

## JUVENILE COURT, SCHOOL OFFICIALS JOIN FORCES TO PREVENT TRUANCY



### New State Law Promotes Collaboration to Address Poor School Attendance

The Paulding County Juvenile Court recently organized a meeting with area school administrators, the Paulding County Prosecu-

tor's Office and other local leaders to discuss the implementation of Ohio's new truancy law. The collaborative effort will lead to the development of new procedures and programming aimed

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## PAULDING SCHOOLS "NO KID GOES HUNGRY" ACCOUNT



Paulding, OH: A national campaign that swept across the country a couple years ago showcasing school districts denying children any type of lunch if they forgot their money or had a low account balance motivated a few Paulding residents to make sure that never happens at their local district. An account specifically used for that purpose was created and is maintained at the school and has received donations from different community organizations and churches along with local residents, currently totaling approx-

imately \$2,000. Outgoing School Board member Clint Vance wants to make sure that account stays healthy during the holiday season and into the new year. Vance has decided to donate his second half Paulding board salary of \$707.85 into that account. "With Christmas right around the corner, money is tight for everyone", Vance explains while also saying "families have a lot on their mind with get togethers and traveling" so he thought this would be a way to potentially ease that burden while also giving back.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Kimber Lynn Budd was born December 18th, 2017 at 7:29 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs 7 oz and was 20.3 inches long.

Kimber's parents are Terra Schooley and John Budd, siblings are Tiera Schooley and Jebadiah, Chevy Ray and William Budd.

Grandparents are Lisa Schooley & Matt Deputy (Ft. Wayne, IN); Kevin Schooley (Hicksville); William & Jody Budd (Wauseon). Great grandparents are: Francis Ehlerding (Ft. Wayne, IN); Robina Budd (Continental); Fred & Sharron Fitzenrider (Defiance); late Raymond Ehlerding, late Betty Smith, and late John Budd.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to our many 2017 Christmas for kids sponsors and to those who helped us set up for family pick up and clean up afterwards.

This mission would not be possible without the help and support of our wonderful community.

Sincerely, Michelle Dooley & Jennifer Ramsier

## A VANCREST THANK YOU

Thank you to the Antwerp and Payne communities for the kindness and generosity that you have shown to our Vancrest facilities during 2017 and especially this Christmas season.

We appreciate all of you and we look forward to 2018

Sincerely, Jennifer Ramsier, Activity Director

## GREETINGS FROM GERMANY

The year I spent in America was great and this mainly because of the great people I met there. And that's why I want to thank you all for that year. Christmas is coming soon and a new year too so I wish you all a Merry Christmas. God's blessings and a happy New Year.

- See you soon, Johannes Faust, Germany

## WOODBURN LUTHERAN SCHOOL CONTRIBUTES TO SERVING SIMPLY



Recently WLS was blessed with the opportunity to provide a check for \$2,000 and some much needed supplies to Serving Simply. Serving Simply has been the focus of our 2nd quarter chapel offering. Every Saturday, at Freimann Square in Fort Wayne, this group serves the homeless.

Our 7th and 8th graders were able to take part in this ministry one Saturday in early December when they joined Serving Simply at Friemann Square and helped hand out items to the homeless. Serving Simply provides food, clothing, and other items we often take for granted. Yet, they provide so much more than these items to these people in need. They also provide hope.

The homeless in Fort Wayne have come to know

that Serving Simply will be there every Saturday. Through this regular presence and service, the homeless can rely on those that lead this group every week. The leader of Serving Simply recently visited with all of our students and shared a little bit about what they do. His message to the students was twofold: he thanked them for their contributions and he also hopes they are thankful for all they have. While we are blessed with a warm bed, toothpaste, and regular meals, the homeless do not have access to these types of things regularly.

WLS is thankful for the ministry Serving Simply provides and the opportunity to contribute. Many are blessed each week by the work they do.

## ODOT SEEKING PUBLIC COMMENT ON PROJECTS

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) District I, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Executive Order 11988, is seeking public comments regarding the following proposed projects:

Bridge Maintenance Project (PID: 96616)

ODOT is proposing the following routine maintenance activities on bridges and culverts in Allen County:

Repair work on the bridges over Sugar Creek on U.S. 30 in Allen County at the state Route 115 (North West Street) interchange will require the temporary closure of the U.S. 30 westbound exit ramp and U.S. 30 eastbound entrance ramp.

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## Community Calendar

- Thursday, Dec 28**
- Carryall Twp Annual Meeting, 7pm
- Sunday, Dec 31**
- New Year's Eve Party at the Huber
  - 1st Baptist Church, Antwerp NYE service, 6pm
- Monday, Jan 1**
- West Bend Closed
  - ACC Still Shoot: Reg. @ 11, shooting starts @ Noon
- Saturday, Jan 13**
- Paulding KofC Youth Free Throw Contest @ Paulding HS, 12pm
- Jan 16-18**
- Fort Wayne Farm Show
- Friday, Jan 19**
- Military Appreciation Night @ Antwerp Girls BB 6pm

To add your event to the calendar email info@westbendnews.net  
Continual Events must be resubmitted once per month



As a result, vehicular traffic will be detoured. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction.

Repair work at the bridge over Interstate 75 on township Road 224 (Swaney Road) in

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**HICKSVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 12/27 - 1/2**

12/27 - 10:00 Coffee & Conversation; 12:15-2:15 Euchre; 1:00 - 2:30 Food for Seniors Commodities  
 12/28 - DOUBLE BINGO DAY; 10:30 - 11:00 Bingo; 12:30 - 1:30 Bingo  
 12/29 - 10:30 Music & Dancing; 12:15 - 2:15 Euchre; Happy New Year!  
 1/1 - Happy New Year! Senior services is closed for New Year's Day  
 1/2 - 10:00 - 11:00 Bingo with Smith Farms; 12:00 Grocery Shop; 12:15 - 2:15 Euchre

**DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 12/27 - 1/2**

12/27 - 9:30 Cards; 10:00 Crafts; 12:30 Krogers; 1:00 - 2:30 Food Commodities  
 12/28 - 9:30 Cards; 10:00 Band Stretch; 10:00 Zumba; 12:30 Meijers Shop; 12:30 Bingo; 4:00 Yoga  
 12/29 - 9:30 Cards; 10:00 Tai Chi; 10:00 Crafts; Happy 2018!  
 1/1 - Happy New Year! Senior services is closed for New Year's Day  
 1/2 - 9:45 Aldi shop; 10:00 Bible study; 10:00 Cards; 10:00 Tai Chi; 4:00 Yoga

**DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 12/27 - 1/2**

12/27 - Breaded chicken strips with dipping sauce, cauliflower broccoli, Hawaiian bread roll, apple juice, Salad Bar in Café  
 12/28 - Goulash, French green beans, tossed salad, raisins, garlic bread  
 12/29 - Cheeseburger, steak fries, baked beans, mandarin oranges, pudding, NCS= SF pudding  
 1/1 - Senior services will be closed for New Year's Day  
 1/2 - Hot chicken sandwich, diced potatoes, beets, fruit cocktail, graham crackers

**LUTHERAN'S WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY PROGRAM ACHIEVES NATIONAL ACCREDITATION**

Patients in northeastern Indiana seeking surgical treatment for severe obesity and its related conditions have easy access to a nationally accredited program that meets the highest standards for patient safety and quality of care.  
 Dale Sloan, MD, surgical medical director of the Lutheran Bariatric Center, today announced Lutheran's weight loss surgery program has been reaccredited as a Comprehensive Center under the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Programme, a joint program of the American College of Surgeons and the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. The Lutheran Bariatric Center was first recognized as

**PAULDING FIFTH GRADERS VISIT SENIOR CENTER**



The Paulding Elementary fifth graders sang Christmas carols as a way to entertain the people at the Paulding Senior Center on Wednesday, Dec. 20th. Shown are a group of the fifth graders as they are ready to perform.

an accredited center of excellence in 2008.

"Surgery is one of a series of important steps we take with our patients to help them achieve results that are lasting," said Sloan. "Since 2005, our program has helped more than 1,500 people before, during and after they've visited the operating room better understand how to combat the disease of obesity. The ongoing journey for patients and program alike remains transformative."

The MBSAQIP standards, outlined in Resources for Optimal Care of the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Patient 2016, ensure that bariatric surgical patients receive a multidisciplinary program, not just a surgical procedure, which improves patient outcomes and long-term success. Lutheran's accredited center offers preoperative and postoperative care designed specifically for their severely obese patients. The program's commitment to quality care begins with appropriately trained staff and engaged leadership who participate in meetings throughout the year to review outcomes. They seek continuous improvement to enhance the structure, process and outcomes of the center.

To earn the MBSAQIP designation, the Lutheran Bariatric Center met essential criteria for staffing, training, facility infrastructure and protocols for care, ensuring its ability to support patients with severe obesity. The center also participates in a national data registry that yields semi-annual reports on the quality of its processes and outcomes, identifying opportunities for continuous quality improvement.

After submitting an application, centers seeking MBSAQIP Accreditation undergo an extensive site visit by an experienced bariatric surgeon, who reviews the centers structure, process, and clinical outcomes data.

In the United States, around 15.5 million people suffer from severe obesity, according to the National Institutes of Health, and the numbers continue to increase. Obesity increases the risks of

morbidity and mortality because of the diseases and conditions that are commonly associated with it, such as type II diabetes, hypertension, and cardiovascular disease, among other health risks. Metabolic and bariatric surgical procedures have proven to be effective in the reduction of comorbid conditions related to severe obesity? Working with ASMBS, the ACS expanded this quality program for bariatric surgery centers so that it can assist bariatric patients in identifying those centers that provide optimal surgical care.

**RAY ELECTED TO IHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Kirk Ray, CEO of Lutheran Health Network's Kosciusko Community Hospital in Warsaw, has been elected president of the Indiana Hospital Association's Northeastern District and a member of the IHA Board of Directors. His two-year term begins Jan. 1.

"Indiana is fortunate to have dedicated health care leaders such as Kirk Ray who are committed to improving Hoosier health and health care," said IHA President Brian Tabor. "Their experience and expertise is integral as we develop strategies to help shape the future of health care in our state and our nation."

Ray has served as CEO of Kosciusko Community Hospital since 2015. Previously, he served as division vice president of operations for CHSPSC LLC, where he provided operations guidance and led strategic initiatives for affiliated hospitals in Mississippi. During his career in healthcare, which spans over two decades, Ray has served as CEO of Lutheran Health Network's St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne, Valley Care Health System of Ohio in Youngstown, Ohio, and DeKalb Health in Auburn.

"With the increasing focus on health care reform and delivery, it is critical that today's leaders understand Indiana's unique needs," said Ray. "The impact of policies at both the federal and the state level necessitates hospital leaders taking a more active role in the advancement of our health care system, which I can accomplish by serving on the IHA Board of Directors."

The IHA Board of Directors includes representatives from hospitals and health systems from across the state. These health care leaders provide insight as IHA sets long-term strategic goals, develops its public policy agenda, and works to improve the health of all Hoosiers.

About the Indiana Hospital Association

The Indiana Hospital Association is a nonprofit professional trade association representing more than 165 hospitals across the state. Its members include 130 acute care hospitals, 35 critical access hospitals and 28 county hospitals. Founded in 1921, IHA provides Indiana hospitals with leadership, representation and support to improve the health of Indiana citizens. For more information, visit IHAconnect.org.

**NSCC ANNOUNCES FALL 2017 DEAN'S LIST**

Northwest State Community College has announced its fall semester dean's list. To be eligible, students must have taken at least 12 credit hours as a full-time student, or 6-11.99 as a part-time student, and have averaged above a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

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**SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK**

"And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord."

— Luke 2:8-11 NIV

**FARM CREDIT MID-AMERICAN DONATION TO 4-H CAMP PALMER'S POOL**



The Camp Palmer staff and board are very thankful for the \$15,000 grant from Farm Credit Mid-America as part of their Community Giving Fund. Also, a recent gift from Williams County Pork Producers of \$2500 for the pool is greatly appreciated. The new pool opened on May 31, 2015. Currently these gifts have reduced the pool loan from \$40,000 down to \$25,000.

Farm Credit Mid-America is a financial services cooperative serving the credit needs of farmers, agribusinesses and rural residents across Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee for a nearly a century. Backed by the strength of nearly 100,000 customers and \$22 billion in assets, Farm Credit Mid-America provided loans for real estate, operating, equipment, housing and related services such as crop insurance, and vehicle, equipment and building leases. For more information, call 1-800-444-FARM or

visit then on the web at [www.w-e-farmcredit.com](http://www.w-e-farmcredit.com).

4-H Camp Palmer, Inc. serves youth from eleven counties in northwest Ohio and many groups from across the state, Michigan and Indiana. The demand and use of 4-H Camp Palmer has grown steadily since 1947 serving over 320,000 regional youth. 4-H Camp Palmer is a place where adventure and excitement of discovery merge to lift minds of 21,000 camper days of youth and adults annually.

Thousands of area youth are enjoying this new pool facility, which replaced the original camp pool built in 1957. The grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony took place on May 31, 2015.

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**BURNS TWINS PERFORM AT OAKWOOD!**



Shown are twins Kalan and Max Burns, who are second graders at Oakwood Elementary, as they are dressed as bakers for the Christmas program called "Christmas Cookies and Holiday Hearts". The students performed for a packed house on Tuesday evening, Dec. 19th.

**OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY MAKE OMELETS**



Tori Schlatter and Avery Cooper are shown handing an omelet to their principal, Ms. Jennifer Manz.

The Oakwood Elementary 3rd graders recently read the story, "Little Grunt and the Big Egg". They enjoyed making and eating omelets for

breakfast on Thursday, Dec. 21st. Not only did they make omelets for themselves but for other staff members in the school.

**USDA ANNOUNCES NATIONAL WATERMELON PROMOTION BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced the appointment of 13 individuals to serve on the National Watermelon Promotion Board.

*Members newly ap-*

- Ernesto Chamberlain, Nogales, Ariz.
- Christian Murillo, Nogales, Ariz.
- Dan O'Connor, Pompano Beach, Fla.
- Chadelle Robinson, Las Cruces, N.M.
- Gerardo A. Lozano, Edinburg, Texas
- Ward Thomas, McAllen,

Texas  
*Members re-appointed include:*  
 Mathew Singletary, Alva, Fla.  
 James F. Shepherd, Fort Myers, Fla.  
 Lee Wroten, Lakeland, Fla.  
 Alan M. Guzi, Pompano Beach, Fla.  
 Rolando Rosales, Pompano Beach, Fla.  
 Katelyn Kelley Miller, Punta Gorda, Fla.  
 Jeff Fawcett, of Edinburg, Texas

"Growers, shippers and importers of watermelon in the United States will be well served by these individuals who provide key direction on research, information gathering and promotions to support the watermelon industry as it works to meet consumer demand," Perdue said.

The 37-member board is composed of 14 producers, 14 handlers, eight importers and one public member. Since 1966, Congress has authorized 22 industry-funded research and promotion boards to provide a framework for agricultural industries to pool resources and combine efforts to develop new markets, strengthen existing markets and conduct important research and promotion activities. The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) provides oversight, paid for by industry assessments, which helps ensure fiscal responsibility, program efficiency and fair treatment of participating stakeholders.

More information about the board is available on the National Watermelon Promotion Board page on the AMS website and the National Watermelon Promotion Board website.

**OHIO'S ALL-TACKLE STATE RECORD FISH**

The Ohio record fish list is maintained by the Outdoor Writers of Ohio State Record Fish Committee

- www.outdoorwritersofohio.org \*denotes newest record
- Hook & Line Division
- Bass, Hybrid Striped - 18.32 pounds. 31.75" Deer Creek Lake. Richard Knisley, Washington Court House, on May 24, 2015 Bass, Large-mouth - 13.13 pounds. 25 1/16" Farm pond. Roy Landsberger, Kensington, on May 26, 1976
- Bass, Rock - 1.97 pounds. 14 3/4" Deer Creek near London. George A Keller, Dayton, on Sept 3, 1932
- Bass, Smallmouth - 9.5

- pounds. 23 1/2" Lake Erie. Randy Van Dam, Kalamazoo, Mich., on June 16, 1993
- Bass, Spotted White - 5.25 pounds. 21" Lake White. Roger Trainer, Waverly, on May 2, 1967
- Bass, Striped - 37.10 pounds. 41 1/4" West Branch Reservoir. Mark Chuifo, Ravenna, on July 2, 1993
- Bass, White - 4 pounds. 21" Gravel pit. Ira Sizemore, Cincinnati, on July 1, 1983
- Bluegill - 3.28 pounds. 12 3/4" Salt Fork Reservoir. Willis D. Nicholes, Quaker City, on April 28, 1990
- Bowfin - 11.69 pounds. 33 1/4" Nettle Lake. Christopher A. Boling, Montpelier, on May 9, 1987
- Bullhead - 4.25 pounds. 18 1/2" Farm pond. Hugh Lawrence Jr., Keene, on May 20, 1986
- Burbot - 17.33 pounds. 36" Lake Erie. Bud Clute, Chardon, on Dec.20, 1999
- Carp (Common) - 50 pounds. 40" Paint Creek. Judson Holton, Chillicothe, on May 24, 1967
- Catfish, Blue - 96 pounds. 54-1/2" Ohio River. Chris Rolph, Williamsburg, on June 11, 2009
- Catfish, Channel - 37.65 pounds. 41 1/2" LaDue Reservoir. Gus J Gronowski, Parma, on Aug. 15, 1992
- Catfish, Flathead - 76.5 pounds. 58 5/8" Clendening Lake. Richard Affolter, New Philadelphia, July 28, 1979
- Crappie, Black - 4.5 pounds. 18 1/8" Private lake. Ronald Stone, Wooster, on May 24, 1981
- Crappie, White - 3.90 pounds. 18 1/2" Private pond. Kyle Rock, Zanesville, on April 25, 1995
- Drum, Freshwater (Sheepshead) - 23.5 pounds. 37 1/8" Sandusky River. James S. Williams, Fremont, on July 21, 2001
- Gar, Longnose- 25 pounds. 49" Ohio River. Flora Irvin, Cincinnati, on Aug 31, 1966
- Muskellunge - 55.13 pounds. 50 1/4" Piedmont Lake. Joe D. Lykins, Piedmont, on April 12, 1972
- Muskellunge, Tiger - 31.64 pounds. 47" Turkeyfoot Lake. Matt Amedeo, Akron, on April 29, 2006
- Perch, White - 1.72 pounds. 14 1/8" Lake Erie. Terry R. Patton, Galion, on January 29, 2011
- Perch, Yellow - 2.86 pounds. 15 3/4" Lake Erie. David Berg, Mentor, on April 18, 2016
- Pickereel, Chain - 6.25 pounds. 26 1/4" Long Lake. Ronald P. Kotch, Akron, on March 25, 1961
- Pike, Northern - 22.78 pounds. 45" McKarns Lake. Troy Klingler, Stryker, on Sept. 24, 2016
- Salmon, Chinook - 29.5 pounds. 42 7/8" Lake Erie. Walter Shumaker, Ashtabula, on Aug 4, 1989
- Salmon, Coho - 13.63 pounds. 34 3/4" Huron River. Barney Freeman, Kansas, on Dec.1, 1982
- Salmon, Pink - 3.06 pounds. 20 1/8" Conneaut Creek. Andy Janoski, Chagrin Falls, on Sept. 24, 2004
- Sauger - 7.31 pounds. 24 1/2" Maumee River. Bryan Wicks, Maumee, on March 10, 1981
- Saugeye - 14.04 pounds. 30 1/8" Antrim Lake. Roger Sizemore, Orient, on November 24, 2004
- Sucker, Buffalo - 46.01 pounds. 42" Hoover Reservoir. Tim Veit, Galena, on July 2, 1999
- Sucker, (other than buf-

falo) - 9.25 pounds. 27 1/2" Leesville Lake. Wayne Gleason, Wellsville, on April 3, 1977

Sunfish, Green- .99 pounds. 10 5/8" Farm pond. Timothy C. Hively, Bethel, on May 8, 2005

Sunfish, Hybrid - 2.03 pounds. 12 1/4" Champaign County farm pond. Ray Durham, Mechanicsburg, on July 21, 2003

Sunfish, Longear- 0.41 pounds. 8.0" Greene County gravel pit. Kevin Shanks, Bellbrook, on April 22, 2012

Sunfish, Pumpkinseed - 1.10 pounds. 10 1/2" Portage County farm pond. Scott Boykin, Uniontown, on June 12, 2009

Sunfish, Redear- 3.58 pounds. 15" Licking County farm pond. Bert Redman, Newark, on Oct 2, 1998

Sunfish, Warmouth - 1.32 pounds. 10 3/4" Mahoning County farm pond. Douglas Koenig, Salem, on July 19, 2009

Trout, Brown- 14.675 pounds. 27 1/4" Lake Erie. Robert D. Campbell, Dunbar, Pennsylvania., on July 14, 2012

\*Trout, Lake- 26.63 pounds. 38" Lake Erie. James J. Beres, Lorain, on December 1, 2017

**NEW OHIO STATE RECORD LAKE TROUT CERTIFIED**



James Beres displays his new Ohio record Lake Trout.

A new Ohio record Lake Trout has been certified by the Outdoor Writers of Ohio State Record Fish Committee.

The new state record Lake Trout, weighing 26.63 pounds, was caught by James J. Beres of Lorain, Ohio in Lake Erie in Lorain County, Ohio. Beres caught the Lake Trout December 1, 2017, using a JT Custom Crank Bait, by trolling with 20 lb test braided line. Beres' Lake Trout is 38 inches long and 25.5 inches in girth.

His catch replaces the previous state record Lake Trout which was caught in Lake Erie by Tom Harbison on April 20, 2000 weighing 20.40 pounds and measuring 34 inches long. Ohio's record fish are determined on the basis of weight only.

Ohio's state record fish are certified by the Outdoor Writers of Ohio State Record Fish Committee with assistance from fisheries biologists with the Ohio Division of Wildlife. Fisheries biologist Matt Faust from the Ohio Division of Wildlife's Sandusky Fish Research Station confirmed the identification of Beres' catch as a Lake Trout.

For more information on Ohio's state record fish program contact Fred Snyder, Chairman, OWO State Record Fish Committee, 754 Co. Rd. 126, Fremont, OH 43420, phone (419) 332-0777, email fnsnyder@gmail.com, www.outdoorwritersofohio.org

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Allen County will require the temporary roadway closure of Swaney Road (at the bridge only). Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction.

Temporary closures are only expected at these structures, no other roadway closures will occur as a result of this project.

Work on several of the structures related to this project will occur in regulated floodplains. Impacts to these floodplains are anticipated to be minor and result in no rise in localized flood levels. A statement of findings detailing the results of the final floodplain analysis will be made available on the ODOT District I environmental website: <http://www.dot.state.oh.us/districts/D01/PlanningPrograms/Pages/environmental.aspx>

Construction for this project is scheduled to occur in the spring of 2018.

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State Routes 66, 189, 190 and 697 resurfacing (PID: 87210)

ODOT is proposing to resurface portions of the roadway on state Route 66, state Route 190 and state Route 697 in Allen County; state Route 66 and state Route 189 in Putnam County; and state Route 66 and state Route 697 in Van Wert County. Work within the city of Delphos and village of Ottoville may include upgrading curb ramps.

Repair work on the state Route 66 bridge over U.S. 30 in Van Wert County will result in temporary roadway closure; vehicular traffic will be detoured. Access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction.

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**NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, ANTWERP**

Come and celebrate the new year with us at First Baptist Church, Antwerp, Ohio on December 31st, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

There will be two singing groups coming: Napoleon First Baptist church and Holgate First Baptist church.

After the service there will be snacks and sandwiches in the fellowship hall.

All welcomed to join in!

**PARSON TO PERSON**

**By: Dr. James Bachman**

*Dear Parson,*

*I am having trouble losing weight. Does the Bible have anything to say about that?*

The Bible says little directly about weight loss, but I have found Bible principles that have helped me.

1. Let your motives be in line with the two main biblical purposes for food: strength and health. "Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season, for strength, and not for drunkenness!" (Ecclesiastes 10:17) "Wherefore I pray you to take some meat: for this is for your health:" (Acts 27:34a)

2. Control your appetite, stopping when you have eaten what your body needs - "And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite." (Proverbs 23:2) "Hast thou found honey? Eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it." (Proverbs 25:16) "Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me." (Proverbs 30:8)

3. Don't hang around gluttons. Proverbs 23:20; Philipians 3:17-19

4. Note some warnings to gluttons - "Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh: For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." (Proverbs 23:20-21) See Deuteronomy 21:20-21.

5. Protect God's body and testimony - "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." (1 Corinthians 6:19-20) "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the

glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31)

6. Pray and claim these two promises. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." (Philippians 4:13) See also 2 Thessalonians 3:3.

**BIBLE STUDY**

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

*A. Prophecy in Old Testament: Malachi 4:1-6*

Prophecy in verses five and six.

1. What does the day is coming, burning like a furnace mean?

2. When this day comes, who will be burned up?

3. Who is saying this?

4. For those who fear the Lord, who shall arise?

5. What does this mean sun of righteousness? Check scripture verses Luke 1:78-79; Acts 26:13; Isaiah 9:2; Luke 2:29-32. There are several other verses that I haven't written down.

6. What will Christ have in His wings?

7. What will we grow fat like?

8. Who shall be ashes under the soles of feet?

9. What is another name for Horeb?

10. What is the prophets name mentioned in these verses?

*B. Prophecy filled in the New Testament; Luke 1:11-17*

1. Who appeared to Zacharias?

2. What fell upon Zacharias?

3. What did the angel tell Zacharias?

4. What was Zacharias's wife name?

5. What would be the son's name?

6. Who would this child be great in the sight of?

7. What would this child be filled with?

8. What does the name John mean?

9. Who gave John his name?

10. What does this mean to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children?

11. What is the subject of these Old Testament and N. T. verses?

**Answers to Old Testament questions:**

1. Judgment; 2. The proud and all who do wickedly; 3. The Lord; 4. The son of righteousness; 5. Christ is the spiritual light to the world which is brighter than the sun; Acts 26:13; 6. Healing; 7. Stall fed calves; 8. The wicked; 9. Mt Sinai; 10. Elijah

**Answers to the New Testament Questions:**

1. Angel; 2. Fear; 3. Do not be afraid; 4. Elizabeth; 5. John; 6. Lord; 7. Holy Spirit; 8. The Lord is gracious; 9. God; 10. Teach our children the Old and New Testament especially the New Testament. Read what God told the fathers in Deuteronomy 11:18-21; 11. Preceded by Elijah: Read Matthew 11:13-14.

**LATTA: PASSAGE OF HISTORIC TAX REFORM LEGISLATION A BIG WIN FOR OHIO FAMILIES**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) joined his colleagues in passing the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, legislation 31 years in the making that would reform the nation's broken tax code and provide needed tax relief for middle class families, grow the economy, and create jobs. The passage of the Conference Report to Accompany H.R. 1 - The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, means it now moves to the U.S. Senate for approval.

"One of the top pledges of this Congress was to provide needed tax relief to middle-class families and the small businesses that drive our economy and create jobs," said Latta. "The passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act will mean a family of four in Ohio's 5th Congressional District, making the median income, will keep \$2,415 more of their hard-earned money. While the defenders of the status quo have used misdirection and misinformation to try to stop tax reform, our efforts to fix a broken tax code and provide needed tax relief won't be derailed.

"At the same time, the legislation has provisions to grow our economy including a new deduction for our nation's small businesses and farmers that are pass-through entities and ensuring that American businesses are on a level playing field with their foreign competitors. It's taken 31 years since the last overhaul of the tax code, and the passage of this bill is a big win for the people of Ohio."

**Highlights of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act:**

Provides a tax cut of \$2,415 for a family of four making the median income in Ohio's 5th Congressional District.

Nearly doubles the standard deduction, allowing Americans to protect more of their income AND making it so 9 out of 10 taxpayers can file on a form the size of a postcard.

Doubles the Child Tax Credit from \$1,000 to \$2,000, ensuring more tax relief will go to middle-class families.

Protects graduate tuition waivers from taxation.

Protects the deduction for student loan interest.

Expands the deduction for qualified medical expenses.

Establishes a new pass-through deduction to provide tax relief to small businesses, the engines of our economy.

Eliminates the individual mandate which disproportionately punishes lower-income and middle-income taxpayers - 79% of taxpayers that are forced to pay this fine make less than \$50,000.

**PAULDING FFA CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS**



**Pictured R-L: Back row, Courtney Luderman, Shannon Hale, Kalyn Strahley, Kaylie Tressler, Riley Noffsinger, Austin Howell. Front Row: Abbie McMichael, Emma Horstman**

**By: Emma Horstman, Paulding FFA Reporter**

Recently the Paulding FFA officer team held a Christmas party where they exchanged gifts, played games, and baked cookies for the Paulding FFA Chapter for their December

meeting. At the December meeting, the members played Christmas Minute to Win it games, decorated gingerbread houses, and ate the cookies the officers made for them. A member from each class participated in one of the seven Minute

to Win it games. The classes then decorated gingerbread houses, where the PHS office staff judged them and picked the best one. Pictured is the Paulding FFA officer team at their Christmas get together.

**SANTA VISITS PAYNE ELEMENTARY**



Santa came to Payne Elementary to share his Christmas ministry with the students by telling the real Christmas story. Later, Kindergarten student Hudson Burkley told Santa what she would like to have for Christmas.

**PANTHERS PICK UP WIN OVER LOCOS**

**PAULDING -** The Paulding Lady Panthers returned to the court on Monday night with a non-league battle against Montpelier at the 'Jungle.'

After a first quarter that saw the two teams tied at 10-10, a dominant second quarter effort by the host Lady Panthers proved to be the difference as Paulding recorded a 51-42 victory over the Locomotives.

The maroon and white outscored Montpelier 18-7 in the second stanza, taking a 28-17 halftime advantage that Paulding never gave up.

Montpelier trimmed into the deficit slightly in the third quarter, putting up eight points compared to Paulding's seven to get within 35-25 at the end of three periods.

Quarter number four was very similar as the Locomotives picked up 17 points in the stanza but the Panthers added 16 to hold on for the nine-point victory.

Briana Townley led a very balanced Panther effort with a dozen points while teammates Sydney McCullough and Cassidy Posey recorded 11 markers each.

Audrey Manz added nine points for the maroon and white and Kaylen Hale recorded eight for Paulding, which improves to 2-5 on the season.

Rebekah Carr and Jaelyn Lyons each had ten points for Montpelier while Jessi Bumb posted nine and Hanna Bumb recorded eight. Halie Rose had the other five points for the Locomotives, who fall to 4-4.

*Thank You!*

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce would like to thank their business partners, service organizations and friends of the chamber for their support in 2017. Contact us at antwerpchamber@gmail.com and Like us on Facebook at Antwerp Chamber of Commerce. Membership in the Chamber is an investment in your community and in Antwerp's future. We meet at the Esen House on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 12:30. Please join us! We would like to thank the 2017 members of the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce.

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**and a wall COULDN'T STOP JOSHUA,**  
**and Goliath COULDN'T STOP DAVID,**  
**and death COULDN'T STOP JESUS,**  
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# CELEBRATING OHIO WILDLIFE: BEAVER & FOXES



**By: Patrick Troyer, Education Specialist**

It goes without saying that we have some amazing wildlife that call Ohio home. With bears, turkeys, beavers, coyotes, foxes and so much more, Ohio is truly the heart of it all when it comes to wildlife! In my previous installment, we looked at the deer and the wild turkey learning about their habitats, diet, and behavior. For this article, we look at yet two more of nature's creatures, the beaver and the fox.

Let's first look at the fox. In Ohio, there are two species of fox that call our state home which are the gray fox and the red fox. As you can imagine, they both are named based on their color. The red fox is more of a reddish-orange with white from its below to its underside. The gray fox has an overall gray color but has a lot of black and white mixed in giving it a salt and pepper-like appearance. Besides the color differences, one notable difference between the two-fox species comes to looking at the tail. The red fox will have a white tip to its bushy tail while the gray fox will have a skinnier tail with a black tip.

Foxes are nocturnal animals which means that they are primarily active during the nighttime hours when they hunt for their food and generally sleep during the day. According to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), the Red Fox is a solitary creature during the fall and early winter months and generally only will roam a one to two-mile range in search for food. Some primary staples in the Red Fox diet would be mice, rats, rabbits, birds, insects, eggs, fruits, and acorns. The red fox generally is the one people tend to think of when they hear the word fox due to its rusty colored fur.

The gray fox and the red fox have a lot of similarities between them. One of the main things comes to reproduction with foxes being monogamous breeders. What does this mean exactly? According to ODNR, this means that the fox will only have one mate through their entire lifetime with peak breeding taking place from February to

March for the gray fox and January to February for the red fox. Foxes will only have one litter per year and can have anywhere from 4-6 kits in every litter.

Female red foxes sometimes must make their own dens from scratch. ODNR writes that females that must do this will pick out a location that has a loose, sandy soil that has a southern exposure for warmth. Dens will be dug to depths of about four feet deep. Did you know that foxes are related to your pet dog? Foxes, just like your dog, are members of the "Canidae" or Canine family. Another interesting fact with the fox is that they do not hibernate through the winter months compared to other animals.

To say the least, the beaver is quite an amazing animal primarily due to all the adaptations that it has to best live in its environment. The beaver is the largest rodent found in North America weighing an average of 60 lbs. and measuring a length of 25 to 30 inches long. One thing is for sure with the beaver, they sure love the water! They love it so much that within just 24 hours of being born, the young called kits are already actively swimming! Kits are generally born between April to July with 1 to 4 kits being born with every litter.

Beavers generally prefer ponds that are surrounded by forests to build their homes known as dams. Among some of their favorite woods to eat are poplar, birch, and maple trees. Let's talk a little bit more about their homes which can have some differences depending on where they are built. For the most part, beavers are quite crafty when it comes to the construction of their dam such as building the entrances underneath the water. Why an underwater entrance you ask? Well for one, they love the water and two it is one of the mechanisms they use to protect themselves from predators who are left wondering how to get into the dam.

According to National Geographic, the inside of their homes features a living quarter built above the water with wood chips on the floor to absorb excess moisture along with a vent at the top to

allow for air circulation. Beaver dams are built using the wood that they have chopped up with their large teeth along with mud to hold everything together.

So, let's now talk about the many amazing adaptations of the beaver. What is an adaptation? An adaptation is a modification of an organism or its parts which allow it to better survive its environment. Among their adaptations, beavers have webbed feet, waterproof fur, adapted lungs, ear adaptations, clear eye lids, rudder-like tails, and their large teeth. The waterproof fur makes sense given that the beaver loves to swim in the water. According to National Geographic, beavers use oil glands to keep their fur wet and slippery and rub this on their fur. This is re-applied on a regular basis to ensure the fur stays wet. The fur also is good at trapping body heat to keep the beavers warm.

If a beaver is underwater all the time, how do they see? Beavers have clear eyelids that allows them to see through, so they have their own built in goggles! National Geographic writes that beavers also can stay underneath the water for as long as 15 minutes due to their specially adapted lungs. Do you like getting water in your ears or nose when you swim? Beavers don't either! They have small flaps of skin in their ears and nose that close when they are underneath the water!

Now to those beaver teeth! According to National Geographic, beavers have long sharp teeth known as incisors which are great for gnawing wood. The teeth are continually growing, which makes it important for beavers to keep their teeth sharpened by chewing on wood. Another adaptation of the beaver is their webbed feet. The webbed feet are like flippers that divers will wear when deep sea diving. Their webbed feet between their toes come in handy when they are swimming through the water.

Lastly, is the beaver's tail. They have a large tail shaped like an oar that comes in handy as a steering mechanism and to defend themselves from predators. They will slap their large tail on the water to scare off predators! Hopefully now you have a good understanding of the beaver and foxes found in Ohio. Stay tuned for the next installment which will feature more great Ohio animals!

## PHOSPHORUS RISK INDEX PROJECT

The Phosphorus Reduction Reimbursement Program is now available in critical areas throughout Eastern Allen County within the Upper Maumee watershed.

Grant funds provided to the SWCD from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management are available to participants in the project on a per acre basis.

If you have farm land in the Upper Maumee targeted watersheds, you may be eligible to participate in this project.

This pilot program is designed to help farmers keep phosphorus on their fields. The main factors that determine a farm's risk of losing phosphorus include soil type, how close or connected a field is to surface water, slope of

the field, soil permeability, soil Phosphorus test results, amount of fertilizer applied, time of fertilizer application, and fertilizer placement.

Producers may be eligible for reimbursement payments for applied conservation practices such as cover crops, blind inlets, and more.

Don't miss your chance to sign up!

Please contact Kate Sanders or Greg Lake at the Allen County SWCD office at (260)484-5848 ext. 3, if you are interested in learning more about this exciting new program.

## PAULDING INVESTS IN MAIN STREET OHIO

Paulding, OH: Paulding invests in Main Street Ohio, a program run through Heritage Ohio. Four or five experts in downtown revitalization will be walking the streets of Paulding on January 8th and 9th to see how they can help us revitalize our downtown to make it vibrant, prosperous and full of business again. DART (Downtown Assessment Resource Team) will consist of architects, grant writers, economic developers, and others who have experience helping small rural communities. There will be a public meeting held on Monday, January 8th at 6:00 p.m., location to be determined. At this meeting the team will present their findings, give some suggestions, and have the chance to ask, and answer questions.

"Main Street Ohio has helped communities like ours become vibrant again. Everyone talks about the good ole days when the square was the place to be. We're hoping to achieve that for generations to come," says Mikayla Pieper, director of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce. Investments made by Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival, Paulding Putnam Electric, Paulding County Area Foundation, Paulding County Economic Development, State Bank, the Village of Paulding, and personal contributions insured that the first phase of the Main Street program was funded in full. A sincere amount of gratitude to these businesses, organizations, and leaders for their support as we move forward due to their generosity.

The Friends of the Chamber will be the spear head for the Main Street initiative. The goal is to give back to the community and fuel downtown revitalization through events and fundraisers. What an exciting time to be living in Paulding. A lot is happening, and many dedicated and enthusiastic leaders in the community are excited to see what 2018 will bring. Are you?

## FREE VENISON PREPARATION AND CANNING SEMINAR

Preregistration is required by January 19

Outdoor enthusiasts interested in learning to prepare and can white-tailed deer meat are encouraged to attend a free informational seminar on Tuesday, January 23rd according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR).

The seminar will be held from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Coon Creek Hunt Club, located at 1589 State Route 510, Vickery, 43464. It is free of charge, but preregistration

is required by January 19, as space is limited. Interested individuals can register by calling Andrea Altman at 419-429-8321 or emailing andrea.altman@dnr.state.oh.us.

Trained professionals from the ODNR Division of Wildlife will cover topics including how to pressure can venison, a great way to save freezer space and preserve meat, and how to make venison snack sticks,

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at keeping more students in school. Ohio's new truancy law, which took effect during the current 2017-2018 school year, seeks to detect truancy early, provide assistance to families through cooperation with community entities, get students back in school, and reduce the number of truancy cases filed in juvenile court.

"For too many students in Paulding County, truancy is a major hurdle in the pursuit of a quality education," said Steve Arnold, superintendent of the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center (ESC). "On behalf of the three school districts in Paulding County, the Western Buckeye ESC is very pleased to be partnering with Judge Wehrkamp and the Paulding County Juvenile Court to bring positive changes in the area of truancy."

The implementation of the new state truancy law comes at a time when Paulding County's school districts and Juvenile Court are embracing cooperative efforts to help students and families. With funds earned through a competitive grant, the Juvenile Court has partnered with the Western Buckeye ESC to create a new Diversion/Attendance Officer position for the county's three school districts. Elizabeth Zartman, a Paulding County native, has been hired to serve as the county's first Diversion/Attendance Officer and facilitated the recent meeting with school officials. In her new role, Zartman is now present in the schools during the day to assist them in addressing attendance issues, while also acting as a liaison between the schools and Juvenile Court.

"Since taking office, one of my top priorities has been to improve communication and collaboration with the schools," said Judge Wehrkamp. "Especially considering all of the changes to Ohio's truancy laws, our partnership with Western Buckeye ESC and educators is coming at just the right time, and I thank our school leaders for their willingness to

which is a delicious way to use leftover meat from a previous season.

For more information on venison meal preparation and other wild game recipes, visit the Wild Ohio Cookbook at wildohio.gov.

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embrace new ways of working together."

Judge Wehrkamp believes it is important to take a proactive approach and ramp up collective efforts to implement the new truancy law.

"While the new law sets minimum requirements for schools and juvenile courts to follow, with the creation of our new Diversion/Attendance Officer position and our county wide partnerships, we are proudly going above and beyond the minimum standards to help our students."

Zartman added, "Developing realistic plans to combat truancy problems will reduce filings in the juvenile court and strengthen our community."

Participating in the recent truancy law meeting led by Zartman were representatives from Antwerp Local Schools, Paulding Exempted Village Schools, Wayne Trace Local Schools, and Synergy Learning Center, as well as Juvenile Court Judge Michael Wehrkamp, Prosecuting Attorney Joseph Burkard, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Miller, and Allen Rutter, Director of Shalom Counseling and Mediation Services.

Notable Changes to Ohio's Truancy Law

- Under the new law, schools are required to send notification letters to parents and implement a student-specific absence intervention plan before a complaint may be filed in juvenile court. Previously, truancy was addressed in juvenile court, with complaints filed once students reached a certain number of unexcused absences.

- School absences are now tracked by hours, rather than days, which means that a student who is late to school or leaves early is working his or her way toward attendance interventions and possibly court involvement. The county's school districts are updating their attendance policies to reflect this and other changes brought about by House Bill 410 (131st General Assembly).

### Antwerp Conservation Club

**SCHEDULE AND EVENT CHANGES**

- **January 1<sup>st</sup> Still Shoot:**
  - Feb 3rd - Scholarship Fundraiser
  - March 4th - Scholarship Fundraiser

Registration opens at 11, First Group shoots at Noon.

- **2018 memberships are available!**  
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**WOMEN ARE PEOPLE**

**By: Stan Jordan**

In the last few months more and more ladies are coming out and telling how and when their old boss mistreated them. Some of it was years ago and they are just now telling on that old leech of a boss they had. Lots of people think they are lying because they waited so long to tell their story. But I believe them, it just took that to find an opening or a good reason to come forward.

Some men think women are working in a man's world and that women are fair game. Let us mull that over for a bit. Men have taken advantage of women on the job for hundreds of years. Even some of our presidents were a little loose in the moral department.

Jefferson was color blind, Ben Franklin was never elected to any office, but he swung a wide loop, he didn't throw many back. Franklin D. Roosevelt had some girlfriends, Eisenhower had a girlfriend. Kennedy and Clinton both got off the beaten trail, Trump isn't any better.

The entertainment world is very bad for bosses having their way with young pretty actresses. If you want that job in a film or any other film, it will cost you a sexual favor. That has happened for years. In the mid south, for

years, the main report was to keep their women pregnant and barefoot, that way they stayed at home. In some Asian countries, women are about as valuable as a dog, and are treated that way. See ya!

**CHRISTMAS THEN AND NOW**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Christmas time is here and I've got the shivers that a person gets at this time of year. You know, peace and goodwill to all. I can't write it, but it is here anyhow.

Back in 1950's, 60's and 70's when I was a mailman, people done a lot of ordering from a catalog and the United States Postal Service carried a lot of parcels. A car load and maybe some in the trunk also.

Then they built Glenbrook and people started to go to Fort Wayne and shop and bring the parcels home and over the years, the parcel post business petered out.

But in those years, stamps were a lot cheaper and people sent out many, many Christmas cards. People got mail every day.

Now people order by phone, on line and use a credit card and the delivery service, such as UPS, FedEx and otherwise, drop them off. People order like they used to, shop out of a book or screen.

See it is still the same only different. See ya!

**THE PENTAGON AND I**

**By: Stan Jordan**

**More on the construction of the Pentagon**

Stimson told U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt in May 1941 that the War Department needed addition-

al space. On July 17, 1941, a congressional hearing took place, organized by Virginia congressman Clifton Woodrum, regarding proposals for new War Department buildings. Woodrum pressed Brigadier General Eugene Reybold, who was representing the War Department at the hearing, for an "overall solution" to the department's "space problem" rather than building yet more temporary buildings. Reybold agreed to report back to the congressman within five days. The War Department called upon its construction chief, General Brehon Somervell, to come up with a plan.

Government officials agreed that the War Department building, officially designated Federal Office Building No 1, should be constructed across the Potomac River, in Arlington County, Virginia. Requirements for the new building were that it be no more than four stories tall, and that it use a minimal amount of steel. The requirements meant that, instead of rising vertically, the building would be sprawling over a large area. Possible sites for the building included the Department of Agriculture's Arlington Experimental Farm, adjacent to Arlington National Cemetery, and the obsolete Hoover Field site.

The site originally chosen was Arlington Farms which had a roughly pentagonal shape, so the building was planned accordingly as an irregular pentagon. Concerned that the new building could obstruct the view of Washington, D.C., from Arlington Cemetery, President Roosevelt ended up selecting the Hoover Airport site instead. The building retained its pentagonal layout because a major redesign at that stage would have been costly, and Roosevelt liked the design. Freed of the constraints of the asymmetric Arlington Farms site, it was modified into a regular pentagon which resembled the star forts of the gunpowder age.

On July 28 Congress authorized funding for a new Department of War building in Arlington, which would house the entire department under one roof, and President Roosevelt officially approved of the Hoover Airport site on September 2. While the project went through the approval process in late July 1941, Somervell selected the contractors, including John McShain, Inc. of Philadelphia, which had built Washington National Airport in Arlington, the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, and the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Mary-

land, along with Wise Contracting Company, Inc. and Doyle and Russell, both from Virginia. In addition to the Hoover Airport site and other government-owned land, construction of the Pentagon required an additional 287 acres (1.16 km<sup>2</sup>), which were acquired at a cost of \$2.2 million. The Hell's Bottom neighborhood, a slum with numerous pawnshops, factories, approximately 150 homes, and other buildings around Columbia Pike, was also cleared to make way for the Pentagon. Later 300 acres (1.2 km<sup>2</sup>) of land were transferred to Arlington National Cemetery and to Fort Myer, leaving 280 acres (1.1 km<sup>2</sup>) for the Pentagon.

**WOODLAN STRUGGLES WITH SOUTHERN WELLS**

**By: Jeffery Abbott**

Woodlan and Southern Wells battled through 8 lead changes, 6 ties, and no team having more than a 5 point advantage with the Warriors getting a 46-41 win over the Lady Raiders in ACAC girls' basketball. Woodlan had the lead at the end of the first period by 2 points at 14-12 with Southern Wells getting the advantage at the half at 24-23 and the end of the third at 35-33 before Woodlan got the lead in the fourth and hung on with free throws at the end to seal the game in favor of the home team. Addison Bayman led Woodlan with 23 points in the game. Woodlan picked up the win in the reserve game 35-21 with Abbey Gentz and Ella Smith each scored 10 points

Score by quarter:  
Southern Wells 12 12 11 6 - 41  
Woodlan 14 9 10 13 - 46  
Scorers of the game:  
Southern Wells Noble 10, Bothast 9, Yencer 6, Johnson 4, Dixon 4, Eltzroth 2, Lemler 2, Hanauer 2, Neff 2  
Woodlan Bayman 23, Joyce 7, Koos 5, Kitzmiller 5, Alberson 3, Holmes 3

**ADAMS CENTRAL FALL SHORT TO WOODLAN**

**By: Jeffery Abbott**

Woodlan went on an 8-0 run in the first period, hung on to the lead, and then pulled away in the second and third quarters to lead Adams Central by as many as 18 points, but the final advantage was only 4 points for Woodlan in the 61-57 ACAC boys' basketball win, Woodlan led at every stop in the game. The Jets trailed by 13 points heading into the final quarter and 10 points at the 4 minute mark, They trailed by 6 at the 1 minute to go

**ANTWERP ARCHER 6TH GRADE BASKETBALL**



On Sunday, December 17, 2017, The Antwerp Archer 6th grade boys basketball team competed in their end of season league tournament at the Defiance YMCA with 16 teams. The boys finished the regular season with a 5-3 record, making them the 8th seed in the tourney. They opened against 9th seeded Napoleon and came away with a 31-18 victory, matching them up against #1 seeded and undefeated Crestview. Playing a complete team game, the boys in blue and white put it all together with an impressive 46-28 upset of

the Knights, moving them into the semi-finals against #4 Glandorf. The game was very tight throughout the contest, and the Archers pulled out a 39-38 win, placing them in the championship game against #2 seed Anthony Wayne. Playing with everything they had, the Generals were just too strong in the end and defeated the Archers 28-32 to end a great day for these boys. The team members are Camden Fuller, Syrus Gale, Reid Lichty, Ben Savina, Cohen Hitzeman, Carson Altimus, and Landon Brewer.

mark and just 2 points and a chance to tie or take the lead with 11 seconds left. Free throws by Woodlan sealed the game at the end. Micah Robbins led Woodlan with 21 points. Woodlan picked up the win in the reserve game, 41-33. Daniel White had 13 for Woodlan and Ben Reidy added 11 points

Score by quarter:  
Adams Central 12 9 11 25 - 57  
Woodlan 15 12 18 16 - 61  
Scores of the game:  
Adams Central Carroll 18, Brown 18, Schultz 7, LaFontaine 6, Voirol 5, Arnold 3  
Woodlan Robbins 21, Hahn 15, Howard 9, Wiedenhoeft 7, Elias 4, Bayman 3, Mendenhall 2

**WOODLAN COMES FROM BEHIND TO WIN**

**By: Jeffery Abbott**

Despite scoring just 3 first quarter points Woodlan came back to down Heritage

43-39 in ACAC girls basketball at the Patriots' gym. Woodlan trailed 19-13 at the half but outscored the home team 27-20 over the final 16 minutes of the game. Addison Bayman led the Warriors with 22 points, 9 rebounds, and 3 steals. Gabby Joyce added 15 points for Woodlan and 6 boards. Taylor Zelt and Alivia Beard each had 11 points for Heritage

Scores by the quarter:  
Woodlan 3 13 12 15 - 43  
Heritage 7 12 9 11 - 39  
Scorers of the game:  
Woodlan Bayman 22, Joyce 15, Kitzmiller 5, Alberson 1  
Heritage Zelt 11, Beard 11, Sheehan 6, Dossen 5, Feasby 4, Richman 2

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# WOODLAN WARRIORS

## 2017-18 Boys Basketball



### ROSTER

#	Name	HT	POS	Gr
1	Aidan Bayman	5'8"	G	10
3	Ben Reidy	5'10"	G	10
5	Trevor Wiedenhoef	5'10"	G	10
11	Ah'Lan Howard	6'1"	F	12
12	Mitch Mendenhall	6'2"	F	10
21	Matt Elias	6'2"	G	12
23	Jack Stuckey	6'0"	F	11
24	Lucas Bertsche	6'2"	C	12
34	Aaron Hahn	6'4"	G	12
35	Micah Robbins	6'3"	F	12

Micah Robbins. Even though the team has already started playing, they have not yet hit their stride, which is a good thing as they are currently below 50% on wins right now. They still have 14 more games to go and should very well raise their record as they tighten up from the delayed start. More pictures are available to view at westbendnews.net

The Woodlan Warriors basketball team has already started. The season was delayed due to the football team being in the state championship game in Indianapolis.

This year the boys team lost several good seniors but they replaced them with 5 very talented boys. New Seniors include Ah'Lan Howard, Matt Elias, Lucas Bertsche, Aaron Hahn, and

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Fri	Dec 1	Jay County HS	Away	7:30
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<b>Sat</b>	<b>Dec 9</b>	<b>Blackhawk</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>7:30</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Dec 15</b>	<b>Adams Central</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>7:30</b>
Thu	Dec 21	Fremont HS	Away	7:30
<b>Fri</b>	<b>Dec 29</b>	<b>Wayne Trace</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>7:30</b>
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# RAIDERS PARRY THE MUSKETEERS



Wayne Trace's Claire Sinn battles for the ball against Musketeeer Lillian Wisner. More pictures at westbendnews.net

While the schools along the Ohio state highway 49 were playing the first round of the Route 49 Tourney, the Wayne Trace Lady Raiders were hosting the Fort Jennings Musketeers in the Palace. It was the night of December 21st, and the Lady Raiders were hoping for a victory on the home court. Wayne Trace broke out strong in the first quarter and took the lead early. At the end of the first quarter, the Raiders attained a 4 point lead and held. In the second quarter, however, they began to feel pushback from the Musketeers. Fort Jennings put up 11 more points on top of their 6 points from the first quarter. Wayne Trace did not let them take the lead and added 12

points to the board. The score at the end of the first half was 22-17, with the Lady Raiders holding a 5 point lead.

Coming back after the break, Wayne Trace decided to take no more chances. They came out strong and added 11 points in the third. Their defense also was holding strong, as they only allowed Fort Jennings to score 5 more points. As the fourth quarter rolled around, the Musketeers realized that this was their last chance to take the game. Their offense sprung to life and they managed to add 16 points to the board. However, their offense could not hold off the advances of the Raiders, who also added 16 points to the board. The Wayne Trace Raiders took the game

with an 11 point lead. The final score of the game was 49-38.

Score by Quarter:  
Wayne Trace - 10, 12, 11, 16 = 49

Fort Jennings - 6, 11, 5, 16 = 38

A few of the top scorers for Wayne Trace included: Gracie Gudakunst with 20, Brooke Sinn with 9, and Claire Sinn with 8.

A few of the top scorers for Fort Jennings included: Kristen Luersman with 12, Makenna Ricker with 9, and Annabelle Wisner with 6.

Wayne Trace Girls are now 4-1 on the season, and Fort Jennings is 1-8

Congratulations to both teams on a great game!

In JV action, Wayne Trace Raiders won with a score of 51-28.

## WAYNE TRACE WRESTLING RESULTS



Gabe Sutton VS Carson Tracy

On December 19th, the Wayne Trace Varsity Wrestling Team defeated the Ayersville Pilots by a score of 52-18. The match was the only home match for the Raiders this year. It was also Senior night, where Mat Maid/Statistician, Madison Chastaine and Wrestler, Hunter Showalter were recognized for their hard work and dedication.

Wayne Trace 52 Ayersville 18

106 Double Void

113 Gabe Sutton WT Dec

Carson Tracy 15-4

120 Double void

126 Tyler Bauer WT won by void

132 Caleb Baughman

pinned Noah Romes 2:00

138 Garrett Shreve AY

pinned Jess Munger 1:49

145 Carson Rupp WT

won by void

152 Eli Moore WT won by void

160 Wyatt Stabler WT

won by void

170 Kaden Brown AY

pinned Kameran Bevis 1:33

182 Hunter Showalter

WT won by void

195 Nate Showalter WT

won by void

220 Travis Deagler Ay

pinned Brian Merritt 4:21

Hwt Jacob Graham WT pinned Carson Lause 4:21

Coach's comment: "Once again, the Raiders wrestled very well, even in the matches we lost, we where very competitive. Now we start to head into the heart of our season, Our next competition will be December the 29th and 30th in Defiance at the 44 team Boarder Wars tournament."

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# RAIDERS STOP WILDCATS



Josiah Linder launches the ball from the rural area and scores 3 points. More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Wayne Trace boys basketball team hosted the Miller city Wildcats on Friday, December 22. The game took place at the Palace! The Raiders were on fire the first quarter and held the Wildcats to only 15 while the home team nailed 23. The points were spread across the team. There were 7 three point baskets scored on each side of the scoreboard with 24 attempts on each side!

The second quarter was much closer when Wayne Trace hit 17 and Miller City put in 16. The half time score was 40-31 and the Raiders led the charge!

Coming back from the half the Raiders matched their first quarter score while holding the Wildcats down to 12. Both teams not only had the same number of 3 pointers but they both had the same number of Free throws. Wildcats got themselves into trouble with all the fouling going on. The top free throw shooters for the home team was

a tie between Reid Miller, Josh Kuhn, Trae Sinn and Adam Stoller all with 2, but the rate was under 50%. On the other side, Mark Kuhlman had a much better free throw shooting at 7 scored and the Wildcats were 66% at the line.

In the fourth quarter Miller City was on top with 24 points to the Raider's 20. The final score was 83-67 and Wayne Trace won the battle.

Score by Quarter:  
Wayne Trace 23 17 23 20 = 83

Miller City: 15 16 12 14 = 67

Wayne Trace Scorers: Eli Sinn 18; Evan Mohr 2; Reid Miller 8; Josh Kuhn 14; Nate Gerber 7; Trae Sinn 5; Josiah Linder 10; Adam Stoller 14; Jordan Saylor 5.

Miller City Scorers: Luke Lammers 8; Mitchell Gable 10; Drew Johnston 2; Mark Kuhlman 26; Tyler Schroeder 6; Noah Otto 5.

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# ACES WIN ROUTE 49 TITLE, ARCHERS THIRD



Rachel Williamson launches the ball to sink a basket for the Archers against Edon. More pictures at westbendnews.net

HICKSVILLE - The host, Lady Aces of Hicksville, rolled to the Route 49 Classic Championship on Friday night as the red and white cruised to a 49-29 victory over Edgerton in the title tilt.

Addie Bergman scored 19 second half points and finished with 21 in the contest to lead the Aces to the victory. It is the fourth straight Route 49 Classic

Championship for Hicksville.

Antwerp took third place with a 38-22 win over Edon in the consolation game.

Rachel Williamson scored 16 points to lead the Lady Archers with Heather Oberlin adding ten. Karsyn Brumett chipped in five points for Antwerp and Laura Miller bucketed four. Chelsea Johanns and Amanda Robert picked up

two points and one point, respectively, for the blue and white.

The Lady Archers led at every stop, taking a 7-3 after eight minutes of action before breaking the game open to take a 24-6 halftime advantage. Antwerp was on top 30-16 entering the fourth quarter.

Edon was paced by Claire Radabaugh with eight points while Hanna Fogel and Riley Bloir each bucketed four markers. Reagan Gallehue (three), Zoe Maier (two) and Natasha Warner (one) also scored for the Lady Blue Bombers.

In the opening round, the Lady Archers struggled offensively and fell to Hicksville 45-16.

The Lady Aces led 4-3 after one quarter before taking a 9-6 halftime advantage. Hicksville added 23 third quarter points in breaking the game open to take a 32-12 lead into the final period.

Rachel Williamson paced Antwerp with five points with Heather Oberlin chipping in four markers. Sabrina Thomas-Vankirk (three), Karsyn Brumett (two), Amanda Roberts (one) and Laura Miller (one) also scored for the Archers.

Hicksville was led by Addison Bergman with a dozen points and Micah Schroeder also hit double figures with ten.

Other scorers for the Lady Aces were Alexis Kerns (seven), Katelyn Bergman (four), Taylor Gipple (four), Emily Sanders (four), Noelle Nuttle (two) and Harlee Shuman (two).

# SECOND HALF PROPELS TIGERS PAST PANTHERS



Paulding's Sydney McCullough drives while guarded and scores for the Lady Panthers. More pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING - Holgate jumped in front 17-6 after

one quarter and the Tigers never looked back in post-

ing a 52-41 win over Paulding in non-league girls basketball action at the 'Jungle' Tuesday, December 19.

The Lady Tigers took the 11-point lead after eight minutes of action but Paulding outpointed Holgate 15-8 in the second quarter to pull within 25-21 at the intermission.

However, the visitors then widened the lead to 37-29 at the end of three periods after picking up a dozen points compared to Paulding's eight in the quarter.

Madilyn Hohenberger topped the Lady Tigers with 15 points while Kacee Theisen and Kameron Kupfer-Smith chipped in ten markers each.

Bailey Plott and Kirsten Hoffman recorded eight and seven points, respectively, for Holgate as well. Grace Swary had two points for the purple and gold.

Paulding was led by Cassidy Posey with 15 points while Briana Townley chipped in ten markers.

Audrey Manz added eight points with Asia Arellano and Sydney McCullough posting four points each for the maroon and white.

# PAULDING FFA TRAP SHOOT



On Saturday, December 9th the Paulding FFA Chapter held its first trap shoot at Fish and Game Club in Paulding. There were 15 members who came out to show off their shooting skills. This event was put together by the Chapter's Parliamentarian, Riley Noffsinger in cooperation with the Paulding Fish and Game club. The Paulding FFA would like to thank all the

members of the Paulding Fish and Game that helped out with this trap shoot. It was great to have their support and assistance with this event. The trap shoot was made into a house competition as a way of recognizing student's interest in trap shooting. First place was Westen Philpot with a 18 out of twenty-five, who received 40 points for his house Palmarium. Second

place was Colton Howell, for Vinco Vici Victim who got 30 points for his house. With Excellentia and Stupendum tying for third place each earning 15 points for their house. This competition was very successful and the Paulding FFA Chapter hopes to continue to have more trap shoots in the future.

# BELLMONT HAS A STRONG GAME

By: Jeffery Abbott

Bellmont hit their first shot, took the lead, and never gave it up as the Squaws went on to post a 52-34 win over Woodlan in girls basketball at the Warriors' gym. Bellmont had the advantage at 16-6 after the first quarter and made it 28-15 at the half. Bellmont held the home team to just 4 points in the third quarter to help seal the game and the Squaws extend their lead to 44-19. Meghan Busick led Bellmont with 16 points, Grace Hunter had 14, and Kenzie McMahan added 11 points. Addison Bayman had 11 points for the home team and Taya Kitzmiller had 10 points. Bellmont won the reserve game 47-36 over the Warriors. Abbey Gentz had 12 points for Woodlan

Score by quarter:  
Bellmont 16 12 16 8 - 52  
Woodlan 6 9 15 - 34

Scores of the game:  
Bellmont Busick 16, Hunter 14, McMahan 11, Fuelling 5, Selking 2, M Sonnenberg 2, Thomas 2

Woodlan Bayman 11, Kitzmiller 10, Albertson 5, McGettigan 2, Gentz 2, Joyce 2, Holmes 2

# PANTHERS POUNDED BY PIRATES

PAULDING - The Bluffton Lady Pirates made the long trip to Paulding on Thursday for a Northwest Conference girls basketball battle prior to the Christmas holiday.

The Lady Pirates outscored the host Panthers 19-10 in the fourth quarter to seal a 56-44 road win behind 26 points from Alivia Koenig.

Bluffton held a slim 14-12 lead after one quarter and pushed the margin to three at the break, outscoring Paulding 8-7 in the period for a 22-19 halftime advantage.

Both teams picked up 15 third quarter points as Bluffton took a 37-34 lead into the final stanza.

However, the Pirates wrapped up the victory by adding 19 fourth quarter points compared to Paulding's ten.

Libby Schaadt chipped in a dozen points for the Lady Pirates with Avery Rumer adding eight. Katie Prater (five), Kayla White (three) and Ashley Eachus (two) also found the scoring column for the Pirates.

Cassidy Posey paced the Panthers with 18 markers with Briana Townley adding eight. Kaylen Hale (four), Asia Arellano (four), Sydney McCullough (four), Sadie Estle (three) and Audrey Manz

(three) also scored for Paulding.

Score by Quarters:  
Bluffton 14, 8, 15, 19 = 56  
Paulding 12, 7, 15, 10 = 44  
Stats for Bluffton players - Kayla White 0-1-0-3, Katie Prater 1-1-0-5, Avery Rumer 1-1-3-8, Ashley Eachus 1-0-0-2, Alivia Koenig 2-5-7-26, Libby Schaadt 4-0-4-12, Totals 9-8-14-56

Stats for Paulding players - Audrey Manz 0-1-0-3, Kaylen Hale 1-0-2-4, Asia Arellano 2-0-0-4, Sadie Estle 1-0-1-3, Sydney McCullough 2-0-0-4, Briana Townley 4-0-0-8, Cassidy Posey 8-0-2-18, Totals 18-1-5-44



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The Paulding County Area Foundation recently granted \$1,000 to The Western Buckeye ESC SYNERGY Learning Center to benefit Paulding County students in attendance. Shown accepting the \$1,000 check are Paulding

County Students: LtoR; First Row: Isaiah Danney, Clayton Brown, Thomas Murphy, Nevaeh Yantiss, Allison Lawhorn, Fernando Gonzalez, Michael Sigman. Second Row: Owen Denny, Bryson Miller, Derrick Miller, Haylee

Tracy, Ciarra Owens, Kirsten Lewis. Third Row: Maggie Groh, Elizabeth Pollock, Dylan Kline, Andrea Fletcher, Kameron Forrer, Barrett Ramsey, Trenton Meeks and Damian Wood.

**SYNERGY STUDENTS RECEIVED COOKIES**



The SYNERGY Learning Center students pictured above took home homemade cookies due to a generous donation from Van Wert's Chief Supermarket to SYNERGY's Christmas Stocking Fund. Cookie winners are L to R: First Row: Kameron

Forrer, Michael Nash, Cody Germann, Tristen Parsons, Tyler Shaner, Chase Ditson, Tricia Hagaman, Makenna Tice, Fernando Gonzalez, Eli Stiffler, Nevaeh Yantiss. Second Row: Clayton Brown, Thomas Murphy, Owen Denny, Lexi Taylor, Desirae

DeCamp, Kirsten Lane, Allison Lawhorn, Bryson Miller, Jordan Diltz, David Damron. Third Row: Isaiah Danney, James West, Maggie Groh, Haley Capetillo, Elizabeth Pollock, Chloe Runyon, CJ Nall, Nick Damron, and Max Maroney.

**SYNERGY STUDENTS RECEIVE TURKEYS**



SYNERGY Learning Center students pictured above recently took home a turkey, due to a generous donation from Cooper Farms toward the Christmas Stocking Fund. They are L to R: First Row: Chase Ditson, Kameron

Forrer, Cody Germann, America Short, Stephanie Damron, Tyler Shaner, Tricia Hagaman, Nevaeh Yantiss, and James Brown. Second Row: Damian Wood, Carson Deehring, Caleb Tracy, Michael Sigman, and Josh Ebel.

Third Row: Isaiah Danney, James West, Dylan Kline, Eliza Shaner, Garrett Grenzebach, Kaleb Flory, Derrick Miller, Trenton Meeks, Barrett Ramsey, Ciarra Owens, and Drake Knapke.

**QUICK START PROPELS WILDCATS PAST PANTHERS**

MILLER CITY - In a non-league boys basketball matchup on Monday, Paulding took

a road trip to Putnam County where the Panthers came up short to host Miller City 72-58.

It was the first two quarters that dug a hole for the ma-

ron and white as Miller City opened a 22-13 advantage after eight minutes of action.

The Wildcats then followed that up by outscoring the visiting Panthers 16-10 in the second stanza as the blue and gold opened a 38-23 halftime advantage.

Each team added 18 points in the third quarter, giving Miller City a 56-41 lead going into the final period.

Ethan Rhonehouse led the way for the maroon and white with 22 points while Fletcher Cook added 21 markers for the Panthers.

Logan Bradford chipped in seven for Paulding with Jaret Miller recording four points. Marcus Miller and Isaac Baldwin each recorded two markers for the Panthers.

Noah Otto paced a quartet of Wildcats in double figures with 18 points while Mitch-

**SYNERGY RECEIVED \$2500 GRANT!**



The Van Wert County Foundation recently awarded a grant in the amount of \$2,500 to The Western Buckeye ESC SYNERGY Learning Center to benefit Van Wert County students in attendance. Shown accepting the \$2,500.00 check are Van Wert County students: L to R, First

Row: Jayden Caudill, Eliza Shaner, Tyler Brown, Max Maroney, Stephanie Damron, Chase Ditson, Tristen Parsons, Michael Nash, Carson Deehring, Eli Stiffler, Nick Damron, and David Damron. Second Row: Rachel Irvin, Lexi Taylor, Patricia Hagaman, Cody Germann, Tyler

Shaner, Desirae DeCamp, Gabby Huber. Third Row: Zach Minyoung, James West, Haley Capetillo, America Short, Garrett Grenzebach, Makenna Tice, James Brown, Kaleb Flory, Chloe Roberts, Josh Ebel, CJ Nall, Drake Knapke, and Jordan Diltz.

ell Gable posted 14 points for Miller City. Mark Kuhlman chipped in 13 and Luke Lambers added a dozen points for the blue and gold, who improved to 4-2.

Drew Johnston and Tyler Schroeder bucketed six points and Isaac Fillingner added three.

The Wildcats won the battle of the boards, 37-31, and committed fewer turnovers, 9-22.

Paulding finished the night shooting 37 percent (21 of 56) compared to Miller City's 34 percent (24 of 70).

The Panther junior varsity was victorious, winning 46-29 over the Wildcats.

**INDIANA SPORTS ROUNDUP**

The Woodlan boys basketball team wrapped up the pre-Christmas portion of its schedule last week as the Warriors dropped a pair of games to Bellmont and Fremont.

On December 19, Woodlan made the trip to Decatur to battle the Braves with Bellmont recording a 61-57 victory over the Warriors.

Fremont then hosted the Warriors on Thursday, December 21, and the Eagles trimmed Woodlan 69-63.

The Warriors now stand 2-3 on the season and will host Wayne Trace on Friday in a non-league battle with the Raiders.

In girls basketball action, Woodlan dropped to 6-8 overall on the season as the Lady Warriors fell to visiting Bellmont 52-34 on December 20.

The Lady Warriors return to the court on Thursday when they visit Wayne Trace.

New Haven's girls basketball team also came up short in its lone contest last week.

The Lady Bulldogs visited Garrett on December 18 where the host Railroaders posted a 50-35 win over the Bulldogs.

New Haven drops to 2-12 overall on the season with the loss.

**ACAC TOURNEY PAIRINGS SET**

The Allen County Athletic Conference regular season tournament pairings were announced recently as local squads found out their opponents.

First round games will take place on January with boys and girls action at the same locations.

Quarterfinal games include Southern Wells at Jay County, Bluffton at South Adams and Allen County rivals Woodlan and Heritage will square off at

the home of the Patriots.

In semifinal action on January 12, Adams Central will play the winner of Southern Wells-Jay County while the Bluffton-South Adams victor takes on the Woodlan-Heritage winner.

The girls championship game will then take place on January 15 at 6:00 p.m. followed by the boys championship at 7:30 p.m.

**COUGARS CRUMBLE TO RAIDERS**

On Saturday, December 23, the Wayne Trace boys basketball team travelled to Van Wert. The Cougars generally are a good team and this year they performed quite well in the first quarter. when they kept the Raiders from scoring only 4 points.

In the second quarter the Raiders tuned in to their skills and pulled out a fantastic quarter. They scored 17 points, holding the Cougars down to 7 and the half was close at 18-21 and Wayne Trace took the lead.

The top scorer for Wayne Trace was Eli Sinn with 17 points followed by Josiah Linder having 11. Both teams top three scorers matched.

The third quarter was another close match when Van Wert narrowed the Raider lead to only 1 point difference by the buzzer.

The fourth quarter was a boon for the Raiders when they had the high scoring period with 19 points are on

board to the home team's 11. The final score wrapped up with 44-53 and the Raiders took home the win.

Score by quarter:  
Van Wert: 11 7 15 11 = 44  
Wayne Trace: 4 17 13 19 = 53

Van Wert Scorers: Nate Place 17; Jacoby Kelly 11; Owen Treece 8; Blake Henry 4; Drew Bagley 4

Wayne Trace Scorers: Eli Sinn 17; Josiah Linder 11; Josh Kuhn 8; Nate Gerber 6; Jake Kuhn 6; Trae Sinn 5.

Wayne Trace is now 6-1 and Van Wert falls to 2-3.

**PANTHERS PICK UP SECOND NWC VICTORY**

BLUFFTON - Paulding took advantage of a good shooting night and got a game high 17 points from Ethan Rhonehouse in posting a 62-43 victory over Bluffton Friday evening in Northwest Conference boys basketball action.

The Panthers led 16-11 after one quarter and never looked back, widening the margin to 35-23 at the intermission. Paulding took a 51-36 advantage at the end of three periods.

Fletcher Cook chipped in a dozen and Logan Bradford added ten for the Panthers, who improve to 3-4 overall and 2-0 in the league.

Carson Shull (seven), Austin Howell (four), Jaret Miller (four), Marcus Miller (three), Blake Dobbelaere (three) and Blake McGarvey (two) completed the list of scorers for the

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# HOBY SCHOLARSHIP AWARDEE SPEAKS AT KIWANIS



**Cameron Pastor (center) recipient of the HOBY scholarship by Kiwanis, is pictured with school guidance counselor, Mrs. Chelsea Koester (left) and program host, Harry Wiebe (right).**

Cameron Pastor, a student at Paulding High School PHS has been awarded the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership scholarship from the Kiwanis Club of Paulding County. Cameron's essay was chosen from others submitted to Mrs. Chelsea Koester, PHS Guidance Counselor. Cameron enjoys writing, and in his essay he shared how he has learned leadership skills as

section leader for the school band. He shared how negative experiences can sometimes provide a teaching tool for leaders to improve their skills. The local Kiwanis Club has been sponsoring youth attendance for emerging leaders at HOBY for over two decades. The club was founded in 1960. The program was hosted by Harry Wiebe.

# CHRISTMAS PROGRAM BY OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Oakwood Elementary second graders put on a Christmas program for the school and community on Tuesday,

Dec. 19th called "Christmas Cookies and Holiday Hearts". Shown are some of the students as they are performing.

maroon and white.

The Panthers were a solid 23 of 45 from the field (51 percent) and limited the host Pirates to 16 of 52 from the field (31 percent).

Paulding won the battle of the boards on the night, 26-21, and the Panthers committed fewer turnovers, 10-12.

Kaleb Jefferson bucketed 14 and Jared Piercedfield added a dozen to lead Bluffton. Dakota Bricker, Cole Fruchey and Mason Soper all had five points for the Pirates and Mason Ault picked up a basket.

The Panther junior varsity was also victorious on the night, posting a 49-32 win over the Pirates.

# LADY RAIDERS ADD ANOTHER WIN

The Lady Raiders travelled to Van Wert to take on the Cougars. The game was close and interesting as it wasn't a blowout in any quarter but a steady increase in points put a strong lead by the end and a 19 point victory for the Raiders.

Gracie Gudakunst, the fiery senior, led the charge with her aggressive play and 13 points. The girls only were on top by 1 after the first. They started gaining a small lead by half time when they added 16, 6 more than the Cougar's 10 points. The half finished at 21-28.

The girls came back from half with another strong and steady quarter. Claire Sinn scored a 3 point basket and scored the second highest points for the Raiders.

In the third quarter the lady Raiders clenched the Cougars tighter and only allowed them to score 7 points, giving them an even a stronger lead. This continued on in the fourth quarter too when they posted an additional 3 points in difference. The final score was 38-57 and the Raiders took home the win.

Score by quarter:  
Van Wert: 11 10 7 10 = 38  
Wayne Trace: 12 16 16 13 = 57

The girls are now 5-1 and Van Wert is 1-7.

Van Wert Scorers: Alexis Metz 8; Jamison Clouse 6; Abby Jackson 6; Cassidy Meyer 10; Caylee Philips 4; Jerica Huebner 2; Reagan Priest 2.

Wayne Trace Scorers: Claire Sinn 11; Tiffany Sinn 3; Miriam Sinn 9; Sadie Sinn 10; Kaylee Shepherd 8; Gracie Gudakunst 13; Brooke Sinn 3.

# LATTA APPLAUDS CHANGES TO THE TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT, HIGHLIGHTS BENEFITS FOR MIDDLE-CLASS FAMILIES

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) applauded the changes made to the House Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

in the final compromise bill released by the Conference Committee on Friday. In addition, Latta highlighted the benefits for middle-class families in Ohio's 5th Congressional District.

Latta had recently joined his colleagues in sending a letter to conferees asking that the final bill not count graduate student tuition waivers or tuition waivers for family members of university employees as income. The legislation released on Friday maintains the current policy of exempting tuition waivers from income and also allows taxpayers to continue to deduct student loan interest. At the same time, the bill protects the medical expense deduction and expands it by reducing the percentage of adjusted gross income that taxpayers must spend on medical expenses to qualify for the deduction from 10% to 7.5%.

The bill nearly doubles the standard deduction, which means that 90% of taxpayers will be able to file their taxes on a form the size of a postcard. The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act also doubles the child tax credit from \$1,000 to \$2,000 – a provision that will support working families.

"Starting as soon as next year, a family of four making the median income in Ohio's 5th Congressional District would keep \$2,415 more annually if this legislation becomes law," said Latta. "At the same time, tax filing will be much simpler with nine out of ten taxpayers being able to submit their taxes on a form the size of a postcard.

"While I agreed with much of the legislation originally passed by the House, I'm glad the conferees have improved that legislation by keeping provisions that help college students, those with high medical expenses, and working families.

"In addition to the benefits that individual families will receive, everyone will benefit from the economic growth and job creation that will be spurred by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act. It's been 31 years in the making, and tax reform is long overdue. This legislation will mean more Ohioans can keep more of their hard-earned money and receive the tax relief they deserve."

In addition to the previous provisions, the legislation also retains the Historic Tax

# ANTWERP STUDENTS ENJOY NEW LIBRARY STATIONS



**Third graders Kole Elston and Zoen King-Bauer work together to build a marble run.**

Students in grades 2 through 5 at Antwerp Elementary School have been enjoying new library stations, including a marble run, Lego wall, art station, and Snap Circuits. As the school year proceeds, new stations of various robotics will be added as well, and the kindergarten and first graders will begin some basic stations during their library time. This is one way Antwerp Local School

District is ensuring that its students are STEAM ready (science, technology, engineering, art, and math). Special thanks goes to Mr. Tim Manz, Director of Curriculum and Technology Integration and Innovation, for building the Lego wall and marble run and for ordering the other materials and to Mrs. Angie Carnes, the new elementary library aide, for implementing the stations.

# SANTA VISITS ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS



He came! He came! Santa took time out from his many Christmas duties to visit the wonderful children at Ann's Bright Begin-

nings! He listened to their wish lists and then we entertained him with lots and lots (and lots) of Christmas songs!

Credit, an important provision to Ohio communities. The bill also maintains the tax treatment of Private Activity Bonds, which are important for a number of economic development projects.

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- Cecil:** Maramart, Vagabond
- Charloe:** Charloe Store
- Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware
- Defiance:** Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots, Cabbage Patch Store, Werlor's Waste
- Edgerton:** Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, Utilities Office, Napa
- Grover Hill:** Ross' Gas Station, N&N Quick Stop
- Hicksville:** Sailers, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, H20, Senior Center, Subway
- Latty:** Kohart's Surplus & Salvage, Country Inn Living Center
- Melrose:** Morning Star Convenience Store
- Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, The Oakleaf, Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware
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- tension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Past Time Cafe, Board of Elections
- Payne:** Blueberry Pancake House, Lichty's Barber Shop, Payne Super Valu, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza
- Scott:** Scott Variety Store
- Sherwood:** Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank,
- Van Wert:** Family Video, Orchard Tree, Lee's Ace Hardware, Main Street Market - Marsh, Walmart,

### INDIANA LOCATIONS

- Fort Wayne:** Walmart (Maysville Rd.),
- Grabill:** Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales
- Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Harlan Cafe, iAB Bank
- Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub
- Monroeville:** Mel's Deli, The Village of Heritage, Phillips 66 Gas Station, Dollar General
- New Haven:** Curves, Milan Center, New Haven Branch Library, Ken's Meat Market, New Haven Bakery, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Restaurant, New Haven Chamber, Crumback Chevrolet, Hahn Systems
- Woodburn:** Clip -N- Tan, Sam & Carter's Pizza, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Woodburn Branch Library, Financial Partners, Love's Travel Center, Woodburn Meats & Produce, Heckley Outdoor

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Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1  
 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
 PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO  
 In the Matter of Foreclosure of  
 Liens for delinquent land taxes:

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

**vs.  
 LAURA SCHOENHERR, ET AL.,  
 Defendants.**

Case No. CI 16 170  
 Whereas, judgment has been rendered  
 against certain parcels of real property for  
 taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and  
 charges as follows:

**421 East Orchard Street, Payne, Ohio  
 Parcel Number: 19-065-013-00**

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

Total amount of judgment is Six Thou-  
 sand Three Hundred Fifteen and 92/100  
 (\$6,315.92) 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  
 10:20 a.m. at the East door of the Court-  
 house in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the  
 18th day of January, 2018, 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 First day of Febru-  
 ary, 2018 for an amount sufficient to satisfy  
 the judgment against the parcel.

Payment in full is due at the time of the  
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 have no legal right to access this property  
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 the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

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**NSCC FALL COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY  
 AWARDS 166 DEGREES/CERTIFICATES**



Northwest State Com-  
 munity College celebrated  
 the December 2017 gradu-  
 ating class at their fall cer-  
 emony last evening, held  
 in the Voinovich Auditori-  
 um. The ceremony recog-  
 nized the awarding of 166  
 degrees and/or certificates  
 to 158 students from the  
 divisions of Allied Health,  
 Business & Public Services;  
 Arts & Sciences; Industrial  
 Technologies; Nursing; and  
 Science, Technology, Engi-  
 neering Technology & Math  
 (STEM). This represents the  
 largest fall graduating class  
 in the College's history.

Dr. Cindy Krueger,  
 NSCC vice president for in-  
 stitutional effectiveness &  
 student services, kicked off  
 the ceremony with a note  
 of celebration. "Tonight, we  
 are celebrating the achieve-  
 ments of our graduates. We,  
 your family, friends and the  
 College community, have  
 gathered to celebrate with  
 you," Krueger said.

Renee Limbacher of  
 New Bavaria was the stu-  
 dent speaker. She received  
 an Associate of Applied  
 Science in Medical Assis-  
 ting and graduated Summa  
 Cum Laude. During her  
 speech, Limbacher offered  
 her thanks for her support  
 system - family, friends,  
 and NSCC students, faculty  
 and staff - by noting, "Your  
 support has enabled us to  
 face the trials we have en-  
 countered on this journey to  
 success, and we have all had

trials." Limbacher encour-  
 aged graduates to continue  
 to move forward, "Now it's  
 time to see what you can  
 do. Test your limits, break  
 through the barriers trying  
 to hold you back, reach for  
 the sky. Follow your heart,  
 and never stop climbing."

The keynote speaker for  
 this year's commencement  
 ceremony was the Honora-  
 ble Denise Herman McCol-  
 ley, Common Pleas Judge  
 of the Domestic Relations/  
 Juvenile Divisions with  
 the Henry County Family  
 Court. McColley encour-  
 aged graduates to continue  
 to reach for their highest  
 ideals, saying "There's al-  
 ways something we can do  
 to better ourselves, always  
 an option to continue learn-  
 ing, always a way to assist  
 others. I truly believe that  
 we should continue to reach  
 for those higher ideals that  
 better self, and the degree  
 or certificate you are receiv-  
 ing today is another step on  
 your journey to reach your  
 ideals." McColley conclud-  
 ed her remarks by reflect-  
 ing on the importance of "pay-  
 ing it forward" and helping  
 others in any way possible,  
 then led the graduates in a  
 standing ovation of thanks  
 for those who helped them  
 each achieve their education  
 goals.

During the ceremony,  
 twelve students were rec-  
 ognized as Award of Merit  
 recipients. Award of Merit  
 recipients are chosen by fac-

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 visions based on leadership  
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 or abilities in their academic  
 field, and significant contri-  
 butions to Northwest State.

**Award of Merit recipi-  
 ents included:**

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 Administrative Services;  
 Josh Carmody, Business  
 Management; Kasara Ko-  
 var, Criminal Justice; Jen-  
 nifer Majchrowski,  
 Medical Assisting

**Arts & Sciences**

Dustan Bradley, Associ-  
 ate of Arts

**Industrial Technologies**

Timothy Yocklin,  
 Maintenance Technology-  
 Mechatronics

**Nursing**

Devyn Stouffer,  
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 OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

**LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,  
 Plaintiff,**

**vs.  
 Daniel. K. Burger, et al.  
 Defendants,**

Case No. CI-17-177  
 Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman

**TO: Daniel K. Burger, Unknown  
 Spouse of Daniel K. Burger, Unknown  
 heirs, administrators, executors or as-  
 signs of Daniel K. Burger**

**LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown**

Please take notice that a complaint  
 has been filed in the above-captioned ac-  
 tion against you seeking a foreclosure of  
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 owned by **Daniel K. Burger, Unknown  
 Spouse of Daniel K. Burger, Unknown  
 heirs, administrators, executors or  
 assigns of Daniel K. Burger** to pay de-  
 linquent real estate taxes owed by you.

The real property in question is situ-  
 ated in the Township of Auglaize, County  
 of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and  
 more fully described as follows:

Lot Number (2) Two of John D.  
 Miller's Third Subdivision, as shown  
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 Page 146 of the Record of Surveys, in  
 the Office of the County Engineer of  
 Paulding County, Ohio.

**Parcel No. 01-14D-009-00**

You are required to answer in the  
 above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28)  
 days after the last publication hereof, or  
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 real estate will be sought. Your answer  
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 Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paul-  
 ding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk  
 Court of Common Pleas  
 Paulding, County, Ohio

By: *Joseph R. Burkard*  
 Deputy

Respectfully submitted,  
*Joseph R. Burkard*

Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)  
 Paulding County, Ohio  
 Prosecuting Attorney  
 120 S. Walnut Street  
 Paulding, Ohio 45879  
 419-399-8270

**COACH ATCHLEY'S 400TH WIN!**

**By: Adam Oman and  
 Kaylee Witham**

On Friday, December 1,  
 the Harlan Hawks traveled to  
 Wapakoneta Ohio to play in  
 the Grand Lake Invitational  
 tournament. The varsity boys  
 faced off against the Harvest  
 Temple Crusaders. The boys  
 played hard and won in over-  
 time 61-56. David Malcolm  
 put up 10 points and grabbed  
 17 rebounds. Austin Loud-  
 en added 3 assists and had  
 4 steals, while Kyle Graber  
 worked hard for 42 points, 12  
 rebounds and 3 blocks. This  
 win was the 400th win for  
 Mr. David Atchley Jr.

Coach Atchley has been  
 coaching the Harlan Chris-  
 tian boys' basketball teams  
 since 1995. In 2000, he be-  
 came the athletic director  
 for the school and in 2001 he  
 also became the Evangelist at  
 the Harlan Church of Christ.  
 On top of all that, in 2007 he  
 became the Vice-Principal  
 at the school as well. When  
 Coach Atchley was asked who  
 influenced him as a coach, he  
 said that Coach Norman Dale  
 and Dick Arnold were who he  
 was influenced by.

He has had a few assistant  
 coaches over the years. Mark  
 Peters and Geoff Hostetler  
 have helped in the past. Now,  
 he is assisted by his oldest son  
 Drake Atchley and also Kev-  
 in Petermen. Coach Atchley  
 appreciates those who have  
 helped him over the years.

Some of his most memora-  
 ble players also happen to be  
 his sons: Drake, Dakota, and  
 Dylan Atchley. Some of his  
 favorite times to look back on  
 are his players' Senior Nights  
 because of the recognition  
 the seniors receive. Coach



Atchley also enjoys seeing  
 different people come togeth-  
 er to work for a common goal.  
 We asked Mr. Atchley what  
 are some of the challenges  
 of coaching. He said that the  
 time spent on scheduling and  
 working to make sure that  
 the players and their families  
 have all the information that  
 they will need takes many  
 hours, days and months to  
 make all of these things hap-  
 pen. The most rewarding  
 thing that has come from  
 coaching for him, has been  
 the influence he has had on  
 many young men's lives. The  
 time he spends with the team,  
 teaching them the game of  
 basketball and helping them  
 become leaders. He loves how  
 his players have represented  
 the school that he is so proud  
 to be involved with. Many of  
 Coach Atchley's players have  
 learned valuable lessons from  
 him; how to be responsible  
 for their actions and how to  
 be leaders.

Coach Atchley has many  
 responsibilities at the church  
 and school, and we are so  
 thankful to him and his fami-  
 ly; for all the sacrifices he  
 has made. We appreciate you  
 Coach Atchley for all you do  
 for Harlan Church of Christ  
 and Christian School and  
 your players.

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**VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES**

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-27** on December 18, 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND EXHIBIT A TO ORDINANCE NO. 2015-27, SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND SECTIONS 2, 4, 5, 7, AND 18 OF EXHIBIT A, SAID EXHIBIT A BEING THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP INCOME TAX ORDINANCE." This Ordinance amends the Village's Income Tax Ordinance to comply with the provisions of House Bill 5 adopted by the General Assembly.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-28** on December 18, 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CHARGE OF YARD WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES RATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, COUNTY OF PAULDING, OHIO." This Ordinance authorizes the imposition of a yard waste disposal services fee at the rate of \$4.50 per quarter to be assessed to the Village residents in order to operate and maintain the compost site.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-32** on December 18, 2017, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE PERSONNEL MANUAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, SPECIFICALLY, AMENDMENTS TO PARAGRAPHS E AND F OF SECTION XX ENTITLED VACATION LEAVE, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance amends the personnel manual to clarify language on requesting payment of vacation leave and/or carrying over vacation leave to the following year and to clarify the language on the accrual period for excess vacation leave.

The publication of the Ordinances and Resolution is by summary only. The complete text of the Ordinances and Resolution 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 PUBLICATION**  
 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS  
 OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,  
 Plaintiff,  
 vs.  
 Edwin L. Zedaker, et al.  
 Defendants,

Case No. CI-17-150  
 Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman

TO: Edwin L. Zedaker, Unknown  
 Spouse of Edwin L. Zedaker, Unknown  
 heirs, administrators, executors or assigns  
 of Edwin L. Zedaker

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown

Please take notice that a complaint  
 has been filed in the above-captioned ac-  
 tion against you seeking a foreclosure of  
 tax liens and a public sale of real property  
 owned by Edwin L. Zedaker, Unknown  
 Spouse of Edwin L. Zedaker, Unknown  
 heirs, administrators, executors or  
 assigns of Edwin L. Zedaker to pay  
 delinquent real estate taxes owed by you.  
 The real property in question is situated  
 in the Village of Antwerp, County of  
 Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more  
 fully described as follows:

In Paulding County in the State of

Ohio, to-wit: Lot Number forty-eight  
 (48) in Mackinaw Addition to the Vil-  
 lage of Cecil, Paulding County, Ohio  
 according to the plat of said addition  
 as recorded in the Office of the Coun-  
 ty Recorder of Paulding County, Ohio

Parcel No. 15-03S-042-00  
 Property Address: Stafford Street,  
 Cecil, Ohio

You are required to answer in the  
 above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28)  
 days after the last publication hereof; or  
 a default judgment seeking sale of your  
 real estate will be sought. Your answer  
 should be filed with the Clerk of Courts,  
 Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paul-  
 ding, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk  
 Court of Common Pleas  
 Paulding County, Ohio

By: *[Signature]*  
 Deputy

Respectfully submitted,  
*[Signature]*  
 Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)  
 Paulding County, Ohio  
 Prosecuting Attorney  
 120 S. Walnut Street  
 Paulding, Ohio 45879  
 419-399-8270

**PAYNE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR DECEMBER**



Front Row: Khloe Merriman, Josiah Stoller, Boston Font, Aleena Wheeler, Lucy Hull. Back Row: Lily Boyd, Tori Stoller, Christian Bohland, Bailey Hildebrand, Melanie Dunham, Kyren Karhoff, Tanner Laukhuf

**PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS**

**Criminal/Traffic Disposition Report**

**Brandy M. Watts**, Paulding, OH; Confine of dog; Bench trial held; Defendant found guilty; Defendant shall pay all fines and costs; Pay or collections date set for 6/29/18

**James M. Cooper**, Oakwood, OH; Confine of dog; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

**James M. Cooper**, Oakwood, OH; Fail to register dog; Count B dismissed

**James M. Cooper**, Oakwood, OH; Confine of dog; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

**Chelsea A. Smith**, Paulding, OH; Confine of dog; Bench trial held; Defendant found guilty; Defendant shall pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

**Marisela S. Vasquez**, Toledo, OH; Possession; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior

**Michael L. Richcreek**, Oakwood, OH; No O.L.; Guilty; Defendant appeared in open court; Plead guilty; Warrant and warrant block recalled; Pay or collection 6/29/18

**Michael L. Richcreek**, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant appeared in open court; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 6/29/18; Warrant and warrant block recalled

**Jimmie D. Keeler**, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant pled guilty; Pay or collections 21/29/17

**Jason L. Fisher**, Paulding, OH; Fictitious Reg; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; pay or collection 6/29/18

**Marie L. Marvin**, Oakwood, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Edwin S. Schwartz**, New

Haven, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Austin M. Smith**, New Haven, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jolin M. Gile**, Scott, OH; Confine of dog; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall pay restitution in the amount of \$214.00 through the clerk's office; Shall maintain general good behavior

**George B. Adkins**, Holgate, OH; Weapon/disabil; Preliminary hearing held; Testimony and evidence given to the court; Court finds probable cause; Case shall be bound over; Bond set at \$100,000.00 with 10% option; All the other bond conditions continue

**Joseph Mitchell**, Paulding, OH; Domestic violence; Preliminary hearing held; Evidence and testimony given to the court; The court finds probable cause; Case shall be bound over; Bond \$25,000.00 with 10% and all other conditions continues

**Tracy Lynn Hoepfner**, Defiance, OH; O.V.I./under influence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant appeared with counsel; MS shoup pled no contest; License suspended 1 year 11/27/17; ALS vacated immediately to complete DIP; ON probation; Secure a valid OL; 30 C/S; All contraband forfeited; Submit to evaluation at Westwood

**Tracy Lynn Hoepfner**, Defiance, OH; Driv/FRA susp; Case dismissed

**Dennis L. Lewis**, Paulding, OH; Unsecure load; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jeffery V. Miller**, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Brittany N. Kutzli**, Paulding, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state with prejudice; Costs waived

**Jacob P. Bechstein**, Montpelier, OH; Off inv indag/p; Case dismissed per state; with prejudice; Costs waived

**Paige K. Branham**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Erika A. Keeler**, Antwerp, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gregory J. Voorman**, Farmington, MI; Fail control; Guilty; Case waived by defendant

**David L. Schroeder**, Defiance, OH; Obstructing; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

**Ariel K. Friend**, Antwerp, OH; Falsification; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Placed on standard

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**Sudoku Puzzle**

	4	8			7	3	9	2
7					3	5		
			4	9			2	
		2		1			4	
	8					1		
	7				2	8		
	1							
5				8		9		

Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

**PAYNE SPELLING BEE WINNERS**



Sixth grade student, Emma Laukhuf, won the Payne Elementary spelling bee and Brenna Thomas was the runner up. The winning word was "custody."

probation; 3 days jail; Complete 20 hrs of community service; Complete Thinking For A Change program; Shall maintain general good behavior

**Michael D. Grunden**, Paulding, OH; O.V.I./under inf; Guilty; Defendant appeared in court with Ms. Smith; Pled guilty; OL suspended 1 year; Insurance not provided; Pay or collection 9/28/17

**Nicholas A. Keible**, Antwerp, OH; O.V.I./breath (Low); Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Defendant to do 3 days jail or DIP; Probation; Evaluation at Westwood; Valid OL; 40 C/S; No alcohol; 3rd Millenium online course; Pay or collection 12/21/18

**Christal A. McMichael**, Adrian, MI; A.C.D.; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Eric H. Bennett**, Paulding, OH; Traf dev/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Christopher L. Smith**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant appeared without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collections 1/26/18

**Sarah A. Kohls**, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Leona S. Aldred**, Paulding, OH; Fail control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Dennis E. Beiswenger**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gregory S. Stoller**, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jason S. Zamora**, Payne, OH; Drive/FRA suspension; Guilty; Defendant appeared without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collections 3/30/18

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**REQUIREMENTS:** Current State of Ohio Registered Nurse

**SCHEDULE:** Part Time - 1st shift hours

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1  
**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO**  
**In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:**  
**LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**BARBARA NEWLAND, ET AL., Defendants.**

Case No. CI 17 111  
 Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:  
 205 South Cleveland Street, Grover Hill, Ohio 45849  
 Parcel Number: 26-10S-033-00  
 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 Seven Thousand Sixty-eight and 20/100 (\$7,068.20) 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 18th day of January, 2018, 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 1st day of February, 2018 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.  
 Payment in full is due at the time of the sale and the purchaser(s) are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
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**NSCC STEM DIVISION SHARES EDUCATION PROGRAM**



**The NSCC Board of Trustees heard a presentation from the NSCC STEM division, regarding ongoing recruitment and community outreach efforts to increase STEM-related student enrollment at the College. Dave Mohring (standing), NSCC STEM faculty discusses the Tensile Test Machine, which tests the tensile strength of various materials, as Robert Hall and Laura Howell, NSCC Board of Trustee members look on.**

The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, December 15. As part of the meeting, the Board heard a presentation from Dave Mohring, NSCC STEM faculty member, regarding ongoing recruitment and community outreach efforts from the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering Technologies & Math) division. The pilot project "Advising for Engineering Career Pathways" includes engineering classes at Automatic Feed in Napoleon and Defiance Metal Products, plastics classes at B&B Molded Products in Defiance, strategic visits to high schools throughout the College's service area, and numerous other school and community outreach functions in an effort to increase STEM field student enrollment at NSCC.

Mohring noted that as of mid-September, there were over 2,300 current engineering-related job openings in Northwest Ohio, and nearly 23,000 engineering-related job openings throughout the state, further illustrating the need for more students

in STEM fields of study. He also shared a personal story of his education path, relaying how his Associate degree from NSCC and subsequent Bachelors of Science from the University of Toledo cost him just \$12,000, thanks to a tuition reimbursement program from his then-employer, and how a similar degree path from four-year institutions can cost over ten times as much for the same education.

In other Board action: Approved the promotion of Cassie Rickenberg to Director of Advising Center and the employment of Makayla Windau to Admissions Recruiter.

Approved miscellaneous employment contracts, transfers and a resignation.

Approved a tuition increase for in-state students to \$167.33 per semester credit hour, as well as an out-of-state surcharge of \$161.33 per semester credit hour, both effective Summer 2018 semester.

Approved 2016-2017 College Audit and 2016-2017 budget transfers, as well as the financial report.

Ruhl's furniture sign. Pape said that the sign is actually much larger than it looks, standing at approximately twelve feet.

This was not always the home of Ruhl's Furniture and Flooring however. Originally Ruhl's was opened by Paul Ruhl in an automobile dealer's salesroom which was located at 424 Broadway Street which is next to the downtown fire station. Ruhl's opened at that spot in 1956. At that time John Pape's father worked with Paul Ruhl in the flooring sales and installation segment of the store. It was there that John Pape got his experience in furniture and flooring sales. Then in 1991 Paul Ruhl was ready to retire and wanted to sell. John Pape

bought the store and it continues today.

Ruhl's Furniture & Flooring functioned in that location until 2008 when Pape decided to buy the K.P. Hall building at 511 Broadway in order to have more display space. For quite a few years both stores remained open with the flooring in the original store and the furniture in the K.P. Hall Building. Then in 2008 John Pape consolidated the furniture and flooring into the building in which it is located today.

Today Ruhl's Furniture & Flooring sells all types of furniture which can be custom ordered in the store. On the second floor is their flooring displays with a great variety of flooring styles, colors, and

**LEGAL NOTICE FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION**

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO**  
**FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE COMPANY, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**Brian E. Smith, et al Defendant(s),**  
 Case No. CI 17 167  
 Judge Tiffany E. Beckman

The Court finds that the service of summons cannot be made other than by publication on Defendants: Brian E. Smith, Stacey M. Henderson aka Stacey Marie Henderson aka Stacey Marie Smith aka Stacey M. Smith, Unknown Spouse, if any, of Brian E. Smith, whose last known place of residence are: Addresses Unknown, Each of you will take notice that on November 9, 2017, Plaintiff filed a Complaint for Foreclosure in the Paulding County Court of Common Pleas, being CI 17 167 alleging that there is due to Plaintiff the sum of \$50,468.73 plus interest at 3.875 per annum from February 1, 2017, plus late charges, pre-payment penalties, title charges, court costs and expenses as applicable to the terms of the Promissory Note secured by a mortgage on the real property, which has a street address of 311 Van Wert Street, Latty, Ohio 45855 being permanent parcel number 29-06S-019-00; 29-06S020-00.

Plaintiff further alleges that by reason of a default in payment of said Promissory Note,

the conditions of said Mortgage have been broken and the same has become absolute.

Plaintiff prays that the Defendant(s) named above be required to answer and assert any interest in said property of be forever barred from asserting any interest therein, for foreclosure of said mortgage, marshalling of liens, and the sale of said real property, and the proceeds of said sale be applied according to law.

Said Defendant(s) are required to file an Answer within twenty-eight (28) days after last publication which shall be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks, or they might be denied a hearing in this case.

Submitted by:  
  
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Ruhl's Furniture and Flooring has been a member of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce for twenty four years. Attending events and meeting with other business owners has been the biggest benefit from membership for John Pape. Also he shared that he believes that people respect the fact that his business is a member of the New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

You will have the perfect opportunity to check out this amazing furniture and flooring business at their New Year's Day sale. If you do, we are sure that though you may enter as a customer you will leave as a friend because Ruhl's Furniture and Flooring makes friends one customer at a time.

**MCCOLLEY PRAISES STATE FUNDING FOR LOCAL RENOVATION PROJECTS**

State Senator Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) announced that the Hyatt Block in Findlay, Ohio has been awarded state funding through the Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit program for renovations to the historic structure.

"The historic preservation tax credit has played a significant role for the investment in many historic buildings across Northwest Ohio," said McColley. "I am thrilled to hear Findlay will be the latest beneficiary through investment in the Hyatt Block."

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

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

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

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

**vs.**  
**JACQUELINE SUMMERVILLE, ADMINISTRATOR**

**OF THE ESTATE OF VIOLA WILLIAMSON, ET AL., Defendants.**

Case No. CI 16 0171

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

115 South Coupland Street, Paulding, Ohio  
Parcel Number: 30-06S-044-00 and 30-06S-043-00

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 Seven Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-six and 42/100 (\$7,476.42) 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 10:05 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 18th day of January, 2018, 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 First day of February, 2018 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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the roads in the country, he would stop and pick them up along with his two sons. All for the family, he heard no complaints from his boys.

His children would ride the school bus to Jennings Elementary School, then on to Spencerville. They were constantly harassed, hair too long, hair to short, the old car in the driveway, anything and everything. They had an out-house, carried in all the water, chopped all the wood for the pot belly stove, gleaned the cornfields after picking, worked picking apples for 20 cents a bushel, pruned the trees, pressed cider for 50 cents an hour. The man's oldest son worked nights in Van Wert dispatching at the cab office for 33 cents an hour. The man moved his family to Van Wert in 1963 on a Saturday in early September, that next Monday he went to work at the Kennedy Kit where he worked until his death.

I didn't write this to garner any pity. I know there are many who might read this probably experienced similar lives. This wasn't the entire story, much more could have been said. I know one thing, I wouldn't have changed a thing. I was the oldest son, the man, my father, he was a hard worker and no son could be prouder of his father than me. White privilege? I never had white privilege, but I was privileged.

-Kenny Barnes  
Paulding, Ohio

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS**

**AUGLAIZE TWP**  
12/18/17 Weisgerber, Deborah J to Rensi, James E Rensi, Nancy J; Rd 149; 12 Acres; Pt W1/2 Se1/4 N Of Can Ptne1/4 Se1/4 Above 692 Auglaize Twp S-13

12/18/17 Weisgerber, Deborah J to Rensi, James E Rensi, Nancy J; Rd 149; 75.5 Acres; Ne1/4 S Of Cr Above 692 Auglaize Twp S-24

12/19/17 Grant, Wanita M Le Grant, Troy L to Grant, Wanita M Le Grant, Troy L Le; 15332 Rd 149 Defiance Oh 43512; 10 Acres; Pt Nw1/4 Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-24

12/18/17 Shawley, Doris A to Gathany, Kari D; 18528 Rd 1027 Defiance Oh 43512; 0.4235 Acres; Lot 79 Auglaize Hills Dev#2 Auglaize Twp S-19

**BLUE CREEK TWP**  
12/20/17 Miller, Jeffrey L Miller, Lori J to Miller, Broc T Miller, Megan L; 5665 Rd 107 Haviland Oh 45851; 2.64 Acres; Pt E1/2Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-11

**BROWN TWP**  
12/20/15 Densmore, David L Le & Densmore, Catherine A Le Etal to Warner, Dustin; Superior St; 0.3011 Acres; Lot 241&N1/2Vacalley(S)& E1/2Vac Jackson St Melrose Vill O.p.

12/20/15 Densmore, David L Le & Densmore, Catherine A Le Etal to Warner, Dustin; Superior St; 0.1814 Acres; Lot 242 & N1/2 Vac Alley O.p. Melrose Vill

12/20/15 Densmore, David L Le & Densmore, Catherine A Le Etal to Warner, Dustin; 309 Superior St; 0.1814 Acres Lot 243 & N1/2 Vac Alley O.p. Melrose Vill

**CARRYALL TWP**  
12/19/17 Bell, Harold Bell, Eunice to Bell, Harold; 5263 Rd 180 Antwerp Oh 45813; 3.47 Acres; Pt Nw Cor Se 1/4 Sw 1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 26

**CRANE TWP**  
12/21/17 Rochester Park State Of Ohio to Paulding County Park District; 11891 Rd 424 Cecil Oh 45821; 5.56 Acres; Crane Twp Sec 11

12/21/17 Mobley, Theresa A Le to Mobley, Theresa A Le; Rd 226; 106.284 Acres; Pt E Fr1/4 Se1/4 Less Sh & Pt W Fr Se1/4 Crane Twp Antw Dist S-9

12/21/17 Hook, Allen A Le to Hook, Allen A Le; Rd 180; 5.08 Acres; Lot 2 Pt Nw1/4 Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 28

**HARRISON TWP**  
12/21/17 Feasby, Ann to Buchman, Eric R; Rd 124; 40 Acres; Se1/4Se1/4Harrison Twp Sec 13

**JACKSON TWP**  
12/19/17 Colter, Katherine J to Dangler, Jayson G Fleagle, Mackenzie M; E Jackson St; 6.86 Acres; Pt

**NEW TRADITIONS FOR PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL**

The Paulding High School Parents' After Prom Group is excited to announce new fundraisers to benefit PHS 2018 After Prom and all future PHS After Proms. The Group has started a 50/50 Ball Drop Fundraiser that will run

*Sudoku solution from page 13*

4x9 grid of numbers representing a Sudoku solution.



at all home PHS Boys Basketball Games. Proceeds will be dropped after the last home PHS Boys basketball game in February 2018.

The owner of the winning ball that lands in the designated target will win 50% of all profits made during this fundraising event. Winner need not be present to win. You can help support PHS After Prom & purchase your ball at the games or by contacting Wendy Price @ 419-

605-5896. The Ball Drop equipment/fundraiser will be passed down year to year to each Parent's After Prom Group to raise money for PHS After Prom activities. The PHS After Prom Parent's Group will also have a handmade queen sized OSU Quilt to be raffled off the same night as the Ball Drop Fundraiser. For more information contact Angelle Reineck @ 419-769-2070.

lay's downtown historic district. Except for the first floor, the building has been vacant for more than 10 years. The renovated space will be home to an arts organization offering therapeutic and educational opportunities with offices on the second and third floors.

In total, the Ohio Development Services Agency awarded \$28,370,452 through the program to rehabilitate 222 historic buildings in 11 communities across the state. Developers do not receive the tax credit until project construction is complete and all program requirements are verified.

Applications are received bi-annually in March and September for the Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**White Privilege**

I was just wondering what the next thing the dimms were going to be throwing into the ring. Let me see, oh, the Russian collusion with the Trump campaign, oh I'm sorry they changed that didn't they? It's now obstruction of justice! This thing about global warming, oops

Lot 26 S Pt Jackson Twp S-7

12/19/17 Colter, Katherine J to Dangler, Jayson G Fleagle, Mackenzie M; 103 Klinger Rd; 15.338 Acres; Pt Lots 5 7 8 9 10 11 12 30 & 32 Jackson Twp S-7

**PAULDING TWP**  
12/18/17 Johanns, Gary Robert & Johanns, Pamela To Johanns, Gary Robert Trustee Johanns, Pamela Sue Trustee; Rd 144; 44.79 Acres; Pt Sw1/4 S-5Paulding Twp

12/18/17 Johanns, Gary Robert & Johanns, Pamela to Johanns, Gary Robert Trustee Johanns, Pamela Sue Trustee; Rd 144; 18.21 Acres; S1/2 Se1/4 S-6 Pldg Twp

12/18/17 Johanns, Gary Robert & Johanns, Pamela To Johanns, Gary Robert Trustee Johanns, Pamela Sue Trustee; Rd 144; 63 Acres; Pt Se1/4 S-6Paulding Twp

12/20/17 Monroe, Albert G Monroe, Mary A to Monroe Mary A; Tom Tim Dr; 0.03 Acres; Pt Se 1/4 Ne 1/4 Outlots S-12 Paulding Vill

12/20/17 Monroe, Albert G Monroe, Mary A To

Monroe, Mary A; 720 Tom Tim Dr; 0.199 Acres; Pt Se 1/4 Ne 1/4 Outlots S-12 Paulding Vill

**WASHINGTON TWP**  
12/19/17 Grote, Marilyn D to Mills, Linda S; 1281 Rd 203 Cloverdale Oh 45827; 1.5 Acres; Pt N1/2 Se1/4 Washington Twp Sec-36

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

The Village of Paulding will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of the following described real estate, to-wit:

The real estate being sold is the "Old Utility Building" property and is located at 208 North Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio, Parcel No.: 30-23S-044-00

**The real estate is to be sold and conveyed to the highest bidder by quit claim deed on the following terms:**

- 1. Bids will be accepted as "highest and best offer".
- 2. The successful bidder will pay for the cost of the deed preparation, conveyance fee, recording costs and closing costs.
- 3. The Village of Paulding shall have one (1) month, after the finalization of the sale, to remove all of the contents of the building from said building.
- 4. Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to be deposited with the bid by certified check, and the balance to be paid to the Finance Director of the Village of Paulding within thirty (30) days after the acceptance of the bid by the Council of the Village.
- 5. The successful bidder for the property must agree, in writing, to comply with all ordinances of the Village of Paulding, Ohio, that pertain to possible uses for said real estate.

All bids must be placed in a sealed envelope and be identified as "BID FOR OLD UTILITY BUILDING PROPERTY" and received by Robert Fisher, Village Administrator, Village of Paulding, 116 South Main Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879 by 12:00 P.M. (Noon) on Wednesday, January 3, 2018, at which time they will be opened and read.

The Village of Paulding reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Please contact Robert Fisher, Village Administrator, at 419-399-2806 with any questions.



**MONROEVILLE RECEIVES \$14,400 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT FROM PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC CO-OP**



Left to Right: Paulding Putnam Electric Trustee Steve McMichael, Monroeville Chamber President Jeff Nolan, Paulding Putnam Electric Trustee Joe Kohnen, Scott Naltner with Greater Fort Wayne Inc., Monroeville Town Council President Don Gerardot, Rachel Black with Allen County Economic Development, Kristi Sturtz with Sturtz Public Management Group, Elissa McGauley with Allen County Planning Commission, and Larry Oberley with the Town of Monroeville.

Monroeville officials recently applied for a community grant through Paulding Putnam Electric and Buckeye Power. A check presentation was held December 20th at 11 a.m. at the town hall located at 104 Allen St. in Monroeville, Indiana.

The town is working to develop 42 acres located next to the American Mitsuba Plant and recently applied and was awarded a grant for \$14,400 to help assist in getting the site certified for development. Please, join us as Paulding Putnam Electric presents the

town with the check on December 20th.

Buckeye Power, is Paulding Putnam Electric's wholesale distributor and offers a certain amount of grants each year throughout the state of Ohio and the territory it also serves in Indiana.

**LATTA VOTES TO SEND TAX REFORM TO PRESIDENT'S DESK; EMPLOYEES TO BENEFIT FROM BONUSES, INCREASED WAGES**

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) voted to send tax reform to President Trump's desk after the bill passed the U.S. Senate. After the passage of the bill, companies around the country began announcing benefits that employees will receive due to the historic tax legislation.

Ohio's Fifth Third Bank has announced that they will pay more than 13,500 employees a \$1,000 bonus and will raise the minimum wage for their workers to \$15 dollar per hour. The bonuses will not be provided to senior managers and top executives.

The news comes on the heels of similar announcements by AT&T and Boe-

ing. AT&T said they will be providing \$1,000 bonuses to 200,000 employees and are investing an additional \$1 billion in the United States in 2018. Boeing will invest \$300 million in workplace development, facilities, and charitable giving endeavors — such as employee gift-match programs.

Wells Fargo also announced that they will be increasing their minimum wage to \$15 and providing \$400 million in philanthropic contributions in 2018.

"The President hasn't even signed his name, and we're already seeing what a big win this bill is for American workers," said Latta. "Despite unprecedented attacks from those supporting the status quo, I voted for this legislation because I knew it would mean more money in the pockets of middle-class Ohioans. Starting in February, taxpayers are going to have a bigger paycheck because of this bill. In addition, we're already seeing the benefit from companies that are choosing to grow, expand, and invest in their workforce. With Christmas less than a week away, the announcements by these businesses to pass the savings from tax reform on to their employees and their families is a very welcome gift."

**HELENA ACRE HOME-GROWN SCHOLARSHIP**

Helena Continental Branch is excited to announce the recipient of the Helena Homegrown Scholarship Koenn Farms is the winner of a \$1,000 scholarship dedicated in their name to an eligible student attending Antwerp Local High School. The Helena Homegrown Scholarship will be awarded to a 2018 graduating high school senior pursuing a degree in agriculture or science.

Helena is committed to supporting the next generation of agriculture through the Helena Homegrown Scholarship. We want to help our local customers and communities grow more than crops. Whether through the Homegrown Scholarship or our industry-leading intern program, Helena is committed to growing the future generation of ag leaders and professionals.

Graduating seniors at Antwerp Local High School can apply for the Homegrown Scholarship by visiting [www.helenahomegrown.com](http://www.helenahomegrown.com). Applications are due February 2, 2018 and winners will be announced by March 1, 2018.

We would like to congratulate Koenn Farms and acknowledge them for their commitment to Helena.

**SECRETARY PERDUE APPLAUDS PRESIDENT TRUMP'S LEADERSHIP ON REDUCING REGULATIONS**

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue hailed President Trump's release of the Unified Agenda and the results of regulatory reform efforts undertaken since the Executive Orders on Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs and Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda were signed nearly a year ago.

"President Trump has shown great leadership on reducing burdensome regulations," Secretary Perdue said. "Here at USDA, it is my goal to establish ongoing communications to give producers and consumers a voice on the implementation of new regulations and avoid unintended consequences associated with undermining our science-based approval process. The deregulation actions announced yesterday generate measurable cost offsets in annualized savings and help ensure USDA's programs are delivered efficiently, effectively, with integrity, and with a focus on customer service. No longer can we afford onerous red tape that simply serves to hold American agricultural producers back from feeding and clothing the world."

Regulatory reform is one of the cornerstones of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) strategies for creating a culture of consistent, efficient service to customers, while reducing burdens and improving efficiency. USDA has identified 27 final rules that will be completed in FY 2018 and result in \$56.15 million in annual savings. USDA's 2017 Fall Statement of Regulatory Priorities was developed to lower regulatory burdens on the American people by implementing and enforcing regulatory reform. These regulatory priorities ensure programs are delivered efficiently, effectively, with integrity, and a focus on customer service; they maximize the ability of American agricultural producers to prosper by feeding and clothing the world; and they provide all Americans access to a safe, nutritious, and secure food supply. You may click [HERE](#) to view USDA's 2017 Fall Regulatory Agenda.

**30TH ANNIVERSARY**



Deon and Martina Daugherty will be celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary. The couple got married December 30th, 1987 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

They met in Nurnberg, Germany while Deon was stationed in Zirndorf, Germany with the U.S. Army. They moved to Antwerp in September 1991. The couple have 3 children: Deon (Liz), Bryan, OH; Danielle (Ryan) Kunesh, Hicksville, OH and Domino who still lives at home while attending college. For their 30th anniversary, Deon and Martina went on a road trip in October to California.

**SOMETHING ON THE EAGLES**



By: Stan Jordan  
My fellow worker here at the West Bend News, Crystal Rider, took the above picture on December 12th, where C.R. 424 intersects with C.R. 11

She tells me that the female eagle will weigh 12-15 pounds more than the male, but you really can't tell which is which here. The female's wing span can reach up to eight feet wide.

I am very glad to get these pictures because it shows their white head and white tail feathers. They are eating a small deer remains that was hit by a car over on the highway. There were numerous cars in the area with people taking photos of these birds. She figures the birds were there at least 2 1/2 hours. See ya!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Carryall Township Trustees will be holding their Annual Appropriation and Organizational meeting on Thursday, December 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at 15156 Road 23, Antwerp, OH

—Deb Wyckoff  
Carryall Township Fiscal Officer

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