrive and contribute. Learn more at www.aging.ohio.gov.

About ODA - The Ohio Department of Aging works to ensure that our elders are respected as vital members of society who continue to grow, thrive and contribute. We collaborate with state agencies and community partners, including area agencies on aging, to help integrate aging needs into local plans and ensure that aging Ohioans have access to a wide array of high-quality services and supports that are person-centered in policy and practice. Our programs include the PASSPORT Medicaid waiver, caregiver support, the long-term care ombudsman program, the Golden Buckeye Card and more. Visit www.aging.ohio.gov.

SHISLER'S MAKE DONATION TO PC SENIOR CENTER



Presenting the Shislars with a plaque in gratification is Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center Director (right).

Nolan and LaDonna Shisler of Oakwood recently made a very generous donation to the Paulding County Senior Center. The \$50,000 gift will be managed by the Senior Center Steering Committee's Treasurer.

The Center provides over 175 meals per day to Paulding County Senior Citizens. They also provide 15-20 medical and service trips per week. For more information call the Center at 419-399-3650.

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GenFed Bryan employees (L-R) Jill Shepard, Katlynn Schroeder, Jean Simpson, Candy Nowakowski, Cathy Colon

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The approval came from the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Financial Institutions and is effective immediately.

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This summer at First United Methodist Church, the kids are leaving the Sunday School classroom and heading into the community for kid-sized missions. Join them for Summer of Service beginning in June! Sunday School lasts from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and all community children are welcome to participate. Contact Katie Price at 419-238-0631 x 307 or kprice@wcoil.com 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.

BIBLE QUESTIONS

By: James Potter, Oakwood Church of Christ

(This is the second part on autonomy of the Lord's church)

Paul wrote to Titus: for this reason I left you in Crete, that you set in order the things that are lacking, and appoint the elders in every city as I commanded you" (Titus 1:5). The Lord told John to write letters to each of the seven churches in the Roman province of Asia (Revelation chapters 2 and 3). The church at Jerusalem had its own elders (Acts 15:4). The church in Ephesus had its own elders (Acts 20:17). The church at Philippi had its own elders too (Philippians 1:1) always in each local church, we read of more than one elder. Paul and Barnabas "appointed elders in every church" (Acts 14:23). Never do we read in the New Testament of a church having only one elder! In order to serve as an elder, a man must have the qualifications God has given in His word (1st Timothy 3:1-7). Titus 1:5-9. It is wrong to appoint men to serve as elders who are not qualified!

Loved ones, God's way is best! The church belongs to the Lord. He purchased it with His own blood (Acts

20:28). Often men are not happy with the way God has organized His church. Men think they can improve upon it. Men must understand they have no right to change what God has done (Galatians 1:6-9; 2nd John 9; Revelation 22:18-19). If anyone changes the organization, name, worship, or work of the Lord's church, they are disobeying God, not man. Let us be content to do the things God has told us to do. Let us do them in the way God has told us to do them. Let us call them by the names God has given in His word. When we do this, we can be sure we are pleasing the Lord. (John 14:15).

"Ol Baldy" says bye for now, but continue to pray, read and study the New Testament. Loved ones, I spent most of my life in other organizations until someone challenged me where they could find what they were teaching or what their doctrine was found in the Bible. Loved ones, after many nights, days, and months of searching the Old and New Testament, I could not find what they were teaching to their members in the Bible. This is why I am in the Lord's church, because the true churches of Christ will give you the scripture, the Book it is found in, the chapter it is in, and the verse. Those of you who have read the West Bend News should have noticed this by now! "Luv Ya!"

WIND & FIRE

By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, Maples United Methodist Church

"When Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Passover, came, all the believers were together in one place. Suddenly, a sound like a violently blowing wind came from the sky and filled the whole house where they were staying. Tongues that looked like fire appeared to them. The tongues arranged themselves so that one came to rest on each believer. All the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as the Spirit gave them

LOCAL CHURCH SUPPORTS COMMUNITY CLINIC



Charlene Volkert (North Scipio UMC) presents Mark Schlatter (Christian Community Health Care) with a generous donation. (photo courtesy CCHC)

Area churches have worked together in many ways since 1997 to support and operate Christian Community Health Care, the free medical clinic located in downtown Grabill, Indiana. One example is the unexpected gift of \$1000.00 contributed by North Scipio United Methodist Church. This country church, located on State Road 37 between Harlan, Indiana, and Hicksville, Ohio, supports many outreach ministries. They are excited about the work that CCHC does to assist those that need a helping hand and encouragement.

Christian Community Health Care provides free medical services for disadvantaged families who are facing challenges with access

to healthcare. Approximately 100 volunteer staff members have provided medical care for over 1000 patient visits each of the past three years! Patients travel to CCHC from over a 30 mile radius throughout northeast Indiana and northwest Ohio.

CCHC is a community supported ministry that relies on donations from its patients, area churches, businesses, individuals, and foundations. If your family or group would like to be a partner with the clinic, you may contact them at 260-627-2242, extension 7, or by email at info@ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org. To learn more about CCHC, visit their website at www.ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org or their Facebook page.

the ability to speak." Acts 2:1-4 (GW).

Violent wind and fire, when they are out of control, can be very catastrophic to mankind, as witness to the forest fires that are currently raging in Canada. This wind and this fire are of a different nature as it was the audible and visual evidence of the presence of the Holy Spirit. When the Holy Spirit came, He was not visible. However, He made His presence known in these two ways. Through the ear they heard a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind. This sound filled the whole house where they were sitting. It was not a wind; it was the sound as of a wind. It sounded like a tornado, and possibly all of Jerusalem could hear it. Through the eyes they could see the tongues of fire which were not fire, but looked like fire. The tongues of fire rested upon each of the believers that were there.

The coming of the Holy Spirit was for the very particular ministry of calling a people out of this world to form the body of Christ, which is the church. Five minutes before the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost there was no church. Five minutes after the Holy Spirit came on the Day of Pentecost there was a church. What Bethlehem was to the birth of Christ, Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost was to the com-

ing of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. The Holy Spirit became incarnate in believers and began to baptize believers, which means that the Holy Spirit identified them with Christ as His body here on this earth; 1 Corinthians 12:13 says, "For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit."

The Spirit's message to us is always, "Look at Jesus, see his glory; listen to him and hear his word; go to him and have eternal life; get to know him and taste his gift of joy and peace."

PREVENTING METH TRAGEDIES DISCUSSED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

Practical ways to prevent meth use will be offered at Lifetree Café on Thursday, May 26 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "Meth: Stories of Horror and Hope," features a filmed interview with Cindy Gray, a woman who lost a son due to methamphetamine use.

"The minute my son tried it, that was the end," Gray says. "He eventually had to go to using a needle to get that next high."

This Lifetree program also features a filmed interview with a young man who be-

came addicted to meth but found hope and escaped his addiction.

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.

"PIRATES" @ ROSE HILL CHURCH OF GOD VBS

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Rose Hill Church is located at 17965 Rd 138 (at the corner of C.R. 138 and St. Rt. 637), Paulding, OH

CITY OF WOODBURN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 4/18/16

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

CHIEF'S REPORT:

The reserves have logged 95 hours so far in April. One of the squad cars has had its brakes and rotors replaced and the other one will need that maintenance shortly.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Old Business: Last meeting a resident had spoke about wanting a tree taken down on the City's property. All companies that gave an estimate for the tree mentioned that the tree was not dead. After discussion, the council decided that they would not pay to have the tree removed at the current time. The resident was told that if the tree becomes dead, then bring the issue back to the council at that time. The railroad spikes have been taken care of since last meeting.

New Business: There were 3 complaints about property in Westwood Estates (Reichhart's Addition). Councilman Renner and Chief Duhamell approached residents and any issues have since been resolved. Three additional website quotes were handed to council for consideration. It was suggested that the council deliberate independently and decisions will be made at a future meeting. Discussion occurred about donations to the Woodlan PTO. Councilman Martin moved to donate \$150 to the Woodlan PTO for costs incurred for their annual carnival

fund-raiser, second by Councilman Renner, all in favor.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:

Meeting minutes were presented from the meeting on April 4th. Councilman Gerig moved to accept minutes as corrected, second by Councilman Voiron, all in favor. Warrants were presented to council. Councilman Voiron moved to accept warrants as presented, second by Councilman Watts, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer mentioned that a resident spoke to him about the chip and seal repairs and was frustrated. The Superintendent mentioned that the stone was put down to keep the tar from getting on vehicles but will be swept away in a few days after it sets. The council discussed options about future road repairs and the best way to prioritize based on available monies. Councilman Renner asked the Clerk Treasurer to look up what the project on Sunview Drive cost that occurred roughly 3 years ago so the council can have a relative price comparison for future work. The Clerk-Treasurer mentioned that the hopeful effective date for the city accepting utility payments online would be June 1st. More information will be coming at a future meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

The Superintendent and his crew were out total patching around the city this week. They put down stone in several alleys after complaints about pot holes. There was a storm-line on Maple Court that was blocked from tree debris. This has been repaired and should be draining normally again. The Superintendent ordered 3 fire hydrants that need to be replaced throughout the city. The trash pump for the ponds will be arriving shortly. There is one more manhole in the city limits that needs to be fixed still. The Superintendent will have a company come out and perform the needed maintenance.

COUNCILMAN'S REPORT:

Councilman Gerig mentioned a resident's property that has a city tree that is very close to his driveway. Councilman Gerig stated that the resident would be willing to pay in full to have the tree removed. After discussion, the council decided that they would investigate further into this situation and get more information before making a decision. Councilman Voiron passed along a resident's inquiry about whether or not the city would provide fill dirt for a sewer lateral. Superintendent Walls asked that the resident inquiring would contact him directly and then he would be able to get the needed dirt. Councilman Watts mentioned that residents in his district had asked to have the speed bumps placed back. After discussion about purchasing additional speed bumps, the council decided to discuss this further at a future meeting. He also thanked the police department for retrieval of the sign from the liquor store.

AUDIENCE:

A resident had asked for an update regarding the time-line of the income survey. The acting Mayor mentioned that this process will be implemented in the near future.

Councilman Gerig moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voiron, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF PAULDING COUNTY

The newly revived Paulding County Park District is entering its second year of existence, and we thought it would be a good idea to give you a better understanding of where we are at present.

Our primary purpose is to acquire, improve and maintain property in Paulding County for the use and enjoyment of its citizens, and to this end, we are making good progress.

We are pursuing the acquisition of two properties, New Rochester Park along Road 424 and the unleased lands of the old Miami and Erie Canal in eastern Paulding County. These areas are currently owned by the State of Ohio, but we have obtained verbal agreements from the two government agencies who oversee these areas and expect to acquire title to these lands in the near future.

In addition to this, we are pursuing a working agreement between the Park District Board and the Black Swamp Conservancy to allow the Park district to operate and maintain two wonderful properties owned by the Conservancy in Crane Township. This working relationship should be beneficial to both organizations, as it will allow the Park District to provide facilities for the public without the huge expenses involved in the initial purchase of the ground. One of these properties is set to undergo extensive restoration this summer, and the other, situated at the southwest corner of the Forder Bridge on County Road 73, is soon to be acquired by the Conservancy. We are very excited at the possibilities for recreational and educational use that these two parcels will afford the public once they are established.

In addition to these projects, the Board recently approved the hiring on a voluntary basis of an Executive Director/Secretary to oversee the management of the District. Such a person is vital to the operation of a park district and is a necessary step to making our Park District a viable reality.

Lastly, we are in the process of establishing another organization, The Friends

of Paulding County Parks, which will provide a way for the people of the county to become directly involved with the parks through volunteering their time, money and expertise. Without an organization like The Friends, these parks would not be possible. At the present time, the Park District is not funded by any public monies, so we are counting on the support of the people of our beloved county to make our efforts successful. Look for much more information on The Friends of Paulding County Parks as soon as it is established and acquires legal status as a non-profit organization. We look forward to the not too distant future when these areas will be open and available to all.

On behalf of my fellow Board members, we appreciate you taking the time to read about the Parks!

—Doug Dunakin
Commissioner of the
Paulding County Park
District

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Auglaize Township Zoning, Paulding County.

Zoning is only as good as the enforcement. So basically, Auglaize township has none, even though it was presented to the population of the township and voted on and adopted June 1, 2000.

I slightly remember being a part of the information gathering from other townships about how their zoning rules fit our township's needs. Several were read and discussed and written up before being presented to the Trustees. It was read and then presented to the people and got their input before finalized then put on the ballot.

It was hoped by many to help clean up and keep the area kept up and the junk cars and other problems be resolved, BUT now 16 years later the same old problems are still here and maybe even growing.

A complaint can be filed by a resident and presented to the Zoning inspector that checks it out and IF the concerns are in violation to the RULES, it is then given to the trustees, and they MIGHT sign it and let it proceed to MAYBE get taken care of, via the prescribed process stated in the Regulations.

But sometimes it never gets by the trustees because of whatever reason they come up with, like: Well he is new on the fire dept and it might upset him and we'd lose him, or it is good to see some junk around. So the complaint is done, EVEN though the property in question was not compliant to the rules.

IT makes me believe that the values of neighboring properties mean nothing to them.

Then, IF they get the violating property owner to erect a fence to hide the problem, the fence is allowed to be put OFF the property and with in the right of way of the road. Like 6 ft off the edge of the road instead of 30' from the center of the road as prescribed in the rules, and violates Ohio Revised Code. Also the fence is 2' shorter than what the regulations say it has to be.

Like I said, zoning is only as good as the enforcement, NONE.

—Keith Foster
Oakwood, OH

HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS OF 2016



Harlan Christian School graduating class of 2016. This year's seniors are (front row) Amber Braun, Kayci Yoder, Bekah Chippis, Victoria Luderman, and Hannah Straley; (back row) Andy Wagler, Justin Peters, and Spencer Wyatt. May God bless you!

LATTA SENDS LETTER TO FCC OPPOSING SET-TOP BOX PROPOSAL

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH), along with Representatives Kevin Cramer (R-ND), Kurt Schrader (D-OR), and Collin Peterson (D-MN), sent a letter to Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Wheeler urging the Commission to reexamine their set-top box proposal and to reconsider its implications on small and rural pay-TV providers.

"Our bipartisan letter recognizes the efforts of the FCC to support a competitive environment for video competition, but disagrees with their approach," said Latta. "The Commission's set-top box proposal is a technical mandate that will obstruct the future of pay-TV by having programmers retrofit their systems to comply with a new standard that doesn't yet exist. Not only would a new standard likely take years to develop, slowing and stifling innovation, but it would also be costly to reconfigure systems, especially for small and rural providers."

"Furthermore, the marketplace continues to prove that this proposal is obsolete. This is evident by Comcast's recent announcement to launch an apps based program to allow their customers to access their video programming through a range of retail devices without having to lease a set-top box. Pro-consumer initiatives such as this looks towards the future of technology rather than taking a backwards approach like the FCC's proposal."

"I hope this letter will convince the Commission not to move forward on the set-top box proceeding and reconsider the proposed rule, including the impacts it would have on small providers and consumers alike."

WILDLIFE WATCHERS ASKED TO REPORT WILD TURKEY & RUFFED GROUSE SIGHTINGS

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) is asking the public to participate in surveying wild turkeys and ruffed grouse by reporting sightings of these two species.

Every year, the ODNR Division of Wildlife conducts a turkey and grouse brood survey to estimate population growth. The brood survey relies on the public to report observations of all wild turkeys and ruffed grouse seen during May, June, July and August. Wildlife watchers and hunters can report observations at the Turkey Brood Survey page at wildohio.gov.

Information submitted to the brood survey helps to predict future population changes and helps guide the state's hunting regulations. More than 7,900 turkeys were reported during the 2015 survey, with an average of 1.82 young turkeys (poults) per adult hen turkey. This average was lower than the long-term average of 2.5 poults per adult hen.

State and county information is available from past wild turkey or ruffed grouse observations online under the Forest Species Overview page at wildohio.gov. Biologists began tracking summer observations of wild turkeys in 1962. Ruffed grouse were added to the survey in 1999.

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.

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Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, McDonald's, Bryan Senior Center, Walmart

Cecil: Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

Defiance: Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots, Cabin Fever Coffee, Cabbage Patch Convenience Store

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

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

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

Hicksville: Cline's Market, Hickory Hills Golf Course, Sailors, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H2O, Senior Center

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

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

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

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Scott: Scott Variety Store

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

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

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WTJH SPENDS DAY AT BALLPARK



65 Wayne Trace JH students recently spent the day at the ballpark courtesy of the Ft. Wayne Tin Caps. These students were eligible due to meeting the following criteria: No late homeworks, no discipline referrals, no tardies, no attendance issues, and good grades!!! Way to go Raiders, and much appreciation to the Tin Caps!!!

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THE LOBO TANK BUSTERS

By: Stan Jordan

We took off early this morning on dawn patrol headed east into Germany's Ruhr Valley. The Ruhr area is where a lot of Germany's resources are, and there are a lot of war supplies made there.

We were up at about 8000 feet altitude and was looking the area over pretty good when we saw six ME109's coming after us. We figured this place would be protected and it was. We dropped our extra gas tanks and the fight was on.

I stood my ship on its wing tip and made a tight circle on the closest 109. I fired a rocket at him and I must have led him too much as my rocket was going to miss him, so I gave him a short burst with my 50 caliber guns and I must have killed the pilot with the first rounds, as he fell off to the right and went out of control.

This all happened with in a few split seconds and there was a 109 right straight ahead of me and it just exploded, and the whole tail section fell off just behind the pilot. The first 109 had not crashed yet and the other one was also falling to earth in two big pieces, but why? What happened to the second plane?

By now, I was down to about 5,000 feet and all by myself. I looked the area over good and I couldn't see any planes at all, German or American.

I had time to think and figure out what had taken place here a couple of minutes ago.

I had shot down a 109 with my machine gun and when he fell out of my sight, a few hundred yards away, another 109 exploded and fell to earth and I was the only other plane in the area.

As I sit here at the table in the barracks talking to the Col., "This is what must have happened. That rocket I fired at the first plane missed and went on past him and hit the second 109 in the fuselage. I did not see that second 109 because the other plane was

in my line of sight."

The Col. asked, "Well did you get one or two victories today?" I can only declare one victory because my camera guns didn't show my rocket hitting the second plane, even though that must be what happened.

The Col. said, "Well, that would have made your record of 14 German planes destroyed, but if you only declare the one kill, that makes you 13 kills."

I guess the other boys had pretty good luck and we destroyed five of the six 109's. The other German headed back into Germany and Lt. Barnes decided to let him go because he wanted to have enough fuel to get back to our air base.

See ya!

TRUMP IS A NO-NO

By: Stan Jordan

At this present time, it appears that Mr. Trump will be the candidate for the Republican Party at election time for the office of President of the United States.

To my way of thinking, that can lead to a mountain of trouble, if he is elected in his present way of thinking.

He says he will build a fence all along the Rio Grande to keep the Mexican people from crossing over into the U.S.

All the other people will not back him and pay for the erection of that fence for a couple of reasons. There are better ways to spend our tax money, and if it isn't illegal, it surely is against the will of the boys who wrote the constitution, that has an open door policy.

If a Mexican couple have a baby here in America, that baby is an American citizen by birth and he can't send that baby to Mexico. But he is willing to separate it from the parents and send them back.

The Mexican worker in the vegetable fields of Florida, and the fruit groves as well, are a valuable commodity and really needed there. They are shorter and have more stamina and better work ethics than the American vegetable field worker. This is true for the labor in southwest and California, those workers are needed bad by the growers there, plus there are not enough American seasonal workers.

The common Mexican that crosses the Rio Grand is not a dope runner, he wants a job to earn a living. He wants to better himself and fend for his family. He is a good work-

er. I have seen this myself a number of times in Florida. Yes, there are a few drawbacks here, but those workers are needed.

But, there is another part of Trump that has a potential of very grave consequences. About 40% of our farm products go to China and Japan. Trump shoots from the lip most of the time and you can't do that with China. If he alienates China and they buy their food stuff from South America he could cause us to have a big recession. Our corn and soy beans would back down to about a dollar a bushel and many farmers would go broke and lose their farms. This could be a terrible situation. I hope this doesn't happen, but it could.

Trump in his present way of thinking and talking is contrary to the way most Americans want their leader to talk and act.

See ya!



THE CLOSING OF CR 21

By: Stan Jordan

Rumors have it that the State Highway Dept. are planning on closing C.R. 21 where it crosses the new U.S. 24. I hope that is only a rumor, because having access to U.S.24 on C.R. 21 is very handy to lots of people. You can take that road and get on to U.S. 24 and stay out of Antwerp's south town.

You can see in all four directions at that crossing. It is as safe as it can be and still be open. I don't think there has ever been any trouble there.

I know we have had accidents down on C.R. 87 and U.S. 24. Again, visibility is very good at that crossing. I know that a very dense fog caused one fatality there and driver error has also been some of the problems too.

Rumor has it that there are plans to elevate C.R. 87 over U.S. 24. Were C.R. 87 is, it's a pretty busy road and I would like to see it open, even if it takes an overpass. It would cost at least half a million dollars to make an overpass there. Yes an overpass would be a lot safer, but we wouldn't have access to U.S. 24 there.

I would like to encourage the State Highway Dept. to hold on here for a little bit on making plans to close those access roads. They are already finished and are plenty safe, if the drivers use common sense.

But, there is another reason to wait a little before closing these access roads.

Right now the auto industry has made a lot of progress in car safety by installing automatic brakes. The brakes can be activated by electronic signals if the car gets too close to the car in front of him.

In a few years, that safety feature can be installed at busy crossings, such as C.R. 87 and U.S. 24 and the electric eye can stop a vehicle if the driver fails to use their brakes.

This idea is not far fetched, it has already been installed in some new cars and I know it can work at intersections

also.

I would like to have the State Highway Dept. to look into this new invention, before they close these handy access points.

See ya!

OBAMA'S BALLYHOO

By: Stan Jordan

As I understand President Obama's order of the US justice of Education guidance to help issue the Civil Rights of transgender students. He also hinted that if a school didn't follow the guidelines they could lose money from the government.

Many, many years ago there was a bar and grill restaurant that had two restrooms like the law states, but on the door of each it didn't say men or women, nor did it have any silhouette of any type to identify whether it was male or female. What it did say on the door was "Sitters" on one door and "Pointers" on the other door to identify the gender here.

Now looking back on that situation, to me that settles the whole idea of who goes where.

Every person since time began who were born a homosapien meets that category, either a pointer or sitter.

Ben Franklin told me that on the Mayflower they used two 5 gallon buckets, everyone was either a pointer or sitter. Back in the cave-man time it was the same, maybe not very handy, but still a pointer or a sitter.

In the days of the one room school house they had a two holer and a path and that was approved by the state school board, even in those days you were a pointer or a sitter.

What I am getting at since time in memorial the system of the sitter and pointer have gotten the job done, a job done well.

Millions of student have passed through the system and worked out fine.

This idea of my civil right should be slowed down a little, with common sense.

I really believe this civil rights crap is being pushed by the parents, not the students.

Looking down the road I can see trouble, and turmoil. Especially around the cities.

I look for the words "My Civil Rights" to cause a lot of trouble, because if someone pushing for their civil rights is probably walking on some other person's civil right.

Our governing people in Washington D.C. had better get a lid on this right away. These ramblings are my own and do not reflect the people at the West Bend News.

PHOTOS NEEDED FOR MAYSVILLE/HARLAN HISTORY BOOK



The volunteer committee working to publish a History Book of Maysville/Harlan, IN is still looking for any historical photos of the former community center/gymnasium that formerly stood in the middle of Harlan. This building was once the heartbeat of the town and they cannot find an inside or outside photo anywhere to document its history. Also wanted are photos of area businesses and events (past and present), significant old homesteads, farmhouses and barns, and any committees, associations, clubs, lodges and/or citizens

that have made community contributions in the past and continue to do so today. If you are involved with, or have information and photos of any of the above, please contact or deliver them to the following names before the cut-off date of August 31, 2016. All photos will be scanned and returned to the owners if desired.

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PC EMPLOYEES RAISE FUNDS FOR PPEC'S HONOR FLIGHT FUNDRAISER



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WAYNE TRACE HS MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Wayne Trace JH-HS Staff recently nominated and voted upon May Students of the Month. Students nominated were 7th graders Joe Munger and Chloe Parker; 8th graders Claire Sinn and Zoey Wright; 9th graders Ellie Stoller, Anne Eklund, Derek Myers, Sadie Sinn, and Julianne Roop; 10th graders Erica Mohr and Maggie Crosby; 11th grader Danae Myers; and 12th graders Brooke Ludwig, and Brianna Sinn. Those students named Students of the Month were (l-r) 7th grader Joe Munger, 8th grader Claire Sinn, 9th grader Derek Myers, 10th grader Erica Mohr, 11th grader Danae Myers, and 12th grader Kyle Bickford. These students received a "Raider Pride- Pay Forward" t-shirt as part of their award.

ANNUAL DC HONORS CONVOCATION RECOGNIZES STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Defiance College held its annual Honors Day Convocation recently to recognize academic achievements of students.

Dr. Richard W. Stroede Distinguished Faculty Citation was awarded to Fred Coulter, associate professor of education.

Outstanding Service Award - Rachel Eicher, assistant professor, early childhood education

Outstanding Service Award for staff & Gerald Mallott Outstanding Senior Service Award - Catherine Mikula, coordinator of non-traditional student support, and graduating senior Susanna Stoepfel McComb

Students receiving awards during the convocation and departmental ceremonies:

Civic Engagement Honors - Dava Donaldson, Elyria; Amber Moomey, Graytown; Brittany Pease, Marysville; Susanna Stoepfel, McComb; Elizabeth Pienoski, Sheffield Lake; Megan Davis, Sherwood; Ashley Tompkins, West Unity; and Katelyn Haydett, Saint Clair Shores, MI

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Senior Service Leaders - Joseph Hilton, Antwerp; Sandra Hubler, Berea; David Brown, Columbus; Kailin Regutti, Hayley Risher, and George Roth, Defiance; Dava Donaldson, Elyria; Amber Moomey, Graytown; Caitlin Ashbaugh, Lancaster; Brittany Pease, Marysville; Susanna Stoepfel, McComb; Claire Turner, Medina; Lucas Parsell and Waverly Weak, Napoleon; Elizabeth Pienoski, Sheffield Lake; Megan Davis, Sherwood; Megan Pleskovic, Strongsville; Jessica Bell, West Salem; Ashley Tompkins, West Unity; Kristina Nelson, Grayslake, IL; Mari-ah Brown, Paxton, IL; Haley Walchle, Urbana, IL; Jillian Crowell, Kalamazoo, MI; Nicole Tank, Lincoln Park, MI; Katelyn Haydett, Saint Clair Shores, MI; Sephra Wheeler, Albion, PA; Tawana Foster, Cormack Lazarus, Lornette Lynch, and Oshin Walker, St. Mary, Jamaica.

Highest Ranking Senior Scholars - Sara Hammon, Sherwood.

Alpha Delta Kappa Award - Jessica Bell, West Salem

Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship in Education - Noelle Chester, West Unity

Arthur and Hope Knappe Award in Education - Joshua Petro, Ocala, FL

Alton R. Kurtz Prize in Education - Richard Custar, Pioneer

Rothhar Assistantship in Education - Caitlyn Pavel, Paulding

Robert O. Bleeks Assistantship in Sports Science - Cody Meinert, Deerfield, MI

Outstanding Senior in Multi-Age Education - Elias Jimenez, Defiance

Outstanding Senior in Early Childhood Education - Sara Hammon, Sherwood

Outstanding Senior in Middle Childhood Education - Kaitlyn Rethmel, Defiance

Outstanding Senior in Adolescent to Young Adult Education - Amber Mack, Defiance

Ida M. Watson Prize in History - Remick Pearson, Kernersville, NC

Outstanding Senior in History - Zane Hayes, Wellington

Reeder C. Hutchinson Assistantship in the Humanities - Isaiah Ross, Cloverdale

Outstanding Senior in Design - Michelle Puehler, Defiance

Margaret and Michael Stauffer Memorial Scholarship - Keira Grandey, Stryker

Outstanding Senior in Communication Studies - Kailin Regutti, Defiance

Outstanding Senior in English - Elizabeth Daniel, Ney

Dr. Richard W. Stroede Scholarship - David Brown, Columbus; Amanda Heil, Defiance; and Nathaniel Hicks, Toledo

Music Programs Director's Award - Keira Grandey, Stryker

Schauffler Scholar in Christian Education - Susan Korecki, London

Dr. Clarence Gilham Endowed Scholarship and

George P. Michaelides Award in Religion - Xavier Blyden, Bridgeport, CT

Defiance Area Chamber of Commerce Business Scholarship - Tanner Clingaman, Stryker

George Isaac Business Scholarship - Cody Harsman, Brookville

Herbert Willett Assistantship in Business Administration - Hayley Saylor, Payne

Outstanding Seniors in Accounting - Zachary Shook, Defiance and Heidi Dix, Paulding

Outstanding Senior in Business Administration - Clay Bracken, Continental

Sigma Beta Delta (Business) - Gina Coffman, Julia Dickman, Alex Elkins, John Hancock, and Trevor Zachrich, Defiance; Joseph Hilton, Antwerp; Clay Bracken, Continental; David Morris, Edgerton; Natasha Balduff, Fremont; Walter Pippin, Liberty Center; Sean Daley, Lima; Sonia Scott, Napoleon; Haley Kuhlman, Oregon; Blayne Robbins, Powell; Jordan Core, Sherwood; Kevin Becker, Wauseon; Carissa Schreiber, Weston; Wayne Kelly, Fort Wayne, IN; Chris Douglas, Wixom, MI; and Lornette Lynch, St. Mary, Jamaica

Duane C. Hocking Endowed Scholarship - Colton Relyea, Defiance

Iota Tau Alpha (Athletic Training) - Jillian Schneider, Botkins; Megan Warren, Loveland; Brittany Pease, Marysville; Jordan Drake, Maumee; Andrew Dela-ange, Auburn, IN; Marcus Pompey, Marcellus, MI; and Alexis Walker, Fort Myers, FL

Outstanding Senior in Athletic Training - Jordan Drake, Maumee

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Samuel V. Tuohy Memorial Scholarship - Brittany Mealer, Defiance

Outstanding Senior in Mathematics - Amber Mack, Defiance

Outstanding Senior in Science - Katelyn Haydett, Saint Clair Shores, MI

Outstanding Student in Nursing - Denise Doda, Defiance

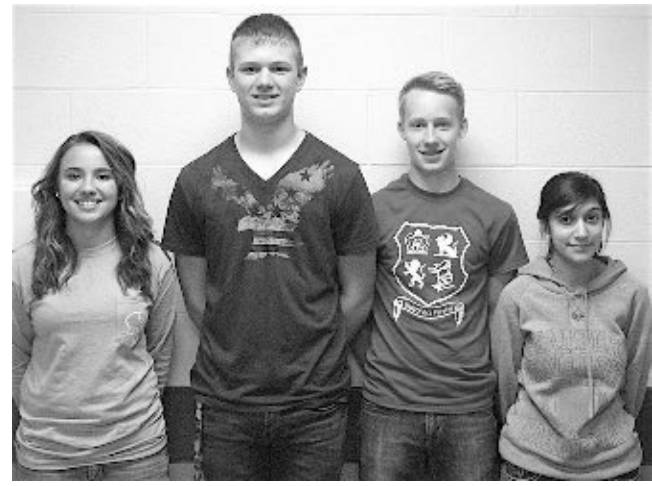
Schauffler Award in Social Work - Lindsay Kasmer, Medina

Top Scholar in Social Work - Claire Turner, Medina

Outstanding Senior in Criminal Justice - Oshin Walker, St. Mary, Jamaica

Outstanding Senior in Digital Forensic Science -

PAULDING HS APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School has selected their Students of the Month for April. Pictured here are (l-r) Freshman Macy Iler, Sophomore Hunter Vogel, Junior Dayton Pracht, an Senior Dulce Vasquez

Sephra Wheeler, Albion, PA

Scholastic Excellence in Digital Forensics Award - Randy Albers, Saint Henry

Outstanding Seniors in Psychology - Lindsay Kasmer, Medina; and Oshin Walker, St. Mary, Jamaica

Tau Mu (Social Work) - Breanna Zipfel, Defiance; and Claire Turner, Medina

Omicron Mu/Chapter of National Phi Alpha (Social Work) - Brittany Coressel, April McKenzie, and Breanna Zipfel, Defiance; Emily Lambert, Delphos; Claire Turner, Medina; Jessica Morse, Toledo; and Tabitha Del Carmen, Hemet, CA

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Entertainment: Thurs-

day June 9, "Dyson Dance Studio" - 5:00 p.m. "Three Cities Band" - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Main Stage; Friday June 10, "The Hitmen" - 6:00 p.m.; "D-Day" - 7:00 p.m. "Brother" - 8:00 p.m.; Location: Main Stage; New Haven Alumni Band, Saturday June 11, 1:00 p.m.

Location: Schnelker Park Gazebo; Saturday June 11 "Ballenger" - 6:00 p.m. "The City Harmonic" - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Main Stage Contact: Matt Kuntz 260-804-5568

Cornhole Tournament: Saturday, June 10, 12:00 p.m.; Tournament 11:00 a.m.; Registration Location: Don Hall's Restaurant

Parking Lot Contact: Glen Campbell 260-413-0588

Kids Day: Saturday, June 11 Following Parade Location: Schnelker Park Pavilion Contact: New Haven Parks Office 260-749-2212

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Freshman Mya Andrews gets 2 hits and 1 run for the Lady Panthers. More pictures at westbendews.net.

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that came in - Audrey Manz, Haylee Dominique, Ashlynn Rice and Mya Andrews—A Fantastic inning!

By the fourth inning the Mustangs were struggling to compose after shooting blanks and by the bottom they changed pitchers once again. Paulding back in the dugout brought in two more runs in this fourth - Kelsey Beck and Audrey Manz. Coach Matt Carr has really put together a strong lineup this season even though the record does not look perfect.

The fifth inning the Mustangs revived with a three run homer by Kylie Wyss, bringing the score to 9-6. This was probably the only thing that kept the game from not ending at the end of the fifth. Paulding comes back with a strong message with Asia Arellano on base and Kelsey Beck driving the ball over the center fielder's head and on over the fence, adding two more points, making the score 11-6. This was the last inning with points. The sixth inning was rather uneventful with the Beck and Manz really keeping a hold of the ball

and getting outs at first and second with Karissa Lucas assisting these. The final out in the top of the 7th inning was a center field catch by Stephanie Trausch.

This is the first time since 1994 that Paulding Softball has made an appearance at the District Championship and this year they won! Great job to these girls.

The location of the Regionals game between Paulding and Archbold has been moved to Findlay High School on Wednesday, May 25 with a 5:00 start. Archbold is the home team.

Paulding runs: Kelsey Beck (3); Audrey Manz (3); Kristen Schilt (1); Ashlynn Rice (1); Mya Andrews (1); Asia Arellano (1); Kamdyn Etzler (1);

Paulding Hits: Kelsey Beck (2); Audrey Manz (3); Haylee Dominique (1); Kristen Schilt (3); Darian Andrews (1); Mya Andrews (2); Asia Arellano (1);

Paulding RBI's: Kelsey Beck (2); Audrey Manz (2); Haylee Dominique (1); Kristen Schilt (2); Mya Andrews (2)

Lots of Pictures at westbendnews.net

WARRIORS FALL TO ADAMS CENTRAL

By: Jeff Abbott

Adams Central came back from a 4-0 deficit to down Woodlan 8-4 in boys' baseball at Warrior Field. Woodlan scored a pair of runs in the first and added runs in the third and fourth innings for a 4-0 lead over the Jets. Woodlan pitching limited Adams Central to 5 hits through 5 innings, but the Jets sent 9 batters to the plate in the sixth and scored 5 runs and then put 3 more on the board in the seventh to complete the comeback. Collin Jones took the loss on the mound for Woodlan. Tucker Wallace had a pair of hits, including a triple, and a pair of runs batted in for the Warriors

Score by the Inning:
Adams Central - 0 0 0 0 0 5 3=8
Woodlan - 2 0 1 1 0 0 0=4

SCHWARTZ PITCHES NO-HITTER FOR WARRIORS

By: Jeff Abbott

Ben Schwartz fired a no-hitter at Bluffton and the Woodlan Warriors got 6 hits and 4 runs to blank the Tigers in ACAC boys' baseball at Bluffton. Woodlan scored a pair of runs in the fourth inning and added a pair of insurance runs in the fifth to provide the offense for the win. Schwartz went the distance and struck out 8 in the game for Woodlan.

Score by the Inning:
Woodlan - 0 0 0 2 2 0 0=4;
6H, 0E
Bluffton - 0 0 0 0 0 0 0=0;
0H, 4E

LADY WARRIORS LOSE BATTLE TO TIGER IN ACAC SOFTBALL

By: Jeff Abbott

Megan Prater went 3 for 4 and the Bluffton Tigers collected 11 hits off Woodlan starter Emma Baughman as the Tigers picked a 5-2 ACAC girls' softball win. Woodlan got just 4 hits in the game including a homerun from Ronnie Hathaway.

Score by the Inning:
Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 2 0 0=2;
4H, 3E
Bluffton - 0 1 1 0 1 2 x=5;
11H, 3E

PATRIOTS DEFEAT WARRIORS

By: Jeff Abbott

Heritage got a solo home run from Billy Lomow and added another run in the first and the Patriots made it hold up as they defeated Woodlan 2-1 in boys' ACAC baseball at Warrior Field. Jacque Jacquay limited the Warriors to just 3 hits in the game with Heritage only collecting 5 hits of their own. Collin Jones took the loss on the mound for Woodlan.

Score by the Inning:
Heritage - 2 0 0 0 0 0 0=2;
5H, 1E
Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 0 0 1=1;
3H, 1E

IHSAA 2A BOYS BASEBALL SECTIONAL AT ADAMS CENTRAL

Wednesday, May 25, 5:30 p.m.:
Woodlan vs Adams Central

Thursday, May 26, 5:30 p.m.:
Churubusco vs South Adams

132nd ANNUAL ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES MARK END OF HS CAREERS



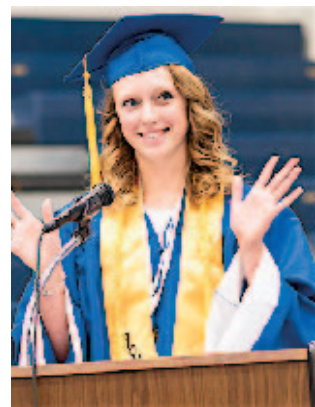
The 50 students of the 2016 graduating class of Antwerp High School walked the halls for the last time as students on May 22, 2016. They entered the gymnasium to the melody of Pomp & Circumstance with the excitement and anticipation of one about to embark on an incredible journey. And an incredible journey is exactly what is in store for these hopeful individuals. Senior Mikayla Boesch welcomed all to the commencement. The class history was orated by Brittany Smith with many divulgements of embarrassing memories from classmates. The three top scholars — Emily Derck, Jarrison Steiner and Jenna Wilson — all delivered memorable speeches that will be remember for



**Jarrison Steiner
(Co-Valedictorian)**

years to come; especially the shoe swap!

Several of the class are enlisted in the military, others are entering the workforce, and still others are pursuing degrees at colleges and universities. The class of 2016 has



**Emily Derck
(Co-Valedictorian)**

now become what others have done before them — finished their years at Antwerp High School as students. Now, when they re-enter the building, they will be visitors... no longer students. And the circle of life continues on...

Friday, May 27, 5:30 p.m.:
Woodlan/Adams Central winner vs Churubusco/South Adams winner

Saturday, May 28, 11:00 a.m.:
Bluffton vs Canterbury

Monday, May 30, 12:00 Noon:
Championship Game

IHSAA 2A GIRLS SOFTBALL SECTIONAL AT CHURUBUSCO

Tuesday, May 24:
5:00 p.m. - South Adams vs Bluffton

7:00 p.m. - Woodlan vs

Churubusco
Wednesday, May 25:
5:00 p.m. - South Adams/Bluffton winner vs Woodlan/Churubusco winner

7:00 p.m. - Canterbury/Adams Central winner

Friday, May 27:
5:00 p.m. - Championship Game



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2016 Paulding High School Senior Court Members: (l-r) Lucas Arend, Emily Ringler, Zach Buchman, Kelsey Beck, Damon Egnor, Jordan Shull, Branson Minck, and Kristen Schilt



Paulding High School Prom Court Winners: (l-r) King Damon Egnor, Queen Jordan Shull, Princess Estee Miller, and Prince Preston Ingol

WARRIORS TAKE 3RD IN ACAC TRACK COMPETITION

By: Jeff Abbott
ACAC TRACK MEET -
Boys:
Team scores - 1st Bluffton 151; 2nd South Adams

115.5; 3rd Woodlan 108; 4th Adams Central 70.5; 5th Southern Wells 62; 6th Jay County 43; 7th Heritage 32
Individual events -
100m, Eskridge (B) 10.54;
200m, Eskridge (B) 22.05;
400m, Kayser (W) 52.59;

800m, Reckard (B) 1:59.89;
1600m, McIntire (SA) 4:22.95; 3200m, McIntire (SA) 10:13.58; 110H, Carter (B) 15.3; 300H, Carter (B) 39.97; 400R, Bluffton 42.97; 1600R, Bluffton 3:31.90; 3200R, Adams Central 8:21.3; LJ, Eskridge (B) 23-1; HJ, Trewyn (JC) 6-0; Discus, Harris (SW) 162-8; Shot Put, LeFever (SA) 51-10

ACAC TRACK MEET - Girls:

Team scores - 1st Jay County 152; 2nd South Adams 123; 3rd Woodlan 73; 4th Heritage 66.5; 5th Adams Central 66; 6th Bluffton 51; 7th Southern Wells 45.5

100m, Lockett (H) 12.75; 200m, McCarter (W) 26.65; 400m, Kloepper (SA) 60.22; 800m, Von Gunten (SA) 2:30.60; 1600m, Von Gunten (SA) 5:36.35; 3200m, Wellman (JC) 12:39.57; 400R, Woodlan 51.41; 1600R, Jay County 4:14.91; 3200R, Jay County 10:21.96; 100H, Wanner (SA) 15.86; 300H, Chacon (H) 47.71; LJ, Bluhm (AC) 16-5; HJ, Wanner (SA) 5-0; Discus, Schwieterman (B) 99-6; Shot Put, Corwin (JC) 31-3

LADY WARRIORS BATTLE STARFIRES & WIN AFTER 9 INNINGS

By: Jeff Abbott

Woodlan came from behind and beat South Adams 6-5 in 9 innings in girls' softball at Woodlan. The Starfires picked up an early run in the top of the first and held that lead until the fourth. South Adams collected 3 more runs, all scoring with 2 outs, and led 4-0 over the home team. Woodlan sent 10 batters to the

plate in the bottom of the fifth inning, getting 4 runs on 4 hits, and tied the game at 4-4. The Warriors took their first lead of the game at 5-4 with a run in the sixth with Kelsey Jones doubling to score Kayla Ridenbach, South Adams tied the game in the seventh and sent the ACAC game to extra frames. After a scoreless eighth and South Adams shut out in the ninth, Kelsey Jones led off the bottom of the inning with a single, moved to second on a passed ball and moved to third on a sacrifice bunt by Kenzie Salzbrener. Maddie Fredrick got the winning run home with a fly ball to deep center, allowing Jones to tag up and score. Emma Baughman struck out 10 and got the win on the mound for the Warriors. Jones finished the game 3 for 5 and scored twice and Ronnie Hathaway was 3 for 4 with a RBI in the game.

Score by the Inning:
South Adams - 1 0 0 0 3 0
1 0 0 =5; 9H, 2E
Woodlan - 0 0 0 0 4 1 0 0
1 =6; 10H, 3E

MENINGITIS VACCINE MANDATORY FOR ANTWERP SENIORS

Incoming senior students will need to have a meningitis vaccination before entering their senior year this fall. This is mandatory for all incoming seniors.

ANTWERP SENIORS SIGN LETTERS OF INTENT



Antwerp senior Jenna Wilson recently signed a letter of intent to play golf at Trine University. Present at the signing were her high school coach, Scott McMichael; her parents Kathy and Tony Wilson; and her sister Maggie Wilson.



Antwerp senior Beth Hawley recently signed a letter of intent to play softball at Bethel College. Present at the signing were her high school coach, Heather Barnhouse (back row); her parents Bob and Doris Hawley (far right and left); and Bethel's volleyball coach (beside Beth).

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NW OHIO HIGH SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD DISTRICT COMPETITION



The District competition for high school track & field took place all over Ohio last week. The Northwest Ohio section competed on May 19 and May 21. The following are the results of the day.

GIRLS Team Rankings:
1st Archbold 107; 2nd Holgate 77.50; 3rd Pettisville 4.50; 4th Fairview 62; 5th Ayersville 50; 6th Wayne Trace 44; 7th Montpelier 36; 8th Tinora 30; 9th Antwerp 28; 10th Paulding 26; 11th Hilltop 24; 12th Edgerton 23.50; 13th Hicksville 22; 14th Stryker 21; 14th Fayette 21; 16th Continental 11; 17th Edon 9; 18th North Central 4.50

4x800m Relay – 1st Pettisville 9:40.16; 2nd Antwerp 10:02.05; 3rd Holgate 10:06.42; 4th Fairview 10:12.07; 5th Hilltop 10:23.45; 6th Hicksville 10:41.59

100m Hurdles – 1st Keber, T, 15.70; 2nd Richardson, A, 15.89; 3rd Lawhorn, C, 16.30; 4th Schwarzbek, FV, 16.34; 5th Smith, A, 16.96; 6th Plummer, P, 17.09

100m Dash – 1st Goings, WT, 12.66; 2nd Speelman, S, 12.75; 3rd Stein, EDG, 13.07; 4th Brown, H, 13.23; 5th Kuhlman, HO, 13.28; 6th Flegal, EDG, 13.45

4x200m Relay – 1st Archbold 1:50.11; 2nd Montpelier 1:50.38; 3rd Holgate 1:52.22; 4th Ayersville 1:53.38; 5th Wayne Trace 1:53.90; 6th Paulding 1:54.38

1600m Run – 1st Willett, E, HO, 5:11.70; 2nd Leppelmeier, PSV, 5:17.43; 3rd Foor, PSV, 5:19.41; 4th Riley, ARCH, 5:20.02; 5th Routhier, H, 5:32.33; 6th Landel, EDG, 5:44.60

4x100m Relay – 1st Wayne Trace 52.35; 2nd Holgate 52.54; 3rd Montpelier 53.28; 4th Tinora 53.61; 5th Paulding 53.69; 6th Archbold 53.94

400m Dash – 1st Stamm, ARCH, 59.07; 2nd Miller, HO, 1:02.09; 3rd Longardner, A, 1:02.23; 4th Fruchey, F, 1:03.08; 5th Vetter, F, 1:06.30; 6th Wagner, F, 1:06.60

300m Hurdles – 1st Schwarzbek, F, 46.22; 2nd Keber, T, 47.17; 3rd Miesle, A, 49.49; 4th Lawhorn, C, 49.68; 5th Richardson, ARCH, 51.86; 6th Lyons, M, 52.69

800m Run – 1st Sauder, PSV, 2:20.33; 2nd Crites, F, 2:22.35; 3rd Willett, E, HO, 2:23.40; 4th Carlson,

M, 2:24.48; 5th Routhier, H, 2:30.00; 6th Leppelmeier, PSV, 2:30.72

200m Dash – 1st Roth, ARCH, 25.78; 2nd Goings, WT, 25.86; 3rd Speelman, S, 26.60; 4th Scholma, M, 26.73; 5th Brown, H, 26.98; 6th Stahl, P, 27.47

3200m Run – 1st Leppelmeier, PSV, 11:44.14; 2nd Willett, G, HO, 11:51.45; 3rd Foor, PSV, 11:58.08; 4th Sullivan, HV, 11:59.09; 5th Sonneberger, E, 12:28.74; 6th Braun, E, 12:42.03

4x400m Relay – 1st Holgate 4:11.89; 2nd Archbold 4:12.74; 3rd Pettisville 4:12.75; 4th Fairview 4:13.45; 5th Montpelier 4:16.54; 6th Ayersville 4:23.25

Discus Throw – 1st Cline, ARCH, 120-05; 2nd Siebenaler, HV, 118-01; 3rd Bates, F, 104-03; 4th Johnston, AY, 102-11; 5th Thomas, HO, 102-09; 6th Blake, M, 102-07

High Jump – 1st Fruchey, F, 5-02.00; 2nd Hammer-smith, AY, 5-01.00; 3rd Posey, F, 5-00.00; 4th Rupp, ARCH, 5-00.00; 5th Osentoski, EDG, 4-10.00; 5th Miller, HO, 4-10.00

Long Jump – 1st Culler, F, 16-02.50; 2nd Engel, AY, 16-01.75; 3rd Roth, ARCH, 15-07.25; 4th Lambert, ARCH, 15-06.50; 5th Shuman, HV, 15-01.75; 6th Clemens, AY, 14-11.50

Shot Put – 1st Cline, ARCH, 34-11.25; 2nd Johnston, AY, 33-11.75; 3rd Rupp, S, 33-07.75; 4th Sinn, WT, 32-09.25; 5th Stoller, WT, 32-05.25; 6th Thomas, HO, 32-03.50

Pole Vault – 1st Ranzau, ARCH, 9-09.00; 2nd Johnston, AY, 9-00.00; 3rd Harwell, P, 9-00.00; 4th Salinas, P, 8-04.00; 5th Johns, F, 8-00.00; 6th Lashaway, NC, 7-06.00; 6th Pursel, PSV, 7-06.00

BOYS Team Rankings:
1st Liberty Center 115; 2nd Montpelier 84.50; 3rd Archbold 84; 4th Fairview 69; 5th Wayne Trace 52; 6th Edgerton 49; 7th Tinora 44; 8th Ayersville 27.50; 9th Continental 27; 10th Patrick Henry 23; 11th Hicksville 20; 11th Antwerp 20; 13th Hilltop 17; 14th Stryker 8; 14th Paulding 8; 16th Edon 6; 17th Holgate 5; 18th North Central 3

4x800m Relay – 1st Ayersville 8:18.85; 2nd Liberty Center 8:22.08; 3rd Montpelier 8:22.95; 4th Fairview 8:23.22; 5th Archbold 8:23.72; 6th Edgerton 8:28.43

110m Hurdles – 1st Snyder, M, 14.90; 2nd Saylor, WT, 15.27; 3rd Myers, LC, 15.43; 4th Kuhn, WT, 15.82; 5th Richer, ARCH, 16.09; 6th Shilling, H, 16.90

100m Dash – 1st Nagel, T, 11.38; 2nd Smith, LC, 11.39; 3rd Martin, T, 11.60; 4th Bonner, PH, 11.61; 5th Bowers, C, 11.63; 6th Guillaume, EDG, 11.86

4x200m Relay – 1st Montpelier 1:33.00; 2nd Liberty Center 1:33.06; 3rd Edgerton 1:34.18; 4th Fairview 1:34.75; 5th Archbold 1:34.79; 6th Wayne Trace 1:35.29

1600m Run – 1st Williamson, A, 4:24.24; 2nd Studer, LC, 4:33.07; 3rd Ehlers,

T, 4:37.32; 4th Garrow, ARCH, 4:46.56; 5th Recker, C, 4:46.65; 6th Rodriguez, ARCH, 4:48.28

4x100m Relay – 1st Liberty Center 45.29; 2nd Archbold 45.59; 3rd Fairview 45.62; 4th Hicksville 45.72; 5th Edgerton 45.91; 6th Tinora 46.57

400m Dash – 1 Fisher, ARCH, 50.46; 2nd Shepherd, WT, 51.83; 3rd Williams, C, 52.17; 4th Hernandez, HO, 52.20; 5th Barrientos, AY, 52.42; 6th Miller, M, 52.77

300m Hurdles – 1st Snyder, M, 38.51; 2nd Myers, LC, 40.05; 3rd Kuhn, WT, 41.08; 4th Saylor, WT, 41.10; 5th Hinton, LC, 42.00; 6th Girdham, ARCH, 43.33

800m Run – 1st Johnson, F, 2:01.49; 2nd Ehlers, T, 2:02.08; 3rd Jones, EDG, 2:02.17; 4th Burns, LC, 2:02.37; 5th Garrow, ARCH, 2:02.85; 6th Wensink, PH, 2:04.60

200m Dash – 1st Sliter, FV, 23.04; 2nd Smith, LC, 23.18; 3rd Nagel, T, 23.44; 4th Fisher, ARCH, 23.55; 5th Bowers, C, 23.97; 6th McCullough, LC, 23.99

3200m Run – 1st Williamson, A, 9:52.22; 2nd Studer, LC, 10:03.28; 3rd Stark, LC, 10:04.51; 4th Myers, HV, 10:05.70; 5th LaDuke, E, 10:33.56; 6th Rediger, M, 10:38.83

4x400m Relay – 1st Archbold 3:30.41; 2nd Montpelier 3:31.05; 3rd Wayne Trace 3:33.14; 4th Fairview 3:33.66; 5th Continental 3:33.87; 6th Edgerton 3:34.12

Discus Throw – 1st Tanner, PH, 156-09; 2nd Demaline, LC, 136-08; 3rd Belmares, FV, 132-11; 4th Lysaght, HV, 132-00; 5th Wenninger, WT, 132-00; 6th Booker, HV, 127-08

High Jump – 1st Evans, EDG, 5-11.00; 2nd Bost, S, 5-10.00; 3rd Cook, AY, 5-10.00; 3rd Friend, M, 5-10.00; 5th Fisher, ARCH, 5-10.00; 6th Arreguin, AY, 5-10.00

Long Jump – 1st Snyder, M, 22-01.25; 2nd Trent, H, 19-11.00; 3rd Friend, M, 19-06.75; 4th Shepherd, WT, 19-04.75; 5th Hinton, LC, 19-04.00; 6th Waidelich, ARCH, 18-11.50

Shot Put – 1st Demaline, LC, 52-01.50; 2nd Arend, F, 46-06.00; 3rd Carmody, ARCH, 44-02.50; 4th Ball, ARCH, 43-11.25; 5th Belmares, F, 43-03.50; 6th Martin, T, 43-02.50

Pole Vault – 1st Etchen, EDG, 15-03.50; 2nd Sliter, F, 12-04.00; 3rd Lothamer, P, 12-00.00; 4th Esquibel, ARCH, 11-06.00; 5th Mason, M, 11-06.00; 6th Hutchinson, M, 11-06.00

PAULDING BRINGS HOME A WIN AGAINST CRESTVIEW

Score by the Inning:
Paulding – 0 0 1 0 0 0 6=7
Crestview – 1 1 0 0 0 0 0=2

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding – Edwards 1, Doster 1, Arellano 1, Shull 1, Miller 1, Mourey 2
Crestview – Clifton 1, Richardson 1

Winning pitcher – Martinez (7 innings, 2 hits, 2 runs, 4 strikeouts)

Losing pitcher – Rolsten (6 innings, 6 hits, 3 runs, 3 strikeouts); Other pitchers: Simerman, Hurless

LADY PANTHERS BEAT SPENCERVILLE

Score by the Inning:
Paulding – 0 5 0 0 0 0 1=6
Spencerville – 0 0 3 0 2 0 0=5

SPRING SPORTS AWARDS AT ANTWERP HS



The Antwerp High School presented the awards for its spring sports season on Tuesday, May 17 as school winds to a close and the graduates say goodbye for the last time.

For varsity baseball, Trey Mills was awarded the Offensive MVP award and Dylan Peters was named as the Defensive MVP. Coach Zac Feasby was well aware of all the players and the talents they brought forth to the team and announced that Justice Clark was the only 4-year letter winner on the team. Hunter Noel was presented with the newly created Leadership Award.

For softball, Heather Barnhouse presented the Offensive Award to Sidney Barn-

Scoreres of the Game:
Paulding – Beck 1, Manz 1, Trausch 2, Lucas 1, Arellano 1
Spencerville – Swartz 1, Price 2, May 1, Cobb 1
Winning pitcher – Manz (8 innings, 10 hits, 5 runs, 6 strikeouts)
Losing pitcher – Shumate (8 innings, 8 hits, 6 runs, 5 strikeouts)

LADY PANTHERS LEAVE RAM COUNTRY WITH A WIN

Score by the Inning:
Paulding – 1 0 1 0 2 0 0=4
Tinora – 0 0 0 0 0 0 2=2

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding – Beck 2, Lucas 1, Arellano 1
Tinora – Slattman 1, Metz 1

Winning pitcher – Manz (7 innings, 8 hits, 2 runs, 6 strikeouts)

Losing pitcher – Helmke (7 innings, 8 hits, 4 runs, 6 strikeouts)

PAULDING COMES HOME FROM SPENCERVILLE WITH A LOSS

Score by the Inning:
Paulding – 0 0 0 0 0 1 0=1
Spencerville – 2 0 0 0 5 1 x=8

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding – Mourey 1
Spencerville – Thiery 1, Wisher 1, Youngpeter 2, French 1, Becker 1, Ringwald 1, Carpenter 1
Winning pitcher – Ringwald (7 innings, 2 hits, 1 run, 10 strikeouts)

Losing pitcher – Johanns (4 innings, 5 hits, 2 runs, 1 strikeout); other pitchers, Edwards, Philipot

2016 WOODLAN SOFTBALL SENIOR RECOGNITION

Alyssa Hoeppner (#17), daughter of Ann Pfeiffer. Alyssa played softball for 4 seasons, including 3 years of varsity and was a member of the Woodlan band for 4 years. She is undecided on her future plans.

Paige Lichty (#3), daughter of Curtis & Beth Lichty. Paige played 4 season of softball for the Warriors, in-

house with a batting average of 3.85 while Avery Braaten earned the Defensive Award with pitching 90 innings this year. Emily Derck received the Leadership Award. All the seniors (including Beth Hawley and Sierra Cline) picked up the 4-year Letterman's Award. Sidney and Avery both were announced as GMC 2nd Team, while Emily was named GMC Honorable Mention.

This year has been outstanding for Track and Field with Sam Williamson named the male MVP and Audrie Longardner named Female MVP. Coach's award went to Annie Miesle and Brandon Laney. Most Improved was selected for Aaron Romero and

Maggie Wilson. The 4-year letter winners included Erik Buchan, Audrie Longardner and Sam Williamson. Sam recently broke GMC records in both 1600m and 3200m, and a new AHS record in the 800m was 1:59.6 seconds. "Outstanding!" according to AD, Drew Altimus.

Superintendent Dr. Miller presented the Rotary Awards to Austin VanAtta, Emily Derck, Erik Buchan and Kirsten Price.

Scholar Athletes receiving their first Archer Arrow awards this year included Hunter Noel, Emilee Phillips, Matt Jones, Mike Taylor, Josh Poulson, and Hope Smith. Annie Miesle received her 10th letter on this evening.

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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 attending Rose-Hulman 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 students.

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 novels.

“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. Megan 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.

FAIRVIEW TRACK QUALIFIES FOR REGIONALS

The boys and girls track teams competed in the District meet May 19 and May 21. The following athletes qualified for the Regional meet May 25 and May 27 in Tiffin:

Emily Culler- Long Jump (district champion)

Logan Posey- High Jump

Paul Arend- Shot Put

Damien Belmares- Discus

Alex Sliter- Pole Vault, 200 meters (district champion)

Allison Schwarzbek- 100 hurdles, 300 hurdles (district champion)

Katie Crites- 800 meters

Austin Johnson- 800 meters (district champion)

Girls 4 x 800 relay- Mercedes Wagner, Chyanne Retcher, Katelyn Smith, Katie Crites

Girls 4 x 400 relay- Allison Vetter, Mercedes Wagner, Katie Crites, Allison Schwarzbek

Boys 4 x 800 relay- Garrett Carpenter, Austin Johnson, Shamar Midgett, Lane Kolb

Boys 4 x 200 relay- Thomas Vance, Eric Culler, Patrick Voirol, Lane Kolb

Boys 4 x 100 relay- Jacob Hinkle, Thomas Vance, Patrick Voirol, Eric Culler

Boys 4 x 400 relay- Thomas Vance, Lane Kolb, Austin Johnson, Alex Sliter

STARFIRES TAKE ACAC WIN OVER WOODLAN

By: Jeff Abbott

A run in the second and a pair more in the third was enough for South Adams to take a 3-1 win over Woodlan in boys ACAC baseball at Warrior Field. The Starfires gave up a run to the Warriors

EACS VALEDICTORIANS & SALUTATORIANS HONORED BY BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES



The EACS Board of School Trustees recently held a reception to honor the 2016 Valedictorians and Salutatorians! The students told the audience their plans after graduation. Mr. Chris Baker, board president and Dr. Folks, superintendent offered words of encouragement to the students!

Valedictorians: Nicole Winans, East Allen University; Lillian Castleman, Heritage Jr./Sr. High School Mari-

ano Flores, Leo Jr./Sr. High School; Devin Dubbelde, New Haven High School; Mitchell VanBrocklin, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School

Salutators: Victoria Pflueger, East Allen University Cheyenne Peden, Heritage Jr./Sr. High School; Jenna Roth, Leo Jr./Sr. High School; Owen Doster, New Haven High School; Kenzie Salzbrenner, Woodlan Jr./Sr. High School

in the seventh but shut down the comeback attempt to hold on. Ben Schwartz took the loss on the mound for Woodlan and Austin Fancher had a pair of doubles for the Warriors’ offense.

Score by the Inning:
South Adams – 0 1 2 0 0 0
0=3; 7H, 2E

Woodlan – 0 0 0 0 0 1=1;
6H, 2E

LADY RAILROADERS BLAST PAST WARRIORS IN 5 INNINGS

By: Jeff Abbott

Garrett racked up 14 runs in 5 innings and left Woodlan with a 14-4 pasting of the Warriors on the regular season home finale and senior night. The Railroaders scored twice in the first and 3 runs in the second. After being shut out in the third, Garrett came back with a 4 run fourth inning and a 5 run fifth stanza to ten-run rule the home team. Alyssa Hoepfner took the loss on the mound for the Warriors. Paige Lichty doubled and scored a run for the Warriors and Kenzie Salzbrenner had a single and scored for Woodlan

Score by the Inning:
Garrett – 2 3 0 4 5=14;
14H, 3E

Woodlan – 2 0 0 2 0=5;
5H, 3E

iAB FINANCIAL BANK NAMED MAXI AWARD WINNER

iAB Financial Bank won a MAXI Award from the Indiana Bankers Association (IBA) at the 2016 IBA Mega Conference on May 5 in downtown Indianapolis. MAXI Awards are presented annually to IBA-member institutions to recognize bank marketing excellence in Indiana. iAB won in the category of Series.

As a key player in the Fort Wayne marketplace and the largest community bank founded in Allen County, iAB focused its message to communicate that they are in the business of helping individuals reach their goals. “We are thrilled to receive this recognition of our efforts with respect to our Dream Big marketing initiative,” stated

Karen J. Cameron, Executive Vice President of iAB. “We are truly here to partner with our customers in making their dreams come true and are pleased to have fur-

ther developed this message with such an effective and compelling campaign.”

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

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

SEN. LONG ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS TO ISTEP REVIEW PANEL

Indiana Senate President Pro Tem David Long (R-Fort Wayne) announced his appointments to the ISTEP review panel created by House Enrolled Act 1395 during the 2016 legislative session.

HEA 1395 calls for the elimination of the ISTEP test on July 1, 2017, and creates a 23-member panel of education experts and stakeholders to study alternatives to ISTEP and make recommendations for a shorter, simpler-to-administer test.

Under HEA 1395, Long is charged with making four appointments to the panel. The legislation calls for those appointments to include a teacher, a principal, a school superintendent and a business leader.

Long announced his four appointments:

- Jean Russell, 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year

Jean Russell has been an educator for more than 25 years and currently works as a literacy specialist at Haverhill Elementary in Southwest Allen County Schools. Russell’s skill and dedication have earned her numerous awards over the course of her career, including being named 2016 Indiana Teacher of the Year.

- Steve Baker, Bluffton High School Principal

Steve Baker has served with distinction in the Bluffton-Harrison Metropolitan School District for more than 30 years. After teaching high school math for 11 years, he served as middle school assistant principal for three years before becoming the high school principal in 1999. In 2012, Baker was named Indiana Principal of

the Year and in 2013 he was appointed by Long to serve on the state’s Accountability System Review Panel. Baker has also served on the Board of Directors for the Indiana Association of School Principals. He holds degrees from Bethel College and Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne (IPFW).

- Dr. Kenneth Folks, East Allen County Schools Superintendent

Dr. Kenneth Folks is a long-time education leader in Northeast Indiana, having served in leadership roles for Northwest Allen County Schools, Northern Wells Community Schools and Marion Community Schools before joining East Allen County Schools as Superintendent in 2013. Dr. Folks is a Fort Wayne native and graduate of Snider High School. He earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from IPFW, and his doctorate from Purdue University.

- Marilyn Moran-Townsend, Chairman and CEO, CVC Communications

Marilyn Moran-Townsend is co-founder, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of CVC Communications, a Fort Wayne company that develops essential business communications tools for global corporations. Moran-Townsend has previously chaired the Indiana Higher Education Commission and was a founding member of the Indiana Education Roundtable. In 2011-2012, she co-chaired the development of the “Reaching Higher, Achieving More” strategic plan for higher education in Indiana. Moran-Townsend is a graduate of Purdue University.

“These individuals have decades of experience in education and business, and I’m grateful for their willingness to step up and serve our state,” Long said. “Doing away with the problem-plagued ISTEP test was the right move for our schools. Now, we must focus on bringing together informed stakeholders to determine a better assessment solution to replace ISTEP. The people I’m appointing have a wealth of knowledge and experience to contribute to this very important effort.”

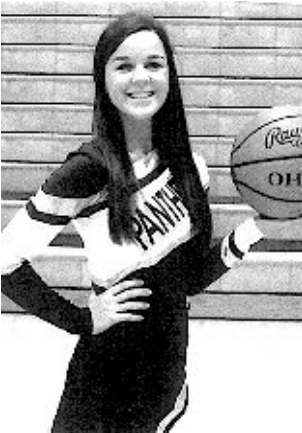
Long noted the importance of having representation from Northeast Indiana on the panel.

“My two choices for the superintendent appointment were Dr. Folks and Dr. Wendy Robinson. My understanding is that Dr. Robinson is going to be appointed by one of the other appointing authorities, so Northeast Indiana gets the benefit of having two school district leaders on the panel.”

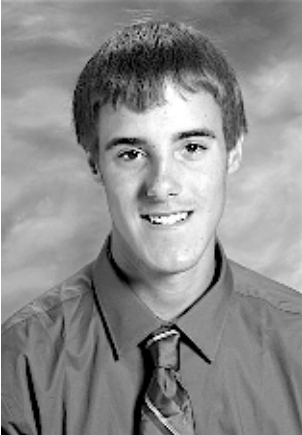
The ISTEP review panel will meet over the summer and fall months and submit its recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly by December 1.

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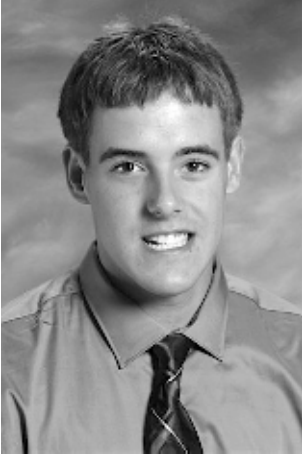
PC RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION 2016 SCHOLARSHIPS



Jordan Shull



Christopher Davis



Corey Davis

The members of the Paulding County Retired Teachers Association are pleased to announce the recipients of their 2016 scholarships for high school seniors planning to enter the field of education. Jordan Shull, Christopher Davis and Corey Davis will each receive a \$350 scholarship. Jordan, the daughter of Scott and Heather Shull, will graduate from Paulding High School. She plans to attend Bowling Green State University where she will major in Early Childhood Education. Christopher and Corey Davis, the sons of Robbie and Jessica Davis, will graduate from Wayne Trace High School. Both will attend Defiance College. Christopher will major in Adolescent to Young Adult Education. He hopes to teach life science and chemistry. Corey plans to major in Multi Age Education. He hopes to become an intervention specialist for grades K - 12.

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SCHOLASTIC SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Called the "Summer Leap," research shows that kids who read over the summer are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school in the fall. Antwerp Elementary School has made it a priority to keep its students' skills sharp by encouraging them to read all summer long. A large group of students in the kindergarten through second grade Title I and 21st Century af-

ter-school programs, as well as students from Mrs. Pam Bailey's third grade class, received literacy bags before summer break. The bags included books, activities, and information about the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge. The Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is a free reading program that invites children to log their reading minutes all summer.

STOLLER & LAUKHUF EARN OVER 500 AR POINTS



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary principal Jody Dunham recently treated students Cameron Stoller and Emma Laukhuf to lunch at Olive Garden and dessert at DeBrands for earning more than 500 Accelerated Reader points this school year.

BOGUS JURY DUTY CALLS SURFACE IN ALLEN COUNTY

Court does not make phone calls, demand payments for missed jury duty

A persistent scam involving phone calls claiming that

the recipient has missed jury duty and owes a fine have surfaced again in Allen County.

The calls have been reported this week and originate from a 260 area code telephone number. An individual claiming to be a police detective instructs the recip-

ient that they have missed jury duty, a warrant has been issued for his or her arrest and that the person must purchase a reloadable debit card or pay a third party in order to satisfy a resulting fine.

"These calls do not originate from the Court or from any other legitimate source," said Allen Superior Court Chief Judge Craig J. Bobay. "These callers are simply criminals trying to scare and defraud unsuspecting citizens. Prospective jurors who fail to respond have never - and will never - be pursued in such a manner."

In Allen County, all legitimate contact with prospective jurors occurs in writing, beginning with a postcard requesting certain information to determine eligibility for jury service. Personal information, such as bank or credit card numbers, is never requested.

Should an individual fail to report for jury duty, they can be compelled to attend by the Sheriff. They can also be fined and held in contempt of court. None of these actions, however, are communicated over the telephone.

Anyone with questions about jury duty service, including questions regarding the legitimacy of an unsolicited contact, may call the Allen Superior Court Jury Management Office at (260) 449-7520 or (260) 449-7022.

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DEVELOP A COMMUNITY PLAN IN EAST ALLEN COUNTY INDIANA

The NewAllen Alliance, a non-profit organization that works to create a unified voice and to foster a coordinated community and economic development effort for the communities of East Allen County, IN, is currently developing a Strategic Investment Plan for its participating communities (Grabill, Harlan, Hoagland, Leo-Cedarville, Monroeville, New Haven and Woodburn). The purpose of the plan is to identify community needs and opportunities as well as connect communities with available county, state and federal resources. This survey is being conducted to assist in the development of specific strategies for New Haven. Your input is important to develop a community plan to guide the future growth and development of the area!

Surveys will be received until June 1, 2016. You can also take the survey only by visiting New Haven Bulletin.

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ANTWERP SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 5/19/16

The Antwerp School Board began their summer meetings on May 19. Michael Wehrkamp was a guest at the meeting introducing himself as running for Juvenile/Probate Judge in Paulding County. He stated that he would like to make a few changes if he is elected. He would like to establish a communication of ideas between the school districts and the court to better serve the students.

Bob Herber brought the Liaison report and what passed down at state.

Dennis Recker said that Vantage will have Senior

Awards May 23 at 9:30 a.m. On June 7, a manufacturing summit will be taking place for work place needs at the school. The 2nd Annual Summerfest for sophomores will be taking place on June 1st from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Treasurers' Report:

Receipts: \$767,783.22

Expenses: \$649,776.67

Interest: \$2994.85

The five year forecast was also presented to the board. They show an excess revenue are expected to take place while the other three years show a deficit in income to spending ratio. The state aid was up 25% this year, but will decrease dramatically next year. Many of the things were able to be changed in the school already such as the HVAC and LED lighting.

The permanent levy was approved for the ballot to be presented to the voters for renewal.

Vicki Gerschutz will begin a 1 year contract for assistant treasurer starting on August 1st. She is finishing her contract with Paulding Exempted Village Schools and then will begin at Antwerp.

Diana Rogge and Travis Hammer both had their resignations accepted by the school board. Cord Ehrhart volunteered as Track and field Coach to finish out the season.

Principal Mike Bute thanked Denise Coleman and the prom committee and students for doing such a great job for prom and being so well-behaved. Graduation ceremony is this Sunday, May 22.

Tim Manz stated that over \$4,000 was raised for Jump Rope For Heart by the elementary students. He said all students are good in the third grade after passing the test or qualifying for exemption.

Dr. Miller mentioned about the staffing update: Kathy Jones is retiring on July 31. Kirsten Wieland will be moving into the third grade position. The second section of concrete has been poured for the new bleachers at the football/track field. Owens Company just submitted the permits to the state for the lighting at the football field. Garmin-Miller is surveying for the new baseball field with drawings. \$77,338 was the cost of putting the new LED lighting in after the 10% AEP discount. Over a 10 year period, the electricity should be an estimated savings of \$101,000. There may be a bigger savings and Mr. Gottke estimated the school may hit that number within 3 years. Mr. Gottke also stated that he would like to get dimmers on the outside parking lot lighting that could turn on to 100% when there is activity at night.

Kathy Barnett mentioned the school will be spending \$103,000 for new Dell Chromebooks for kids in K-8. Now, all students in the school will have a computer.

The Safe Routes to School has been delayed because the bid to the town came in too high.

The busses are getting ready for the June 14 inspection.

Dr. Miller introduced a new marquee, billing the school as "A school excelling in Computer Science, Engineering, Journalism, and the Fine Arts."

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED STUDENT AWARDS CEREMONY



Renee Johnson, Rebekah Chipps and Faith Shenkel

Monday, May 16th, the Allen County Non-Public School Association held their annual Honor breakfast. There were students from thirty-four non-public schools who were recognized for their academic hard work. This event is to honor 8th graders going into high school, and seniors going on to college. The honorees were provided with a delicious

breakfast, a medal, and an award certificate. The students were picked based on their GPA.

Harlan Christian School eighth grade students, Renee Johnson and Faith Shenkel along with senior, Rebekah Chipps, were honorees at the breakfast. Rebekah is also the valedictorian of the 2015-2016 senior class at Harlan Christian School.

HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 2016 PRE-KINDERGARTEN & KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION



Front row - Khale Rudolph, Callen Johnson, Gabriel Stine, and Beau Yeaser; Second row - Noah James, Maddox Price, Evan Elliot, and Cameron Schmucker; Third row - Camden Stinson, Cole Yeaser, and Eli Nighswander; Fourth row - Samantha Landis, Jace Iannetti, Jude Stine, and Henry Nolot; Fifth row - Cruz Lipscomb, Braden Eakright, Devony Mull, and Micah Murphy.

The Harlan Christian School had their end of the year program and graduation Thursday, May 12. The students began the program by reciting the presidents of the United States, the states and dates they were added into the union, books of the Bible, the states and capitals, ABC Bible verses, Psalm 100, Psalm 23, and Psalm 117. The program concluded with the presentation of diplomas

and the changing of the tassels. The combined class is taught by Mrs. Carolyn Ross, Mrs. Mary Burket and music teacher, Mrs. Linsay Wellman.

Harlan Christian School is currently enrolling for fall classes for Pre-Kindergarten through high school. Registration information can be found at www.harlanchristian.org or call 260- 657-5147

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OHIO HOUSE PASSES RESOLUTION HELPING OHIO'S BUILDING MATERIALS INDUSTRY



The Ohio House of Representatives passed House Concurrent Resolution 10, sponsored by State Representative Tony Burkley (R-Payne). The bill is aimed at preserving Ohio jobs, specifically at cement plants across Ohio, including at the Lafarge Paulding Cement Plant, located in Paulding.

HCR 10 urges the Office of the United States Trade Representative to ensure that no World Trade Organization rules are violated in regard to government funding of the McInnis Cement company and the Port-Daniel-Gascons cement plant located in Quebec, Canada. Paulding County is home to a branch of Lafarge North America, which is a chief supplier of construction materials in the U.S. and Canada, and a major employer of citizens in Northwest Ohio.

“Ohio’s private cement industry should not have to compete with a taxpayer-funded operation based on foreign soil. As our state’s economy continues to improve, it is essential that we do all we can to protect our existing jobs and be able to properly compete for business,” said Burkley. “The goal of the resolution is to show support for local cement businesses in Ohio and to prevent these private cement companies from having to compete with taxpayer-funded operations in other countries, including the Port-Daniel-Gascons cement plant in Quebec.”

When the House Commerce and Labor Committee held a proponent hearing on the bill, it received supporting testimony from Jeff Scott, Plant Manager for the Lafarge Paulding Cement Plant, and Jerry Zielke, Director of

Paulding County Economic Development Inc.

House Concurrent Resolution 10 passed the House with broad bipartisan support and will now head to the Ohio Senate for further consideration.

IAB FINANCIAL BANK PROMOTES MATTHEW BLAUFUSS TO AGRIBUSINESS BANKING OFFICER IN BOURBON MARKET



iAB is pleased to announce the promotion of Agribusiness Lender and Relationship Manager Matt Blaufuss to Agribusiness Banking Officer in the Bourbon area. Since joining iAB in 2015, Blaufuss has established strong relationships in Bourbon by providing agribusiness and relationship banking expertise. He brings over 15 years of experience, a diverse agribusiness lending background as well as knowledge in all areas of farming including chemical, fertilizer and seed operations. He earned his Masters of Science degree in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University and his Bachelors of Science degree from North Dakota State University. When not working with the agribusiness customers of iAB, he enjoys camping, traveling and supporting his daughter’s volleyball team.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition
Jamie A. Richardson, Delphos, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Francesco M. Bommarito, Detroit, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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 Village 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 satisfactory contract for sale of the property with a chosen bidder, the Village of Antwerp may terminate negotiations with that bidder and enter into negotiations with the next highest and best bidder.

The Village of Antwerp accepts no responsibility for expenses incurred by responding bidders in the preparation or submittal of a bid and reserves the right not to enter into any contract with any bidder, to waive any irregularities, informalities, or inconsistencies in the bids, and to reject any and all bids received.

Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to be deposited with the bid in cash or by certified check and the balance to be paid at closing to be held within fifteen (15) days after the acceptance of the bid by the Village.

Please contact Sara Keeran, Village Administrator, at 419-258-2371 to inspect the real property.

2016 ART CONTEST WINNERS HONORED AT EACS BOARD MEETING



In 1995, East Allen County Schools began holding an annual Art Contest as a way to showcase artwork created by our students. This contest is voluntary on everyone’s part, but it is a wonderful opportunity for our students. Each year four winners are chosen from the many pieces submitted. Winners receive a Certificate of Distinction and a gift certificate to the United Art and Education store for \$25.00. Their artwork is then framed and kept on display here in the Board room for five years, at which time the artwork is returned to the student.

United Art & Education partnered with EACS for this contest!

The winner in the Kindergarten through 2nd grade category:

Naomi Johnson – (Vase of flowers)

Naomi is a 2nd grader at Cedarville Elementary School.

Janet T. Subler, Paulding, OH; F.R.A. susp; Guilty; Shall pay \$10.00 per mo commencing 5/27/16; Has a POA date of 4/28/17

Sharra S. Lehman, Oakwood, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Pled no cont., found guilty; May attend the DIP program in lieu of jail; ALS vacated; Shall pay \$50 per mo; Has a POC date of 3/31/17; Community Control Two; 30 hrs of community service; secure a valid driver’s license; 87 jail days reserved

Sharra S. Lehman, Oakwood, OH; Fail control; Pled no cont., found guilty; Shall pay \$50.00 per mo commencing 5/27/16; Has a POC date of 3/31/17

Jordan T. Harris, Cecil, OH; Display plates; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Timothy C. Monroe, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gary C. Keck, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joshua M. Torres, Toledo, OH; No brake lights; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon M. Crow, Swanton, OH; Unsafe veh; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon M. Crow, Swanton, OH; Towing viol; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon M. Crow, Swanton, OH; Permit viol; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon M. Crow, Swanton, OH; Width/length/ht; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Predest D. Richardson II, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

James R. Hall, Traf dev/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Anna M. Kroterfield, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Melissa S. Richhart, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

John N. Albright II, Ottawa, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alexander J. Karas, Sher-

wood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Angel Lynn Berry, Defiance, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Guilty; Shall pay \$25 per mo commencing 6/24/16; Has a POC date of 3/31/17; Community Control Two; 40 hrs. of community service; Thinking for a chance risk assessment; Warrant and warrant block rescinded; Third millennium; 82 jail days reserved

Angel Lynn Berry, Defiance, OH; No O.L.; Dismiss; CT B dismissed at the states request

Angel Lynn Berry, Defiance, OH; Turn signals; Dismiss; CT C dismissed at the states request

Russell L. Hutchinson, Defiance, OH; Aggrava robbery; Prel-waive; Defendant has been indicted by the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio; Case shall be bound over

Gregory L. Johanns, Paulding, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Dismiss; CT A dismissed at the states request

Gregory L. Johanns, Paulding, OH; Reckless oper.; Pled no cont., found guilty; May attend the DIP program in lieu of jail; Pay all fines and costs by 8/26/16 or will be sent to collections; Complete 20 hrs. of community service; 90 days administrative license suspension; IT to remain in place; 27 jail days reserved

Aline Ndayiragije, Fort Worth, TX; Fail control; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/24/16 or will be sent to collections

Jeremiah D. Georgevich, Bowling Green, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Marc J. Troyer, Butler, IN; Display plates; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kenneth E. Schlegel, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Dismiss; CT B dismissed at states request

Catherine E. Trowbridge, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant shall pay \$25.00 per month commencing 5/27/116; Pay all fines and costs by 12/16/16 or will be sent to collections

Sheena S. Tracy, Latty, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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waived by defendant

Gheorghii Topal, Key West, FL; Dr. on close rd; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Michael Schuller II, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Donald L. Fleet, Harrogate, TN; Permit viol; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Benjamin I. Frederick, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cassandra R. Sherry, Melrose, OH; Driv/FRA susp.; Pled no cont.; Proof of financial responsibility provided; Pay all fines and costs by 5/27/16 or will be sent to collections

Scott M. Rau, Scott, OH; FTY emer vehicl; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nancy L. Pfozt, Sebring, FL; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Derick J. Rees, Delta, OH; Tinted windows; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Robert S. Reynolds, Delphos, OH; Cross yellow ln; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cole A. Parrett, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Donald V. Crossland Jr., Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Real Estate Transfers:

Paulding Village:
5/16/16; Maxellen M. Mason & Cindy L. Kasefang; Lot 8; 0 acres; To: Cindy L. Kasefang
5/20/16; Dawn M. Koche-

nour; Lot 26; 0.1653 acres; To: Dawn M. Kochenour

5/16/16; Sandra S. Hanenkratt, trustee; Lot 9; 0.2227 acres; To: Robert P. Noneman & Gretchen A. Noneman

Payne Village:
5/16/16; Phillip Piersma; Lot 70; 0.1481 acres; To: Tammy K. Williams

Benton Twp.:
5/18/16; Sylvia D. Price; Sec. 3; 18.939 acres; To: Ronald T. DeLong & Deloris DeLong

Harrison Twp.:
5/18/16; Sylvia D. Price; Sec. 34; 48.64 acres; Sec. 33; 36.027 acres; To: Ronald T. DeLong & Deloris DeLong

Latty Twp.:
5/17/16; Ricky L. Porter & Kathy J. Porter; Sec. 23; 0.2 acres; To: Elma Jean Lang

Washington Twp.:
5/20/16; Ral Vielma & Katherine F. Vielma; Sec. 9; 74 acres; To: Geoffrey T. Yenser & Christine M. Yenser

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-12** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2008-63 AND ORDINANCE NO. 2011-25 AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF WATER AND SEWER RATES, TAP FEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, COUNTY OF PAULDING, OHIO.” This Ordinance repeals prior ordinances authorizing the change of water and sewer rates, taps fees and re-connect fees, except for Ordinance No. 2014-21, which deals solely with water rates.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-13** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 7 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-21 AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF WATER RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, COUNTY OF PAULDING, OHIO.” This Ordinance amends the section on tap fees to clarify the connection process to an existing waterline and to address additional costs required to tap into the Village’s waterlines.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-14** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHANGE OF SEWER RATES, TAP FEES AND RE-CONNECT FEES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, COUNTY OF PAULDING, OHIO.” This Ordinance authorizes sewer rates being charged to users / consumers of the Village’s sewer system (no increase), including tap fees and re-connect fees and the additional costs required to tap into the Village’s sewer lines in certain circumstances.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-18** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$27,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY.” This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$27,500.00 from the general fund to the police fund for the operation of the police department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-19** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO TO AMEND ARTICLE 300 – ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE OF DISTRICTS, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY.” This Ordinance amends Article 300 of the Zoning Ordinance on permitted, conditional and accessory uses in the various zoning districts, off-street parking requirements, and the creation of a new business district – B-2 Gateway Commercial District.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-20** on May 16, 2016, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, TO REZONE CERTAIN PARCELS IN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP FROM BUSINESS DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (B-1) TO SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT (R-1) OR GATEWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (B-2), AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY.” This Ordinance amends the Zoning Map as highlighted on the Map attached to this Ordinance re-zoning certain parcels from Business Downtown District to Single Family District or Gateway Commercial District.

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

OHIO HUNTERS CHECKED MORE THAN 17,700 WILD TURKEYS DURING SPRING SEASON

Ohio hunters checked 17,793 wild turkeys during the combined 2016 spring wild turkey hunting season and youth wild turkey hunting season, April 16-May 15, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

Hunters checked 16,229 birds during the four weeks of the 2016 wild turkey season compared to 16,049 birds in 2015. Young hunters checked 1,564 birds during the 2016 youth season compared to 1,589 in 2015.

Ohio's 2016 spring wild turkey season was open April 18 through May 15. Youth season was April 16-17. Find more information about wild turkey hunting at wildohio.gov.

Wild turkeys were extirpated in Ohio by 1904 and were reintroduced in the 1950s by the ODNR Division of Wildlife. Ohio's first modern day wild turkey season opened in 1966 in nine counties, and hunters checked 12 birds. The wild turkey harvest topped 1,000 for the first time in 1984. Spring turkey hunting opened statewide in 2000, and Ohio hunters checked more than 20,000 wild turkeys for the first time that year.

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.

A list of all wild turkeys checked during the 2016 combined spring turkey hunting seasons is shown below. The first number following the county's name shows the harvest numbers for 2016, and the 2015 numbers are in parentheses.

Adams: 432 (413); Allen: 89 (78); Ashland: 202 (208); Ashtabula: 569 (557); Athens: 363 (323); Auglaize: 50 (50); Belmont: 491 (520); Brown: 347 (327); Butler: 166 (200); Carroll: 322 (330); Champaign: 95 (102); Clark: 15 (19); Clermont: 396 (347); Clinton: 40 (60); Columbiana: 361 (385); Coshocton: 418 (458); Crawford: 74 (63); Cuyahoga: 12 (10); Darke: 40 (55); **Defiance: 324 (298)**; Delaware: 111 (107); Erie: 55 (49); Fairfield: 102 (108); Fayette: 26 (14); Franklin: 21 (11); Fulton: 120 (117); Gallia: 418 (393); Geauga: 264 (269); Greene: 16 (23); Guernsey: 428 (484); Hamilton: 117 (116); Hancock: 53 (60); Hardin: 87 (101); Harrison: 425 (430); Henry: 72 (58); Highland: 387 (357); Hocking: 309 (268); Holmes: 217 (252); Huron: 113 (155); Jackson: 347 (320); Jefferson: 410 (373); Knox: 285 (354); Lake: 54 (68); Lawrence: 274 (222); Licking: 281 (370); Logan: 141 (117); Lorain: 141 (139); Lucas: 60 (45); Madison: 13 (6); Mahoning: 228 (213); Marion: 35 (31); Medina: 138 (145); Meigs: 419 (450); Mercer: 21 (23); Miami: 20 (17); Monroe: 508 (481); Montgomery: 18 (25); Morgan: 308 (325); Morrow: 174 (170); Muskingum: 462 (478); Noble: 349 (335); Ottawa: 3 (0); **Paulding: 126 (145)**; Perry: 260 (260); Pickaway: 26 (24); Pike: 278 (246); Portage: 205 (236); Preble: 114 (108); Putnam: 87 (89); Richland: 280 (277); Ross: 350 (330); Sandusky: 25 (22); Scioto: 270 (236); Seneca: 141 (162); Shelby: 50 (42); Stark: 281 (223); Summit: 65 (54); Trumbull: 464 (435); Tuscarawas: 429 (426); Union: 48 (32); **Van Wert: 27 (17)**; Vinton: 306 (329); Warren: 101 (67); Washington: 466 (466); Wayne: 106 (100); Williams: 313 (296); Wood: 36 (30); Wyandot: 103 (104). Totals: 17,793 (17,638).

LIBRARY DIGITIZES HISTORICAL HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOKS



Library Director, Susan Pieper (right) presents Kim Sutton (left) representing the John Paulding Historical Museum a full set of the digital yearbooks for the museum's collection. (Photo courtesy of the Paulding County Carnegie Library)

As part of the library's ongoing centennial celebration, the library has digitized its historic high school yearbook collection. "We were contacted by Oklahoma Correctional Industries (OCI) about the possibility of having our yearbook collection digitized at no charge," shares Susan Pieper, coordinator of this project. "It was an offer we really could not refuse. After ensuring the security of our yearbooks while in transit, the digitization began." The OCI promotes its digitizing service by offering these free services. They hope that libraries and other entities will hire them to digitize other important collections.

The Paulding County Carnegie Library's (PCCL) yearbook collection includes mostly high school books, but also a few lower grades. "We will be delivering a full set of thirty-four CDs of the digitized yearbooks to each county high school and the historical museum," stated Pieper. "Our final goal is to upload the CDs to our website so researchers from throughout the world can look for relatives who may have been a student in our county schools." The yearbooks were scanned page to page, so when a researcher clicks on page one, it will probably be the cover of the year book and the last page will be the back cover. All the pages are in order from front to back. The digital collection has been cataloged and processed by Teresa Reel and Jennifer Habern of the library's technical services department and is available, along with the original yearbooks, at the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding in the Genealogy/Local History department. You do not have to have a library card to search these resources, but they are for in-house use only.

"It was important to the library to preserve these important research tools for future generations," said Pieper. "We want children and researchers to be able to look back and see photos of their parents, grandparents, great-grandparents and other relatives from when they were in school." Old yearbooks are also very helpful in planning class reunions. Photos have been scanned of classmates and shared on posters at events. Photos can also be scanned or copied and given to senior citizens to remind them of their school days and open dialogs of what life was like for them as a young person.

"We have gaps in many of the current years," shares Pieper. "We would encourage people to donate their recent yearbooks from Antwerp, Wayne Trace and Paulding to the library."

The PCCL Digitized Yearbook Collection represents the following schools and years: St. John the Baptist Catholic (2001-2008); Blue Creek (1953-1971); Haviland-Scott (1940-1952); Latty (1942-1952); Grover Hill (1945-1969); Wayne Trace (1972-1977, 1981-2004, 2014); Wayne Trace Jr. High (1975, 1977); Paulding Middle School (1977, 1978, 1979); Emerald Center School (1954); Paulding Elementary (1974, 1975, 1976); Oakwood (1928-1971); Paulding High School (1916-2008 [the yearbook was not always published during the WWII years]); Antwerp High School (1937-2012, 2014).

For more information about the library or the digital yearbook collection call 419-399-2032, or visit the library during normal business hours (Monday-Thursday 9:00-8:00, Friday 9:00-6:00, and Saturdays 9:00-1:00).

SECRETARY HUSTED SPEAKS TO CITY CLUB OF CLEVELAND ON AMERICAN DEMOCRACY

Secretary of State Jon Husted spoke to The City Club of Cleveland about the state of democracy and how the 2016 Presidential Election is fueling change in America.

Secretary Husted also noted that the changes occurring this cycle have been in motion in Ohio and across the country for the last 40 years. Drawing on his personal experience of being raised in Montpelier, Ohio, Secretary

Husted recalled the changes seen in Williams County during his lifetime.

"If you want to understand what is happening in American politics, you need to understand what is happening to the people in the places like the one where I grew up," Secretary Husted said. "The reality is that many families throughout America are hurting because the opportunities that were once available are gone."

Secretary Husted called on political leaders on both sides of the aisle to be honest about what it will take to rejuvenate the American middle class,

to work together and unite around a common vision that speaks to Americans' hopes and aspirations rather than biases and fear.

"We can believe in American democracy for as we speak it is fueling change in our political system... it's sending a message and it's finally getting our collective attention," Secretary Husted said in closing. "Sometimes change does not come from the top down, but rather the bottom up. And that's why democracy is such a great thing."

CONGRESSMAN LATTA ON THE ADVANCED NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016

The House Committee on Energy and Commerce voted unanimously to advance the Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act of 2016 (H.R. 4979), bipartisan legislation introduced by Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH) and Congressman Jerry McNerney (D-CA). H.R. 4979 now awaits consideration by the full House of Representatives.

"H.R. 4979 is Congress's opportunity to ensure that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is able to provide the certainty that the private sector needs to invest in innovative advanced nuclear reactor technologies," said Latta. "Nuclear power is clean and reliable baseload power, and must be part of the United States' future electricity mix. Investment in new technologies is already happening, with approximately 50 companies in this country working to develop the next generation of nuclear power."

"The United States must remain a leader in the nuclear industry, which is vital for both our electricity generation mix and our national security. I am pleased that the committee has supported H.R. 4979 and I look forward to working to have H.R. 4979 passed into law."

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"There's a myth we often hear at the Postal Service: Don't worry, my dog won't bite," said USPS Regional Spokesman David Van Allen. "Dog attacks are a nationwide issue and not just a postal problem. Any dog can bite and all attacks are preventable through responsible pet ownership."

Of the 4.5 million Americans bitten by dogs annually, half of all victims are children, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The Postal Service encourages the news media to share the following tips and use the hashtag #preventdogbites when reporting on this critical issue.

If a letter carrier delivers mail or packages to your front door, place your dog in a separate room and close that door before opening the front door. Dogs have been known to burst through screen doors or plate-glass windows to get at strangers.

Dog owners should keep the family dog secured. Parents should remind their children not to take mail directly from letter carriers in the presence of the family pet as the dog may view the letter carrier handing mail to a child as a threatening gesture.

The Postal Service places the safety of its employees as a top priority. If a letter carrier feels threatened by a vicious dog or if a dog is running loose, the owner may be asked to pick up the mail at the Post Office until the carrier is assured the pet has been restrained. If the dog is roaming the neighborhood, the pet owner's neighbors may be asked to pick up their mail at the Post Office as well.

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Terms & Conditions: \$5,000 down (non-refundable) with balance due on or before July 11th 2016. Taxes: prorated to day of closing. All announcements made day of auction take precedence over all printed material. Personal property will be cash or check with Photo ID.

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PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 4/20/16

This 20th day of April, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk.

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 224223 through 224248 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST:
Carol Temple, Continuing Education Summer Seminar, Geneva-on-the-Lake, OH - June 19-21, 2016

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtsberry to go into executive session at 8:04 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting yea.

At 8:22 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE UPDATED COUNTY TRAVEL POLICY:

The Board of Paulding County Commissioners has included in their Paulding County Business Travel Policy a section addressing Allowable Reimbursable Expenses; and it is necessary to update the Meals portion of the Allowable Reimbursable Expenses section of the Paulding County Business Travel Policy. Now, therefore the Board of County Commissioners does hereby adopt the following update to the Meals portion of the Allowable Reimbursable Expenses section of the Paulding County Business Travel Policy as follows:

III. Meals

C. If overnight travel is not required, meal allowances are allowed at 75%, not to exceed \$44.25 per day.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

• Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer - Ms. Wannemacher presented her monthly reports for the Commissioners' review. The County's investments total \$11,849,822.37. Ms. Wannemacher then explained the monthly breakdown of investment interest for 2016, which included investment interest earned by Economic Development, Paulding County Jail, Paulding County Engineer, and from CUSIPs. The Commissioners noted total interest revenue collected so far in 2016 is \$29,116.16. \$70,000.00 was estimated and Ms. Wannemacher is confident it will be met for the year. Ms. Wannemacher also distributed the 2015-2016 Summary of Charges, reporting real estate tax delinquencies. She noted current year delinquencies are at only 4%. She reported her employees are working diligently to determine property owners and collect the delinquent taxes. The Commissioners applauded Ms. Wannemacher and her staff for their persistency in working on tax collections. The Sales Tax report for 2016 was available for review.

• Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Various reports were distributed for the Commissioners' review. Ms. Fickel noted the sales tax received in April totaled \$144,721.77, up from April, 2015, by \$6,904.92 and up \$10,857.38 from the four-year average (2012-2015) for the same month.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 4/25/16

This 25th day of April, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk.

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:
Warrants documented as 224249 through 224303 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST:
Jonathon Lichty, OSACVSO Spring School Training, Independence, OH - June 14-17, 2016

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
A motion was made by Mr. Mark Holtsberry to go into executive session at 8:03 a.m. with the Paulding County Prosecutor to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klop-

fenstein. All members voting yea.

At 8:11 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF SIGNING NOTES TO BORROW FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
A motion was made by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein to go into executive session at 10:00 a.m. with the Paulding County Hospital CEO and two Board Members to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tony Zartman. All members voting yea.

At 10:40 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session and go into regular session.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ROSEDALE ROAD JOINT DITCH:

The Rosedale Road Joint Ditch was completed as a Conservation Works of Improvement project on October 14, 2015; and Deb Hubbard of the Paulding County Soil and Water Conservation District presented the Rosedale Road Ditch project summary; and by law, the Rosedale Road Joint Ditch has been inspected by the Paulding County Soil and Water Conservation District, meeting its construction standards and specifications, and is now required to be placed under County Ditch Maintenance. Now, therefore the Joint Board of County Commissioners of Defiance and Paulding Counties does hereby designate, based on the length of the improvement, Defiance County to maintain the Rosedale Road Joint Ditch; and be it that Defiance County create a fund and designate line items to track the accounting of the Rosedale Road Joint Ditch Maintenance; and be it that the current balance of \$502.32 in the Rosedale Road Joint Ditch Fund (Fund 283) in Paulding County's Special Funds be transferred to Defiance County and used to maintain said ditch.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

• Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel presented several questions regarding the updated travel policy, in particular meal reimbursement. She had done some investigating and discovered the 75% reimbursement for 'non-lodging' travel is considered a taxable benefit and will be added to wages on employees' W-2 for reporting purposes. If travel includes an over-night stay, meals are an allowable expense and not considered a taxable benefit.

• Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center - Ms. Yeutter met briefly with the Commissioners to obtain signatures on an agreement with the Red Cross allowing the Senior Center to be an emergency shelter. She also advised the Commissioners she has hired a driver. Ms. Yeutter noted she plans to apply for a United Way grant, requesting \$6,000.00. Ms. Yeutter reminded the Commissioners the Senior Center volunteer recognition luncheon is today. She invited them to attend. Senior Day is May 17. Ms. Yeutter also extended an invitation for that event as well.

• Michelle Kitson, Antwerp Exchange Bank - Ms. Kitson presented the CIC #2 paperwork for signatures (see resolution above).

• Claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms. Fickel returned to meet with the Commissioners to present a copy of the IRS ruling (463) on business travel meal reimbursement. The ruling states meals reimbursed for same-day business travel shall be added to the employee's W-2 for tax reporting purposes. Ms. Fickel then questioned utilizing Lexis Nexis for debit/credit card services in her office to collect dog tag fees. She offered to contact LexisNexis with questions regarding the machines.

• Rosedale Road Joint Ditch meeting - Tom Kime, Otto Nicely, and Ryan Mack, the Defiance County Commissioners; Tony Zartman, Roy Klopfenstein, and Mark Holtsberry, the Paulding County Commissioners; Stephanie Metz, Defiance County Commissioners' Clerk; Mick Brittenriker, WLEB Nutrient Management Specialist; Jason Roehrig, and Kevin Hancock were present at this Joint Ditch meeting. Ms. Hubbard presented Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District's summary report on the Rosedale Road Joint Ditch. She reviewed the time line, estimate, bid, assessment totals, and the financial summary of the improvement project. She noted the ditch would need to be reviewed in July, 2016. (see resolution above).

• Defiance County Commissioners, Otto Nicely, Tom Kime, and Ryan Mack; Defiance County Commissioners' Clerk, Stephanie Metz; and Paulding County Commissioners' Clerk, Cindy Peters - The Auglaize River Sewer tap fees and other related matters were discussed.

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FOR SALE: .83 Acre lot.
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ANTWERP TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALES: Sponsored by Antwerp Chamber of Commerce. June 10-11, 9-5. Maps WILL be available this year. To be included on this map, fill out a form available at many Antwerp businesses ASAP. For more info, call Lynda 419-298-0223 or Stephanie 419-506-1442. 21

BIG SALE: Friday, May 27, 9am - 6pm, Saturday, May 28, 9am to 3pm at 15831 Thimlar Road, New Haven, Indiana. Weber Grill, Jr. Golf Clubs, Industrial Fan, Air Compressor, Outboard Motor, Women's Bicycles, Furniture, Luggage, King Bed Linens, Canning Jars, Fabric, Notions, Candles, Books, Movies, Mary Kay, Junior and Young Men's clothes p

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APARTMENT COMMUNITY SEEKING 2 PART TIME MAINTENANCE. 25 hours per week - on call for emergencies. Prefer someone that lives in or close to Defiance. Pay is based off experience. Must have own tools. Must have basics in drywall, plumbing, electrical. Knowledge in heating and ac is a plus. References are required. Criminal background check and drug testing is required for employment. FAX RESUME AND REFERENCES TO 419-399-2372. 19-22

GARAGE SALE: Boys/girls clothing sizes vary from 10/12 up all seasons. Miscellaneous items. 209 W. Canal St, Antwerp, OH. p

3 PEOPLE YARD SALE!
Date: May 27-28. Rain date: June 3-4. Time: 9:00-5:00PM. Wooden Thread Spools (old), clothes, pictures, bird feeders, bed spread, collectables! Come see! Buy! At: 911 W. Wayne, Paulding. 20-21p

FOR RENT: Nice 1 bdrm upstairs apartment in Antwerp. Water, sewer and trash included. \$350 a month plus deposit. 260-373-2340. 21,22p

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MOVING SALE - ONE DAY ONLY: Friday, May 27 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM. 301 W. Washington St., Antwerp. Jeff & Leesa Hahn / Kenny & Linzee Hahn. LOTS OF HOME DECOR and Misc. Name brand Mens/Misses/Juniors Clothing (some Harley) Small furniture pieces - Shoes (6-6.5) - Jewelry - Crafts - Dishes - Elliptical machine - booster seats - kids bikes - books - Christmas decor - dvd player - bowling balls. Girls Clothing Size 6/6x. Boys Clothing Size 7/7x. p

BIG STORAGE SALE
EVERYTHING MUST GO! (June 2,3 & 4 - ALSO June 9, 10 & 11)
Time: 9AM to 6PM
Location: Corner of S.R. 111 & S.R. 49 (Smalley's Storage)
Appliances, Furniture, Tools, Old Radios, Kitchenware, Office Supplies, Tapes, Books, Pictures/Frames, Clothes, Knick-Knacks

CITY OF WOODBURN MEETING MINUTES 4/4/16

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

CHIEF'S REPORT:
The reserves logged 125 hours of service in March. The police truck goes in this week for installation of the new spotlight system.

MAYOR'S REPORT:
After investigation about possible future use, it was determined that the area between BFGoodrich and Woodburn road is primarily zoned as industrial land. Previously Councilman Voirol had prompted investigation about modifying the sign that was purchased by Baldus. After getting a quote from Baldus for taking the sign out to the road and discussion from council, it was determined that the city would wait for any future decision making involving the sign. Regarding the grounds at City Hall, it was recommended that the city would split the cost of improving the landscape with the township. Councilman Watts moved to pay half of the cost up to a total amount of \$500, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:

Meeting minutes were presented from the meeting on March 21st. Councilman Voirol moved to approve minutes as presented, second by Councilman Watts, all in favor. Warrants were presented to council. Councilman Gerig moved to pay warrants as presented, second by Councilman Renner, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer discussed future training in June that is offered by the Indiana League of Municipal Clerk Treasurers and requested council consideration for approval.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Disinfection season for the lagoons has begun and will go from April 1st to October 31st. The city is discharging higher amounts recently due to heavy rains. The city's 4 inch trash pump needs replaced and the Superintendent will order a new one next week. Regarding the wellhead protection, the city has additional engineering work that is needed due to expansion and future discussion will occur at a Board of Works meeting. The city is still waiting for the new street signs. No other quotes have been given regarding the shop roof. The council approved a new mower last year and the Superintendent will look into the price of purchase and bring that information to a future Board of Works meeting.

COUNCILMAN'S REPORT:

Councilman Martin mentioned the spikes at the railroad crossing. No additional information regarding a time table for handling the spikes has been determined. The mayor mentioned about possible funding from Napoleon to Woodburn for railroad improvements. Councilman Voirol has been called about whether or not the city can post a sign to prohibit jake braking because of the noise of the trucks coming into town. The conclusion of the council is that the city would not be able to reasonably enforce this request. Councilman Watts was curious about the structure of the agenda and

the Clerk-Treasurer described that the agenda can be modified to any reasonable structure that the council would like to implement.

AUDIENCE:

A resident had asked about the tree in front of his house. Councilman Gerig was told that the tree was not dead by Ellis, who came out last year. The resident thinks that the tree is dead and wants to know if the city will take care of this. Mayor Kelsey will investigate into this and get back with possible resolutions. A resident inquired about the decision to change the city's attorney and the motivation behind that change. The Mayor explained that there was already a professional working relationship in place with the new attorney and decided that this transition would be best for the city. The rate charged by the previous attorney will be the same rate charged by the new attorney.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

WBESC GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES 5/18/16

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board held its regular monthly Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at the Van Wert ESC office. Board President Mr. Ron Treece welcomed Board members and school personnel to the meeting. Treasurer Kim Jones reviewed the current financial reports, investments and the monthly expenditures with the Board.

Superintendent Brian Gerber updated the Board on Legislative Issues, Personnel items, and ESC activities. Mr. Gerber informed the Board that Western Buckeye ESC will be sponsoring a Legal Seminar for all the Superintendents, Administrators, and Treasurers from Allen, Paulding, and Van Wert Counties. The title of the Legal Seminar is "Educational Hot Topics Legal Seminar." The law firm of Scott Scriven LLP from Columbus, Ohio will be sending two of their attorneys to conduct the seminar. Mr. Ken Amstutz, Superintendent of Van Wert City Schools will be hosting the legal seminar at the Niswonger Performing Arts Center on Tuesday, August 9 from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Consent Items - WBESC

Motion to accept \$100 donation from Beta Delta Chapter of Psi Iota Xi Sorority of Van Wert with thanks.

Motion to accept resignation of Rachel Rager effective the end of 2015-2016 school year.

Motion to accept Kristina Higgins resignation from part-time and add to substitution list.

Motion to approve Extended School Year (ESY) Summer Services Supplemental Contracts to the following personnel:

Angie Bonifas-OT services at the current rate.

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NEW HAVEN ALUMNI, STEVE McELVENE REMEMBERED



Steve McElvene (1995 – 2016)

Former New Haven player and current Dayton player, Steve McElvene, has passed away at the age of 20. Prayers go out to his family. University of Dayton basketball player Steve McElvene died May 12, according to ESPN. He was 20. McElvene collapsed at his home in New Haven, Indiana, according to a release from the school. An official cause of death was not immediately available. “We are devastated at this news,” Dayton coach Archie Miller said in the school’s release. “Any death is a tragedy, but for someone so young, who worked so hard to have his dreams within reach, it’s hard to put into words how painful this is. Our hearts and prayers go out to Steve’s family. My family, our team and our staff will have to pull together, not only in support of Steve’s family, but in support of each other at this terrible time.” McElvene set a single-season record for Dayton with 56 blocks last season. The 6-foot-11 center averaged over six points per game along with over five rebounds in his first full season with Dayton. He had six points and six rebounds



in the Flyers’ opening round loss to Syracuse in the 2016 NCAA Tournament. Bernadette McGlade, the commissioner of the Atlantic 10, said in a statement, “The entire Atlantic 10 family is heartbroken over the loss of Dayton’s Steve McElvene. He was an exceptional young man with a bright future, both on the basketball court and in life. A life cut short is tragic for all. The prayers, thoughts and support from the A-10 community go out to the University of Dayton, Flyer Men’s Basketball and most especially to Steve’s family.” www.newhavenbulletin.com Visit us on the web at www.westbendnews.net

2nd GRADE STUDENTS AT GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY LEARN ABOUT OHIO WILDLIFE



Pictured here (l-r) is Grover Hill 2nd grade students holding the wildlife pelts: Lexi Moore, Micah Sinn, Cole Miller and Staci Miller. The 2nd grade students at Grover Hill Elementary got the opportunity to learn about Ohio Wildlife before they start on their research papers about an Ohio Wildlife animal. Last week, Staci Miller, Education Specialist with the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District went into the 2nd grade classrooms and gave a fun-filled presentation about wildlife in Ohio. Her presentation featured a PowerPoint where students were given facts about 25 different Ohio animals and the students got the opportunity to identify each animal and hear their specific animal sound. The students really enjoyed this interactive way of learning about the wildlife native to Ohio. The presentation allowed for students to get a better understanding of Ohio wildlife as they chose their animal for their project. After the PowerPoint, students got the opportunity to see and touch the wildlife pelts and play Ohio Wildlife Bingo. —Staci Miller, Education Specialist Paulding SWCD

CORRECTION

In the article published last week concerning the Antwerp High School Awards Assembly, a mistake was made on an award recipient. The award for the Roger Brown Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Sidney Barnhouse. We apologize for this error.

—WBN editors

THE NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP WELCOMES RADIO HOST VICTORIA LOWERY

The New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) welcomes Victoria Lowery NHEG’s other broadcasts as part of “The New Heights Show on Education” are mostly live. On her show, Mrs. Lowery who will host

tionships. Mrs. Lowery is a relationship expert and author of the recently released book, “Don’t Date a Dud!” This is the ninth show started by NHEG in three years. The shows have had over 1,900 listeners per year. Kathy Woodring hosts a history-related show; Briana Dincher hosts a multi-topic show that airs every Friday from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m. EST; Shannon Williamson hosts a pre-recorded show in which she shares a story with her audience once a week; and Priscilena Shearon discusses Common Core myths and realities. NHEG looks forward to expanding its listening audience and welcoming a new host. Anyone interested in finding out more about NHEG can email NewHeightsEducation@yahoo.com or call 419-786-0247 for more information. Learn more about the New Heights Educational Group by visiting: <http://www.NewHeightsEducation.org/new-heights-radio.html> or <http://www.blogtalkradio.com/newheightsshoweducation7>.

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