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LEARN RESOURCE CENTER ACCEPTING REGISTRATION FOR BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS



LEARN Resource Center is now accepting registration for its before and after school programs in New Haven. Program sites are located at New Haven Primary and New Haven Intermediate. Before school program runs from 7:00 a.m. until school begins. After school program runs from after school until 6:00

p.m. Programs are for students who attend NHP and NHI. You can register online at www.learnresourcecenter.

The before and after school programs through LEARN are more than just child care. Children receive homework help, an afterschool snack, (Continued on Page 2)

JOHN PAULDING HISTORICAL SOCIETY CHICKEN BBQ

The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting their annual Chicken BBQ by Port-A-Pit on Saturday, August 5, 2017. Serving and/ or pick-up will begin at 4:00 p.m. and continue to 7:00 p.m. This year we are hosting a Cruise-In just for the fun of it! Open to all cars, trucks and motorcycles. Come on out and enjoy good food, good friends and a good time!

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Fort Wayne Area Community Band will present a free concert Tuesday, August 8 at Foellinger Theater in Franke Park. Downbeat is 7:30 p.m. Assistant conductor Susan Jehl has chosen a varied program of music to fit the concert theme of Time Travel. Included are Crooner's Serenade, Fort Wayne Bicentennial March, Gettysburg, Community Band

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DR. VINCENT WALDRON, **ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON JOINS CMH SPECIALTY CLINICS**



Community Memorial Hospital has announced the expansion of its Specialty Clinic staff with the addition of orthopedic surgeon, Vincent Waldron, MD. Dr. Waldron will practice in

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DAY IN PARK COMING, **AUGUST 12**

The Antwerp Chamber continues to meet for planning its next event for village entertainment. The annual Day in the Park will be held August 12 with a parade going down Main St. starting at 10 AM. Festivities following at the East Side Veterans Park will include: rides for the kids, face painting, bands, dancing groups, singing, food, Jim Barron - illusionist, cash drawing, kayak drawing, silent auction items, raffles, craft vendors, New Cutie Pie Contest, flag presentation and retirement and more. Fun for all ages.

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60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

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Burl and Ellie have four

children; Lesta (Paul) Searles, Laurie Barnes, Scott (Christine) Barnes, and Amy Barnes. They have four grandchildren, Adrienne, Alexandra, Mia and Emmet, and one great-grandchild, Kayla.

They will be celebrating with their family nad with a short trip in the fall.

NEW HAVEN PARKS EVENTS IN AUGUST

Every Wednesday in August is the New Haven Farmer's Market from 4:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. at Schnelker Park. Fresh home-grown produce, non-GMO meats, gluten free breads, excellent bakery pastries, honey, maple syrup, & variety of local artisans with their crafts.

Wednesday, August 16 Senior Carry-In lunch at 11:30 at the Community Center. Meat & drinks provided by Parks & Recreation Department. Each senior is to bring a dish to share. After

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RONALD MCDONALD COM-ING TO COOPER COMMU-**NITY LIBRARY BRANCH**

Ronald McDonald is coming to the Cooper Community Library Branch, of the Paulding County Carnegie. He will be at the library July 26th at 11:00 a.m. to participate in the library's summer reading program. He will be

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Community Calendar

Thursday, July 27

· Lunch N Lean at The New Haven Community Center 12-1PM

Friday, July 28

- Edgerton Homecoming Festival through 29th
- John Reichle Concert in Herb Monroe Park 6-9PM
- The Bulldogs at Georgetown Square in Fort Wayne, IN. 6:30PM

Saturday, July 29

• Payne Relief 5K at Payne Elementary 7AM

Tuesday, August 1 • Pickleball Clinic at Antwerp

- Tennis Court 6-8PM New Haven Fitness Center
- at Community Center opens Thursday, August 3

• New Haven Night at the

- TinCaps. Game Time 7:05PM
- Disney on Broadway at Defiance College - Aug. 6th
- Northern Gospel Singing Convention at Sunnycrest Center in Marion, IN. 5PM -Aug. 5th
- Harlan Days at Harlan Community Park - Aug. 5th
- Music in your Parks at UAW Hall in Defiance 6-9PM

Friday, August 4

• Van Wert Rib Fest - Free Admission. Fri.-Sat.

Saturday, August 5

• Financial Partners Member Appreciation Event in Grabill 9AM-2PM

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PAGE 2 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 25, 2017 PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR **CENTER ACTIVITIES**

7/26 – 8/1

7/26 - Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Buckeye Bingo at 12:00 p.m.; Grocery shopping at 1:30

7/27 - Bingo w/Gardens of Paulding at 10:00 a.m.; Euchre at 12:15 p.m. 7/28 - Red Hat Day; Bi-

ble Study at 10:00 a.m.; Craft store open 11-2; Bingo with Vancrest at 12:00 p.m. 7/31 - Shedding Pounds at 9:30 a.m.; Exercise at 10:00

8/1 – No information

available at this time

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER **MENU 7/26 - 8/1**

7/26 - Baked potato with beef & cheese, California blend, cinnamon peaches, Goldfish crackers, muffin 7/27 - Chicken salad,

rice soup, fresh melon, dinner roll, cookie, crackers 7/28 - Baked fish, cheesy potatoes, Lima beans, fruit cup, w.w. bread, oatmeal

shredded lettuce, vegetable &

cookie bar 7/31 - Chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, brussel sprouts, pineapple, dinner

8/1 - Swiss steak, hashbrown bake, corn, mandarin oranges, tapioca pudding, dinner roll

LEARN HOW TO LIVE "WELL BEYOND 60!" ON OHIO STATE FAIR'S SENIOR DAY

The Ohio Department of Aging will host the "Well Beyond 60!" EXPO during National Church Residences' Senior Day at the Ohio State Fair on Tuesday, Aug. 1, 2017, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The EXPO will feature health screenings that will help visitors of all ages identify healthy choices they can make throughout their lifespans to ensure they live a healthier, more active life at age 60 and beyond. The event is free with fair admission, which is only \$4 all day for visitors age 60 and older.

'Well Beyond 60!' EXPO at the Ohio State FairFairgoers visiting the EXPO will have access to free health screenings and educational displays including: Blood pressure screening, falls risk assessment, balance testing, vision screening, nutrition education, physical activity and more. New this year: Meet at the EXPO tent at 10:30 a.m. and noon for a free "Walk

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With A Doc," where fairgoers will get valuable advice and the opportunity to ask questions of a physician.

"Ohioans are living longer and are more active, which means that the choices we make about our health and wellness throughout our lives is more important than ever," said Stephanie M. Loucka, director of the department. "Now in its third year, the 'Well Beyond 60!' EXPO provides services and interactive demonstrations to help all Ohioans understand how they can ensure a happy, healthy and long life." "Well Beyond 60!" EXPO

partners include: Ohio Department of Aging, Prevent Blindness Ohio, Mount Carmel Health, The Ohio State University Extension, Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center, Ohio's area agencies on aging, and STEADY U Ohio and HEALTHY U Ohio initiative member organizations, among others. Fairgoers who attend the

free Senior Day Concert "The Carpenters Tribute featuring Michelle Whited," will also be treated to a free falls prevention mini-workshop.

For ticket information, directions and a full schedule for the Ohio State Fair, visit www.ohiostatefair.com. For information about the Department of Aging's programs and initiatives, visit 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 longterm care ombudsman program, the Golden Buckeye Card and more. Visit www. aging.ohio.gov.

ENTER TO WIN EXCELLENCE IN WASTE REDUCTION AWARD

The deadline to enter the Allen County Solid Waste Management District's Excellence in Waste Reduction Awards is approaching. All entries must be submitted by July 26th at 8:00 a.m. Enter online at http://www.acwastewatcher.org/2016-excel-

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Winners will be presented at our annual Awards Luncheon, held August 17, 11:30 to 1:30 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, Conference Center B. This event is open to the public and will offer insight into what others in our area are doing to succeed in being environmental stewards. Allen County Solid Waste

Management District's own director, Tony Burrus, will be our Keynote Speaker at the Luncheon. Mr. Burrus, who has been working in the industry for 25 years, is set to retire in January. This will be one of his last speaking engagements as Director and a chance to hear his prospective as to how recycling and waste reduction efforts have changed over the past 20

THE NEW HAVEN POLICE **DEPARTMENT**

The New Haven Police Department is currently seeking interested applicants to join the New Haven Police Reserve program. Applications will be available at the New Haven Police Department on Friday, July 21, 2017. Applications will be accepted through Thursday, August 31, 2017. The function of the Police Reserve is to aid and assist the New Haven Police Department in preserving the peace; preventing crime; detecting and apprehending violators of the law; safeguarding public health and safety; dispersing unlawful or dangerous assemblies; protecting personal rights; protecting personal property and public property; directing the movement of pedestrians and vehicles on all public properties; providing assistance at fires, public gatherings etc. as may be needed; suppressing all unlawful or disorderly conduct or practices; enforcing all federal laws, state laws, and city ordinances; as well as other police related activities as directed by the Board of Public Works and Safety for the City of New Haven, Indiana.

Police Reserve program was established February 14, 1984 allowing the City of New Haven to have a Police Reserve force. New Haven Police Reserves volunteer hundreds of hours a year serving the citizens of New Haven, Indiana. The Police Reserve program is a vital part of the New Haven Police Department supplementing regular patrol duties. The Police Reserves are most visibly noticed during Canal Days, special events/parades and during Halloween Trick or Treat patrols protecting our children.

Each Reserve Officer is required to put in sixteen (16) hours a month to the New Haven Police Department. The Reserve Officer starts out receiving training in Criminal Law, Firearms, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Defensive Tactics, Criminal Law and Traffic Law before riding with a full time police officer. After six months of training the Reserve Officer is sworn in, allowed to wear a uniform and ride with a full time police officer. Reserve Offi-

cers can then advance to the

ability of two of them riding together in a patrol vehicle. After three (3) years of service and successful completion of training the reserve officer can patrol alone.

SAMANTHA C. SEIBEL OF **DEFIANCE GRADUATES** FROM DENISON UNIVERSITY Samantha C. Seibel was

among 466 graduates awarded diplomas by President Adam Weinberg at Denison University's 176th commencement ceremony, which was held Saturday, May 13. Seibel, a resident of Defiance (43512), was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree, magna cum laude, with a major in biology from Denison. Denison University's place at the forefront of higher edu-

cation is recognized by "Colleges That Change Lives," U.S. News, and Forbes, among others. Denison is a leading national college of liberal arts and sciences where students from around the world come to pursue academic inquiry and research, to analyze and solve problems, and to forge the skills needed to succeed. On a beautiful, fully residential campus, located minutes from Forbes-rated #1 Opportunity City, Columbus, Ohio, students build enduring relationships and pathways to the professions, supported by faculty mentorship in classrooms, laboratories and studios; through a wealth of career-launch programs and internships; and in partnership with a thriving, far-reaching alumni network.

THE BULLDOGS FEATURED AT GEORGETOWN SQUARE

Georgetown Square presents The Bulldogs that will perform classic favorites from the 50's, 60's and 70's on Friday, July 28.

Another Free concert from the sixth annual Georgetown Fridays Concert Series will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, July 28 in the shopping center parking lot on East State Boulevard.

Food and drinks will be offered by Bandido's, and music will be provided by a popular local band with a large local following, The Bulldogs (formally Spike and The Bull-

Georgetown merchants provide face painting and the Georgetown Library will have some fun kids activities

The final concert of the summer will feature the Junk Yard Band on Friday, August

"We are so happy that Parkview Hospital Randallia continues its partnership in hosting the concert series again this year," said Steve Jehl, manager of Georgetown Square. "These wonderful music events are a great anchor to our lineup of family-friendly events this summer and we are pleased that they benefit northeast Fort Wayne residents."

NORTHWEST STATE COM-MUNITY COLLEGE PRO-FESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVER

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President, made the following announcement today: It is with great pleasure

that I announce a new part-

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State Community College and Keller Trucking to begin the fall semester of 2017. Together, we will be revitalizing the short-term certificate program for obtaining a Class A CDL. All students, 18 years of age and older, are eligible to enroll in the Professional Truck Driver School. This program will prepare students to take the wheel and navigate their own path to success, through classroom and hands-on learning. Comprised of three courses (18 credit hours) taught by experienced instructors who have worked in the industry, graduates will obtain the knowledge and skills necessary to test for their CDL through the Ohio Bureau of Motor Ve-With over 850,000 "heavy

nership between Northwest

and tractor-trailer" drivers in the United States (BLS, 2016), it remains clear that truck transportation is vital to the long-term success of our manufacturing partners in our six-county service area, and beyond. This news also confirms that good-paying logistics and trucking career opportunities are available right now all around northwest Ohio. The only obstacle is fulfilling the need for skilled and qualified professional drivers.

Keller Trucking, an affiliate of Keller Logistics Group, and one of the largest and most-respected companies in the region, is working closely with Northwest State in marketing and recruiting qualified students for the Professional Truck Driver program. Keller Trucking is also providing resources to the program and incentives to students to help defer the cost of training. Northwest State offers high-quality education at a very affordable rate, and financial assistance options are available through the College.

Bryan Keller, CEO of Keller Logistics Group stated, "We are excited to work with NSCC on bringing more people into the profession of truck driving. NSCC and Keller share the same value of providing the best training, so students come to the job fully prepared to be a professional truck driver who operate the roads safely and respectfully for the motoring public. Our partnership will provide the Truck Driver School not only a cost effective way to enter the profession but will also provide them the best education locally. We're putting an investment in the people that make up the communities in which Keller is headquartered and NSCC serves. We are committed to growth and anticipate hiring many of the graduates of this program." Keller Trucking is just

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one of many area businesses committed to working with Northwest State to educate and train students for great jobs in our area. If you are interested in a new and exciting career, or if the open road is simply calling your name, I encourage you to call 419.267.1249 or visit us online at NorthwestState.edu.

(Continued from Page 1) and participate in fine arts, STEM, and recreational activities. Lauren Brune, Communications Coordinator at LEARN, says "We believe children in East Allen County should have a safe place to go before and after school where learning and growing continue beyond the classroom, and I think our programs do that. Where else can your child get help with their math homework, and then watch a demonstration by Science Central or be part of a dance routine when Fort Wayne Dance Collective comes to

LEARN also has an afterschool program at Heritage Elementary. This program runs afterschool until 6:00 p.m. for car riders and 5:00 p.m. for bus riders. You can register for this program, at www.learnresourcenter.org.

LEARN Resource Center is a grassroots nonprofit in New Haven serving the community of East Allen County for over 50 years. For more information, or to make a donation go to www.learnresourcecenter.org.

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The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

The Paulding County Veteran's Service Office is dedicated to aiding Paulding County veterans and their families in time of need.

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1 – Emergency Financial Assistance – Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.

2 - Claims Assistance - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

We also provide reimbursement for the cost of transportation to VA medical facilities in our area, or in the case where the veteran cannot drive himself, we will provide a driver.

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

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DEFIANCE COUNTY FATAL CRASH DEFIANCE

A single vehicle fatal crash occurred this morning at approximately 0525 hours on County Road 424 near Overly Road in Richland Township. A 2007 Chevy Impala,

driven by Jacob A. Elders, age 19 of Defiance, had been westbound on County Road 424 when he lost control while negotiating a curve. The vehicle went off of the right side of the roadway striking a tree then caught on fire.

Mr. Elders was pronounced dead at the scene by the Defiance County Coroner's Office. The crash remains under investigation by the Defiance Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Assistance at the scene was provided by the Defiance County Sheriff's Department, Jewell Fire Department and the Defiance County Coroner's Office.

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HOW FORECASTING REALLY WORKS

By: Joshua Steiner

Forecasting is a process that is often thought of as a guessing game by non-meteorologists (and many meteorologists alike). And in some instances, this is correct. But for the most part, the science of meteorology has gained tremendous ground within the last fifty years, in scientific discovery, in observation networks and platforms and especially in the realm of something called numerical modeling, the real basis for forecasting in the



modern era.

Prior to the 1950's, most forecasting was based on rules of thumb and general pattern recognition learned by scientists over the past several centuries. Prior to the early 1900's, most forecasting was based entirely on rules of thumb and old wives' tales, with little or no success whatsoever. Despite this, the basic mechanics of the atmosphere were well understood in the 18th and 19th centuries, especially by those who were pioneers in the field of fluid mechanics, the field of study that meteorology is based off of. As you can imagine, accurate weather predictions past a day or two in advance were basically impossible at this In the few years prior to

World War I, atmospheric scientists like Vilhelm Bjerknes began research on new meteorological topics, including the possibility of forecasting a future state of the atmosphere on the basis of a few diagnostic and prognostic equations. Bjerknes and other Scandinavian meteorologists/atmospheric scientists pioneered research on what is known as the "mid-latitude cyclone", a model of how storm systems work and why weather changes so rapidly in some instances. This helped improve weather prediction beyond merely rules of thumb. With the conceptual model of how a warm front, a cold front and an occluded front behave, meteorologists could make predictions of precipitation patterns, storm system movement and make temperature forecasts, something that previously wasn't possible.

In the early 1920's, Lewis Richardson made the first attempt at predicting the future state of the atmosphere using numerical forecasting. His attempt failed but when large computers with at least decent computing speed were made available in the early 1950's, numerical weather modeling became much more popular and in fact, became very efficient at forecasting the future state of the atmosphere even three to four days in advance.

In the modern era, forecasts are almost entirely based upon a combination of the forecaster's meteorological knowledge and the skill of the forecast model. Each computer model solves a distinct set of equations that predicts the future state of the atmosphere and does this for millions of grid points for the entire world. There are other types of models that make fore-

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A GREAT DAY FOR BIG BOYS TOYS **CAR SHOW**





The attendees of the Big Boys Toys Car Show checked each of the vehicles and vendors lined up and down Main Street in Antwerp on Saturday, July 22. The day was very nice, if a little on the hot side of the thermometer. Cars from every era of the 20th and 21st Centuries were on site to view and evolution of the auto industry, not to mention all the customization that went into many of the classics on site. This was the largest car show yet for the Antwerp event and there were over 160 vehicles on display. While there people went to the Flea Market along Railroad Street.

casts for limited areas, such as North America, and these models tend to be used more often in research and in severe storm forecasting. Much of the forecasts you see from the National Weather Service and other private-based weather forecasting agencies like The Weather Channel generate point-based forecasts based on bias corrected model forecasts and blends of other types of numerical guidance. One type of bias-correct model forecast (done through the use of statistical regression equations). These forecasts show up as numerical data and the computer systems at each National Weather Service office interprets these forecasts into graphical maps and user-friendly interfaces. This is a fast way in which forecasters can present useful infor-

mation to the public. Model forecasts are far from perfect, however. The biggest issue that modern numerical modeling faces is the issue of convective thunderstorms and how to forecast them. This is because most models (some can) cannot explicitly forecast convection with how large the grid spacing between models is. And grid spacing is a function of both the computational resources and what is reasonable for a forecast to make. This can be easily illustrated with any summertime convection event, especially over the past few months. Models, even those that can forecast thunderstorms, have a hard time forecasting storm motion and development because these features occur on such small scales. In fact, it is well known that human forecasts do a much better job at forecasting thunderstorm development than current models do. As long as models have these problems, forecasts will need the skill and atmospheric expertise that forecasters bring to the table, especially when it involves forecasting events like squall lines, su-

percell, tornadoes and major

flooding events, all of which are difficult to anticipate more than a day in advance.

One day, it may be possible that numerical models come close to being completely accurate. However, it has been theorized that there is a limit to the predictability of the atmosphere. It is often supposed that the longest we could ever really make explicit predictions for would be 16 days out. This is because atmospheric motion is fundamentally chaotic when it comes to small scale features. Even small 'blips' in the wind field and can have major consequences down the road in the atmosphere. Compound this with the issue of numerical instability when it comes to solving equations and it doesn't seem like we will ever arrive at perfect forecasting. Until then, human forecasters are always trying to improve their own ability to make sense of the weather and anticipate dangerous events that may happen.

USDA TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER REPORT **HIGHLIGHTS "MADE IN AMERICA" RESEARCH**

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced that U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) research generated 244 new inventions and 109 patent applications in the 2016 fiscal year. These innovations included an anti-cancer drug derived from Omega-3 fatty acids, sensors to help prevent bridge collapses, gene-silencing technology that controls mosquito populations, and hand-held imaging tools to detect meat contamination. The Secretary released USDA's annual Technology Transfer Report, which listed the technology produced through research either conducted or supported by USDA.

"USDA's made-in-America research gives us new technology that creates busi-

ness opportunities and private sector jobs in both agriculture and other sectors,' Perdue said. "Studies show that every dollar invested in agricultural research returns \$20 to our economy. Just like the crops that come up out of our soil, these inventions and innovations were made in America.' The 559-page report out-

lines the public release and adoption of information, tools, and solutions developed through USDA's agricultural research efforts, collaborative partnerships, and formal Cooperative Research and Development Agreements. The innovations outlined in the report show how these efforts have translated into public-private partnerships that help American agriculture and other businesses compete in the world marketplace. For more information,

please read the Fiscal Year 2016 Annual Report on Technology Transfer (PDF, 5.9

Innovations include:

Anti-cancer drug: A patent application was filed in September 2016 by Penn State University researchers for an anti-cancer drug developed from Omega-3 fatty acid derivatives. The researchers received funding from USDA's National Institute for Food and Agriculture. (p. 538 in the report)

Protecting Bridge Infrastructure: The U.S. Forest Service (FS) has patented a method for measuring streambed variations around bridge piers. This will help prevent unexpected bridge collapses by providing real time monitoring of bed scour at piers. (p. 487)

Silencing mosquito genes: Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists and collaborators in Gainesville, Florida have demonstrated that selectively silencing proteins in the genes of mosquitoes is an effective method for controlling disease-carrying mosquitoes. (p. 206)

Meat contamination tool: ARS researchers in Beltsville, Maryland developed a handheld fluorescent imaging device (HFID) that detects contaminated food and equipment surfaces. This patented technology is un-

der license and commercial development by an industry partner and will support and improve industry and government meat safety inspection programs. (p.166)

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In addition to ARS, NIFA, and FS, the Technology Transfer Report lists activities at USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Economic Research Service (ERS), Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), the Grain Inspection, Packers, and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS).

PATROL RELEASES **CHECKPOINT RESULTS**

The Ohio State Highway Patrol's Defiance Post operated an OVI checkpoint in Williams County last night with the assistance of the Bryan Police Department and the Williams County Sheriff's

A total of 617 vehicles traveled through the checkpoint and there were three vehicles that were diverted for further investigation of impaired driving. One impaired driving arrest was made out of the three diverted vehicles

There was one arrest made for impaired driving by the saturation patrol in the area of the checkpoint.

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Hicksville on the Community Memorial Hospital campus, located at 208 Columbus Street, Hicksville, OH 43526. Dr. Waldron is seeing patients in clinic and will perform procedures and surgeries at CMH.

Dr. Waldron has over 35 years of orthopedic medical experience and treats a variety of conditions including rotator cuff repair, knee replacements and hip pinning, among other orthopedic conditions.

Dr. Waldron completed his Orthopedic Residency at Johns Hopkins University and is certified by the American Board of Orthopedic Surgery. Appointments can be made by calling 419-542-5669

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

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The Paulding County Hospital Foundation extends sincere ap-Mark Teets Memorial" Golf Outing a success! The event was held on July 12 at Auglaize Golf Club. Funds raised are used to support the Paulding County Hospital, promoting high quality health care and wellness for the people of Paulding County.

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PAGE 4 - WEST BEND NEWS SECRETS OF BODY LANGUAGE REVEALED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

Practical insights about the meaning of body language will be provided at Lifetree Café on Thursday, July 27 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The program, titled "Body Language: What You Say Before You Say a Word," features a filmed interview with nonverbal communication expert Jan Hargrave, author of Actions Speak Louder Than Words and Let Me See Your Body Talk.

"Fifty-five percent of communication is nonverbal, 38 percent is from voice inflection, and only 7 percent of communication has to do with the words we say," says Hargrave, who reports that a better understanding of body language provides a key advantage in sales, business, job interviews, and even ro-

During the program, Lifetree Café participants will have the opportunity to analyze their own body language and what it communicates to

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located at the Bachwell Center, 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, OH. Please enter on Court Street and park behind the Courthouse.

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL WELCOMES **NEW TEACHER**

First United Methodist Preschool welcomes Julie Stewart as the new Pre-k Teacher for the 2017/2018 school year. Mrs. Stewart has been teaching in a Christian based preschool for 6yrs previous to joining us. As a mother of 2, and an active kids volunteer in our community, she is able to connect with students on a personal level. Mrs. Stewarts experience & passion for the children's academic, spiritual, and emotional success makes her an asset to our team. We are excited to have her and know the kids are going to

We are currently accepting registrations, you can register by calling administrator April Ellerbrock at 419238-0631 ext 308 or online at 19:19) "But put ye on the www.fumpreschool.com

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FIRST UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL WELCOMES **NEW TEACHER**

First United Methodist Preschool welcomes JaNahn Evans as the new 3 & 4 yr old teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Mrs. Evans is a mother of 4 with years of experience working with children while substitute teaching, coaching, and volunteering in her church children's program. Mrs. Evans is an advocate for education and Christian beliefs. She is committed to creating a respectful and caring environment where the children are encouraged to learn and become powerful thinkers, and have confidence in their own abilities. We are excited to have her and know the kids will love her.

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman Dear Parson,

I struggle with tobacco and alcohol. Any sugges-

All substance abuse is tougher to quit than most humans can do on their own. God is your best helper (Psalm 46:1).

1. Pray for repentance and forgiveness. Then seek a godly, gentle friend who will teach you and help hold you accountable. "And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will." (II Timothy 2:24-26) "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I

2. Destroy all your present addictive substances, and stay away from people and places that cause temptation. 'Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver." (Acts Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof." (Romans 13:14) "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." (Ephesians 5:11) "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed." (Proverbs 13:20) "Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men." (Proverbs 4:14)

3. In times of temptation: a. Fully trust promises

from God like these: "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to

man: but God is faithful, who not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it." (I Corinthians 10:13) "And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." (II Corinthians 12:9) "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (Philippians 4:13) "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it." (I Thessalonians 5:24) "But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil." (II Thessalonians 3:3)

b. Read Proverbs 20:1, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Read also Proverbs

c. Resist the devil: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." (I Peter 5:8) "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." (James 4:7)

4. Replace bad addictive substances. "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." (Ephesians 5:18) Try drinking grape juice and ginger ale, or pass out gospel

5. Remember that the believer's body belongs to God and is the temple of the Holy Ghost. "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." (I Corinthi-

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@ juno.com

BIBLE STUDY

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

- 1. What is Christ's name in John 12:12-22?
- 2. What is Christ's name in 1st Timothy 6:3-16?
- 3. What is Christ's name in Matthew 27:34-44?
- 4. What is Christ's name in Zechariah 9:9?
- 5. What is Christ's name in Revelations 13:1-10?
- 6. What is Christ's name in John 1:35 -42?
- 7. What is Christ's name in Isaiah 55:1-5?
- 8. What is Christ's name in John 14:5-7?
- 9. What is Christ's name in Iohn 1:9-11
- 10. What is Christ's name in Acts 13:44-50? 11. What is Christ's name

in John 9:1-4?

12. What is Christ's name in Song of Solomon 2:1? 13. What is Christ's name

in Revelations 5:1-14? 14. What is Christ's name

in John 6:22-58? 15. What is Christ's name in 1st Peter 2:4-10?

16. What is Christ's name in John 21:1-14?

17. What is Christ's name in Colossians 3:22-25? 18. What is Christ's name

in Revelations 4:1-11? 19. What is Christ's name in Acts 19:11-20?

20. What is Christ's name in 2nd Thessalonians 2:1-12?

Loved ones we are still studying the names of Christ, but we will continue until done. God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit loves you and so does the Oakwood church of Christ. Comments good or bad let us know @ James Potter (419) 393-4775 or Lonnie Lambert (419) 399-5022.

GOOD SOIL AND BAD SOIL

By: Rev. Gerry Weesner, **Maples United Methodist** 'Then he told them many

things in parables, saying: 'A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop--a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. He who has ears, let him hear." Matthew 13:3-9 (NIV)

In Jesus' parable; the sower is Jesus Christ, the seed is the Word of God, and the soil is the hearts of mankind. The sower goes out to sow in the real world, a world in which terrorists' bombs kill and maim people, a world that echoes with the cries of the injured and mourning for the dead. It's a world in which the rich often exploit the poor, and in which some have more than enough while others go hungry. In the real world, some people are discriminated against because of their race or religion or sexual orientation or where they're from. What does it mean for the seed to be sown in a world in which such things happen?

The evil one opposes God's work and tries to destroy it. God is love and evil is hate. God creates, freely giving life to all that exists, and evil can only destroy.

But there is good done in the world, on small scales and large. People donate to food pantries, work at soup kitchens and give money to charitable organizations to help those in need. Teachers work longer hours than many people realize to educate their students and often use their own money to buy classroom needs. Police officers and firefighters risk their lives to protect the people of their communities. That's quite a contrast with terrorists planting their bombs or drug dealers making profits from the addiction and death of others.

The seed that is sown is the Word by which God spoke the universe into being in the beginning. It is Jesus Christ,

the Word who was with God

in the beginning and through whom all things were made. And the Holy Spirit works with the Word to bring forth faith in those who hear, so that works truly pleasing to God are done. The work for which the

Word motivates and empowers us is Christ-like work. Those who listen and come to faith will be guided into the kinds of actions that are in accord with God's creative purpose for the world, each person with the talents and abilities which God has given. ARTIST RACHEL VON

EXPLORES DEMENTIA, DEATH AND DEALING WITH LOSS IN DEBUT **EXHIBITION AT ARTLINK CONTEMPORARY GALLERY**

In February of 2017, photographer Rachel Von's grandfather, George Wiggin, passed away after battling dementia. Using her experience as a starting point, Von's debut exhibition at Artlink Contemporary Gallery, presents a unique series of photography titled Dementia, Death, and Dealing with Loss exploring the loss of a loved one to Alzheimer's and dementia.

Von is a Fort Wayne, IN native, where she received her Bachelor of Fine Art in Photography from Indiana University. She is inspired by textiles, ancient art, optical art, fashion, and patterns in nature. She utilizes patterns and primary colors to create patterned backgrounds for her photography.

In this new three-part series, Von explores dementia, death, and dealing with loss. Von explores patterns in her photographs to represent feelings associated with having dementia, death, dealing with his loss and trying to recover from that loss. Dementia and Death are shot in black and white with a Holga 120 film camera. Part three, Dealing with Loss, is told in color as Von recovers and tries to focus on the brighter days ahead.

For more information on upcoming exhibitions, artists or an exhibition preview, please contact Maddie Miller, Gallery Coordinator at madison@artlinkfw.com or call (260) 424-7195.

Exhibition Dates: August 11 - September 15, 2017

Opening Reception: Friday, August 11, 6:00 - 9:00

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day-Saturday 12:00 - 7:00 p.m., Sunday 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. **SAVING THE OLD PAULDING**

GRANGE BUILDING

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JPHS members, Terry and Marlene Buehler, recently contacted us and offered to donate/gift the old Paulding Grange building and the land it sits on, to the John Paulding Historical Society. The history of the Paulding Grange is as long as the formation of the township. In addition, this is one of the last standing grange buildings in the county, if not the only one. The Grange, known as the

Patrons of Husbandry, was an organization created to assist farmers with the obstacles they faced. By the early 1870s, the group boasted more than 1.5 million members. Paulding Grange No. 33 was established on Jan. 2. 1874, according to a history published in 1970. The grange hall, located at

the corner of St. Rt. 500 and Co. Rd. 95 in Paulding Township southwest of Paulding, was constructed about 1894. The chapter at that time operated a country store on the first floor, and held its meetings and social gatherings on the second floor. In 1970 the chapter had 118 members. Today the Grange is dormant.

Note: the curtains on our stage at the museum came from this building. They were hung upstairs across the stage where special programs were

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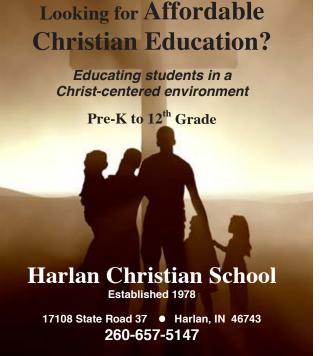


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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Prevailing wage is a state calculated mandated wage that is used on all local government construction jobs that exceed \$250,000 in total value. State universities, cities, counties, townships and other government entities such as libraries, museums and fairgrounds are all required to pay prevailing wage when they are using taxpayer

Simply stated, prevailing wage is state government overreach into local government affairs and it works opposite of free market principles. Most often this mandated wage drives up and inflates the overall cost of a project leaving that local government entity less money to work with on other construction projects. By not allowing the labor rates to be part of the competitive bid process on a project, the taxpayer ends up overpaying because the free market is unable to

Supporters of prevailing wage will want you to believe that it provides higher quality work and safer working conditions. There is no credence to those assertions. I worked

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27 years in private business, all in the construction industry. I will attest that the quality of workmanship and safety on construction projects today are of the same caliber whether that project pays prevailing wage or doesn't. There may have been a day 40 or 60 years ago when that was true but it certainly is not the case now. In today's construction world, the workmanship and safety culture at a non-union construction company is every bit as equal to that of a union construction company. There is no validity to that belief any longer.

The beauty and genius of HB 163 is that it allows prevailing wage to be permissive. The local government entity gets to choose for itself on a job by job basis whether it wants to use prevailing wage. If Summit County wants to use prevailing wage on a project to pave a stretch of road it can choose to do so, and if at the same time Van Wert County decides that it doesn't want to use prevailing wage to pave a stretch of road and instead uses market rates, that likely saves taxpayer dollars, it can do so as well.

HB 163 is a common sense bill with a simple concept; allow prevailing wage to be a permissive decision for local governments, not a mandated one. The end result will allow local governments to make decisions that benefit them and their local residents.

Sincerely, Craig Riedel

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I'm writing this letter because of my concern that the political divisions and lack of civility between opposing factions has reared its ugly head in Paulding by, no less than, a respected community organization - the Paulding Chamber of Commerce.

For the first time in memory, the Paulding County Democrats worked long and hard to present a beautiful red, white, and blue float for the John Paulding Days parade. It recognized the WWII Grand Marshals by prominently displaying a quote from war-time President Franklin Roosevelt.

As we passed the review

CAPED CRUSADER READS AT PAULDING LIBRARY EVENT





Batman, aka Ohio Senator Cliff Hite, entertained an excited audience at a special storytime at the historic Carnegie library in Paulding. Batman's favorite book to read is Never Tease a Weasel by Jean Conder Soule. The library's summer Reading Program runs until August 14th. Over 800 children, teens and adults are participating in summer reading, and over 1,600 have attended programs.

stand, the MC/Chamber Director shocked me by announcing, OVER THE LOUD SPEAKER, "I can't announce the next float because I'm a Republican." (The quote may not be verbatim but it captures what she said.)

I went over to her and emphatically said, "Be an American!" several times.

I was impressed by her public letter apologizing to the WWII vets for the mix up in elaborate plans to honor

I expect no less than a public apology from her for dishonoring the right of every American to express their politics peacefully, a right the veteran Grand Marshals risked their lives to defend.

-Jane Taft Paulding County Democratic Committee member and/Former president of the Paulding Chamber Board

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Board of Directors of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce sincerely apologizes for an incident that occurred during the John Paulding Days Parade on July 14, 2017, when the Chamber Executive Director, who was announcing the parade entries as they approached the reviewing stand, refused

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to announce the Democratic Central Committee float entry in the parade. The Chamber Board wishes to state unequivocally, that this behavior, in no way reflects the position of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce and we apologize to all members of our community who were offended by this action.

From the bylaws of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce, Article I, states, in part: "The purpose or purposes for which this Chamber is formed are: To advance the general welfare and prosperity of the Paulding area so that its citizens and all areas of its business community shall prosper. All necessary means of promotion shall be provided and particular attention and emphasis shall be given to the economic, civic, commercial, cultural, industrial, and educational interest of the area." Article I goes further to state: "The Chamber shall be non-sectarian and non-partisan."

The members and Board of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce have worked hard to build and expand our community in so many different ways and that includes all members of our community

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MINUTES FOR WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING 7/3/17

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls, Chief Duhamell as well as Councilmen Voirol, Gerig, and Martin were in attendance. Councilmen Watts and Renner were not in attendance.

CHIEF'S REPORT: The Woodburn

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Police Reserves have logged 64 hours in June. The Woodburn Police Department worked 116 incidents in June. The Police Chief supplied the board with a breakdown of those incidents and the mid year statistics for 2017. MAYOR'S REPORT: The mayor mentioned that he will be in training with

the National Guard on July 12th through August 12th. The mayor is appointing his wife, Monica Kelsey, to take his place as mayor in which she will lead the next two meetings along with all other mayoral duties during this duration. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to replace Joe Kelsey with Monica Kelsey on the signature card on the city check writing account with signing authority for the duration of his time of training, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in faor. The mayor mentioned specifics about the dedication ceremony to take place on July 8th. He also discussed specifics regarding the completed asset management plan that will be used for the application of the Community Crossings Grant to be submitted in the near future. The mayor will have the remainder lots of city owned land in the Industrial Park appraised in order to sell in the near future if possible. The mayor discussed several topics of Indiana Code that he would like to see written out as city ordinances. There will be a video prepared in the near future that was taken by Ĵ Michael Photography, LLC with some of the highlights from Summerfest.
CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:

The meeting minutes were presented from the meeting on June 19th. After inspection, Councilman Martin moved to accept the minutes from the meeting on June 19th as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. Although Councilman Watts was not present, he did vote for the approval of the minutes for the June 19th meeting as presented via written authorization prior to the meeting. Warrants were pr ed. After inspection, Councilman Voiro moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Although Councilman Watts was not present, he did vote for the approval of the warrants as presented via written authorization prior to the meet ing. The clerk-treasurer brought a request to return the late fees on behalf of a customer to the council. After consideration of the request, the council decided to not

honor that request.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: The 2016 quality of drinking report has been created and submitted to residents. The superintendent recommends that we wait until the beginning of 2018 to update the storm relining that the city previously was going to put out to bid in the near future. The generator at the high school is having issues and will need to be repaired

COUNCILMEN'S REPORT: Noth-

ing to report.

AUDIENCE: Rachel Black with Allen County Department of Planning Services presented information regarding Resolution 17-220 (Application for Midwest Weld for Economic Revitalization Area). Councilman Voirol moved to read Resolution 17-220 in full, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor Councilman Voirol moved to accept the first reading of Resolution 17-220, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Councilman Gerig moved to adopt Resolution 17-220 as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. Although Councilman Watts was not present, he did vote for the adoption of Resolution 17-220 as presented via writfor Summerfest and said that it was a good experience and he is looking forward to

seeing it again next year. Councilman Gerig moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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For more information call Angie Pollock at 419-393-2876, Patti Boundy at 419-399-4120 or Kim Sutton at 419-399-2388. Sides include baked beans,

chips, applesauce, your choice of cole slaw or fresh vegetables and a drink. The museum is located across from the fairgrounds

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 There were two blondes in a boat and they were going to bury their brother at sea like he requested.

They rowed quite a ways out from the shore, then the one blonde went over the side of the boat, reached back in and took out a shovel.

Blonde at work:

A brunette and a blonde owned and operated a small cattle ranch just outside of Apache Junction, Arizona.

They raised purebred cattle, but they needed a new bull. So the brunette went into Good Year to look for a young bull. The blonde told her, "If you

find a new bull, just send me a wire to come and get him. But all you can pay is \$500.00." So the brunette did find a

good young bull and the bull was \$500.00 but if she paid that much she didn't have any money left to send a wire.

The man at Western Union said the cost for a wire was a dollar a word. She only had one dollar as the bull owner would not budge lower than \$499.00, so the brunette had to do all her talking to the blonde in one word.

So she told the man to send one word: Comfortable!

He asked the brunette, "How in the world will the blonde make a message out of that?" She said her blonde friend was a slow reader and would read: Com 4 de bull.

 Charlie was a little slow but he was kind and well liked by everyone in the area.

He ordered a new pump for his well from Sears & Roebuck, but when it came, there was no pump handle in the box that he could find, so he sat down and wrote a letter to

I ordered a new pump for my well from you folks and when the pump came, I couldn't find a handle! I need the handle. What good is a pump without the handle? You folks should know a pump needs a handle. My cows, Bessie and Fredia, need drinking water bad. I might as well send the pump back to you because I don't have

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a handle. A cow needs water and so does my wife, but a pump is no good without a handle. Please send a handle.

letter, I found the handle in

Last week Sam Rivers was marked as Chapter 43, in actuality it should have been marked as Chapter 41. Everything is as it should have been except for the Chapter number.

SAM RIVERS, INDIAN **AGENT CHAPTER 42**

By: Stan Jordan

Well, we had a fine Easter celebration here at the fort, after the baptism of the twins in the church. We had a huge carry in dinner right out on Main St. of the post. This is April 1, 1856.

At the celebration we had foot races, horse races, trick riding and some horseman ship displays. We had a horseshoe pitching contest and a couple of ball games, and some quilting displays.

Rooster won all the foot races and did some somersaults and back flips. He is very light on his feet and well coordinated.

Some of the soldiers showed off what their horse could do, and somewhere pretty good. Along about 5:00 p.m. they rang the bell and it was time to eat supper, so the ladies could clean up the area before dark.

Yellow Tulip, the Indian nanny, gave some demonstrations on how the Indians made different colors that was very interesting.

Callie, the twins and I sat with the general and his wife in the warm sunshine. We talked about the summer's work and some of the nations troubles and cares. A lot of the southern farmers use slave laborers. Some of the northern people want this practice stopped. I can see down the road that this will

He talked about the big train and railroad system in the east. The rails have been laid into St. Louis now.

He said the engine is ran by steam moving big wheels on the side of the engine and the wheels run on two steel rails about four feet apart. In a few years he said the rails will be right here in Fort Kearney. I can see a big change good and bad. Then the conversation turned to "When are we going back to the agency?"

Well, pretty soon, but I'm

THE AMERICAN **BADGER**



The North American Badger is somewhat similar to the European Badger. He is found in western and central United States, northern Mexico and southwest Canada. The American Badger 's

habitat is open grasslands with available prey such as mice, squirrels, ground hogs and small rodents. The badger's family in-

cludes weasels, otters, ferret and wolverine. Our badger have a stocky

and low-slung body, with short powerful legs. They have huge foreclaws measuring from 2 1/2 inches to 3 1/2 inches. The male is a little large than the female. Except for the head, the

American Badger is covered with grizzled, brown, black and white coat of coarse hair or fur, giving almost a mixed brown-tan appearance. Its face or head has a black and white pattern and a white stripe from the nose to the base of the head.

Badgers are normally solitary animals, except in mating season which is late summer or fall. Young are born in March or early April, the litter runs from one to five young.

See ya!

not sure which day. I have the wagons and animals ready for the trip. I would like to pick a warm sunshiny day- it would be warmer for the boys. This is Sunday, April 1, 1856, I think we will wait until Thursday.

"General, can we use the four soldiers again this summer? They are good workers and they know what has to be done and they go ri

ght ahead and get it done." The general agreed and said, "I will have the first sergeant to draw up the orders by Wednesday."

Rooster will still be the runner or liaison between us. Rooster had left the fort on Thursday and he had a good fire going in our home and the store room, plus a pot of beans cooking out on the cook area. He had brought a bag of biscuits in his saddle bags. Anyhow, that meal was well received because we were all tired from the two-day trip. We were going to rest tomorrow and then start the usual spring work the next day which is Monday.

Well I haven't written in a while because of everything else that has been going on here. Farmer plowed the whole garden and the pasture area. That part is where we cut the Timothy hay for the animals.

That took all day and into the late afternoon. Pony that Walks, the Shaman, half Moon, The Gardner, and about a half of dozen braves and a couple squaws from Limping Buffalos Tribe arrived at the agency. We spent all the next day planting out garden. Yellow Tulip took care of the twins and Callie worked the garden. She loves

The mess sergeant didn't come along this trip, so Rooster had a good meal ready for the workers and all. He had bean soup with a big deer bone in it. A couple of prairie chickens and some corn meal cookies. As we were eating and talking, two people on horses were coming into camp from the fort's direction. One was an officer, and it looked like General Kearney. The other was a young nice looking army officer. I just couldn't recognize who it was - Holy Moly! It's Billy Metzger!

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Central Ohio - Wildlife **District One**

While on boat patrol on Alum Creek Reservoir in Delaware County, State Wildlife Officer Chad Grote, assigned to Marion County, observed three people fishing under the Howard Road Bridge. As the group packed up and walked to their vehicle, Officer Grote contacted them and asked how the fishing was that day. At first, the group stated that they had just arrived and had not been fishing long. However, Officer Grote had been observing the group and knew they had been fishing for a significant length of time. After further questioning, the group admitted that no one had a fishing license, and when they showed Officer Grote what they had caught that day, several of the fish were short of the minimum size limit. The oldest of the group claimed the fish to be his and said he would take the blame. Officer Grote ran the suspects' information and found that one had a warrant for failure to appear for a previous fishing license violation. All three were issued a summons for fishing without a license and the man with the warrant was also issued a summons for short crappie and taken to jail on his warrant. Two of the suspects appeared in court and paid a total of \$320 in fines and court costs. The case against the third suspect is still pending

During the deer archery season, State Wildlife Officer Patrick Muldovan, assigned to Licking County, responded to a call regarding an illegally harvested deer taken on property the hunter did not have permission to be on. Upon arrival, the subject was gone but Officer Muldovan was able to get some information from hunters who were legally on the property. After some time, Officer Muldovan was able to identify the subject as a hunter from Michigan. Upon further investigation, it was discovered that the hunter did not have a non-resident hunting license or deer permit and that he had falsified information while checking in the deer. He was issued summonses for each violation and after appearing in court, the suspect paid \$1,278 in fines and court costs and \$3,767 in restitution, along with receiving a three year hunting license revocation.

in court.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife **District Two**

This spring, State Wildlife Officer Austin Dickinson, assigned to Seneca County, and State Wildlife Officer Nathan Kaufmann, assigned to Huron County, were in Ottawa County checking anglers for

size and bag limit compliance on Lake Erie when they received information about a boat that had potentially "double tripped" that day and exceeded their daily limit of walleye. Upon contacting the anglers, who were from out of state, and going back to their rented residence for the week, it was discovered that there were two freezers full of chunked walleye in the possession of the six anglers. The officers seized the chunked walleye and wrote each angler a summons for possessing walleye in a form other than whole fillets. Each angler was found guilty and paid fines and court costs of \$540.

Northeast Ohio - Wildlife **District Three** During the deer gun sea-

son, State Wildlife Officer Aaron Brown, assigned to Wayne County, received a call from a local resident regarding hunting from the road. The caller stated that he had a photograph of the suspect's vehicle, which showed an individual in the bed of a pickup truck obscuring the view of the license plate as they drove down the road. Officer Brown arrived on scene and retrieved three spent shotgun slug hulls from the roadway. Shortly thereafter, a sergeant from the Wayne County Sheriffs' Office arrived and looked at the photograph. Both officers were familiar with the owner of the vehicle and drove to his residence. The results of the investigation revealed that two individuals were hunting deer with the aid of a motor vehicle. Both men were issued summonses for shooting from a public roadway, hunting with the aid of a motor vehicle, and hunting without a license or deer permit. They were convicted and paid fines and court costs totaling \$734. Their hunting privileges were also revoked for one year.

During the spring, State Wildlife Officer Tom Frank, assigned to Mahoning County, was checking anglers for size and bag limit compliance in Portage County. He arrived at the Berlin Lake youth fishing pond and observed two adults fishing next to a "Youth Fishing Area" sign. Numerous families and children were fishing along the shoreline of the pond when Officer Frank approached the couple. He asked them if they were fishing with any children, and the female indicated that her children were at home. She also admitted that it was her decision to fish in that area. The woman later appeared in court, was convicted, and paid \$195 in fines

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Southeast Ohio - Wildlife **District Four**

In July 2017, State Wild-

life Officer Jeff Berry was on

patrol focusing on sport fish-

ing and litter in Muskingum County. Officer Berry saw several groups of people fishing on the Licking River. While watching a pair of anglers, Officer Berry observed an individual walk up the riverbank to his vehicle and bring back a water bottle for another angler. In a short amount of time, Officer Berry observed the angler dispose of his water bottle and used fishing line along the bank. After leaving his trash behind, the individual gathered up his fishing gear and left the area. Officer Berry conducted a traffic stop and the individual was issued a summons for stream litter and is waiting to appear in court. Over the Fourth of July weekend, State Wildlife Officers Chris Dodge, assigned to Hocking County, Jared Abele, assigned to Vinton County, and Investigator Travis Abele were patrolling O'Dowd Wildlife Area in Hocking County on ATVs. The officers

were targeting vehicles that had been driving illegally on the wildlife area and causing severe damage to the property. Around 7:30 p.m., the officers contacted a husband and wife who were driving a UTV through the area with open containers of alcohol. At the time the officers contacted the couple, the driver hadn't registered the vehicle and did not have valid license plates. The two were compliant and not intoxicated, so they were asked to dump the alcohol and were issued warnings for open container and for failing to obtain a state registration for the vehicle. The driver of the UTV was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle in a non-designated part of the wildlife area and

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife **District Five**

paid \$205 in fines and court

In July 2017, State Wildlife Officer Matt Roberts, assigned to Clinton County, and State Wildlife Officer Eric Lamb, assigned to Brown County, received a complaint about an individual shooting doves from a power line in Highland County during the closed season. The officers responded to the location and observed an individual who fit the description of the reported violator. The officers made contact with the individual, who admitted to



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PAGE 6 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 25, 2017 Dear sir: After writing this the bottom of the box. Charlie See ya! **CORRECTION:**

ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS HAVE FUN WITH THE JR. LEADERS



The Jr. Leaders visited the daycare at Ann's Bright Beginnings with a spy theme! We earned how to use invisible ink and we all made disguises! We also had fun singing camp songs and playing camp games. Those leaders joining us were: Callie Perry, Christine Clapsaddle, Charles Clapsaddle, and Connor Baumle.

the officers that he had shot two mourning doves and ate both of them before the officers arrived. The officers then discovered that the individual had an active warrant for his arrest. As the officers were placing handcuffs on the man, he resisted and tried to run away while he still had one handcuff on. Officer Lamb still had a hold on the other handcuff and was able to slow the man down while Officer Roberts then helped Officer Lamb secure the man into custody. The man was transported to jail and was subsequently issued summonses for taking doves during the closed season and for deterring a state wildlife officer. He was found guilty in court on both charges and received probation and a hunting license suspension as part

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of his sentence.

UPDATE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA/PUBLIC

HEARING MINUTES: A public hearing on the new state law allowing medical marijuana was held at village hall on June 20, 2017. Minutes from that hearing are attached. The Village council members in attendance and this writer agreed to investigate and become familiar with the new state law before making any final judgment on the ordinance to prohibit the sale, processing, and cultivation of medical marijuana in the Village. It should be noted that according to our zoning ordinance guidance, the village must act within 30 days after the public hearing by either adopting or denying the recommendation or adopting some modification thereof. Action will need to be taken, one way or the other Monday night.

The main issue seems to be that municipalities must act on whether or not to allow sale, processing or cultivation of medical marijuana before September 8th of this year although all rules and regulations pertaining to medical marijuana have not been de-

Since the June 20th meeting, several issues pertaining to how the state will regulate and enforce medical marijuana has been decided:

The State Board of Pharmacy may issue up to sixty (60) dispensary provisional licenses.

A \$70,000 nonrefundable operating fee, renewable every two years.

A \$5,000 licensing fee, a \$500 fee for each associated key employee, \$250 for each key employee and \$400 for each support employee

15% of dispensaries must be minority-owned.

All dispensaries must have extensive security, cameras, vetting of potential owners, employees, change in ownership or employees, etc.

The State is currently working on interstate compact agreements between Ohio and contiguous states like Indiana, Michigan, etc.

Draft rules have been filed by the State Medical Board, Ohio Department of Commerce and State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy to the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review. The draft rules can be found on the Ohio Medical Marijuana Control Program's website: medicalmarijuana.ohio.gov

In reviewing the draft rules, it is evident that the dispensaries, processing, and cultivation will be stringent. Cultivation rules have already been adopted and the application deadline has already passed and the state will award 12 Level I and up to 12 Level II certificates of operation. The application period has already closed. A list of all that have applied can also be found on the website.

It is felt we will have a lengthy discussion on how the village should proceed on medical marijuana at Monday night's council meeting and we will have local citizens in attendance. If you can I would request that you go to the medicalmarijuana.ohio. gov to review the draft rules. I do have a copy of the draft rules in my office for anyone that would like a copy.

MAUMEE LAND PHASE 5, LOT 6 FINAL PLAT **ORDINANCE:**

Oley has sold another lot in the Maumee Landing subdivision. Planning Commission has been notified of this sale and voted to approve the acceptance of Phase 5, Lot 6 final plat to be accepted by council. The acceptance of this plat will allow for the lot to transfer to the new owner, who has an approved zoning permit for a new house.

ORDINANCE RENAM-ING RIVERSIDE PARK

ENCLOSED:

After research, it was found that the park can be renamed by council and it is proposed that the park be renamed: "Riverside Veteran's Memorial Park". The ordinance will receive three readings, with the first reading scheduled for Monday night. UTILITY COMMITTEE **MEETING:** After discussion on park-

ing lot problems on the lot owned by the Village on W. River Street, a utility committee meeting was held on June 23, 2017, to look at possible solutions. The problems at the lot were caused by disabled vehicles being let in the lot tying up limited parking for local business. The committee felt they did not want to introduce a new ordinance to deal with this as the Ohio Basic Code currently has a section to address disabled vehicles left on public lots. The committee will recommend to council that we follow the basic code section 95.05 which states disabled vehicles that are left for more than 48 hours in a public lot must contact the Chief of Police to explain the reason for leaving the vehicle in the lot.

The committee would ask the police department to keep an eye on the lot and if problems continue, 48-hour signs will be posted.

PAULDING COUNTY **HOSPITAL'S NEW MED-ICAL OFFICE BUILDING** AND EXERCISE ROOM TO BREAK GROUND SOON:

The Paulding County Hospital conducted a ground breaking on July 12, 2017, for their new medical office and exercise room. The Village also conducted a public hearing on their request for a conditional use permit on June 21, 2017, at Village Hall. The lots where the hospital intends to build is zoned R-1, single family. Medical offices are an allowable conditional use. No objection to the conditional use permit was received and the conditional use permit was approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals. The hospital wants to have the new building completed preferably by the end of the year or first quarter of 2018.

CHANGES TO BUSINESS TAXPAYERS SUBMIT-TED TO BUDGET BILL

PASSAGE: As a part of the Ohio Budget Bill passing, business taxpayers can elect to file municipal net profit returns with the Ohio Department of Taxation, effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. The Ohio Tax Commissioner will charge .5% fee to municipalities for dollars collected and distribute once a month to municipalities. The bill also eliminates the net profit sales throwback rule also effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. The bill moves the due date for an individual's fourth quarter estimate from December 15th to January 15th – while keeping the due date at December 15th for non-individuals. Finally, it requires municipalities to adopt updated income tax ordi-

nances by January 31st, 2018

to reflect the newly created

sections of R.C. Chapter 718.

NEXT LEVEL ROADS PLAN

Kruse (R-Auburn) During the 2017 legislative session, Indiana lawmakers knew the state was facing a \$1-billion-per-year infrastructure funding gap in the coming years. To tackle this problem head-on, the legislature passed a long-term plan to fund road and bridge im-

By: State Sen. Dennis

When fully implemented, House Enrolled Act 1002 will meet our infrastructure needs by creating \$1.2 billion in road funding per year.

provements across the state.

This plan is based on a user-fee philosophy. Those who use our roads the most will pay the most for their upkeep, but will also get the most benefit. The money from HEA 1002 will be used to take care of what we have, finish what we've started and plan for the

The revenue generated from this law, which took effect July 1, is already being funneled to county and local governments. Gov. Eric Holcomb has

been traveling across the state detailing projects for the first five years of the 20-year initiative. As announced, the five-year plan invests about \$4.7 billion to resurface nearly 10,000 road miles and repair or replace 1,300 bridges. It also dedicates \$342 million per year for local road projects.

Included in the Next Level Roads Plan, roads and bridges in Senate District 14 will see major improvements. Over the next five years:

• Allen County will receive a total of \$83,023,919, which will be used to resurface 310 road miles and repair or replace nine bridges, and

• DeKalb County will receive a total of \$34,755,765, which will resurface 196 road miles and repair or replace 10

I supported HEA 1002 because it created a sustainable, long-term plan that will allow Indiana to significantly improve the condition of our roads and bridges, which are critical to a healthy state economy. Most importantly, this responsible plan won't burden our children or grandchildren with mountains of debt.

The Next Level Roads Plan can be found by visiting: http://www.in.gov/indot/div/ nextlevel.

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lunch Seniors can play euchre, bridge or bingo.

Motor Coach trips - contact New Haven Parks & Recreation Dept at 260-749-2212 for more details & prices

August 15 - Motor Coach trip to Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids along with ride on Grand Lady Riverboat.

KIDS ACTIVITIES:

Every Saturday in August at Moser Park Nature Center 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Pre-K Nature Discovery -

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2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. All ages can Plug into Nature & escape your daily routine to enjoy the outdoors. Explore woodlands & swamp habitats, pond life, & native plants Wednesday, August 2

Canvas 4 All Footprint Canvas 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Step by step instructive painting class for kids but we encourage parents, grandparents to sign up with their child. Saturday, August 5 Can-

vas 4 Kids Ages 5-7 Alien Canvas 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Step by step instructive painting class with kids being guided each step with freedom & encouragement to add

Saturday, August 12 Canvas 4 Kids Ages 8-12 Minecraft 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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PAGE 8 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 25, 2017 **"SOFTBALL TEAMS FIND OUT NEW IHSAA CLASSIFICATIONS**"

High school softball teams in the state of Indiana found out their new classifications for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years as released by the Indiana High School Athletic Association.

Area teams in Class 4A will include Homestead, Northrop, Snider, North Side, South Side, Wayne, East Noble and DeKalb.

In Class 3A, the trio of Heritage, Leo and New Haven are joined by Bishop Dwenger, Jay County, Columbia City, Angola Concordia, Norwell, West Noble, Bellmont, Bishop Luers and Garrett.

Woodlan will take part in Class 2A along with Bluffton, Central Noble, Adams Central, Eastside, South Adams, Canterbury and Churubusco.

Fremont and Southern Wells will participate in Class 1A as well.

"DOGRUYOL TO REPRE-SENT LOCAL SCHOOLS ON SAC"

Junior Refik Omer Dogruyol of Wayne High School will represent northeast Indiana on the Indiana High School Athletic Association Student Advisory Committee as released by the IHSAA last

Dogruyol is one of nine juniors on the committee, which represents the IHSAA membership of 409 schools across the state of Indiana.

Other juniors on the committee are Kye Barrett (Mooresville), Caroline Cherry (Bloomington North), Carmen Johnson (Monrovia), Makinzi Meurer (North Knox), Caitlyn Reynolds (Springs Valley), CeCe Robinson (Plymouth), Benjamin Vanderwall (North Newton) and Andrew Walkowski

(South Bend Riley).

Seniors on the IHSAA SAC are Alexis Brown (Oldenburg Academy), Matthew Cotner (Highland), Carter Filchak (Bremen), Taylor Hall (Indianapolis Crispus Attucks), Warren McWilliams (Evansville Central), Myra Miller (Indianapolis Cathedral), Kylie Shourds (South Spencer), Maci Weeks (Greentown Eastern) and Korbin Zvorkel (Wes-Del). The SAC meets four times

annually, twice each semester, and is responsible for hosting meetings with student peers at the upcoming Fall Area Principal Meetings. The committee also assists with awards ceremonies at IHSAA state championships along with planning and administering the IHSAA Student Learning Conference in June.

"IHSAA RELEASES BASE-**BALL CLASSIFICATIONS**"

The Indiana High School Athletic Association released the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 high school baseball classifications recently with some northeast Indiana schools switching classes.

Leo will move up to Class 4A for the coming school year, joining other area schools such as Northrop, Snider, North Side, South Side, Wayne, East Noble and DeKalb.

New Haven and Heritage will be joined in Class 3A with the likes of Angola, Concordia, Norwell, West Noble, Bellmont, Bishop Luers and

Woodlan will take part in Class 2A along with Bluffton, Central Noble, Adams Central, Eastside, South Adams,

Canterbury and Churubusco. Fremont and Southern Wells will participate in Class 1A as well.

SHERWOOD HOMECOMING





Homecoming at Sherwood took place on Saturday, July 22. Many people from around the area drove over for the parade and the events downtown. Along with the Fire and EMS departments, the veterans came through next, businesses such has Sherwood Bank, Harts Machine shop and several churches, driving a Late 1920's Ford Model T, were represented. You could also hear the Fairview Apache Marching Band perform their

class band marches.

After the parade of candy the downtown area was filled with amusement blowup houses and obstacle courses. The fire house was serving food and there was also The Casual Pig BBQ on site. Many people were there having a good time around the dunk tank.

Even with the bridge being out, Sherwood had a great time on US 127.

2017 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

The Paulding Athletic Department and Athletic Boosters will be inducting two new members into Paulding Athletic Hall of Fame prior to the Paulding vs. Wayne Trace Football Game at approximately 6:10 p.m. on August 25, 2017. The Hall of Fame Committee has selected 1962 graduate Steve Penn and the 1983 Varsity Football Team. Below you will find a bio for each of our new inductees. We are still seeking contact information for some members of the 1983 Varsity Football Team, so if anyone has contact information for any of the players, please contact Brock Bergman, Athletic Director, at b_bergman@pauld-

ingschools.org. Steve Penn

Steve Penn graduated from Paulding High School in 1962. He earned 12 varsity letters while at Paulding, including 4 each in football and basketball, 3 in track, and 1 in

baseball. In football, Steve started at quarterback all 4 years in high school. He was All-League during his sophomore, junior, and senior years. During his sophomore season. he passed for 1,356 yards and 15 touchdowns. Steve earned the honor of Most Valuable Player

during the 1961 season. In track, Steve lettered in his sophomore, junior, and senior seasons. During his senior season, Steve ran in the 880 relay at the State Champi-

onships at OSU in Columbus. After high school, Steve went on to the Case Institute of Technology (now named Case Western Reserve University) and played football. Technology Major.

After graduating college, Steve went on to have success in many positions, including working at Lockheed and Lockheed Martin from 1991-2009. While at Lockheed and Lockheed Martin, he managed systems and software development projects. Steve retired in 2009.

Phoenixville, Pennsylvania and is retired.

finished the season with a

10-0 record, the second perfect season in five years for Paulding. This team won the first Northwest Conference Championship since 1978. The 10 wins tied a school record for wins in a season with the 1978 team.

Some of the highlights from the season include:

Finished rated #15 in the Associated Press State Poll

Rated #2 in Class AA by the Lima News Ranked 1st in Offense and

west Conference Ranked 6th in Offense and 7th in Defense in the Lima

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Area News out of 41 teams Ranked 2nd in Offense and 4th in Defense in the

Crescent News out of 26 Only undefeated team in the Defiance Six County Area

Continued winning streaks of 11 straight games Northwest Conference games and 14 straight games overall. Winners of 10 straight away

The margin of victory was 17 points per game

The team completed a seven year run where Paulding was either the Northwest Conference champion or runner-up five of those years and had a record of 51-19

Seven Panthers received 1st Team Northwest Conference honors while three others earned 2nd Team honors, and five players earned Honorable Mention

SECRETARY HUSTED CER-TIFIES SIGNATURES FOR **MARSY'S LAW EFFORT**

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted certified that Marsy's Law proponents have met the necessary requirements to place their proposed constitutional amendment, titled the "Ohio Crime Victims Bill of Rights," on the November 2017 General Election Ballot.

Petitioners were required to submit at least 305,591 valid signatures, a number equal to 10 percent of the total votes cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election, 2014. The petitioners of Marsy's Law satisfied

this requirement through the submission of 371,749 valid signatures statewide.

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As part of the total number of signatures needed to place the measure on the ballot, petitioners are also required to have submitted signatures from at least 44 of Ohio's 88 counties, and within each of those counties, collected enough signatures equal to five percent of the total vote cast for governor in the most recent gubernatorial election, 2014. The petitioners met this requirement, having collected enough signatures to meet the five percent threshold in 54 counties.

Having met the constitutional and legal requirements to place the matter before Ohio voters, the issue will appear on the ballot during the General Election held on November 7, 2017. The next step in the process is for the Ballot Board to convene to approve the ballot language that voters will consider this fall.

It is the constitutional and statutory duty of the Secretary of State to verify and certify signatures submitted for citizen-initiated constitutional amendments, initiated statutes and legislative referenda.

PICKLEBALL CLINIC AT THE **TENNIS COURT**

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He earned a varsity letter during his sophomore, junior, and senior seasons. Steve earned the Les Bale Award in 1965, which was given to the Most Valuable Player. Steve graduated with a B.S.in Engineering with a Computer

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1983 Paulding Football

The 1983 Football Team

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USDA OPENS MORE LAND FOR EMERGENCY HAYING AND GRAZING

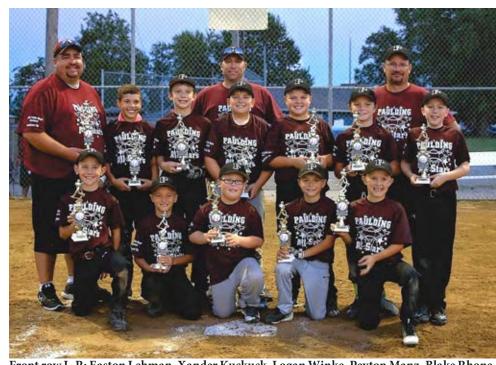
Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is authorizing the use of additional Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) lands for emergency grazing and haying in and around portions of Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota affected by severe drought. USDA is adding the ability for farmers and ranchers in these areas to hay and graze CRP wetland and buffer practices.

"We are working to immediately address the dire straits drought-stricken facing farmers and ranchers," said Perdue. "USDA is fully considering and authorizing any federal programs or related provisions we have available to meet the immediate needs of impacted producers."

For CRP practices previously announced, including those authorized today, Secretary Perdue is allowing this emergency action during and after the primary nesting season, where local drought conditions warrant in parts of Montana, North Dako-



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Front row L-R: Easton Lehman, Xander Kuckuck, Logan Winke, Peyton Manz, Blake Rhonehouse. Second row L-R: Kane Jones, Greyson Harder, Brandon Schroeder, Grady Barton, Alex Baughman, Max Stork. Coaches: Ben Barton, Nick Stork, Bob Lehman; Missing coach: Matt Arellano

have reached D2, or "severe", drought level or greater according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. This includes counties with any part of their border located within 150 miles of authorized counties within the three states, and may extend into Idaho, Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota and Wyoming. All emergency grazing must end Sept. 30, 2017 and emergency haying must end Aug. 31, 2017.

The Secretary said that epic dry conditions, as high as D4 in some areas, coupled with an intense heatwave have left pastures in poor or very poor condition resulting in the need for ranchers to, at best, supplement grain and hay and at worst, sell their

Landowners interested in emergency having or grazing of CRP acres should contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office and meet with the local Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) staff to obtain a modified conservation plan to include emergency haying/grazing. Individual conservation plans will take into consideration wildlife needs. CRP participants are reminded that a certain percentage of fields must be left unhayed or ungrazed.

Additional information about the counties approved for emergency having and grazing and the eligible CRP practices in this area is available at www.fsa.usda.gov/

For more information on CRP emergency grazing and haying, or other disaster assistance programs and loans, contact your local USDA Service Center, visit http://offices.usda.gov.

HOUSE APPROVES LEGIS-LATION TO PROVIDE MORE TIME AND FLEXIBILITY TO IMPLEMENT OZONE **REQUIREMENTS**

The U.S. House of Representatives approved legislation H.R. 806, the Ozone Standards Implementation Act, to provide more time and flexibility to meet federal ozone requirements and streamline the implementation process. Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) voted in favor of the legislation. He was an original co-sponsor of the legislation when it was introduced in February. The bill updates how the Environmental Protection Agency addresses ozone standards under the Clean Air Act in order to ensure that states aren't complying with two different standards simultaneously.

"We don't need to punish our energy, manufacturing, and chemical sectors in order to achieve our clean air goals," said Latta. "Our country has made tremendous progress in reducing ozone levels and improving air quality. A major reason for that is because we've set goals

attainable. Providing more time and flexibility to meet the EPA's most recent standards will help give states the ability to reach these benchmarks without harming job creation and local economies. We all share the goal of clean air and water, and we can do it in a way that makes fiscal

implementation to 2025, as states attempt to meet the 2008 EPA standards. The phased in schedule would ensure less confusion, complexity, and uncertainty for states trying to meet the EPA's requirements.

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD

This 17th day of July 2017, the Board of County Commission, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members pres-ent: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsber-ry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk Absent: Tony

and economic sense." The Ozone Standards Implementation Act addresses the overlap between standards issued by the EPA in 2008 and 2015. Despite only receiving guidelines from the EPA for the 2008 ozone standards in March 2015, they were expected to implement 2015 guidelines only seven months later as well. This meant that states are effectively complying with two separate standards at the same time. The Ozone Standards Implementation Act extends the compliance date for the 2015 standards

OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 7/17/17

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tor for payment.
IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING
THE 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

(FUND 013)
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board

of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2017 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Ditch Mainte-nance (SWCD) Fund (Fund 013), to-wit; (SWCD)/Ditch Maintenance AMOUNT: IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION

(FUND 079)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2017 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the EMA Fund (Fund 079), to-wit; 079-001-00011/EMA/ Other Expenses AMOUNT: \$3,433.70 This 17th day of July, being the day advertised in the West Bend News, a

advertised in the West Bend News, a paper of general circulation within the County, as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, one bid was received and opened for the 2017 Paulding County Cold Mix Paving Project, to-wit; BID-DER Ward Construction Co., 385 Oak Street, Leipsic OH 45856 BID AMOUNT \$841,233.05; BIDDER Henry W. Bergman, Inc., 218 E 9th Street, Genoa OH 43430 BID AMOUNT \$828,293.30

The Paulding County Engineer's es-

The Paulding County Engineer's estimate for the project is \$907,465.34. The specifications will be studied with a determination to be made later.

Meeting Notes of Appointments Robert Fisher, Village Administrator Mr. Fisher announced he will represent the Village of Paulding on the Land Bank Board. Referring to the First Responder Training Facility, he reported the Village will decide at this evening's council meet-ing if they can fund the cost (or a portion of the cost) for the water line installation to the site. The Commissioners noted there are several entities that are donating time/manpower, stone, fencing, etc. for

Chad Crosby, Engineer's Office -Mr. Crosby opened the bids for the 2017 Paulding County Cold Mix Paving Proj-

Landers, Paulding County Sheriff - Mr. Landers presented an MOU Sheriff - Mr. Landers presented an MOU with the Paulding County Hospital to provide a nurse practitioner for the Paulding County Jail. Sheriff Landers reported the re-opening of the jail has relieved his deputies the transportation issues to and from Putnam County Jail.

Jerry Zielke, PCED - Mr. Zielke pre-

jerry Zielke, PCED - Mr. Zielke presented the May and June 2017 PCED Director's report. He thanked the Commissioners for attending the ground breaking for the Van Crest of Payne expansion. The facility will be adding a 14,000 square feet for skilled nursing and rehab. There will be 25 new beds and will create 20 full time and 10 part time inche Mr. Zielke also time and 10 part time jobs. Mr. Zielke also reported working on getting a couple of gas stations cleaned up, one in Antwerp and the other in the Cecil area. Grant and the other in the Cecil area. Grant applications are being submitted to assist in the cost of the clean up process. Groundbreaking was held on July 12 for the Paulding Hospital Medical Building in Antwerp. Other projects of interest:

Kirk Stoller Enterprises, LTD - Construction has started on a new \$150,000

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building in Latty; Black Swamp Greenhouse - Mr. Zielke continues to work with owners on expanding the operation;
Railroad along US 24- Improve

ments continue along all sections of the railroad. A Tiger grant is being sought for additional funding in 2017;

Harrison Township EDP/Amazon Wind Farm Project - Project is completed and is currently operating and certified PILOT payment will be assessed in 2018 and collected in 2019. Mr. Zielke and the Commissioners continue to work on get-ting the set backs requirements returned to a level that will help in further devel-opment in the county; US 127 and Gasser Road widening project - The Village of

Road widening project - The Village of Paulding has accepted a bid for construction planning this summer;

Devonshire /REIT-Paulding Place - Molded ceiling panels from the former Alco building have been removed;

Blue Creek/Latty Wind Farm Project - Trishe Wind Energy has submitted additional generation units to the power sitting board. Project is moving slowly forward.

PCED has gained ten new members PCED has gained ten new members

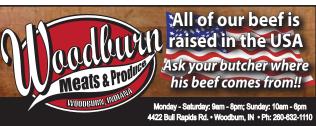
so far this year and has received \$1,350.00 in memberships. MVPO is working on updating the Regional Comupdating the Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and will also be looking at updating the Paulding County CEDS. CEDS is necessary for federal USDA and EDA grants for both communities and businesses. A national Health Insurance broker based in Toledo (Brown and ance broker based in Toledo (Brown and

Brown Insurance) will be moving into an office in the Small Business Innovative Center on August 1, 2017. Mr. Ziel-ke continues to keep very busy respond-ing to 451 phone calls and e-mail contacts during the months of May and June. He also attended 21 meetings and took part in 7 webinars during the same time frame.

Duane Stateler, Stateler Family Farms; Emily Bir, Director of Communications, Ohio Pork Council; Alison Sprang, intern - Mr. Stateler provided power point handouts and reviewed the handout with the Commissioners. He owns and operates a family farm in McComb Ohio Mr. Stateler, provided some Comb, Ohio. Mr. Stateler provided some interesting facts about pork production. He noted 12.1 billion pounds of pork were He noted 12.1 billion pounds of pork were produced in 1959, compared to 22.8 billion pounds in 2009. Mr. Stateler pointed out that today's U.S. pig farmers are feeding more people than ever before. And, it was noted, pig farmers are paying close attention to water use, land use, and the carbon footprint. Pig barns are equipped with high tech ventilation systems (fans, misters, and heaters) to help keep pigs comfortable year round. Each barn is also equipped with a water source, as well as equipped with a water source, as well as automatic feeders (or workers who feed). There are strict biosecurity protocols keeps pigs health, safe, and clean. Some pig barns are made with slatted floors with a storage tank/lagoon under the barn for collection purposes. Manure is only spread a few times per year. He noted a normal pig operation/barn will produce 950,000 gallons of manure per year, which will fertilize a 180 acres of corn. A which will fertilize a 180 acres of corn. An ormal sized barn will house 2,400 pigs. Mr. Stateler noted he utilizes people on court probation as his barn washing crew. He also hires high school kids to help load the pigs for market. Mr. Stateler stated that in the past, it was good for a sow to have 22.23 pickets was Nove New 2000. have 22-23 piglets per year. Now, a sow can produce 30 or more piglets per year. The economic impact pig farms have are as follows: barn builders and electricians. as follows: Dark bunders and electricians, crop farmers to provide feed, transportation/delivery companies and drivers, veterinarians, office support, processing companies, and local food stores or markets. Mr. Stateler's family has farmed since 1874. Ms. Sprang distributed flyers from the Ohio Pork Council.

Taylor Shaffer, County Court Proba-tion - Ms. Shaffer presented a grant for the

Commissioners' signatures. John Moon, Grover Hill Mayor - Mr. Moon met with the Commissioners at his request to discuss draining issues in



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FIRST DEFIANCE FINAN-CIAL CORP. ANNOUNCES 2017 SECOND QUARTER **EARNINGS**

Diluted earnings per share of \$0.82 for 2017 second quarter, up from \$0.80 in the 2016 second quarter.

Net income of \$8.3 million for 2017 second quarter, up from \$7.3 million in the 2016 second quarter.

Return on average assets of 1.15% for the 2017 second quarter compared to 1.22% in the 2016 second quarter.

Net interest margin of 3.89% for the 2017 second quarter, up from 3.71% in the 2016 second quarter. Loan growth of \$16.4

million during 2017 second

Non-performing assets of \$31.0 million for 2017 second quarter compared to \$17.5 million for 2016 second quar-

First Defiance Financial Corp. (NASDAQ: FDEF) announced that net income for the second quarter ended June 30, 2017, totaled \$8.3 million, or \$0.82 per diluted common share compared to \$7.3 million or \$0.80 per diluted common share for the quarter ended June 30, 2016. The second quarter 2017 includes the results from the operations of Commercial Bancshares, Inc. and its banking subsidiary Commercial Savings Bank (collectively "CSB") following their acquisition on February 24, 2017, and Corporate One Benefits Agency, Inc. ("Corporate One") acquired April

"Our second quarter fi-nancial results clearly reflect the expected operating performance enhancements from our recent acquisitions as compared to the second quarter last year revenues

grew 24.3%, the net interest margin was 3.89% up from 3.71%, and the efficiency ratio improved to 59.0% from 61.5%," said Donald P. Hileman, President and Chief Executive Officer of First Defiance Financial Corp. "While higher charge-offs for credit losses partially offset these improvements in the second quarter, we expect the benefits from our mergers to continue elevating our ongoing performance.' Net Interest Income up

Compared to Second Quarter

Net interest income of \$24.6 million in the second quarter of 2017 was up from \$19.4 million in the second quarter of 2016. The increase was mostly attributable to a full quarter of operations from the CSB merger, but also included recovered interest and prepayment penalties totaling \$307,000 compared to \$119,000 in the second quarter last year. Net interest margin was 3.89% for the second quarter of 2017, up from 3.81% in the first quarter of 2017, and up from 3.71% in the second quarter of 2016. Yield on interest earning assets increased by 23 basis points, to 4.33% in the second quarter of 2017 from 4.10% in the second quarter of 2016. The cost of interest-bearing liabilities increased by 7 basis points in the second quarter of 2017 to 0.58% from 0.51% in the second quarter of 2016.

"Strong growth in our net interest income was driven by the successful Commercial Bancshares merger, our solid organic growth over the last vear and our steady net interest margin," said Hileman. 'The combination of these factors generated net interest income growth of \$5.2 million or 27.0% over the second quarter last year." Non-Interest Income up from Second Quarter 2016

First Defiance's non-interest income for the second quarter of 2017 was \$10.1 million compared with \$8.6 million in the second quarter of 2016. The increase in total non-interest income was largely due to the inclusion of operations from the CSB and Corporate One mergers completed in 2017. In addition, the second quarter of 2017 included gains of \$267,000 from the sale of securities compared to gains of \$227,000 in the second quarter of 2016.

Mortgage banking income was \$1.8 million in the second quarter of 2017, even with \$1.8 million in the second quarter of 2016. Mortgage originations totaled \$64.2 million in the second quarter of 2017, up seasonally from the first quarter of 2017 but down from \$76.0 million in the same quarter last year. Gains from the sale of mortgage loans decreased in the second quarter of 2017 to \$1.3 million from \$1.4 million in the second quarter of 2016. Mortgage loan servicing revenue was \$924,000 in the second quarter of 2017, up slightly from \$876,000 in the second quarter of 2016. First Defiance had a positive change in the valuation adjustment in mortgage servicing assets of \$16,000 in the second quarter of 2017 compared with a negative adjustment of \$104,000 in the second quarter of 2016. In addition, gains on the sale of non-mortgages, which include SBA and FSA loans, totaled \$90,000 in the second quarter 2017 compared to \$411,000 in the second quar-

For the second quarter of 2017, commissions from the sale of insurance products

were \$3.3 million, up from \$2.5 million in the second quarter of 2016 primarily due to added commissions from the Corporate One merger. Service fees and other charges were \$3.2 million in the second quarter of 2017, up from \$2.8 million in the second quarter of 2016. Trust income was \$464,000 in the second quarter of 2017, up 13.4% from \$409,000 in the second quarter of 2016. Other non-interest income was \$612,000 in the second quarter of 2017, up from \$231,000 in the second quarter of 2016 mainly due to gains from the sale of real estate owned and sales of investments. "Non-interest

growth this quarter reflects our expanding operations and the contributions from our recent mergers. Insurance commissions and bank service fees had strong gains compared to the second quarter last year, more than offsetting the decline in the gain on sale of non-mortgage loans," continued Hileman. "Overall total non-interest income, excluding securities gains, increased 18.3% over this same period in the prior year."

Non-Interest Expenses up from Second Quarter 2016

Total non-interest expense was \$20.6 million in the second quarter of 2017, an increase from \$17.3 million in the second quarter of 2016. The increase in non-interest expenses was mostly due to the additional expenses for the operations of CSB and Corporate One mergers completed in 2017. Compensation and benefits increased to \$11.5 million in the second quarter of 2017, compared to \$9.8 million in the second quarter of 2016. Both occupancy expense and data processing equaled \$2.0 million,

Phone: 419-258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net KIDS CLOSET 2017



Cadem, Donnique, and Braylan are shown going through a closet looking for clothing to donate for Kids Closet 2017. Donations of gently used clothing for kids in preschool through grade 12 will be accepted at the Paulding Elementary School gym on Thursday, August 10th from 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Donations will also be accepted on Friday, August 12th from 9:00 - 5:00 p.m. The clothing giveaway will be Saturday, August 12th from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. Drawings for door prizes will take place as well!

up from \$1.8 million and \$1.6 million, respectively, in the second quarter of 2016. Other non-interest expense of \$4.0 million in the second quarter of 2017 was up from \$3.2 million in the second quarter of 2016, which included \$299,000 of merger related transaction costs recorded in the second quarter of 2017.

Credit Quality

Non-performing loans totaled \$30.4 million at June 30,

2017, an increase from \$16.4 million at June 30, 2016. The increase was mainly attributable to two loan relationships totaling \$13.6 million that were downgraded in the second quarter. In addition, First Defiance had \$672,000 of real estate owned at June 30, 2017, compared to \$1.1 million at June 30, 2016. Accruing troubled debt restructured loans were \$10.5 million at June 30, 2017, compared with \$9.6

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Saturday, August 5th from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. • In Grabill

Join us for our Summer Spectacular Member Appreciation Day on Saturday, August 5th from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at our new Grabill Location: 13350 Country Shoal Lane. We will have food and snacks all day along with a bouncy house for the kids!

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Begins on Saturday, August 5th to Friday, September 8th.

Apply for up to a \$5,000 Summer Sizzle Signature Loan with a term limit of 36 months at a rate as low as 4.99% APR.

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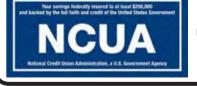
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RULES FOR THE BEAT-THE-CLOCK SPECIALS

- 1. The base 4.99% APR (annual percentage rate) begins at 2:01 PM on 8/5/17 and continues through 9/8/17 for the Summer Sizzle Signature loan. 4 99% APR equals \$150 per month for 36 months.
- 2. The Summer Sizzle auto loan special will begin at 2:01 PM on 8/5/17 and continue through 9/8/17. The published rate will be the credit union rate as of 8/1/17. 3. Signature Loan and Auto Loan rates are on an "as low as" basis from 9:00 AM to 2
- 4. Payments for signature loans are based upon \$5,000 borrowed for 36 months. Payments for auto loans are based upon \$10,000 borrowed for 48 months
- Examples of these payments do not include any additional insurance products that the applicant may elect to purchase.
- 5. The administrator's computer is the official timekeeping device for the Beat-the-Clock Specials. ALL Summer Sizzle APR loan rates will be determined by the time stamp from the official administrator's computer assigned at the time the loan application is received. Loan applications WILL NOT be accepted prior to 9 AM, Saturday August 5, 2017 for the Beat-the-Clock Specials. NO EARLY BIRDS! Any and all specials are subject to normal credit-granting guidelines of the credit union. Some restrictions may apply. Membership and eligibility required. Only one loan of each type is permitted per member on August 5, 2017.





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million at June 30, 2016.

As a result of the loan downgrades, the second quarter 2017 results include net charge-offs of \$2.0 million and a provision for loan losses of \$2.1 million compared with net recoveries \$227,000 and a provision of \$53,000 for the same period in 2016.

The allowance for loan loss as a percentage of total loans was 1.15% at June 30, 2017, compared with 1.15% at March 31, 2017 and 1.39% at June 30, 2016. The decrease in the allowance for loan loss as a percentage of total loans was primarily attributable to the CSB acquisition. The CSB loans acquired were recorded at fair value with purchase accounting adjustments discounting the loan balance instead of an allowance for loan losses. For the CSB loans acquired, the discount recorded totaled \$5.0 million, or 1.7% of acquired CSB loans at June

30, 2017. "We were very disappointed in the loan downgrades and the rise in non-performing loan totals this quarter," said Hileman. "After closely reviewing these situations, we remain confident in our lending and credit management practices. We believe that our overall asset quality is sound and that we will regain our improved position in the quarters ahead.

Year-To-Date Results

For the six-month period ended June 30, 2017, net income totaled \$13.5 million, or \$1.37 per diluted common share, compared to \$14.4 million, or \$1.59 per diluted common share for the six months ended June 30, 2016. The first six months of 2017 includes the results from the operations of the CSB acquisition completed on February 24, 2017 and Corporate One

acquired on April 1, 2017. In addition, the first six months of 2017 includes merger and conversion expenses related to the acquisitions of \$3.9 million, which had an after tax impact of \$2.8 million, or \$0.28 per diluted share.

Net interest income was \$46.3 million for the first six months of 2017 compared with \$38.6 million in the first six months of 2016. Average interest-earning assets increased to \$2.47 billion in the first six months of 2017 compared to \$2.13 billion in the first six months of 2016. Net interest margin for the first six months of 2017 was 3.86%, up 11 basis points from the 3.75% margin reported in the six month period ended June

The provision for loan losses in the first six months of 2017 was \$2.2 million compared to \$417,000 recorded during the first six months of

Non-interest income for the first six months of 2017 was \$20.7 million compared to \$17.2 million during the same period of 2016. The first six months of 2017 includes the operating results from the CSB and Corporate One mergers completed in 2017 and a \$1.5 million enhancement value gain related to the purchase of bank owned life insurance in the first quarter

Service fees and other charges were \$5.9 million for the first six months of 2017, up from \$5.4 million during the same period of 2016. Mortgage banking income was \$3.6 million for the first six months of 2017 compared with \$3.3 million during the same period of 2016. Insurance commissions rose to \$6.8 million for the first six months of 2017 compared

with \$5.6 million for the same period of 2016. Non-interest income for the first six months of 2017 included \$267,000 of gains from the sale of securi-

ties compared with securities gains of \$358,000 during the same period of 2016.

Non-interest expense was \$43.8 million for the first six months of 2017, up from \$34.6 million for the same period of 2016. Compensation and benefits expense was \$25.8 million for the first six months of 2017 compared with \$20.0 million during the same period of 2016. Expenses also included increases in occupancy of \$178,000, data processing of \$857,000, amortization of intangibles of \$263,000 and other expenses of \$1.9 million.

Total Assets at \$2.9 Billion Total assets at June 30, 2017, were \$2.89 billion compared to \$2.48 billion at December 31, 2016, and \$2.41 billion at June 30, 2016. The increase reflected at June 30, 2017 is primarily due to the acquisition of CSB effective February 24, 2017, which added \$368.3 million to total assets, net of \$12.3 million paid in cash, at consummation.

Net loans receivable (excluding loans held for sale) were \$2.23 billion at June 30, 2017, compared to \$1.91 billion at December 31, 2016, and \$1.86 billion at June 30, 2016. The acquisition of CSB added \$285.4 million to the loan portfolio. At June 30, 2017, excluding the CSB acquired loans, net loans receivable grew \$107.3 million, or 5.8% from a year ago.

Also, at June 30, 2017, goodwill and other intangible assets totaled \$104.5 million compared to \$63.1 million at December 31, 2016, and \$63.4 million at June 30, 2016. The increase in 2017 was attributable to the acquisitions of CSB and Corporate One which together added \$41.9 to goodwill and intangibles.

Total deposits at June 30, 2017, were \$2.33 billion compared with \$1.98 billion at December 31, 2016, and \$1.92 billion at June 30, 2016. The acquisition of CSB added \$308.0 million to total deposits. At June 30, 2017, excluding the CSB acquired deposits, total deposits grew \$98.4 million, or 5.1% from a year

Total stockholders' equity was \$361.4 million at June 30, 2017, compared to \$293.0 million at December 31, 2016, and \$286.6 million at June 30, 2016. The acquisition of CSB in 2017 added \$56.5 million to total equity.

Dividend to be Paid Au-

gust 25 The Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per common share payable August 25, 2017, to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 18, 2017. The dividend represents an annual dividend of 1.90 percent based on the First Defiance common

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stock closing price on July 14, 2017. First Defiance has approximately 10,148,821 common shares outstanding.

Conference Call

First Defiance Financial Corp. will host a conference call at 11:00 a.m. ET on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, to discuss the earnings results and business trends. The conference call may be accessed by calling 1-877-444-1726. In addition, a live webcast may be accessed at http://services.choruscall.com/links/ fdef170718.html.

The replay of the conference call Webcast will be available at www.fdef.com until July 18, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. ET.

First Defiance Financial Corp.

First Defiance Financial Corp. (NASDAQ:FDEF), headquartered in Defiance, Ohio, is the holding company for First Federal Bank of the Midwest, First Insurance Group and Corporate One Benefits. First Federal Bank operates 42 full-service branches and numerous ATM locations in northwest and central Ohio, southeast Michigan and northeast Indiana. First Insurance Group, including its division Corporate One Benefits, is a full-service insurance agency with ten offices throughout northwest Ohio.

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tainties detailed from time to time in our Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) filings, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016. One or more of these factors have affected or could in the future affect First Defiance's business and financial results in future periods and could cause actual results to differ materially from plans and projections. Therefore, there can be no assurances that the forward-looking statements included in this news release will prove to be accurate. In light of the significant uncertainties in the forward-looking statements included herein, the inclusion of such information should not be regarded as a representation by First Defiance or any other persons, that our objectives and plans will be achieved. All forward-looking statements made in this news release are based on information presently available to the management of First Defiance. We assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements.
As required by U.S. GAAP,

First Defiance will evaluate the impact of subsequent events through the issuance date of its June 30, 2017 consolidated financial statements as part of its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to be filed with the SEC. Accordingly, subsequent events could occur that may cause First Defiance to update its critical account-

ing estimates and to revise its financial information from that which is contained in this news release.

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Scott: Scott Variety Store

Sherwood: Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium,

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Van Wert: Family Video, Orchard Tree, Lee's Ace Hardware, Main Street Market - Marsh, Walmart,

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Hardware, Grabill Country Sales

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Do-

Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

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PAGE 12 - WEST BEND NEWS - JULY 25, 2017 PAULDING COUNTY BOARD MENTAL APPROPRIATION (FUND

OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES 7/10/17

of County Commissioners met in regu-lar session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Tony Zart-man, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter,

Warrants documented as 234466 through 234563 for county bills were ap-proved and certified to the County Audi-

tor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-

ING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS

Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on July 5, 2017, Warrants numbered 234354 through 234425 in the amount of \$457.45; and

WHEREAS, it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was

made ("then"), and at the time that the

County Auditor is completing the certifi-cation ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection,

to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code \$5705.41(D)(I), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then

County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted

it is found and determined that all formal

actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this res

olution were adopted in an open meeting

of this Board of County Commissioners and that all deliberations of this Board of

County Commissioners and of any of its

committees that resulted in such formal

action, were in meetings open to the pub-lic in compliance with all legal require-

ments including Section \$121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Mark Holtsberry, NOCAC Board eeting, Defiance OH - July 13, 2017 IN THE MATTER OF A SUPPLE-

TRAVEL REQUEST

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that

encumbrance: and

by the Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Paulding County

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

This 10th day of July, 2017, the Board

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does here-by direct the County Auditor to make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Infrastructure Fund (Fund 078), to-wit: FROM: Pay-In #114880 TO: 078-001 00001/Infrastructure/Infrastructure Expense AMOUNT: \$85,694.86
IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING

THE 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-017)
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board

of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2017 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds, to-wit; FROM:001-017-00016/General Fund/ Sheriff/Workers' Comp TO: 001-017-00024/General Fund/Sheriff/Insur-Fund/Sheriff/Insurance-Employees-Sheriff

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFY-ING THE 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-TION (FUND 001-017)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2017 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds, to-wit; FROM: 001.017.0016/General Englishment 001-017-00016/General Fund/Sheriff/ Workers' Comp TO: 001-017-00025/Gen-eral Fund/Sheriff/Insurance-Employ-ees-Jail AMOUNT: \$3,500.00

IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR THE 2017 ASPHALT PAV ING PAULDING COUNTY PROJECT

This 10th day of July, being the day advertised in the West Bend News, a paper of general circulation within the County as per Section 307.86 of the Ohio Revised Code, one bid was received and opened for the 2017 Asphalt Paving Paulding County Project, to-wit; BIDDER Gerken Paving, Inc., 9072 Co Rd 424, Napoleon OH 43545 BID AMOUNT \$1,878,244.17

The Paulding County Engineer's estimate for the project is \$1,862,596.70. The specifications will be studied with a determination to be made later

Mination to be made later.

Meeting Notes of Appointments
Chad Crosby, Engineer's Office - Mr.
Crosby opened the bid for the 2017 Asphalt Paving Paulding County Project (
see resolution above)

claudia Fickel, County Auditor - Ms.
Fickel presented the draft of the 2016 financial health indicator. She indicated the final report has not been released yet.
The full county audit will not be released yet.

The full county audit will not be released yet. until September. Ms. Fickel reminded the Commissioners she will soon be working

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I Don K. Foltz II - Broker • Paulding, OH • 106 N. Williams St. 45879 Call Maurice Wannemacher: 419-769-9090 for any of these listings below!



#2934 - "Country Living" \$194,900 All Modern 4 BR with 2 Baths, Living Room, Family Room, All new Kitchen, 1 Br main + Full bath, Maint. Room w/water heater, New Boiler, New Water Softner. Storm Cellar, all new laminate floors, al replaced windows, new vinyl siding, new roof, enclosed frt. porch. Patio in rear, 2 car unattached garage 2 doors mud room, potting shed, Plus Full Size Country Barn complete w New Sheet Metal over entire barn. Chip and Seal Driveway Lots of trees. Also Blacksmith Shop. Kohler 8M Watt Generator. Great Country Farm Setting. Great for Horses,

Pony, 4-H Projects of all kinds. 5284 Rd. 1, Payne, Ohio. On Ohio Indiana State Line. 16 miles from New Haven. Call Maurie Wannemacher to Inspect 419-769-9090

#2925 - Great 3 Bedroom, \$89,900 1 1/2 Bathrooms, Large Family Room with Brick Fireplace. Eat-in-Kitchen w/Oak Cupboards, Laminate Floor, all appliances. All carpeted Living Room. All 3 Bedrooms are nice size with closets some ceiling fans throughout home. Full Bath w/tub and shower combo. Utility Room w/Elect. water heater, 200 AMP Breaker Box. 1/2 Bath with stool, vanity, cabinets. Lg. closet of family Room. Mud Room as you enter to garage, 3 Year Old Roof! All vinyl siding, all windows are nice, many replaced, new doors. Large 24x36 Hip Roof Garage. Concrete floor w/attic. 7895 Rd. 87, Paulding Ohio, Call Maurie 419-769-9090/419-263-2523





This all modern, 2 or 3 bedrooms with 1 3/4 baths, Lg rustic amily room, living rm and dining room algining with option to 3rd bedroom here. All modern kitchen with most appliances Lg. utility room with 3/4 bath ajoining for easy use use. Heat in every room. All vinyl/brick exterior, like new roof in 2012. 1 ca attached, 3 car unattached garage. Partial paved drive. Extra lo with real neat pond with fence. Lots shade, perfect for family or older couple. Great location, like country. 121 Arturus St. Payne

Ohio. Call Maurie Wannemacher @ 419-769-9090 or 419-263-2523 for viewing property.

#2924 - All Updated - \$64,900 - 1 1/2 story home located at corner of N. Laura and Tucker St in Payne, Ohio. All vinyl siding, replacement windows, like new roof, crawl space, Big 32x40 attached garage all finished inside, with 3 overhead doors. Nat. Gas wall heater, plus Baseboard Elect. 3 Bedrooms, 2 up, 1 down Nice size Living Room and Dining Room. Eat in Kitchen w/appliances. Full Bath w/tub/shower combo. Utility Room, Enclosed front Porch. Nice corner lot. This home has been mostly updated throughout. Big yard. 439



N. Laura, Payne, Ohio. You must see this home to appreciate it. Call Maurie Wannemacher for viewing



FORANY

#2928 - "Country Livin" \$164,900 - On 5.003 acres. This nome is still like new. 4 Bedrooms, 2 Full, 1, half bath, all like new. Walk into a lg. Living Rm, Plus, you will love the Dining Rm. for company. All modern kitchen with oak cupboards. Family Rm. perfect for gatherings. Utility Room with washer and dryer remaining, and all the appliances remain, stove, ref, microwave. Gas forced air furnace with Central Air. All vinyl siding, all modern up to date windows. Attached garage

with work bench remaining. Lg kids swing set in rear yard All complete Fire Ring setup for family. 13681 Rd. 154, Paulding, Ohio. Call Maurie Wannemacher to view this home, 419-769-9090 "Pending

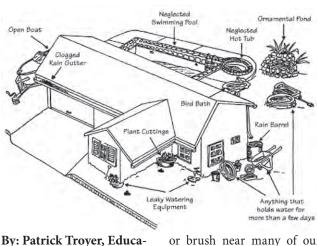
#2929 - Investment! - \$16,900 - This Mobile Home Park has bee located here for many years. There are 6 Mobile Home Lots Total with water and sewer hookup. There are on 4 Mobile Homes setting on Mobile Home Lots. These Mobile Homes are in need of repair before they can be rented. So whom ever buys this Park is aware that much work is needed to bring this park up to standards. Buyer responsible for any and all permits if needed from State or Village Maple St., Payne, Ohio. There is a need for this park, so TLC is whats needed: Call Maurie 419-769-9090



CALL MAURIE WANNEMACHER ABOVE LISTING... Realtor



MANAGING THOSE PESKY MOSQUITOES



tion Specialist How many times have

you been sitting outside and always seem to be swatting at mosquitoes constantly? As much as many of us enjoy the outdoors, we certainly do not enjoy anything biting us. We all know that with the warm weather of spring and summer also comes the insects. Sure, it might help to spray some repellant on you but don't you think there must be a simpler way to get rid of them isn't there? There sure is, but before we do that let's learn a little bit about the mosquito first.

Did you know that there are over 170 different species of mosquitoes just North America alone? That is quite a lot for just North America! According to Pest World, mosquitoes are best known as a pest of the summer that breeds very rapidly going from an egg to an adult in a matter of ten to fourteen days. Even though you may not be able to see it, but the mosquito has six legs, wings, antenna, and appear as a pale brown with a whitish strip across their abdomen. They are about 1/4" to 3/8" in size

So, do mosquitoes bite you? Not necessarily according to Pest World. Mosquitoes do not bite and its usually the females who pester us as they feed on plant nectar and blood from animals or humans. When the female mosquito feeds on blood, their goal is the protein found in blood which is very important when it comes to reproduction. The female uses her proboscis, which is a tubeshaped organ used by many insects as they are feeding, to pierce our skin enough that they can obtain the blood they desire. The males, on the other hand, have a diet that consists only of the sweet nectar produce by flowering plants.

Commonly, you will see mosquitoes most active at night when the temperatures are cool. Pest World writes that mosquitoes will fly up to 14 miles at a time to get a meal consisting of blood and that they find their food by sensing body heat and carbon dioxide given off when we exhale. We all know that mosquitoes need either a soft/ moist soil or standing water for them to breed. Many of us have a wading pool for our children or a birdbath around which provides the prime environment for the mosquito.

The Placer Mosquito & Vector Control District writes that mosquitoes will be found in areas of tall grass, weeds, or brush near many of our dwellings. Several other areas around our home can provide optimum habitat for mosquitoes such as a clogged rain gutter, neglected swimming pool, ornamental ponds, and just about anything that water stay in for more than a few According to Michigan

State Extension, mosquitoes will commonly be seen during the spring months when rainfall and standing water are a commonality. There are some mosquito species which require a large amount of water to breed or some that can simply have enough water or moisture in a storm drain or old tire. Climate Change can influence mosquitoes as we see earlier springs and longer summer allowing them to be around for longer periods of time and give them more of a chance to bring disease along with them as well as more time for us to be exposed to

So now that you know a little bit about the mosquito, how can we help to control this pest? The Placer Mosquito & Vector Control District offers a variety of tips to control mosquitoes around your home. The goal with any of these tips I mainly to get rid of anything that holds water and provides the prime environment for mosquitoes to breed. First is to properly get rid of any empty cans, buckets, flower pots, old tire, or trash cans which can all hold water for an extended period of time. Be sure to also clean out your gutters on a regular basis so water drains properly and to also change the water in your bird feeders on a regular basis, once a week at minimum is best.

Look at your swimming pool cover as well. Be sure to regularly drain the water off your pool cover and to even regularly clean any outdoor swimming pool or hot tub. It also is not a bad idea to utilize landscaping to limit the standing water that is present around your home.

How can you also avoid being bothered by mosquitoes? Be sure to inspect your screen doors to make sure there are no holes in them as well as limiting your outdoor time between sunset and sunrise during which mosquitoes are most likely to be found according to The Placer Mosquito & Vector Control District. While mosquitoes are

not something we all want to be bothered by, if you follow these simple tips on controlling them, you can enjoy the outdoors as much as pos-

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BLUE CREEK TWP

7/18/17: FROM-Fast Robert E. TO-Fast Steven C Fast Mary Jane, 3309 US 127;

2763 US 127, Haviland OH 45851: 511 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG UNPLAT 0-09 SE; PT

N 1/2 SE 1/4 S-24 7/18/17: FROM-Youtsey Steven L Grimes Julie A. TO-Denny Jayme M Denny Kate-

lyn I, 2580 RD 79 Haviland,

OH 45851; 2580 RD 79,

Haviland, OH 45851: 511 -SINGLE FAMILY DWLG UNPLAT 0-09; PT SW1/4 NW1/4 S-28 FROM-Harris 7/18/17: Terry L & Harris Jill M. TO-Harris Jill M, 207 Wayne St., P.O. Box 17, Haviland, OH 45851; 500 - RESIDEN-

TIAL VACANT LAND; LOT 128 LESS S PT VILL; O.P. HAVILAND **BROWN TWP**

7/18/17: FROM-Zimmer-

man Charles E. TO-Zimmerman Charles E Trustee, RD 3620 RD 23, Continental, OH 45831; 101 - CASH

GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM N1/2 SE1/4 LESS 1.493 A 08-011080-00-00 7/19/17: FROM-Estle

Marvin L Le TO: Buchman Gabriel J, 109 S THIRD ST; 109 S 3RD ST, Oakwood,

OH 45873; 510 - SINGLE

FAMILY DWLG OWNER OCCUP; LOT 4 CORKWELL SUBDIV Oakwood Vill FROM-Estle Marvin L Le TO: Buchman

Gabriel J, 109 S 3rd ST; Oakwood, OH 45873; 500 - RESIDENTIAL VA-CANT LAND; LOT 4 PINEY

WOODS ADD Oakwood Vill **CARRYALL TWP** FROM-Peters

Stephen W & Peters Lana K. TO-Bear Chad Bear Roberta G, 204 W Canal St; 204 W Canal St, Antwerp OH 45813; 510 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG OWNER

OCCUP; LOT 10 JONES

ADD; Antwerp Vill

PAULDING TWP 7/17/17: FROM-Paulding Grange Hall TO-John Paulding Historical Society, 11038 SR 500 Paulding OH 45879;

PO Box 93, Paulding OH

45879; 436 - OTHER COM-

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MERCIAL PT SW1/4 S-14 Pldg Twp 7/18/17: FROM-Stripe John Jay Poe Bobbie S. TO-

Stripe John Jay, 7989 RD 82 Payne OH 45880; 7989 RD 82, Payne OH 45880; 511 - SINGLE FAM-

ILY DWLG UNPLAT 0-09 PTS1/2SE1/4 S-31 Pldg WT LATTY TWP 7/19/17: FROM-Aldrich

Carolyn Sue Etal TO-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal, RD 137; 1227 Hitakee Ave, Sebring FL 33870; 101 - CASH GRAIN OR GENERAL

7/19/17: FROM-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal TO-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal, 15389 RD 24 Grover Hill OH 45849;

FARM PT NE1/4NE1/4 S-27

1227 Hitakee Ave, Sebring FL 33870; 101 - CASH GRAIN OR GENERAL

FARM SE1/4 SW1/4 & E1/2 NE1/4 SW1/4 S-28 Latty Twp 7/19/17: FROM-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal TO-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal, RD 24;

1629 Fairlawn St, Defi-

ance OH 43512; 101 - CASH GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM W1/2 NE1/4 S-33 Latty Twp 7/19/17: FROM-Aldrich

Carolyn Sue Etal TO-Aldrich Carolyn Sue Etal, RD 123; 1227 Hitakee Ave, Se-

bring FL 33870; 101 - CASH GRAIN OR GENERAL FARM, N1/2 SW1/4 NW1/4 S-33 Latty Twp

7/19/17: FROM-Whirrett Delores Le. TO-Bissell James I, 615 W Wayne St;

615 W Wayne St, Paulding OH 45879; 510 - SINGLE FAMILY DWLG OWNER OCCUP, LOT 11 Latty ADD Paulding Vill

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2017-17 on July 17, 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$45,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$45,000.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund for the purchase of a police cruiser and additional equipment (including lights, radio, and radar for the police cruiser) for the operation of the police department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2017-18 on July 17. 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE MAUMEE LANDING SUBDIVISION - PHASE 5 (LOT 6) TO THE ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 94-17, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance accepts the final plat of Phase 5, Lot 6 in the Maumee Landing Subdivision in accordance with the Subdivision Ordinance.

The publication of the 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.

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

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,

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SHIRLEY A. PARKER, ET AL., Defendants.

Case No. Case No. CI 16 188
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

16121 State Route 111, Cecil, Ohio 45821 Parcel Number: 16-22A-006-00

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

Total amount of judgment is One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-six and 99/100 (\$1,546.99) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:00 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 24th day of August, 2017, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 7th day of September, 2017 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers Paulding County, Ohio www.pauldingohsheriff.com



PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report

Debbie S. Myers, Scott, OH; Confine of Dog; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Nathaniel P. Staggs, Whiteland, IN; Drug parapherna; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior; All contraband forfeited shall be destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Nathaniel P. Staggs, Whiteland, IN; Possession; Pled no cont., found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior; All contraband forfeited shall be destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Jacob A. Tracy, Paulding, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brenda L. Anthony, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Ayla Noelle Crutchfield,

Montpelier, OH: Driv/susp; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/29/18 or will be sent to collections; Defendant shall pay \$10.00 per month commencing 7/28/17; Warrant and warrant block recalled

Scott E. Kirkland Jr, Paulding, OH; Prob conc anima; Dismis; Case dismissed per state; without prejudice; costs waived

Jacob L. Finney, Wauseon, OH; Open container; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

Eric P. Landwehr, Cloverdale, OH; Fail reg. dog; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

Chad M. Wiegmann, Ney, OH; Driv under susp; Guilty; Defendant shall pay \$50.00 per month commencing 8/25/17; Pay all fines and costs by 6/29/18 or will be sent to collections; 30 jail days reserved

Justin Reynolds, Otto-

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is requesting a proposal to furnish all labor, material, and insurances for the cement/foundation work on the First Responders' Training Facility located at Fairground Drive in Paulding, Ohio. Specifications may be reviewed by contacting the Commissioners' Office. Proposals shall be addressed to the Clerk of the Board and must be received at the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the basement of the Courthouse, 115 N. Williams Street, Room B-1, Paulding, not later than 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 9, 2017. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals. Should you have any questions, please contact the Paulding County Commissioners' Office at 419-399-8216, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NOLA R. GINTER, CLERK
BY ORDER
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
ROY KLOPFENSTEIN, TONY ZARTMAN, MARK HOLTSBERRY

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is requesting a proposal to provide the design, deployment and operation of Next Generation 911 (NG911) for the Paulding County Sheriff's Office. Specifications may be reviewed by contacting the Commissioners' Office. Proposals shall be addressed to the Clerk of the Board and must be received at the office of the Board of County Commissioners in the basement of the Courthouse, 115 N. Williams Street, Room B-1, Paulding, not later than 8:30 a.m. on Monday, August 14, 2017. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals. Should you have any questions, please contact the Paulding County Commissioners' Office at 419-399-8216, Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

NOLA R. GINTER, CLERK BY ORDER

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
ROY KLOPFENSTEIN, TONY ZARTMAN, MARK HOLTSBERRY

ville, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Guilty; May attend DIP in lieu of jail; Pay \$50 per month commencing 8/25/17; POC 8/31/18; Community Control Two; Evaluation at Westwood; 40 hrs community service; Thinking For A Change; Proof of insurance by 7/21/17; 177 jail days reserved

Justin Reynolds, Ottoville, OH; Fail control; Dismis; Count B Dismissed

Terry L. Wagenhauser, Defiance, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Dismis; Count D. Dismissed at the states request

Alexis D. Sutton, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Terry L. Wagenhaus-

er, Defiance, OH; O.V.I./ breath(low); Guilty; Proof of insurance not provided; Pay \$100 per mo commencing 8/25/17; Has a POC 4/27/18; Community Control Two; Evaluation at Westwood; 30 hrs community service; SCRAM removed today; Third Millenium Thinking For A Change; 170 jail days reserved

Terry L. Wagenhauser, Defiance, OH; DUS (O.V.I); Guilty; OL suspension concurrent with Count A; Pay \$100 per month; POC date 4/27/17; Jail concurrent with Count A; 177 jail days reserved

Terry L. Wagenhauser, Defiance, OH; Fail control; Dismis; Count C dismissed at the states request

Terry L. Wagenhauser, Defiance, OH; O.V.I./Under inf; Dismis; Count D dismissed at the states request

Jacob L. Finney, Wauseon, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Guilty; Def's vehicle to be clubbed for 90 days; ALS vacated; Pay \$100 per mo commencing 8/25/17; POC 6/29/18; Community Control Two; 40 hrs of community service; Ignition interlock if driving; Third Millenium; 170 jail days reserved

Jacob L. Finney, Wauseon, OH; O.V.I/breath high; Merged; CT C merged with CT A

Ayla Noelle Crutchfield, Montpeleir, OH; Driv/FRA susp; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 7/29/18; Warrant and warrant block recalled

Ayla Noelle Crutchfield, Montpeleir, OH; No tail lights; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 7/29/18

Jason L. Fisher, Antwerp, OH; DUS; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/29/18 or will be sent to collections; Defendant shall pay \$25.00 per month commencing 8/29/17; Show proof of insurance by 7/14/17 by 4:00 p.m.; Warrant and warrant block recalled

Jason L. Fisher, Antwerp, OH; Regist viol; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/29/18 or will be sent to collections; Defendant shall pay \$25.00 per month commencing 9/29/17

Jason L. Fisher, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/29/18 or will be sent to collections.

Peter H. Greer, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amy K. Krom, Wabash, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dustin A. Baldwin, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Barbara A. Metz, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joseph W. Burkley, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alexander F. Bailey, Muncie, IN; FTY emer vehicl; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Kathryn H. Richard,

Lavista, NE; Seat belt/pass; Case was waived by defendant James G. Weaver, Gro-

ver Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant **Brooke N. Gerbers,** Fort Wayne, IN; Possession drug; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall main-

Brooke N. Gerbers, Fort Wayne, IN; Drug parapherna; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

tain general good behavior

Stephanie J. Eschhofen, Bryan, OH; O.V.I./inder inf; Pled no cont., found guilty; Work release granted; Pay \$100 per month commencing 7/28/17; POC 12/29/17; Community Control Two ordered; May attend recovery services and sign a release of information; May be released from SCRAM today 7/17/17; 170 jail days reserved

Stephanie J. Eschhofen, Bryan, OH; Traf dev/signs; Pled no cont., found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/29/17; Shall pay \$100 per month commencing 7/28/17

Stephanie J. Eschhofen, Bryan, OH; Tinted windows; Dismis; Count C dismissed

Stephanie J. Eschhofen, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Dismis; Count D dismissed

Dortanian Franklyn,Gary, IN: Marked Lanes;
Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Olivia M. Cramer, Paulding, OH; Display plates; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jessica R. Scott, Rockford, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Susan A. Paulus, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brian K. Witte, Harlan, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jason W. Simerman, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Miranda L. Bussing, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 8/25/17 or will be sent to collections

Akshaysingh U, Rajput, Warsaw, IN; FTY emer vehicl; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David J. Hendry, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Wade R. Bissell, Paulding,

OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Glenn D. Martin, Bald

Knob, AR; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant *Michael L. Carver*, Tippe-

canoe, IN; No OL; Guilty; Defendant shall pay\$50.00 per month commercing 7/7/17; POC date 12/29/17

Donald E. Scott, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 8/25/17 or will be sent to collections

Wayne A. Madden, Aubrun, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by

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Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

defendant

Laura W. Kline, Defiance, OH; Traf dev/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon J. Lazarus, Convoy, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jonathan W. Taylor, Detroit, MI: Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Bruce A. Farquhar, Paulding, OH; FTY/left turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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*Auctioneers Note: June & LD Grandey lived at this location for 70 years.

June was a school teacher and was a very well known dealer in antiques and doll collector for 35 years. LD was a farmer and an antique tractor and car collector and restorer. Many of these items will be sold at this auction. Don't miss out on

some rare and collectable items.

Dolls will sell at 10:00am and Cars & Tractors will sell at 11:00am...

LOCATION: 08016 St. Rt. 249 Hicksville, Ohio 43526 2 miles west of Farmer, Ohio on State Route 249

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES: Many antique French, German & American dolls; dozens of Madame Alexander, Boyd Bears, Effanbee, Kestner & others in all sizes & shapes; many accessories from doll parts, doll clothes, doll dress patterns, doll magazines, doll furniture, doll buggies & lg. display cases; many old toys from the 60's. ANTIQUE CARS AND HORSE DRAWN BUGGY & SLEIGH: 1922 Ford Model T Roadster restored in 1980 (needs new top); 1921 Ford Model T Touring restored in 1985 & in good shape Many Ford Model T parts including frames, wheels, engine & chassis parts; 16' Oper car trailer dual axle w/ 4' sides; 125 year old Horse drawn sleigh in excellent original condition from 1920's; Pony drawn 4 wheel buggy w/ extra wheels (needs restored). ANTIQUE TRACTORS AND FARM EQUIPMENT: 1976 International 666 Diesel w/ Duals (this model only made 2 years); 1956 Ford 860 (needs work); 1947 Farmall "M" w loader; 1945 Farmall "H" (nice restoration); 1965 International Cub Cadet w/ mower Ser.# 28820; 1968 Chevrolet C20 1 ton truck w/ lift bed; 1995 Ford Ranger Pickup; 7' IH sickle mower; 6' Bush Hog (4yrs. Old); Hay wagon w/ 7' sides (nice condition); 14' flatbed grain agon; many two wheel trailers; IH 3 bottom pull type plow; 3 Pt 6'blade; old wood whee wagon running gear; old steel wheel hay rake; corn crib auger conveyor; other farm items. ANTIQUE FURNITURE: 1915 Hoosier Cabinet w/ zinc pull out work surface & spice jars (restored to original); 36x16x12 old dough box w/ lid on legs; 7'6" Grandfather clock; 150 yr. old wall clock that sets into wall; 2 oval Oak drop leaf tables (one w/ extra leaves); rectangular Walnut drop leaf table w/ 3 matching chairs; lg. Oak glass display (very nice condition); 2 old sch pump organ w/ stool; chest of drawers; 5 cane bottom chairs (need re-caned); 2 old rockers; 4 very old wooden chairs; stone crocks; stone jug; stone vase; butter church wooden bushel basket; cast iron lard press; old spindle baby bed; 100 yr. old baby bed w/ Tic mattress; old wringer washing machine; 2 wood burning stoves w/ isinglass fronts; ornate oak curio cabinet w/ curved glass and much more. GOLF CARTS: EZGO 4 wheel golf cart (runs good); 2 complete Harley Davidson 3 wheel gold carts (good condition not running); extra Harley Davidson golf cart body. TOOLS: Boy Scout hatchets; several wrenches; socket sets; chains; ropes; chain falls; hammers; garden shovels; rakes; axes files & more; upright drill press; many hand power tools; hand saws; pipe wrenches; chain saws; arc welder; acetylene torches w/ cart; small B/S generator; rotary tiller; lawn mowers 4' lawn roller & much more. HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE & ITEMS: 1 queen & 3 full size bedroom sets w/ dressers (one has canopy top); 2 Lazyboy recliners; New curio cabinet Oak roll top desk (nice condition); stereo cabinet; night stands; lamps; Singer portable sewing machine; Sears portable sewing machine; sewing material & threads; New Sally Stanley smocking pleater; TV w/ stand; pots & pans; glassware; milk glass; refrigerator washer & dryer; misc. kitchen items; Christmas decorations; many Longaberger baskets; lg. blanket chest and more. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS: Livestock rack for pickup trucks;

TERMS: Cash or Check w/ ID.

ladders; used tractor and wagon tires; set of concrete steps.

<u>AUCTIONEERS: & RINGMEN:</u> Bruce Guilford, Ray Yoder, Steve Zuber, Kevin Anspach. <u>OWNER:</u> June & LD Grandey Estate.

Livestock rack for 1967-68 Chevrolet C20 truck; dozens of wood planks; many wooden

TRUSTEES: Nancy J. Hoene, Larry D. Grandey & Myra J. English

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for Defiance Paulding Putnam and Van Wert County

Defiance

State Route 18 between township Road 115 and Glenberg Road will close beginning August 8 for culvert replacements at three locations: two located west of Sherwood, one east of Sherwood. Work is being performed by Vernon Nagel Construction, Napoleon. Closures will occur consecutively as follows: Culvert #1, located be-

tween Cicero Road and Rosedale Road, will close August 8 for 25 days. Traffic detoured onto state Route 2, state Route 249 and U.S. 127 back to state Route 18. Culvert #2, located be-

tween Openlander Road and Behnfeldt Road, will close for 25 days following completion of culvert #1. Traffic detoured onto state Route 2, state Route 249 and U.S. 127 back to state Culvert #3, located be-

tween Flickinger Road and Glenberg Road, will close for 30 days following completion of culvert #2. Traffic detoured onto U.S. 24 and U.S. 127 back to state Route 18. U.S. 24 westbound at Bal-

timore Street, Defiance, is restricted to one lane through the work zone through early September for repair of the roadside slope. Work is being performed by Miller Brothers, Archbold. The following closure is related to the proj-

The entrance ramp from Baltimore Street to westbound U.S. 24 closed July 10 for approximately 60 days. Traffic will be detoured onto U.S. 24 eastbound to its interchange with state Route 15/ state Route 18 back to U.S. 24 westbound. The ramp was to close initially for one day only, but due to concerns with traffic merging onto U.S. 24, the ramp will now remain closed for the duration of the

State Route 66 between Bowman and Watson roads, south of Defiance, closed June

East Allen Home & /

REAL ESTATE: 6:00PM

3 Bedroom,

2 Story Home

on 4 Large Lots

Garden area • Aluminum siding, newer

metal roof • 2 car garage w/ lean-to,

Personal Property 🔼

25932 Railroad St. (Dawkins Rd.), Woodburn, IN

(Located in the Village of Edgerton, Indiana)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22 • 4:00PM PERSONAL PROPERTY 6:00PM REAL ESTATE

garage door opener • Covered side porch • 100 amp breaker panel • Kitchen 14x10 • Bath

utility 10x10 • Newer elec. water heater • Dining room 11x15 • 1st floor BR 9x12 • LR 11x15 •

Enclosed front porch 7x23 • 2nd floor BRs: 8x9, 15x11 w/ ceiling fan, 11x15 w/ ceiling fan •

OPEN HOUSE to preview the Real Estate: Mon., August 7, 5-7PM - Or call for appt.

PERSONAL PROPERTY: 4:00PM - ANTIQUES & PRIMITIVES: Mission Style

secretary bookcase • Victorian glass front bookcase, spindle rails on top • Empire dresser w/ mirror • 30's vanity • gentleman's chest, mirrored front • divided glass door jelly cup-

board • upright piano & bench • camel back trunk • steamer trunk • 3 vintage metal lawn

chairs • 10 & 12 gal. crocks • 2 gal. crock jug • small crock jar • wood pulleys • draw knife •

vintage push plow, original stencils • reel mower • linen & burlap feed & seed sacks, some

from Central Soya Decatur • wood Pepsi cases • fruit crates, shipping boxes • 3 cast iron skil-

lets • kraut cutter • Bohren Transport Woodburn tumblers • oil lamps • wool blankets "Polar

Star" • McCoy vase • assrt. depression glass • pink depression berry set • yellow depression

dinner plates • cobalt tree bark vase • iris console bowl • Hall teapot • assrt. plates & china

bowls • service for 10 china • Bakelite pins & jewelry • BB guns • chrome car spot light •

wood ironing board • wash board • SEVERAL VINTAGE BIKES. FURNITURE, APPLIANCES,

& HOUSEWARES: dining room table & 6 chairs • mahogany buffet • 70's bedroom suite

bamboo finish • lift chair • recliners • many LR chairs, assorted tables & lamps • metal utility

cabinets • Whirlpool side by side refrigerator w/ water & ice in door • Whirlpool washer &

electric dryer • GE portable dishwasher • (2) infra-red electric heaters • small appliances

kitchenware · canning jars . 12'x 20' UTILITY SHED to be moved, new 2012 · PRIMITIVE

ORIGINAL OUTHOUSE to be moved. MOWER • TOOLS • GARDEN: Craftsman LT1000

riding mower, 17.5 HP, 42" • Troy Bilt TB146 power cultivator tiller • 20" 4.5 HP push mower

concrete bird bath · many garden & hand tools · ext. ladder · 10'x 10' shed to be moved

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All second floor carpeted • Open staircase & historical wood trim throughout

5 for approximately three months for a bridge deck replacement. Traffic detoured onto state Route 613, state Route 634, state Route 15 and Carter Road back to state Route 66. Work is being performed by Vernon Nagel Inc., Napoleon. (See detour map) U.S. 127 between state

Route 18 and township Road 34, south of Sherwood, is closed through late July for culvert replacements at two locations. Traffic detoured onto U.S. 24, state Route 15 and state Route 18 back to U.S. 127. Work is being performed by VTF Construction, Celina. **Paulding**

State Route 637 in the village of Grover Hill closed June 5 for three months for road reconstruction. Traffic detoured onto U.S. 224, U.S. 127 and state Route 613 back to state Route 637. Work is being performed by Brenneman Excavating Inc. for the village of Grover Hill. (See detour

State Route 66 from U.S. 224 in Putnam County to the Defiance County line will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for the tarring and chipping of the roadway. Work is being performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage.

State Route 114 just west of state Route 66 will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for drainage tile repair. Work is being performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance ga-

Putnam

State Route 190 just north of township Road Q, north of Fort Jennings, will close July 31 for approximately two weeks for a culvert replacement. Traffic detoured onto state Route 634 and U.S. 224 back to state Route 190. Work is being performed by the ODOT Putnam County maintenance garage.

The following routes will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for tarring and chipping of the roadway. Work is being performed by the ODOT Put-

ANTWERP SCHOOL REALIZES EXCELLENT FISCAL MANAGEMENT



the Antwerp School Board met together to discuss the upcoming school needs. Bob Herber opened the meeting with the visitor Bryce Steiner present from the West Bend News. The June 29 minutes were

accepted. The budget over the next two years will be flat. Transportation funds were cut by the state. Dennis Recker said there

was no meeting in July for Christine Stuart reviewed

the financial report with the school board members. The Income for June was \$474,289.53

The expenses for June was \$704,6475.64

Interest income: \$3694.15 The total receipts of the fiscal year was 9,827,267.81

Total Expenditures was \$9,092,183.90

Enrollment for this year is 1.5% greater income than

projected 2.11% Less expenditures

than expected High School Principal Travis Lichty talked about his coming to the school and the new Spanish Teacher. The secretary position will be filled by Amber Lucas, after over 30 applications were brought in replacing Denise Coleman, who moved to a new job outside of the school. For a short time Travis was working at both Antwerp and Hicksville

nam County maintenance

State Route 12 between

er with sharing speakers and costs. This will be in September on a Wednesday night. Dennis Recker stated he

was excited to have Travis back at Antwerp. Principal Elementary Amy Hammer said she just

started working in the new

position and is learning the

ropes of this job. Superintendent Miller said he is excited with the new leadership coming to Antwerp and he is just fine with questions. The press

box is being worked on at the football field. The footers have been poured.

The baseball and softball field are being worked on with the softball field being moved and may have a better area for a concession stand with all of it done. The scoreboards are also being installed soon. The solar fields are also moving on and being reviewed by the attorneys and the EPA for the approval. Everything will be staked out next week and beginning trenching. It will be loud at first with pounding of the poles into the ground. The panels are coming from New Jersey and the panels will be installed in August. October 1st is the scheduled date for bringing the new power generating system online.

The new solar field was initial going to be 602 KW now it's 1megawatt with improvements. This is the maximum size allowed by law before it's Over the next 20 years the

solar field is expected to save the district over \$1 million and the school will be in a rate of around \$.075 per kilowatt. It should cover 92% of the schools power usage and Harold Gotke said it could do even more with power usage becoming more efficient. New LED lighting will be installed throughout the building and over the 10 year repayment should come out at no extra cost because they use much less power. Harold says the school currently spends about \$4000 a year in bulbs alone and this should cut that down. They will be coming starting August 4th to change the fixtures.

The stage floor and gym floors will also be refinished this year. The parking lot is currently being refinished and repaired by Loop Paving. Harold stated a server needed replaced and now laptops are being re-imaged back to new and several new were purchased. The solar audit revealed there were pumps that were generating a lot of heat and so Harold had them rebuilt because they weren't pumping due to valves not

\$1250 was awarded from Paulding Putnam for the grant of the anti-bullying measures speaker that Mr. Lichty is bringing in to the

opening.

Summer work: The crews at each Summer work: The crews at each building continue to make progress. The student workers are making positive improvements to the cosmetic look of each building.

Thank you to the grounds crew, building crew, and the Paulding Co Engineers for the clean up after the heavy rains at the high school.

at the high school.

olf trip to Columbus approved (consent

The annual bus in-service training will take place on August 9 at Paulding. Through the cooperation of the Allen County ESC and the Western Buckeye ESC, we have several administrators scheduled to again attend a law seminar at the Niswonger PAC on August 8

bers prior to the beginning of the school year. Due to the smaller number of new staff she will conduct the orientation on an individual basis.

The first day for teachers and staff is

August 21 with students scheduled to ar-

rive on August 23.

The annual Hall of Fame ceremony

descriptions for supplemental positions which have been added with the approval of the new negotiated agreement with the

W 1EA. In talking with Lori and Jim we will keep our rate of pay for activities for the 2017-2018 school year the same as in the past. We are asking for these rates to be approved (consent item G).

We need to slightly increase our lunch prices (five cents across the board) to fall in line with federal guidelines for free and reduced lunch prices (consent

Consent item K represents the Community Reinvestment Area Application from VanCrest of Payne that has been

represents my recommendation to approve the MOU which will allow the

state Route 115 and the Hancock County line. State Route 696 from the session on July 10, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school lecture room

Allen County line to state

Route 12 Van Wert

Berm repair will take place at the following locations with traffic restricted to one lane through the work zone. Work is being performed by the ODOT Van Wert County maintenance garage:

State Route 49 from Willire to U.S. 224

State Route 117 throughout Van Wert County

State Route 81 west of state Route 118 to Willshire

U.S. 30 is or will be restricted to one lane through the work zone at the following locations for projects which will repair the pavement and joints, improve drainage and resurface the route. Work is being performed by Shelly Company, Findlay:

From just east of township Road 127 to just east of county Road 185. From U.S. 224 to near the

Indiana state line (beginning

Contact: ODOT District public information office (419) 999-6803; D01.PIO@ dot.ohio.gov

WAYNE TRACE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in regular

The following members were present: Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mr. Perry Sinn, Mr. Dick Swary; Absent: Mr. Pat Baumle The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call was taken by Treasurer, Lori

Davis.
Correspondence, Recognition of Guests, Hearing of the Public*

*Thirty minutes of public participation will be permitted. Each person addressing the Board will give their name

and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted 3 minutes until the total of 30 minutes is used. During that period no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have the opportunity to do so. *All statements should be directed

to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members in-dividually. Guests: Korey Stoller, Visitor; Kris-

ten Schlatter, Instructor; Jerry Zielke, Paulding County Economic Develop-ment; Joe Shouse, Paulding Progress; Tim McDonough, Crescent News
Mr. Jerry Zielke reviewed the CRA
for Van Crest Nursing Home. Mr. Zielke
also updated the board on the projects

also updated the board on the projects that are happening in Paulding County.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer, Lori Davis discussed the refunding of the \$2,545,000.00. The board will be able to refinance the exist-

ing debt for a lower interest rate and save an estimate of \$135,000.00

Consent Agenda Items: One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following consent agenda Motion by: Mr. Dick Swary

Seconded by: Mrs. Lisa McClure
A. to approve the minutes of the June

12, 2017 Board meeting:

B. to approve the investment report and payment of bills for June 2017 as presented by the Treasurer;

C. to approve the cash reconciliation for June 1, 2017 – June 30, 2017;
D. to approve a resolution providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,545,000 various purpose refunding bonds (Formal resolution attached). Resolution #17-7R-01

*Before we pass the consent resolu-tion, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Roll call vote: Mr. Dick Swary, Mrs.
Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, and Mr. Perry Sinn, aye. Nay, none.

Committee Reports - Mr. Perry Sinr reported that it was great that the bus inspection went well and all buses passed. 7:53 p.m. Executive Session; Motion Mr. Perry Sinn; Seconded by: Mr. Dick Swary

"Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sec tion 121.22(G)(1) and Section 121.22(G) (4) a motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering the employment of an employee of the School District and to review negotiations or bargaining sessions with employees concerning compensation and other terms and conditions of employment." Roll call vote: Mr. Perry Sinn, Mr.







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8:08 p.m. Regular Session back to

Superintendent's Report

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A. Curriculum

Duane Sinn, aye. Nay, none.

testing leads to the third grade and I will provide you with the data at our meeting. Technology Update: Jerry has officially retired and Ashton has taken the

reigns. He will be completing typical summer technology maintenance and preparing the new devices for students. We are currently a finalist in the Monsanto Grant which could bring \$10,000 to our district for science based learning at both elementary schools both elementary schools. Thanks to Chris Feichter for working on Consent item A represents the resig

nation of our assistant golf coach.

Consent items B represents the recommended candidate that Phil and I

would like your approval on for the JH/ HS Assistant Principal position. Mike Myers comes to our district having served the Van Wert City School District for 17 years as a sixth grade instructor and 1 year with St. Marys City Schools. The team of building staff, Phil and I believe his involvement in leadership roles, knowledge of curriculum/attendance/discipline, and over all passion for education will make him a great fit for this position. Phil and I are recommending Dennis Green for our open sweeper position at the JH/HS. Dennis has prior work expe-

begin working for the Wayne Trace Dis-trict when school begins (consent item C). In consent item D and E you will find the recommendations from Phil, Jim and I in regard to open coaching position that we are working to fill. C. Buildings and Grounds The outfield of the JV baseball/soft-

rience in various areas and is excited to

ball field has settled nicely and plans are in place to bring in a few loads of dirt to level the area and then move forward with seeding in late summer/fall.

Wayne Trace Payne Gymnasium:
Wayne Trace Payne Gymnasium:
Work is progressing on the floor as it has
been stripped, sanded and the lines have
been painted. Two top coats have been applied and the plan moving forward is to
allow this to sit until school is back in session at which time it will be ready for use. sion at which time it will be ready for use. The masonry work at the Wayne Trace Payne facility continues to move forward. Workers are tuck pointing areas, resurfacing the terra cota, and sealing

up the building. The project is on sched-ule to be completed prior to the start of

D. Events
We would like to have the annual

the Niswonger PAC on August 8. Chris Feichter will again complete an orientation with our new staff mem-

is scheduled for September 1 (the night of the first home FB game). E. Operations Consent item F represents the job

All buses passed inspection again this year in our first round (consent item

submitted.

Item A outside of the consent items

Phone: 419-258-2000 • Website: www.westbendnews.net current head cashier/cook position at the WTPE to remain at 6 hours until the cur-

rent employee in the position leaves the position. I have an executive session on the agenda to discuss this. I. Consent Agenda Items One resolution passed by the Board approve the following consent agenda

Motion by: Mr. Perry Sinn; Seconded by: Mrs. Lisa McClure A. to accept the resignation of Mike Brady as assistant golf coach;

B. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal, to offer Mike Myers a three-year administrative contract as Wayne Trace JH/HS Accident Piccipian 1. Assistant Principal, beginning August 1,

2017;
C. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal, to offer a one-year non-certified contract to Dennis Green as a sweeper beginning the 2017-2018 school year;

D. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director to offer one-year supplemental contracts for the 2017-2018 school year to the following:

Lauren Speice – 7th Grade Girls Basketball

Kelvin Davis – 8th Grade Girls Bas-

Alayna Wannemacher - Fall/Winter

Cheerleading (50%) Chelsea Critchfield - Fall/Winter

Chelsea Critchneid – rain willier Cheerleading (50%);
E. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director to approve the following individual as a volunteer coach for the 2017-2018 school year:

Treg Lymanstall – Boys Golf;
F. upon the recommendation of the

F. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal to approve the job descriptions for the following positions: 21st Century Non-Grant Funded Site

Coordinator 21st Century Non-Grant Funded Tutor

21st Century Non-Grant Funded

Mentor Art Club Advisor

Elementary Student Council Advi-

sor;
G. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, to approve the 2017-2018 athletic workers compensation rates as H. to commend Jay Lamb and sum

mer work Shayna Temple for having all buses pass state inspection on the first pection;
I. upon the recommendation of the

Superintendent, to approve lunch prices

JH/HS Lunch – \$2.90 Elementary Lunch – \$2.70 Adult Lunch - \$3.35 JH/HS Breakfast – \$1.65 Elementary Breakfast – \$1.50 Milk – \$0.50;

Milk – \$0.50;
J. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, JH/HS Principal, and Athletic Director, to approve an overnight trip for the boys' golf team to Columbus, OH, on August 3 – 4, 2017;
K. to approve a Community Reinvestment Area application from Payne Health Facilities, LLC/DBA VanCrest of

Payne for a 10 year, 100% tax abatement on an investment in the Village of Payne, which will include compensation agree-

*Before we pass the consent resolu tion, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion

and/or for separate voting purposes?

Roll call vote: Mr. Perry Sinn, Mrs Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, and Mr.

Dick Swary, aye. Nay, none. Motion passed. Resolution outside of consent items: Motion by: Mr. Dick Swary; Second-

ed by: Mr. Perry Sinn ed by: Mr. Perry Sinn
A. upon the recommendation of the
Superintendent to approve an MOU to
the current negotiated agreement in regard to the Head Cashier/Cook position
at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary.
Roll call vote: Mr. Dick Swary, Mr.
Perry Sinn, Mrs. Lisa McClure, and Mr.
Dunne Sinn are New Poops. Motion

Duane Sinn, aye. Nay, none. Motion

New Business

A public forum meeting for the Performing Arts Center will be held on August 8, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Payne Elementary Auditorium. Adjournment

Motion by: Mrs. Lisa McClure; Seconded by: Mr. Perry Sinn: To adjourn

All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

The next Board meeting will be held August 14, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school lecture room.

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD

MEETING MINUTES 7/3/17

This 3rd day of July, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members pres-

ent: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk Absent: Tony

Warrants documented as 234349 through 234425 for county bills were ap-proved and certified to the County Audi-

Greg Geyer, OSAVSC Summer Convention, Dublin OH - July 28-30, 2017
William Mowery, OSAVSC Summer Convention, Dublin OH - July 28-30, 2017

Roy Klopfenstein, Defiance/Paulding Consolidated JFS Audit Meeting, Defi-ance OH - July 5, 2017 IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-

ING 'THEN AND NOW' PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order numbers and payments included in the Allowance of Claims on June 28, 2017, Warrants

numbered 234338 through 234342 in the amount of \$76,091.27; and

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code \$5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners;

now, therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paulding

County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted

by the Auditor; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that

it is found and determined that all formal

actions of this Board of County Com-missioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this res-

olution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of

County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal

action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFY-ING THE 2017 ANNUAL APPROPRIA-TION (FUND 001-011)

TION (FUND 001-011)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2017 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer funds, to-wit; FROM: 001-011-00004/General Fund/Probate Court/Equipment TO: 001-011-00003/General Fund/Probate Court/ Supplies AMOUNT: \$1.000.00

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IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING FAMILY CHILDREN FIRST FY

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners have reviewed

and does hereby approve Family Children First FY '17 revised budget approved at the June 15, 2017, Family Children First meeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017. IN THE MATTER OF APPROV-

FAMILY CHILDREN FIRST FY

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of County Commissioners have reviewed and does hereby approve Family Children

First FY '18 budget approved at the June 15, 2017, Family Children First meeting, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

Meeting Notes of Appointments
Ed Bohn, EMA - Mr. Bohn met with
the Commissioners to provide an update.
He discussed road conditions after the

most recent rain and flash flooding. Several county and township roads were impassable and there was a lot of debris on the roads from the fields. Mr. Bohn com-

mented the owners of a manure pump

'17 REVISED BUDGET

'18 BUDGET

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noted it made a positive impact and aided in preventing the flooding of a business office. Mr. Bohn told Commissioners he had recently received an e-mail regarding the 2019 FEMA budget. He informed the Commissioners of cuts on EMPG, mitigation, and fire fighters' grant dollars. On July 7, Mr. Bohn plans a trip to Columbus to the Ohio EMA to discuss lobbying on a national level to reduce cuts. He reported the 2018 budget was flat lined for EMA purposes. Mr. Bohn also reminded the Commissioners of the July 27 Township

Association fish fry at the OSU building.
Craig Reidel, State Representative;
Claudia Fickel, County Auditor; Lou Ann Wannemacher, County Treasurer; Jason Landers, County Sheriff, Roy Klopfen-stein and Mark Holtsberry, Commission-ers - Mr. Reidel chaired this meeting to review the state budget and other business. He began by announcing the budget passed last Wednesday. The House spent three months and the Senate two months pouring over its 4,700 pages. The joint committee worked out the final details and the governor signed the budget last Friday. There are 47 provisions that were vetoed by the governor. The House will meet July 6 to override some of the governor's vetoes. A 60% yote is required to ernor's vetoes. A 60% vote is required to ernor's vetoes. A 60% vote is required to override the vetoes. Mr. Reidel reported a \$65 billion dollar budget for two years, effective July 1, 1, 2017. He noted additional funding of \$180 million to address the opiate epidemic. Funds will be used for prevention and treatment; education on the dangers of drug addiction; and law enforcement. Mr. Reidel noted no change in public school funding. He comment. enforcement. Mr. Reidel noted no change in public school funding. He comment-ed FY17 realized a shortfall of estimated sales tax of \$1 billion dollars. He also said expenses were down by \$1.3 billion. Mr. Reidel then discussed the changed in the CAUV formula and the soil rates, saying they will be good for a six year period. In they will be good for a six year period. In lieu of the loss of MCO sales tax dollars, Mr. Reidel noted a provision for addi-tional/replacement funds for seven years before sunsetting. He then discussed the TCAP (Target Community Alterna-tive to Prison). He noted state prisons have a capacity of 47,000 inmates and are overcrowded. No new state prison will be built, so more responsibility will fall back on counties to house certain inmates. on counties to house certain inmates. Mr. Reidel talked about the Medicaid expansion frees in July 2018. In 2013, Medicaid expansion enrollment began. There are currently 725,000 Ohioans on Medicaid. In an attempt to control the misuse of Medicaid benefits, the criteria will tighten. Mr. Reidel commented Ohio is the first state of enact a Medicaid Freeze. Putting budgetary issues aside, Mr. Reidel then discussed wind farm is-sue, specifically the set back regulations. He reminded those in attendance that he He reminded those in attendance that he represents three counties and a portion of a fourth. The majority of Paulding County constituents supports the wind farm development. He also noted there is not a lot of support in the House. The recent amendment to HB 114 was pulled out by the Senate for review in September when they recovere after summer break. The they reconvene after summer break. The bill would eliminate the renewable energy mandate (residential users could opt out, as could some businesses). As for the set back ruling, It currently requires a turbine be 1,300 feet from a neighbor's

property line and 1,250 from a neighbor's home. Mr. Reidel agreed the state should

only set a minimum distance from the

only set a minimum distance from the turbine height to the neighboring property line. He further agreed any revisions to the state-set minimum requirement should be a local decision (county or township). Commissioner Klopfenstein commented the wind farm companies Paulding County has dealt with have gone to great lengths to ensure the set

gone to great lengths to ensure the set back is sufficient for any noise. He noted if the state doesn't reconsider the set back

distance, the wind energy companies will go elsewhere to develop and Paulding County would lose out on further development. Mr. Reidel said he thinks there is support on the state level to take another look at the set back regulations and passing any revisions down to the County or township level. Ms. Fickel noted the wind farm developments have given the counfarm developments have given the country an opportunity to generate revenue, which will eventually help make up for the state budget cuts the country have to absorb. Mr. Klopfenstein commented the Commissioners' Office fully supports the 110% of turbine height set back distance and local control. Sheriff Landers agreed, stating the wind farms seem to be workstating the wind farms seem to be work ing for Paulding County. The Sheriff went on to say he thinks the set back at 110% would work no matter what the height of the turbine is. He also feels the local level option in the bill would give landowners a tool to adjust the distance to meet their needs. Mr. Reidel said that he is not opposed to wind energy and that he wants a solution best for everyone. He noted that Senator Hite is on board, but there is a lot of resistance in the House. The House will meet on Thursday, July 6 to override the governor's vetoes. They will then recess until September. Mr. Reidel admitted he hasn't been a 'lead horse' on this issue, but has been working on it and will be very much involved. The Commissioners asked that Mr. Reidel keep them abreast of any activity on this matter.

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 7/5/17

This 5th day of July, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members pres-ent: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, and Nola Ginter, Clerk; Absent: Tony

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Warrants documented as 234426 through 234429 for county bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION Holtsberry to go into executive session at 8:02 a.m. with the Paulding County Pros-

ecuting Attorney to discuss legal matters. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roy Klopfenstein. All members voting yea. At 8:25 a.m. all members present agreed to adjourn the executive session

and go into regular session.

Meeting Notes of Appointments
Nick Mendez, Paulding County
DARE - Mr. Mendez met with the Com-DARE - Mr. Mendez met with the Commissioners to update them on the DARE program. He reported success in a strong 5th grade program for the last three years. Mr. Mendez noted he added K-4th grades last year and plans to incorporate 7th grade this fall. Commissioner Klopfenstein asked if Mr. Mendez has the 'tools' to do his job. Mr. Mendez replied the schools have been very responsive and provide what he needs to offer an effective program. He also noted he plans weekend activities for kids. He also has a DARE raffle to raise additional funds and also receives donations from individuals and businesses. Funds raised help to offset costs for the Day in the Park; this year to be held at LaFountain Park on July 31. Mr. Mendez believes stress and peer pressure

among youth can lead them down the wrong path. He is committed to make a difference through the DARE program.

Travis McGarvey, County Engineer

-Mr. McGarvey reported repair work being done as a result of the flooding last. week. He noted a lot of debris is being cleaned from the catch basins and some cleaned from the catch basins and some berm repairs to roads that experienced

washouts. County Road 177 will be closed for several weeks as they replace a 96" pipe and bridge washout. Mr. McGarvey also noted the bridge on County Road 123 south of State Route 114 is on the schedule for next summer. Acquiring the right of way on a small area east of the bridge is in the works. Mr. McGarvey said work will begin on a couple of paving projects as soon as bids are considered and awarded. Bids for the projects are due July 10 and

July 17.
Emily Hunter, Field Director for Marsy's Law for Ohio - Ms. Hunter introduced herself and distributed 'Marsy's Law for Ohio Facts', an endorsement form, and a Marsy's Law for Ohio pamblet for the Commissioners' review. The flyer quoted Dr. Henry T. Nicholas, 'The United States Constitution currently provides specific rights for those accused and convicted of crimes but fails to pro vide equal rights for victims of crimes.' Ohio is one of the last remaining states that doesn't provide equal rights to crime victims. If approved by voters, Marsy's Law would ensure that crime victims in Ohio would receive the rights they deserve. Marsy's Law is being endorsed by the Ohio Attorney General, State Auditor, Dayton Mayor, several county prosecu-tors 17 members of the Ohio House and Senate, and over 100 other local elected officials and organizations. The Com-missioners thanked Ms. Hunter for her work on Marsy's Law for Ohio and were in agreement to endorse the Law. Sarah Noggle, Agriculture & Natural Resources, Extension Educator, County Director; and Michael Schweinsberg, 4-H

Youth Development, Extension Educator - Ms. Noggle reported the test plot for examining soybean disease and nutrient management is 13 acres and is home to over 14 intense studies. This plot provides research data which is critical for soybean research data which is critical for soybean production. The Paulding County Master Gardener Volunteers (MGV) once again had a successful annual plant sale in May. With the proceeds, they offer up to a \$1,000 scholarship for Paulding County residents pursuing a degree in horticulture/plant science/agriculture. The MGV hotline continues to be busy, taking calls weekly on Tuesday mornings from 9:00 to noon. MGV along with the Agricultural noon. MGV along with the Agricultural Educator hosted a fairy garden program at the Payne branch library. Thirty-four vouth and eleven adults were introduced to growing and maintaining succulent plats in a small environment. Ms. Noggle also reported two residents from Paulding County participated in the 50-hour training course for MGB. They will be interns until they complete their 50 hours of community service, 25 of which being on the Master Gardener hotline. Ms. Noggle noted there were more than 190 phone calls and/or personal visits to the county agriculture/natural resources OSU Ex agriculture/natural resources OSU Ex-tension educator during the months of April, May, and June. She also reported Paulding County has currently over 225 certified farmers, agribusiness and land-scaping people through the Fertilizer Ap-plicator Certification Training provided by the OSU Extension. Michael Schmenk is Paulding County's grant funded ACRE is Paulding County's grant-funded ACRE intern this summer. As the ACRE (Agronomic Crop Research Experience) intern, he assists with research plots and does other activities related to research, extension and outreach, including administrative and clerical work. Ms. Noggle announced Paulding County will be istrative and clerical work. Ms. Noggle announced Paulding County will be hosting the 2017 Ohio Manure Science Review and Expo on August 2. She reported the addition of "Acres of Fun' in the OSU Extension Hall during fair week was a huge success. Level 2 food safety training and testing is offered by the OSU Extension Office. Classes can be taken online and through this program restaut. online and through this program restau-rants and local food entities can receive certification. Ms. Noggle reported they average nine people per testing session. She also noted she has had many speaking engagements, attended meetings, and has taught several classes, including Fertilizer Certification for four neighboring counties. Her reports to the CORN net-work continue on a monthly basis. Erick Lee, Program Assistant, offered SNAP-Ed (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education) classes to all ages during April through June. Participants learned to use MyPlate (a USDA food guide) to help them make healthy food choices on a limited budget. MyPlate is also utilized in elementary schools, JFS, Head Start, and pre-schools to teach healthy nutrition, as well as the importance of keeping physically active. Ms. Lee also lead the Cooking Matters series in Henry County and assisted Defiance County's SNAP-Ed and assisted penaltic County's SNAP-Ed Program Assistant with its class, teaching participants how to purchase food and prepare/cook meals. Mr. Schweinsberg, 4-H Your Development and Extension Educator, reported he had conducted Skill-A-Thon on May 31. This activity re-quires 4-H and FFA youth to know meat quires 4-H and FFA youth to know meat cuts, medication inserts, parts of ani-mals, and conformation. Livestock record books were collected and reviewed. 70 adults from Paulding assisted in making this program a success. Paulding CounSudoku solution from page 13

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ty's fair was June 12 through June 17. Mr. Schweinsberg reported 368 youth participated in 4-H, completing 541 projparticipated in 4-H, completing 541 projects. Of those, 70 projects were chosen to represent Paulding County at the Ohio State Fair, with one youth representing our county at the Public Speaking Contest held at the Ohio State Fair. Paulding County 4-H Fair is July 9-13. There are 129 campers registered (a Paulding County record high) and 26 counselors have been trained to ensure the safety of the campers. "Whodunnit?" is the theme for the 2017 4-H camp at Camp Palmer. Mr. Schweinsberg announced he applied for a \$2,500.00 grant from the United Way of Paulding County for 4-H Camp scholarships. He noted several entities and individuals have given donations to and individuals have given donations to the 4-H endowment, totaling more than the 4-H endowment, totaling more than \$2,500.00. Mr. Schweinsberg wrapped up the 2016-2017 school year by completing the financial literacy and career development program for 7th and 8th graders in the Paulding Middle School. He plans to repeat the class in 2018-2019. The STEAM activities had a presence at the 2017 Paulding County Economic Development Job Fair. Mr. Schweinsberg noted participation in this strengthened the 4-H relationship with businesses in and around Paulding County, which will grow the STEAM programming efforts. grow the STEAM programming efforts. ChickQuest was completed in third grade class rooms in the Paulding Elementaclass rooms in the Fadurding Elementary as well as the Kindergarten and fifth grade classes at the Payne Elementary. ChickQuest follows the birth cycle of chicken. Students are provided fertilized eggs and they monitor them for 21 days as they sit in incubators. The students care for the chicks for a few days once they are hatched. Then the chicks are returned to natched. Her line clicks are returned to her farm. Mr. Schweinsberg was invited to Northwest State Community College to speak to 4th through 6th graders at STEM Camp. He introduced electricity using the Snap Circuit kits donated by Paulding Putnam Electric Co. on The Obio 4 H the Snap Circuit kits donated by Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op. The Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports program plans are being finalized. Mr. Schweinsberg and certified instructors are researching the necessary equipment that will be necessary to start the program. He has also been talking with a volunteer to creat the doe program. with a volunteer to start the dog program in Paulding County. Mr. Schweinsberg believes these two areas of interest may reach youth who may not have an interest in what 4-H already offers and could result in an increase in 4-H enrollment

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