

STATEMENT FROM SECRETARY HUSTED ON THE U.S. SUPREME COURT UPHOLDING OHIO'S PROCESS FOR MAINTAINING ACCURATE VOTER ROLLS



The Supreme Court of the United States ruled today in *Husted v. A. Phillip Randolph Institute*, upholding the supplemental process used in Ohio to maintain the Statewide Voter Registration Database. The following may be attributed to Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted:

"Today's decision is a victory for election integrity, and a defeat for those who use the federal court system to make election law across the country. This decision is validation of Ohio's efforts to clean up the voter rolls and now with the blessing of the nation's highest court, it can serve as a model for other states to use."

Excerpts from today's Supreme Court decision:

"The process that Ohio uses to remove voters on change-of residence grounds does not violate the Failure-to-Vote Clause or any other part of the NVRA...Ohio's

removal process follows subsection (d) to the letter: It does not remove a registrant on change-of-residence grounds unless the registrant is sent and fails to mail back a return card and then fails to vote for an additional four years."

"... the explanation added by HAVA in 2002 makes it clear that the statutory phrase 'by reasons of the person's failure to vote' in the Failure-to-Vote Clause does not categorically preclude the use of nonvoting as a test for removal."

"As noted, subsection (d), the provision of the NVRA that directly addresses the procedures that a State must follow before removing a registrant from the rolls on change-of residence grounds, provides that a State may remove a registrant who "(i) has failed to respond to a notice" and "(ii) has not voted or ap-

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WOODBURN SUMMER FEST ANNOUNCES NEW EVENT – CHALK WALK

The Chalk Walk is a new event for Woodburn Summerfest 2018!! There are two divisions for this competition: ages 12 and under and ages 13 and above. Teams of up to four people in the same age division may register to create a chalk mural in either a 4'x4' or 8'x8' space designated on the basketball court. Entry details and fees are located on the registration form. Cash prizes will be given in each category based on creativity, originality, and appropriate incorporation of this year's theme, "Wet and Wild."

Each registered team will receive a kit of 12 to 24 sidewalk chalks based on design size but may supplement with additional chalks. No other drawing or painting media can be used. Based upon their registration, teams will be randomly assigned an area in which to recreate their submitted design. Artists may begin work at 6:00 p.m. on Friday night and work until 8:30 p.m. and may start or continue working Saturday between 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. All masterpieces must be completed by 1:00 p.m. on Saturday in order for judging to begin.

Make sure to stop by and cast your vote for the People's Choice Award, one of many prizes to be given! Registration deadline for participation in our Chalk Walk is Thursday, June 21. Limited space is available, so the sooner you apply, the better! Registrations MUST be accompanied by a sketch of the team's proposed chalk mural and a brief Artist Statement explaining the team's interpretation of the theme. Please contact Angie at stokesam@hotmail.com for any questions!! Registration form available at www.woodburnsummerfest.com

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SUCCESSFUL WINE TASTING AT OLD MASONIC BUILDING



Theresa Stoller, David Burtch, and Cassie Jo Arend. Each station had different wines and sometimes promoted other small area business. Cassie Jo was promoting her new venture as an independent consultant for Rodan & Fields, Prescription for Change.

The Friends of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce hosted a wine tasting on June 8 for fun and fellowship, and as a fundraiser. The drive behind this event was Theresa Stoller and David Burtch.

The event started at 7:00 p.m. and continued through the evening as people came and went. The location of the wine tasting is a historic landmark in downtown Paulding and is being renovated LARON HODGIN. In a previous life it was the Masonic Lodge building.

This year's wine tasting Event Sponsor was Tri-County Roofing. Other sponsors included Ace Hardware,

Bashore, Reineck Stoller & Waterman, Inc., CoRP - Community Revitalizing Paulding, First Federal Savings & Loan, Rodan & Fields - Cassie Jo Arend, The Gardens of Paulding, Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative.

The Wine Tasting was a remarkable success once again this year in this annual event showcasing wines from around Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio.

All funds raised go towards downtown revitalization in the Paulding community. Many volunteers made this possible, making a great community event!

ANTWERP VFW AUXILIARY RAFFLE WINNERS

The Antwerp VFW Auxiliary held a raffle at the 2018 Cleveland Street Ribfest on June 2. Winners are the following:

- Bench - Jeff Hahn
- John Force Collectible Car - Rose Ridgeway
- \$100 Gift Card - Jessica Keppeler
- 50/50 - Jane Ankney

PUBLIC NOTICE

On May 8, 2018 Carryall Township Trustees passed Resolution 2018-1 "A RESOLUTION REGULATING UTILITY VEHICLES AND MINITRUCKS WITHIN CARRYALL TOWNSHIP AND REQUIRING INSPECTIONS OF THE SAME BY THE ANTWERP POLICE DEPARTMENT." For copy of resolution please contact Deb Wyckoff, Fiscal Officer @ 419-506-1816.

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- June 11-15**
- Paulding County 4-H Fair
- June 12**
- FW area Comm. Band concert @ Foellinger Theatre, 7:30pm
- June 12-15**
- Paulding County 4-H Fair
- June 14**
- Summer Patio Concert @ The Huber, 7pm
- June 15**
- Woodburn Farmers Market, 4-7pm, behind City Hall
- June 16**
- ACC Clean up day. 9 till? Volunteers wanted!
- June 21**
- "The Fairy Tale Network" @ The Huber, 7pm
- June 22**
- Woodburn Summerfest
 - Cook out in the Park, Herb Monroe Comm. Park, Paulding, 11a-2p
- June 22-24**
- Special Olympics @ OSU
- June 23**
- Woodburn Summerfest
 - Movie Night at the Huber "I Can Only Imagine" 7pm
- June 30**
- Summer Patio Concert @ The Huber, 7pm
- July 9**
- Grab Your Neighbor, Downtwon Antwerp, 5-7pm, All American Town
- July 11-19**
- D.A.R.E. summer camp @ Paulding MS
- July 13-14**
- John Paulding Days, Paulding,

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KINGSPORT, TENNESSEE:

Former Paulding resident, **Norma Jean Leslie**, age 88 died Sunday, June 3, 2018.

She was born October 29, 1929 in Blue Creek Township, Paulding County, the daughter of the late Dale and Violet (Showalter) Gantt. In 1953 she married James Roy Leslie who preceded her in death on April 7, 2009. She was a program assistant for the Paulding County ASC office, a teacher's aid at Antwerp Schools as well as the office manager at Strait Realty. She was a former member of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding; Crane Township Women's Club; and Coroner Chapter #95 OES.

She is survived by two sons: James S. Leslie, Canandaigua, NY, and Richard A. (Sondra) Leslie, Kingsport, TN.

Funeral services will be conducted 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 9 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. Burial will follow in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding County.

Visitation will be 3:00-8:00 p.m. Friday, June 8 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until time of services.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations made to Paulding VFW or St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Online condolences may be sent to www.denherderfh.com

STATE AGENCIES ENCOURAGE OHIOANS TO RECOGNIZE WARNING SIGNS OF ELDER ABUSE AND KNOW HOW TO REPORT IT

Because older adults are the fastest-growing segment of Ohio's population, the Ohio Department of Aging and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services ask all Ohioans to learn the warning signs of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation and know how to report it if they suspect that an older loved one or neighbor might be a target. June 15, 2018, is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

"From 2015 to 2040, Ohio's overall population is expected to grow by just two percent, while our 60-plus population will grow by 40 percent," said Beverley Lau-

bert, interim director of the Ohio Department of Aging. "While we work every day to empower elders to remain independent and vital, we also know that they are often the targets of abuse. We are committed to empowering individuals, families and communities so that no elder is victimized again."

"Elder abuse is an insidious but preventable problem," said Cynthia C. Dungey, director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. "It spans socioeconomic class, race and gender. The more we spread the word about how to recognize and report it, the easier it will be to stop it from occurring and to make sure our older friends and family members get the help they need."

The agencies want all Ohioans to know who they can turn to if they feel that they or their loved ones might be victims of abuse or exploitation.

If you feel that someone is in immediate danger of harm, call local law enforcement immediately.

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services supervises the state's Adult Protective Services program, which helps vulnerable adults age 60 and older who are in danger of harm, are unable to protect themselves and may have no one to assist them. County departments of job and family services receive and investigate reports of abuse, neglect and exploitation and evaluate the need for protective services. To report suspected abuse, call the statewide, toll-free help line at 1-855-644-6277 (1-855-OHIO-APS).

The Ohio Department of Aging is home to the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, which advocates for people receiving home care, assisted living and nursing home care. Paid and volunteer staff work to resolve complaints about services, help people select a provider and offer information about benefits and consumer rights. To report suspected abuse in a nursing home or assisted living facility or by staff of a home care agency, call the State Ombudsman's Office toll-free at 1-800-282-1206.

In addition, area agencies on aging around the state can connect elders to community-based services and supports to maintain or increase their independence and help prevent abuse, neglect and exploitation. Call toll-free 1-866-243-5678 to be connected to the area agency on aging serving your community.

Learn more about elder abuse at www.aging.ohio.gov/elderabuse. What types of things are considered abuse? Neglect occurs when an individual's basic needs for safety and well-being (such as medical care, adequate nutrition, socialization) are not being met. This can be

through the action or inaction of the individual or another person.

Exploitation is the unlawful or improper use of another person's resources for monetary or personal benefit, profit or gain. People who exploit older adults can range from total strangers to trusted friends and family members.

Physical abuse is the intentional use of physical force that results in injury, pain or impairment. It includes pushing, hitting, slapping, pinching and other ways of physically harming a person. In care settings, it can also include placing an individual in incorrect positions, force feeding, restraining or giving medication without the person's knowledge.

Emotional abuse occurs when a person is threatened, humiliated, intimidated or otherwise psychologically hurt. It includes the violation of an adult's right to make decisions and the loss of his or her privacy.

Sexual abuse includes rape or other unwanted, non-consensual sexual contact. It also can mean forced or coerced nudity, exhibitionism and other non-touching sexual situations.

Warning signs of potential elder abuse, neglect or exploitation:

Bruises, cuts or other signs of physical harm;

Sudden behavioral changes, such as becoming less social;

A caregiver who refuses to allow visitors to see the adult alone;

Hazardous or unsanitary living conditions;

Dehydration, malnutrition or poor personal hygiene;

Previously uninvolved relatives showing sudden interest in the adult's rights, affairs and possessions;

Unexplained, sudden transfers of assets or finances to an individual;

Unexplained disappearances of funds or valuable possessions;

Abrupt changes in a will, financial documents, bank accounts or banking practice; and

Over- or under-utilization of prescribed medications or missing medications.

The Ohio Department of Aging serves and advocates for the needs of Ohioans age 60 and older, as well as their families, caregivers and communities. Programs include home and community based long-term supports and services, as well as initiatives to promote health and wellness throughout the lifespan.

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families. These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, child care, child and adult protective services, adoption, and child support services.

PROMEDICA DEFIANCE REGIONAL HOSPITAL CELEBRATES OPENING OF SECOND MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING

ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital will host a ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday, June 12 for the second medical office building.

The new 41,000 square-foot addition provides convenient access to doctors and medical services, and supports greater care coordination.

"The new medical office building is a wonderful addition to Defiance Regional Hospital's campus," said Doug Bush, president of ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital. "It allows patients to get the same, high quality care in a larger and more convenient space."

The facility includes growing medical practices and services that were previously in need of space, such as ProMedica Physicians Defiance Orthopaedic Center, ProMedica Total Rehab, ProMedica Physicians Defiance Regional Ophthalmology, ProMedica Laboratories and Harbor Behavioral Health, an affiliate of ProMedica. Additionally, ProMedica Total Rehab moved into a new space double in size. It is located next to the orthopaedic practice for easy access and care collaboration between orthopaedic surgeons and therapists.

This event will be Tuesday, June 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital, MOB Parking Lot, 1252 Ralston Ave., Defiance, Ohio 43512

For more information about ProMedica Defiance Regional Hospital, visit <http://www.promedica.org/Defiance>.

FAN-BASED STAR WARS CHARITY TO DONATE LAND-SPEEDER TO LUTHERAN CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Known mostly for spot-on costumes depicting famous and infamous figures from a galaxy far, far away, members of the local garrison of the 501st Legion will swing by Lutheran Children's Hospital this weekend to show off their lighter side of the Force.

Northern Darkness Garrison of the 501st Legion, a Star Wars costuming club, is donating a version of Luke Skywalker's landspeeder to help LCH team members transport young patients throughout the units in a way that's more enjoyable. Several members of the garrison, some in full costume, are scheduled to arrive in the south lobby Saturday at 10 a.m. for the delivery and a brief photo op.

Northern Darkness Garrison represents northern Indiana in the 501st Legion, a worldwide charitable organization that promotes interest in Star Wars and Star Wars costuming while giving back to communities through volunteering, fundraising and other charitable activities.

Northern Darkness Garrison geographically includes the northernmost 22 counties in Indiana. They include: Lake, Newton, Porter, Jasper, LaPorte, Starke, Pulaski, Saint Joseph, Marshall, Fulton, Elkhart, Kosciusko,

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

-Psalms 46:10

LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, Whitley, Huntington, Wells, Adams, Allen, DeKalb, and Wabash.

DEAN'S, HONORS LISTS ANNOUNCED FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2018

Each semester, Defiance College recognizes students who have attained an outstanding level of academic excellence by naming them to either the Dean's list or the school honors list.

The honors list is for students achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and enrolled in 6-11 semester hours for which letter grades are given. Students who have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and are enrolled in 12 or more semester hours for which letter grades are given are named to the Dean's list.

Dean's List

Deborah Young, Huntsville, Ala.; Lucas Singleton, Loveland, Colo.; Corey Bennett, Tampa, Fla.; Zachary Johnson, El Paso, Ill.; Alex Marciniak, McHenry, Ill.; Cassidy Yant, Churubusco, Ind.; Da'Ja'Nay Askew, Crown Point, Ind.; Marcelino Gonzalez, East Chicago, Ind.; Anna Craft, Elkhart, Ind.; Kalyn Pickens, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Damonn Burns, Indianapolis, Ind.; Tanner Hughes, Pierceton, Ind.; Brittany Osborne, Union City, Ind.; Kody Fuller, Wabash, Ind.; Bennett Pack, Glasgow, Ky.; Jennifer Deneau, Cement City, Mich.; Baily Weatherwax, Chelsea, Mich.; Michael Reese, Constantine, Mich.; Taylor Wells, Galesburg, Mich.; Alek Menyhart, Hartland, Mich.; Blake Newman, Jackson, Mich.; Abigail Cronin and Adam Swisher, Lambertville, Mich.; Beau Massingill, Monroe, Mich.; Jordan Williams, Osseo, Mich.; Henna Frank, Petersburg, Mich.; Nicholas Mesnard, Petoskey, Mich.; Jalin Nealy, Pontiac, Mich.; Ashton King, Quincy, Mich.; Danielle Robbins, Westland, Mich.; Laura Lutze, Williamston, Mich.; Jared Guerra, Waxhaw, N.C.; **Kyle Recker, Antwerp, Ohio**; Grant Vickery, Bellevue, Ohio; Samantha Basham, Bellville, Ohio; Samantha Ervin, Bloomdale, Ohio; Adam McGinnis, Bloomville, Ohio; Sidney Faine, Bluffton, Ohio; Meagan Trimpey, Bowl-

ing Green, Ohio; Jonathan Brown, Paris Creek, Michael Cox, Lucas Nye, and Cory Sidle, Bryan, Ohio; William Ploughe, Canal Winchester, Ohio; Anthony Adamic, Chardon, Ohio; Emma Bedan, Tyler Davie, and Mekai White, Cincinnati, Ohio; Megan Ladd and Madison Mansfield, Cloverdale, Ohio; Brooke Gostomsky, Covington, Ohio; Jarod Brossia and Morgan Connor, Curtice, Ohio; **Connor Behringer, Tyler Bullock, Loren Davenport, Adriana Dockery, Connor English, Olivia Fett, Aerica Firman, McKenzie Hall, Keri Hupp, Jewel Isaac, Christiane Kempe, Kody King, Madeleine McMaster, Drake Moening, Taylor Niese, Morgan Porter, Kayla Rethmel, Whitney Schalk, Shelby Stamm, Amanda Waldfogel, Allison White, and Elizabeth Wil-litzer, Defiance, Ohio**; Jordan Osborne, Delaware, Ohio; Aaliyah Blanchard, Delta, Ohio; Mackenzie Moehrmann, Deshler, Ohio; Madison Bowman, Eaton, Ohio; **Emily Culler, Edgerton, Ohio**; Timothy Feasel, Fort Jennings, Ohio; Jared Feffer and Spencer Gray, Grand Rapids, Ohio; **Luke Miller, Grover Hill, Ohio**; Rose Hastedt and Nathan Hoffer, Hamler, Ohio; **Christopher Davis and Corey Davis, Haviland, Ohio; Michaela Bauer, Brett Hook, and Aimee Wulff, Hicksville, Ohio**; Madysyn Creighton, Hillsboro, Ohio; Amie Ricksecker, Jenera, Ohio; Madison Baker, Kettering, Ohio; Rachel Lowell, Lakewood, Ohio; Austin Conlon, Latty, Ohio; Paige Sockmiller, Leipsic, Ohio; Noah Beach and Adam Ordel, Lima, Ohio; Zachary Bires, Mackenzie Durdak, and Megan Overmann, Lorain, Ohio; Jennifer Bechtold, Mark Center, Ohio; Elizabeth Martin, Marysville, Ohio; Kayleigh Vicknair, Mason, Ohio; Emily Miller, Mausee, Ohio; Elyzabeth King, Mechanicsburg, Ohio; Malia Ferry, Milford, Ohio; MacKenzie Combs, Milford Center, Ohio; Kathryn Mary Cassidy, Inboden, Montpelier, Ohio; Hannah Hesterman, Caroline Klein, Kendra Michaelis, and Logan Petersen, Napoleon, Ohio; Danielle Ferguson, North Baltimore, Ohio; Lauren Perry, Northwood, Ohio; Grayson Conney, Norwalk, Ohio; Nathaniel Schnitkey,

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schoff, Kendrick Bischoff, and Michael Gilliland, Napoleon, Ohio; **Jennifer Lee, Paulding, Ohio; Nicholas Eberly, Powell, Ohio; Dusty Powell, Sherwood, Ohio;** Lea McCoy, Wadsworth, Ohio; April Howard, Wauseon, Ohio; Kelsey Parker, Weston, Ohio. Defiance College, chartered in 1850, is an independent, liberal arts-based institution in northwestern Ohio offering more than 40 undergraduate programs of study as well as graduate programs in education and business. Defiance College has received national recognition for its educational experience of service and engagement. The college website is www.defiance.edu.

PRINCE & PRINCESS CONTEST ANNOUNCED FOR JUNE 23rd WOODBURN SUMMER FEST

The Prince & Princess Contest is open to the first three boys and girls ages 4 year old to 6 years old. Candidates and their families collect pennies as votes and the boy and girl with the most pennies collected will be crowned Prince & Princess of Woodburn Summer Fest. All contestants are encouraged to be in the parade on Saturday, June 23rd. The winners will be announced at the parade and crowning will take place immediately following the parade. Visit Horizon Bank (Woodburn Branch) to register and receive all of the official rules.

USDA ANNOUNCES NATIONAL PORK BOARD APPOINTMENTS

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the appointment of six members to serve on the National Pork Board. Five appointees will serve three-year terms and one appointee will serve the remaining two-year portion of a vacant position.

The appointed members are:

Gary Asay, Oscon, Ill. Rich Deaton, New Madison, Ohio Pat FitzSimmons, Dassel, Minn. David Newman, Myrtle, Mo. Bill Tentinger, Le Mars, Iowa Todd Erickson, Northwood, North Dakota (2-year term) "The National Pork Board works to help increase domestic demand for pork both domestically and internationally. Last year, nearly \$6.5 billion of U.S. pork was sold in more than 100 countries around the world," said Perdue. "I truly appreciate the time and expertise these individuals have agreed to give guiding the board to help their industry thrive."

The National Pork Board is composed of 15 pork producers who are nominated by the National Pork Producers Delegate Body, which is made up of 160 producer and importer members. The program is administered under the authority of the Pork Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act of 1985 (PDF, 102 KB). Since 1966, Congress has authorized the establishment of 22 industry-funded research and promotion boards. They empower farmers and ranchers to leverage their own resources to develop new markets, strengthen existing markets, and conduct important research and promotion activities. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) provides oversight, paid for by industry assessments, which ensures fiscal accountability and program integrity for participating stakeholders.

More information about the board is available on the AMS National Pork Board webpage and on the National Pork Board website.

VANCREST OF PAYNE HOSTS OPEN HOUSE



Vancrest Health Care Centers are proud to present their newest addition to the Vancrest family. Vancrest of Payne has a newly constructed Rehabilitation/Skilled Care center that will be open for patients in the upcoming few weeks. The staff and administration of the Vancrest Health Care Centers hosted an Open House for their new Rehabilitation & Assisted Living Services in Payne, OH. With a full spread of hors d'oeuvres and drinks, the faculty for the new facility, as well as administrators from other Vancrest centers, were on hand leading attendees on tours of the new patient rooms, therapy room, spa room, dining room, and activity room. These rooms were carefully planned and professionally set up and decorated. This is just what a patient needs to recovery peacefully.

The line of refreshments were all prepared by the top-notch dietary department of Vancrest of Payne. These skilled professionals outdid themselves, making homemade tortilla chips and cupcakes, among other tasty

treats — Vancrest is quite proud of their dietary staff. Kelly Hoffman is the director of Rehabilitation and offered insight to this new rehab center. This new section of Vancrest of Payne boasts 8 skilled patient rooms and 17 long term rooms. Some of the rooms are private while others are semi-private. One room is a customized room that is capable of adapting to most any kind of rehabilitation equipment. Employees are currently in their final stages of training so they will be prepared to care for the patients that are waiting at the Antwerp and Convoy facilities. These employees will have certifications to care for dementia patients, Parkinson's patients as well as surgical and/or fracture recoveries.

One of the physical/occupational therapies for which Vancrest staff will be trained is for LSVT - Lee Silverman Voice Technique - Big and Loud. These are exercise programs designed to help Parkinson's Disease patients learn how to use their voice and limbs more effectively in order to communicate and

move during the stages of this dilapidating disease. Director of Rehab, Kelly Hoffman is one of the LSVT certified caregivers at Vancrest.

Cindy Langenkamp, Vancrest Administrator, emphasized that the aged and injured want to remain in their hometown to recuperate and/or convalesce. Vancrest Health Care Centers' mission statement echoes Cindy's sentiments. Vancrest founders coined this mission as C.A.R.E. - Customer focused: resident, family and community; Attitude: always display a positive attitude; Responsibility: each person takes responsibility for results; Empathy: display empathy to customers in all situations.

Small town is a amenity that people tend to care more and more about as they age. They crave familiarity, safety, and intimacy. Vancrest facilities and employees encompass all these attributes with the very essence of why it was founded. With this new addition to the Vancrest of Payne facility, residents will have another opportunity to stay close to home.

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peared to vote . . . during the period beginning on the date of the notice and ending on the day after the date of the second general election for Federal office that occurs after the date of the notice" (about four years). Not only are States allowed to remove registrants who satisfy these requirements, but federal law makes this removal mandatory.

"Respondents argue (and the Sixth Circuit held) that, even if Ohio's process complies with subsection (d), it nevertheless violates the Failure-to-Vote Clause—the clause that generally prohibits States from removing people from the rolls "by reason of [a] person's failure to vote." Respondents point out that Ohio's Supplemental Process uses a person's failure to vote twice: once as the trigger for sending return cards and again as one of the requirements for removal. Respondents conclude that this use of nonvoting is illegal. We reject this argument because the Failure-to-Vote Clause, both as originally enacted in the NVRA and as amended by HAVA, simply forbids the use of nonvoting as the sole criterion for removing a registrant, and Ohio does

not use it that way. Instead, as permitted by subsection (d), Ohio removes registrants only if they have failed to vote and have failed to respond to a notice."

"There is no plausible reason why Congress would enact the provision that respondents envision. As interpreted by respondents, HAVA would be like a law that contains one provision making it illegal to drive with a blood alcohol level of 0.08 or higher and another provision making it illegal to drive with a blood alcohol level of 0.10 or higher. The second provision would not only be redundant; it would be confusing and downright silly."

"This argument is based on a dubious empirical conclusion that the NVRA and HAVA do not allow us to indulge. Congress clearly did not think that the failure to send back a return card was of no evidentiary value because Congress made that conduct one of the two requirements for removal under subsection (d)."

"Ohio simply treats the failure to return a notice and the failure to vote as evidence that a registrant has moved, not as a ground for removal. And in doing this, Ohio simply follows federal law." "The notice in question

here warns recipients that unless they take the simple and easy step of mailing back the preaddressed, postage prepaid card— or take the equally easy step of updating their information online—their names may be removed from the voting rolls if they do not vote during the next four years. It was Congress's judgment that a reasonable person with an interest in voting is not likely to ignore notice of this sort."



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Antwerp Conservation Club
 SCHEDULE AND EVENT CHANGES

ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB

• June 14th - Club meeting at 7pm
 • June 16th - Clean up day. 9am till ?. We can use all the help we can get. Trimming trees, weed trimming, spraying for weeds, pressure washing, etc.
 • June 30th - 4th of July Celebration

All of our advertised events are open to the public.

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: **Dr. James Bachman**

Dear Parson,
We are working on a living will and wondering if it is right to withhold hydration and nutrition to help expedite death?

God says in Deuteronomy 32:39, "I kill, and I make alive." Psalm 68:20 says, "...unto GOD the Lord because the issues from death." James 4:15 says, "For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live." Hezekiah's near death experience in II Kings 20 shows us God is to be in charge of life and death.

Modern artificial life support mechanisms sometimes make it hard to tell if it is God or we who are taking life, but withholding hydration and nutrition is definitely pushing God's will away for our own. The healthiest person will die a horrible death without food and water.

In James 2:15-16, If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what does it profit? God makes it plain we are not to withhold daily food from someone who needs it. Matthew 25:41-46 indicates it is wicked to withhold food from the hungry and water from the thirsty, and to do so is as though you were doing it to Christ Himself.

Quality of life is not always the issue. Through the years while calling on people who were in a dying and sometimes comatose condition, I have lead many other patients or family members to Christ. God was still using those who were dying in their bad "quality of life."

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS

By: **Lonnie Lamber, Oakwood Church of Christ**

Lesson #1
How much do you really know about Jesus Christ?

Many books have been written about Jesus and we have heard many things said about him. What we have read and heard may, or may not, be correct. There is, however, one absolutely reliable source of information. The Bible itself is the place to learn the greatest story ever told.

These lessons are designed to guide you through a study of the life of Christ directly from the Scriptures. We have given only limited comments, with questions designed to encourage you to carefully read from your own Bible. The purpose is not merely to answer questions but we want to assist you in spending time reading the Bible for yourself. Nothing can be more valu-

able in "Getting to Know Jesus" than reading about him right out of the Scriptures. God's word will inform you and enrich you. It will show you the Savior and the way to eternal life.

Though the King James Version of the Bible was generally used in the preparation of the lessons, you should be able to follow the points with any standard translation.

The procedure is to carefully read through the text indicated for each section. Then, in answering the questions you should look back over the verses to be sure you have the right answers. For simplicity, all of the questions are either Multiple Choice or True/False. T or F is all that is needed.

The questions are not intended to be tricky or confusing, but are designed to encourage careful attention. You will find that most of the questions are easy and simple. You may even feel that they are too easy to be of much value, but remember:

The purpose is to encourage thoughtful reading of the Bible itself. The Holy Scriptures are too often neglected, even by people who consider themselves to be believers. Nothing we can ever read and study can be more profitable than these wonderful texts on the life of the Lord Jesus.

Many fail to understand the scriptures because they lack the understanding of the entire picture of Jesus Christ. The Bible is a picture of Jesus from the creation to His Return at the latter times.

I hope you get a better understanding through the lesson. If you do, I'll be successful.

These lessons will begin in two weeks after these instructions. I hope you enjoy these lessons on the life of Jesus of Nazareth--the Christ, the Son of God, the Savior of men. Please contact me with questions and comments. I can be reached at lonnielambert62@yahoo.com or 419-399-5022

H.E.L.P.

Struggling with fear, depression, anxiety, and anger - that seems to be the life of family and friends of addicts. Ohio is in a crisis, being the number one state in the nation dealing with deaths and overdoses on a daily basis. With seemingly no where to turn, families and friends of addicts are overwhelmed. But there is Hope. New Hope Recovery, a division of Friends of Hope, is offering a place of refuge, in the sea of addiction. There are many programs for addicts, but few for those who surround them as they go from one crisis to the next.

A new effective faith-based program is becoming available for families and friends of addicts called H.E.L.P. The program is based on

four principles to assist those who seem to have no where to turn. H.E.L.P. stands first Hope for tomorrow, Encouragement for today, Learning healthy boundaries, and finding a Peace for your heart and mind. More than just a support group, that gives temporary relief, H.E.L.P. provides tools, resources, and techniques to survive the daily storms of life that are causing families and friends to drown in sea of despair in living with the struggles of an addict. New Hope Recovery's program, H.E.L.P. uses time tested, best practice resources to bring help and hope and to find light at the end of the tunnel of darkness that has engulfed their lives.

This coming Saturday, June 9th at 4:00 p.m., H.E.L.P. is being launched at Hope Chapel in Van Wert. Hope Chapel is located at 9010 Van Wert Willshire Rd. Everyone is invited, whether you have a family member, or are a friend of an addict or someone who cares and wants to learn, how to help in this crisis. "We are excited to be able to offer this help in this time of great need," states Pastor Paul, executive director. "We believe in a team effort and the worst thing is to see people struggle in isolation, when there is help. H.E.L.P. believes in empowering, finding healthy boundaries, searching for the best resources, and building a team to assist those who are struggling with addicts to be able to find Hope to face another day."

For more information or to register, please contact Pastor Paul and his team at 771hope@gmail.com or call 419-771-9378. H.E.L.P. is a place to find direction, sound resources, great programs, but most of all to discover love for broken hearts and lives. H.E.L.P. is for everyone who cares and are hurting.

WALK, RUN, OR RUCK IN HONOR OF FATHER FIGURES

Associated Churches invites families in the community to celebrate father figures by participating in a Father's Day 5K.

FORT WAYNE, IN - June 5, 2018 - Associated Churches of Fort Wayne and Allen County is hosting a Father's Day 5K at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 16, 2018.

The Father's Day 5K is a family-friendly event designed to celebrate father figures in our community. The day begins on site at Associated Churches, 602 E. Wayne St. with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. This year's 5K is a WALK, RUN, RUCK and a Fort Wayne Running Club Points Race.

All registrants will receive a commemorative dog tag and t-shirt. Awards will be presented to the top male & female runner in each age group category. Runners will also receive running points if they are a member of the Fort Wayne Running Club.

Ruckers will be added into a new category for an award. Running the race as a rucker requires a participant to fill a backpack with 10 lbs. of baby item donations to support A Baby's Closet, a program of Associated Churches.

Before the race, children's activities such as face-painting, balloon artists, and more will be available. All children's activities are free.

Gretchen Barnett, Associated Churches' Board Member, says, "We hold the Father's Day 5K as a celebration to honor fathers and families. We value faith, family, and fitness and believe that healthy families make healthy communities. The Father's Day 5K is an exciting event full of fun and activities for all ages (and multiple generations) that benefits families, who are currently experiencing a hardship."

To register: runsignup.com/Race/IN/FortWayne/FD5K2018

Father Day 5K Agenda:
7:30 a.m. - Registration
8:00 a.m. - Kid's Fun Run
8:30 a.m. - Race

About Associated Churches of Fort Wayne & Allen County

Founded in 1944, Associated Churches of Fort Wayne & Allen County is a non-profit organization with over 135 member congregations joining together to help children, families, and individuals. Primary ministries include the Neighborhood Food Network, A Baby's Closet, Military Families, Rising Stars, The Landing, and Let's Grow. Visit www.associatedchurches.org for more information.

ELEMENTS OF TRUST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

A summer kids' event called Elements of Trust VBS will be hosted at First United Methodist Church, 113 W Central Avenue, Van Wert, OH from Monday, June 25 to Thursday, June 28 with special activities and a singing performance on Sunday, July 1st. At Elements of Trust, kids discover that they can TRUST God and count on His promises! Kids participate in memorable Bible connected science activities, sing catchy songs, devour yummy treats, and experience one-of-a-kind Bible adventures that remind them of God's promises. The Elements of Trust VBS week promises to be a fun, slime-filled experience that everyone will enjoy. Each day begins and concludes with the skits, singing and worship that will energize and connect kids with God. The at-home Spiritual Lab Book of devotions will get everyone involved in living what they have learned. Family members and friends are encouraged to join in daily for this special worship time from 11:45-12:00 each day.

First United Methodist Elements of Trust is for kids from 3 years old to entering 5th Grade and will run from 9:00 a.m. to 12: p.m. each day. Preschool students will be released to their parents in Krout at 11:45 and can join worship in the sanctuary with parents if they wish. A link to online registration is available on the First Church website http://www.vanwert-first.net/vbs/. Parents can also register by stopping in at First United Methodist Church or by calling the church office at 419-238-0631.

FUMC ACCEPTING PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

First United Methodist Preschool, located at 113 W. Central Ave., Van Wert, OH is currently accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. First United Methodist Preschool is a Christian-based school which prepares children to succeed in all areas of life.

HICKSVILLE K OF C FOUNDATION DONATES TO PARISH STAINED GLASS WINDOW PROJECT



The Hicksville Knights of Columbus Foundation recently presented a grant check for \$6,500 to be used by St. Michael Parish Hicksville for the purchase of a stained glass window. During major renovations to the church in 1999-2000, new plain windows were installed in a portion of the sanctuary with plans to put in more ornate windows at a later time. The church has

beautiful windows throughout the original sanctuary and the time has come to update the remaining plain windows. Deacon Joe Timbrook has been heading an effort to replace those windows with ones highlighting the Gospel writers Mark, Matthew, Luke and John. Pictured is Father Dan Borgelt accepting the \$6500 donation from HKCF President Greg Slattery.

The curriculum is driven by the Ohio Department of Education standards and each teacher is there to provide a positive and nurturing environment for all children as they begin their educational journey. The preschool offers 2 mornings per week for students who are 3 and 4 yrs. of age. A child who is at least 4 and is planning on attending Kindergarten the following school year may attend the Pre-Kindergarten classes. A student attending a Pre-Kindergarten class has the option of choosing 3 or 4 mornings per week. Classes meet Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Register online at www.fumpreschool.com or contact April Ellerbrock, Administrator at 419-238-0631 ext. 308 or by email at aellerbrock@wcoil.com.

TRADE WARS EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

The potential impact of ongoing trade negotiations will be discussed at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, June 13 from 6:30-7:30 pm.

The program, titled "In the News: Trade Wars," features a filmed interview with Jerry Schmitz, a soybean farmer who's concerned about the potential impact current trade negotiations may have on crop prices and foreign markets.

"It's absolutely essential that we have export markets," Schmitz says in the interview. "As an example, in the United States, every third row of soybeans grown leaves the country."

During the program, participants will have an opportunity to share their viewpoints on current efforts to renegotiate trade deals.

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café

is located at the Bachwell Center, 116 N. Washington Street, Van Wert, OH. Please enter on Court Street and park behind the Courthouse.

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

CHANGE IS COMING

By: **Doris Applegate**

Going back to the time that the Beatles came to America and influenced our youth singing, "Yeah, yeah, yeah" as if everything was great and lovely, it wasn't long before they were singing "Help, I need someone to help me if you can" Because the church failed to heed their cry they finally turned to Hare Krishna as their "Sweet Lord." Now in this time we see our youth crying in desperation for answers that can only be found in Jesus Christ! Not knowing where to find Him they turn to anything to stop the ache in their hearts. We can pray and vote that our leaders will stop the surge of drugs but the real answer is in God's help and power equipping the Christians to "turn the world upside down" like the early church did (Acts 17:6).

Only true Christian love and compassion will stop the "Hordes of Hell" so eager to destroy! We are called to turn the world around and set it back on it's feet again. Think you can't play a part? Think again! You are vital! If four boys from England destroyed our culture and four boys from Israel (Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego) upset the Kingdom of Babylon, it wouldn't surprise me if the

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...youth today will help to “up-set” the drug cartel and bring a much needed change! God always uses the young both in body and heart!

The pendulum is swinging back again into a “new day and time”! Believe it!

BANKS: GRACE COLLEGE LAWSUIT IS A WIN FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Washington, D.C. – Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) released the following statement after Grace College and Seminary won a federal lawsuit pushing back against the Obama-era abortion-pill mandate:

“This week, the First Amendment was upheld at the Supreme Court in the case of Masterpiece Cakeshop and right here at home with Grace College and Seminary. Grace College rightfully pushed back against the Obama-era HHS abortion-pill mandate that unconstitutionally forced employers to violate their beliefs. This is not only a win for Hoosiers in northeast Indiana, but for religious liberty all across America.”

On Monday, a federal district court ruled that the federal government cannot force Grace College and Seminary in Winona Lake to provide abortion-inducing drugs, sterilization, and contraception through their health plans under threat of heavy penalties.

OHSAA 2018 FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCHEDULE AND STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS SITE ANNOUNCED

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio High School Athletic Association has announced details for the 2018 football regional assignments and playoffs schedule, including the location for the state championship games. The OHSAA will return to using Saturday nights for several divisions during the playoffs and the 2018 title games will return to Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton.

The OHSAA Board of Directors approved school playoff regional assignments and the playoff schedule Wednesday during its June meeting and authorized the OHSAA Executive Director’s office to finalize the contract with Visit Canton and the Pro Football Hall of Fame to host the 2018 finals. The regional maps, which show the number of schools within each region, and the lists of schools in each region are posted at: <http://www.ohsaa.org/sports/football>

In November, playoff games in Divisions I, II, III and VI will be played on Fridays, while Division IV, V and VII playoff games will be played on Saturdays. Last year, the OHSAA experimented with having all playoff games on Friday nights. In addition, all playoff games will kick off at 7 p.m. Previ-

ously, Friday playoff games kicked off at 7:30 p.m.

“We still have good attendance throughout the playoffs, but the overall total attendance dropped in 2017 when we moved all the games to Fridays,” said Beau Rugg, OHSAA Director of Officiating and Sport Management and the OHSAA’s football administrator. “Some parts of the state liked staying away from Saturdays for playoff games, but we also received quite a bit of feedback, mainly from the smaller schools, that they hoped we would return to having games on Saturdays, too, so their communities could see two games per weekend instead of one.”

The specific dates and times for the state championship games in Canton will be announced after the state semifinals November 23 and 24.

2018 OHSAA Football Schedule

Monday, July 30 – Start date for practice (5-day acclimatization regulation in effect)

Sunday, August 5 – Mandatory day off

Tuesday, August 7 through Saturday, August 18 – Scrimmages permitted

Monday, August 20 – Regular-season games may begin

Saturday, October 27 – Regular-season ends

Sunday, October 28 – Final computer points posted and playoff qualifiers announced

Friday, November 2 – Regional Quarterfinals in Divisions I, II, III and VI

Saturday, November 3 – Regional Quarterfinals in Divisions IV, V and VII

Friday, November 9 – Regional Semifinals in Divisions I, II, III and VI

Saturday, November 10 – Regional Semifinals in Divisions IV, V and VII

Friday, November 16 – Regional Finals in Divisions I, II, III and VI

Saturday, November 17 – Regional Finals in Divisions IV, V and VII

Friday, November 23 – State Semifinals in Divisions I, II, III and VI

Saturday, November 24 – State Semifinals in Divisions IV, V and VII

State Championship Games at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium, Canton (Nov. 29-Dec. 2)

TRIVIA CONTEST TO KICK OFF WOODBURN SUMMER FEST!

Grab some friends and come out for a hilarious night of trivia & fun at the main tent, Woodburn Park on Friday, June 22nd. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the competition begins at 7 p.m. A maximum of ten person (all ages welcome) teams will compete for cash prizes! The best themed table will also win a prize! So don’t miss this opportunity to name your team and come up with a great theme with decorations! Prizes will be drawn all night from local

businesses. Registration is \$100/team – maximum of 10 players per team. Beer, Wine & Food will be available for your enjoyment during the Trivia Night. If you have any questions or to register, please contact bergmanaj@hotmail.com or call 260-437-9001.

FOUR WAYS TO HELP PEOPLE HEAR & WORK BETTER

By Sarah Toler, Au.D.

(NAPSI)—Technology continues to transform all aspects of work in America, making it easier to communicate and improving productivity. Modern workplace technology has also unlocked new possibilities for people with hearing loss and the companies that hire them. New tools and software let them overcome many of the challenges that may have impeded their career success in the past, helping them to work to their full potential as high-performing employees. While hearing aid technology certainly helps, many other technologies developed for the workplace can transform how employees with hearing loss go about their workday.

Helpful New Technology

Here’s a look at four of the latest:

1. **Video technology**—The use of video in the workplace has grown tremendously and it’s become easier and more affordable to use this medium in introductions on your career page, orientation materials for new hires, and ongoing training programs for employees. By making sure these videos include closed captioning, this powerful tool can help people with hearing loss learn about your organization, get up to speed once on the job and keep learning throughout their careers.

2. **Instant messaging**—Face-to-face meetings, phone calls and videoconferencing can all be difficult for employees with hearing loss. If they can’t make out what’s being said, they could miss important details or work directions. The growing use of instant messaging software in the workplace helps eliminate that problem. There are now numerous platforms for communicating one on one or in group chats, letting employees with hearing difficulty easily understand their managers and peers.

3. **Voice-to-text** devices and apps—Special telephones that translate a speaker’s voice into readable text have been around for years but new technology takes it a step further. Many apps can translate speech directly via a smartphone’s microphone and display what’s said on the device’s screen. This provides a more portable and accessible way to ensure those with hearing loss don’t miss out on important work conversations.

4. **Video relay service**—For employees who rely on sign language, work meetings can pose some challenges, especially if a live interpreter isn’t available. However, through video relay services, a live sign language interpreter can help connect the two parties. Through video from a smartphone or other device, the interpreter can translate what the other party says into sign language for the hard-of-hearing individual during an interview or an important business meeting.

Including People With

Hearing Loss In The Conversation

With today’s advanced technology, including discreet yet powerful hearing aids, it’s easier than ever for someone with hearing challenges to communicate at work. By removing barriers that traditionally limited how such individuals interacted with their colleagues, employees with hearing loss can be active participants and contributors in any work situation, from business-critical meetings to friendly discussions with their co-workers.

Learn More

For further facts, visit www.signiausa.com.

BE THE BOSS OF YOUR DIABETES: THREE SELF-MANAGEMENT TIPS

(NAPSI)—Diabetes is one of the fastest-growing conditions in the U.S. Today, the number of Americans diagnosed with diabetes has skyrocketed to nearly one in 10, compared to one in 100 just 50 years ago. Chances are that you or someone you know is coping with it.

What You Can Do

Hearing from your doctor that you have diabetes can be an overwhelming experience. From that day forward, your “new normal” may involve some lifestyle changes. Managing diabetes is a 24/7 responsibility, and many people don’t know where to turn for help to get started. The good news is that diabetes self-management education classes and resources are widely available. Diabetes education can help you to navigate changes and learn simple ways to improve your overall health.

Diabetes self-management means a number of key behavioral changes, including tweaks to diet and exercise, and learning to manage your medication. And while you can attempt those tweaks by yourself, you don’t need to go it alone. Most insurance plans, Medicaid and Medicare cover diabetes self-management education. Unfortunately, studies show only 6 percent of people take advantage of diabetes classes meant to help them manage their diabetes within the first year of being diagnosed.

You can get a better handle on self-management for your “new norm” with these three tips:

- Attend a diabetes education class. Most health care providers offer classes to help people with diabetes learn how to manage their

McCOLLEY RECOGNIZES LOCAL DIVISION III WRESTLING STATE CHAMPION



State Senator Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) presented a Senate Resolution honoring Daniel Beemer, a senior at Ottawa-Glandorf High School, for his recent Division III State Wrestling Title in the 182-pound weight class.

“Daniel has been a standout athlete his entire high school wrestling career,” said McColley. “He has more than earned this championship win, and I am very pleased to have the opportunity to recognize him for his accomplishments. I have no doubt

that he will continue to represent Northwest Ohio well as he pursues his wrestling career in college.”

Beemer finished his senior year with a perfect 41-0 record, and with 165 wins in his high school wrestling career, an Ottawa-Glandorf school record. He is the first Ottawa-Glandorf wrestler to win a state title, and only the second wrestler from Putnam County to accomplish the same feat. He intends to wrestle for Ashland University next school year.

condition. You’ll learn best practices and tips for meal planning, monitoring blood sugar, medications, stress management and more. In addition, many community organizations offer classes to support continued learning and management of diabetes.

- Discover healthy lifestyle ideas. As diabetes becomes increasingly prevalent, more organizations are offering a variety of classes to help support healthy living. These classes can include healthy eating tips and recipes, or a variety of fitness opportunities such as ballroom dancing or yoga. You can check a nearby community center or fitness center to see what classes they offer. Some health insurers also offer diabetes resources and classes for members and nonmembers alike at brick-and-mortar retail stores. Check with your health insurer for options.
- Get moving with easy-to-use fitness technology. Physical activity offers huge benefits for people with diabetes, including lowering blood glucose levels, helping with weight loss, and controlling blood cholesterol and blood

pressure. Fitness trackers and apps for phones and tablets make it easier to incorporate physical activity into your daily routine. For example, the Blue Cross “do.” app can help you choose activities and set reminders throughout the day to stand up, stretch, walk and more.

By successfully managing your diabetes, you can improve your quality of life and help prevent complications down the road—including cardiovascular disease, nerve damage, eye damage, hearing impairment and more.

A diabetes diagnosis changes your life, but your new norm can lead to changes that can help you feel better and stay healthier.

Learn More

For further information about diabetes self-management education and how you can help take control of your diabetes, go to www.bluecrossmn.com/newnorm.

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THE NFL

By: Stan Jordan

In my estimation, the NFL is fading away and really don't need any help from the quarterbacks. What I am talking about is that quarterback who won't stand for the National Anthem but he will kneel down. His name is Colin Kaepernick and played for the L.A. 49ers.

As I understand he is protesting some policeman's actions involving and shooting some black men. I agree he has the right to protest the police action, but not during the raising of the flag and the singing of the Star Spangled Banner.

It has been the ritual to stand at attention and pay homage through the entire playing and/or singing at national sporting events since the World Series in 1918. Each and every school pupil has learned to do it that way and I certainly don't think it needs to be changed.

The leaders of the NFL tell the players if they don't want to stand for the National Anthem, they can stay in the locker room until the ritual is over, but if they are on the field they must stand at attention.

Now all of this comes out of those 3 words "My civil rights" I have said before in my column, this wonderful country can be destroyed from within if we are not careful.

Now to get down to earth on this man's demonstration on the police action. He is right, there are some rogue cops as well as dirty football players. But doing what the policeman says will cut down a lot of whining. We people only see one side of a police stop, we never see what has gone on before nor how bad this man's rap sheet is, but when he starts to run he is guilty of something.

Yes, some policemen have made mistakes, but I'll bet that quarterback hasn't won all the games he played in. I'll bet he has fumbled a time or two. I'll bet he has been intercepted a few times, too.

Everyone makes mistakes. See ya!

THIS SO CALLED SUMMIT MEETING

By: Stan Jordan

This big country seems to be ready for a meeting with a small time dictator and I'm against it. We are getting down to his level and sometimes his level is shaky! Over the years, since the signing of the DMZ deal they have proven those people cannot be trusted in the DMZ they have even committed murder.

They have show us by television that they blew up their atomic - rocket proving ground. Well that was the blowing of a hillside. That was a farce, their whole country is army type secret stuff is under ground. They are about as secretive as they can be.

It is too early to be making deals with them, just weeks ago these people were hurling insults at each other. They know and we know that America will not be the first to use the atomic bomb and I don't think (and hope) that they won't! Although they are ready to live underground, we are not. Maybe some of our leaders are?

Let's just feel those people out for a while and see how far China and Russia will let that little man go.

Why not just exchange ambassadors for a couple years?

See ya!



A STORY

By: Stan Jordan

This is a true story of a day 50-60 years ago on R-1 when I was a mailman.

It was a chilly, rainy day in March or April back in 1950 or 60.

On all my 34 years on R-1 I always tried to be at their mail box at the same time everyday and I pretty much was.

I stopped at the mail box of Earl Starry and put his mail into the box. When I left his box to go on south I always looked to my left and waved at Pearl, as she would be walking across the yard to the mail box.

Well, I looked to the east toward the house and got the shock of my life. They had sort of a back deck without a roof on it for a porch and Pearl was laying on her back in the rain waving her arms so I could see her and get some help.

Well I hurried over and asked what I could do for her. She said, "There is a blanket in on the couch, please get it for me."

There was a lot talking going on now, she kept thanking me for stopping. She said, "I knew it was about time for you to come and you always look this way and I hoped you would look this way today."

She was laying in the rain and she was soaking wet and cold. Then I examined her ankle, her foot was pointed off to the side and the bones were just sticking out in the rain, no blood, just bare bones.

She kept thanking me and said, "I knew it was about time for you to come and you always looked in, I prayed for you to look this way."

Well luck would have it, my in-laws lived in the next house and they had a telephone. So my mother-in-law called Schilb Funeral Parlor as they had a hearse that was used as an ambulance, there was no E.M.S. anywhere yet at that time.

I and my father-in-law went back to Pearl's house and rigged up a chair and carried her into the house and by then Tommy Schilb and Dr. Caine had arrived.

So, I went on my way and the boys took Pearl to Paulding County Hospital. She had an awful long time to heal as it was a bad break.

See Ya!

A CAT FISH STORY

By: Stan Jordan

This following catfish story was given to me by Louis Simonis and I thank him for it.

He is the author of: The Maumee River in 1835. It is available on line, I suggest you get a copy, because it is very interesting.

CATFISH SPECIAL

When I was six or so old, my father first let me go fishing with him. One Sunday afternoon we were sitting along a bend of the Maumee River, just west of Antwerp. It was a hot July day, the river smelled of fish, we each had a line out, but the only bites we got were from pesky flies. After a while Dad got up, and said; "Son, you keep an eye on your line, I'm going to try a spot just down river. We will be able to see each other, just be careful." Well, now Dad had no sooner got to his new spot and was engrossed in baiting his line, when I hooked a whopping big catfish, it took all my strength to land him. When I got near him, now that fish just took a jump and a flip catching me, and swallowing me whole. He was a twisting and turning all over the place and we went smack dab right into the river. With me inside that ole catfish, he could barely swim, so we just kind'a drifted down stream in the muddy Maumee. About the time we reached where Dad was, he cast his line and by golly he snagged that ornery catfish. Didn't know what he had, but with me inside that catfish he had a heck of a time landing that shovel headed monster. Once Dad finally landed him, it looked about as big as Carryall Rock.

Dad stood there looking with a grin from ear to ear, then I popped out and said; "Hi Pops." Well now Dad just fainted away, fell flat on his back, he did. Got that fish into the pickup and headed home. Dad said it was the biggest and best darn tasting catfish he ever caught.

Louis A. Simonis
See ya!

A REPORT FROM THE DNR

By: Stan Jordan

The DNR from the State of Ohio now admits there are cougars or wild cats in Ohio. We have been reporting that for over a year or so and the power that be just hem hawed a little but I guess they have been spotted in Napoleon, Ohio. Well I'm certainly glad that it is now official.

The reports of bob cats in the area, we are hearing about that more often also.

I had heard of cougars over in northern Indiana, for 3 or 4 years now. Actually I also was told that a bear was seen over there, but I'm not sure about that.

See ya!

BANKS ATTENDS VA MISSION ACT BILL SIGNING AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03), a member of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, attended President Trump's bill signing of the VA Mission Act at the White House.

"Today is a huge win for our veterans," said Banks. "I was proud to support this legislation in Congress and to stand by the president as he signed it into law. While there is more work ahead to ensure our veterans get the quality, timely care they deserve, I am immensely proud of the work we've accomplished to support our nation's heroes."

The VA Mission Act of 2018:

- Makes the Choice Program permanent;
- Consolidates 7 duplicative community care programs into 1 cohesive program;
- Creates a transparent process for a comprehensive audit of VA's assets;
- Expands the VA's capacity to care for veterans in VA facilities by improving recruitment and retention programs.

WOODBURN COMMUNITY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AT SUMMER FEST

The June meeting for the Woodburn Community Historical Society will be on June 23, 2018 during Summerfest. They will set up tables in the Community Center on E. Main St. They will be there after the parade until you are read out. Tables will be set up to have a sit down and read about the history of Woodburn over the century. Subjects to read begin with the park, businesses, clubs (ie. Lions), Farm Bureau - home, churches and much more. Come and share and enjoy. See you in the town of Woodburn!

BANKS: SUPREME COURT DEFENDS RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) released the following statement after the Supreme Court ruled in favor of Masterpiece

TRUCK PHOTOGRAPHED BRINGING WOOD MOLDING INTO THE COMPOST SITE



A truck shown in the above pictured was photographed inside the Village's Compost site on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 9:34 p.m. If you know who this truck belongs to, please contact the Antwerp Police Department at 419-258-2726 or the Village Administrator at 419-258-2371. It is incidents like this

Cakeshop owner Jack Phillips:

"Today is a victory for religious liberty. The Supreme Court rightfully upheld the First Amendment and sided with baker Jack Phillips who has the constitutionally-guaranteed right to run his business in accordance with his faith."

Masterpiece Cakeshop is a family-owned business in Lakewood, Colorado. In 2012, two men requested a custom cake celebrating their same-sex wedding. After the owner Jack Phillips declined the request due to his religious beliefs, the couple filed a complaint with the Colorado Civil Rights Commission for sexual orientation discrimination.

OHIO RESEARCH PROJECT WILL MONITOR TRAFFIC WITH DRONES

DriveOhio, the state's new center for coordinating smart mobility initiatives, today announced plans to study the use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), sometimes called drones, to monitor traffic and roadway conditions from the air along the 33 Smart Mobility Corridor. The three-year, \$5.9 million study is a partnership between DriveOhio's UAS Center and The Ohio State University College of Engineering.

"At DriveOhio, we are looking for innovative ways to integrate technology into our transportation systems. This project will help us explore the intersection between autonomous and connected vehicles on land and in the air. The goal is to understand how we can better manage traffic, roadway incidents, and roadway conditions using advanced technology and data analysis," said Jim Barna, Executive Director of DriveOhio.

This research will include both air and ground vehicles and will complement ongoing work to test autonomous and connected vehicles along the

that can cause the Village to close the compost site in the evening. No one should be at the site after dark or dumping anything other than branches and leaves. Construction materials cannot be dropped off. Live cameras are in place and anyone who is caught illegally dumping will be charged.

33 Smart Mobility Corridor, a 35-mile stretch of U.S. 33 between Dublin and East Liberty. Unmanned aircraft will monitor traffic and incident response along the corridor in conjunction with the state's current fixed-location traffic camera system. The aircraft will interact with sensors and communication equipment along the corridor to feed data into the state's Traffic Management Center.

The project will also use sensors and communication devices to ensure the unmanned aircraft will not collide with each other or with manned aircraft, such as small planes and helicopters, that also use the lower altitude airspace. It is estimated that as many as 5,000-manned aircraft are in the sky at any given time.

"One of the keys to better utilizing unmanned aircraft is to ensure they will not pose a threat to other aircraft traveling in the area. This research project will make the development of that safety system a priority so that other aircraft operations such as package delivery and air taxi services can be explored down the road," said Fred Judson, Director of DriveOhio's UAS Center.

The project team will be led by DriveOhio and The Ohio State University's College of Engineering in conjunction with Cal Analytics, Gannett Fleming, AiRXOS (a GE venture), Gryphon Sensors, Transportation Research Center, Inc., Woolpert, The Ohio State University Airport, and Midwest Air Traffic Control. The 3-year research project is set to begin July 1, 2018.

"We're excited to develop this system for Ohio, which will enable safe flight of unmanned aircraft and personal air vehicles beyond the line of sight of the operator," said Professor James Gregory of The Ohio State University. "This system will pave the way towards integrating unmanned aircraft into the Na-

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

- 1 - Emergency Financial Assistance - Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.
- 2 - Claims Assistance - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA



Wreaths Across America committee members left to right Kim Sutton, Linda McCain, Patti Stoller and Leigh Ann Mathews

As a non-profit organization that receives no government funding, Wreaths Across America continually recruits and works closely with thousands of volunteers who organize local ceremonies, raise funds to sponsor wreaths, and participate in events. Paulding County is now among the participating locations thanks to the efforts of Linda McCain.

"My brother is very active in Wreaths Across America in Sidney, Ohio and I thought this would be a great thought to bring to Paulding," Linda stated.

McCain formed her committee, a tax I.D. number was obtained, the application was submitted and has been accepted for St. Paul Cemetery in Paulding Township to become a participating location.

"I wanted to start out small to see how this would go. I live in Paulding Township and St. Paul is just down the road from me, so I thought this would be the place to start. I got in touch with Mike Kauser, Paulding Township Trustee, and he has been very helpful through this process. We have the Trustees support and it means so much to us. We couldn't do this without their help and assistance!"

remarked Linda.

Each year, donated wreaths are delivered to cemeteries around the country, where thousands of volunteers take a quiet moment to show their gratitude and appreciation during the holiday season. This year the ceremony will take place on December 15 at noon at the St. Paul Cemetery in Paulding Township, off of Co. Rd. 87. The ceremony is still being organized at this time. The Boy Scouts will be participating as well as representatives from all the armed forces.

McCain went on to say "Dan Wilder of the Paulding VFW Post 587 has been an immense help to us in indentifying the number of veterans graves in St. Paul. The VFW is very supportive of this effort."

Wreaths can be purchased for \$15 each. If you buy two wreaths, you get a third one free. Don't miss an opportunity to thank a veteran, whether it's a family member or someone who no longer has family in the area. Purchase a wreath so all veterans graves may have one. There are 208 veterans buried in St. Paul.

If you would like to purchase a wreath for a veteran buried in another cemetery, you may do so at the same

cost. You will be responsible to pick up the wreath on the day of the ceremony at the St. Paul cemetery and then lay the wreath at the cemetery of your choice.

There will be a stand at John Paulding Days on the Courthouse lawn beside the veterans memorial to make your purchase. The group will also be at the Paulding County Fair in the Extension Building and will be at the Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival. Forms will soon be available at the Paulding VFW Post 587 as well.

Wreaths Across America's core mission is Remember, Honor, Teach. Remember the fallen, Honor those who serve and their families, and Teach the future generations about the sacrifices made to preserve our freedoms. Wreaths Across America carries out these values in part by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies each December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as other veterans' cemeteries in all 50 US states and beyond.

For more information you may call Linda McCain 419-670-2659, Kim Sutton 419-399-2388, Patti Stoller 419-399-7035 or Leigh Ann Mathews 419-399-4122 or visit the web site at www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org.

veterans in the district have to travel to the Toledo VA before being bussed to Ann Arbor for cancer treatment. The VA MISSION Act will help solve this problem by providing more flexibility to the VA regarding the VA Choice program that will allow veterans to seek care closer to where they live.

BANKS STAFF TO HOLD MOBILE OFFICE HOURS IN ANGOLA & AUBURN TUESDAY

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) announced that a member of his staff will visit Angola and Auburn on Tuesday, June 12th, to meet with local residents and assist Hoosiers experiencing problems with a federal agency.

What: Banks' staff to host office hours in Angola

Date: Tuesday, June 12th
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ET

Location: Steuben County EDC, 907 S. Wayne Street

What: Banks' staff to host office hours in Auburn

Date: Tuesday, June 12th
Time: 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. ET

Location: Willennar Ge-nelson Center, 700 S. Jackson Street

Please note there will be no mobile office hours next Thursday, June 14th.

USDA & FDA ANNOUNCE KEY STEP TO ADVANCE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS TO STREAMLINE PRODUCE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR FARMERS

WASHINGTON, June 5, 2018 - As part of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's ongoing effort to make the oversight of food safety stronger and more efficient, USDA and FDA today announced the alignment of the USDA Harmonized Good Agricultural Practices Audit Program (USDA H-GAP) with the requirements of the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act's (FSMA's) Produce Safety Rule.

The new step is part of an ongoing effort to streamline produce safety requirements for farmers. The joint announcement was made by Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue and FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb, M.D., during a visit by the Secretary to the FDA's White Oak campus in Silver Spring, Md.

"Government should make things easier for our customers whenever possible and these important improvements help accomplish that goal," said Secretary Perdue. "Specialty crop farmers who take advantage of a USDA Harmonized GAP audit now will have a much greater likelihood of passing a FSMA inspection as well. This means one stop at USDA helps producers meet federal regulatory requirements, deliver the safest food in the world and grow the market for American-grown food. This is an important first step. We look forward to continuing to work with FDA, other government agencies and especially our state partners to ensure proper training of auditors and inspectors, and to help producers understand changes in the audit."

Latta had previously authored the Veterans Cancer Treatment Flexibility Act to provide increased access to cancer treatment for veterans in his district. A number of

While the requirements of both programs are not identical, the relevant technical components in the FDA Produce Safety Rule are covered in the USDA H-GAP Audit Program. The aligned components include areas such as biological soil amendments; sprouts; domesticated and wild animals; worker training; health and hygiene; and equipment, tools and buildings. The alignment will help farmers by enabling them to assess their food safety practices as they prepare to comply with the Produce Safety Rule. However, the USDA audits are not a substitute for FDA or state regulatory inspections.

"We're committed to working with USDA to pursue our shared goal of advancing food safety in a way that is efficient and helps farmers meet our regulatory standards. By working together, our two programs can advance these efforts more effectively," said Commissioner Gottlieb. "Today's announcement will help FDA and states better prioritize our inspectional activities by using USDA H-GAP audit information to prioritize inspectional resources and ultimately enhance our overall ability to protect public health. Inspections are key to helping to ensure that produce safety standards are being met, but they only provide a snapshot in time. Leveraging the data and work being done by USDA will provide us with more information so that we can develop a clearer understanding of the safety and vulnerabilities on produce farms as well as concentrate our oversight and resources where they are most needed."

The Produce Safety Rule, which went into effect on Jan. 26, 2016, establishes science-based minimum standards for the safe growing, harvesting, packing and holding of fruits and vegetables grown for human consumption. The rule is part of the FDA's ongoing efforts to implement FSMA. Large farming operations were required to

comply with the rule in January 2018. However, the FDA had previously announced that inspections to assess compliance with the Produce Safety Rule for produce other than sprouts would not begin until Spring 2019. Small and very small farms have additional time to comply.

The USDA Harmonized GAP Audit Program is an audit developed as part of the Produce GAP Harmonization Initiative, an industry-driven effort to develop food safety GAP standards and audit checklists for pre-harvest and post-harvest operations. The Initiative is a collaborative effort on the part of growers, shippers, produce buyers, audit organizations and government agencies, including USDA. The USDA Harmonized GAP audit, in keeping with the Initiative's goals, is applicable to all fresh produce commodities, all sizes of on-farm operations and all regions in the United States. For more information visit: www.ams.usda.gov.

This announcement builds on a formal agreement signed earlier this year outlining plans to increase interagency coordination regarding produce safety, inspections of dual-jurisdiction facilities and biotechnology activities. The FDA and USDA are committed to continuing to work collaboratively to ensure that the requirements and expectations of the USDA H-GAP Audit Program remain aligned with the FDA's Produce Safety Rule.

Farmers who are interested in learning more about this alignment and what they can do to prepare for compliance with the Produce Safety Rule can contact their regional representative of the Produce Safety Network or find more information at FDA.gov.

For more information: Letter from Commissioner Gottlieb to Secretary Perdue recognizing joint Produce Safety Achievement Under Formal Agreement

FSMA Final Rule on Produce Safety
USDA Harmonized GAP

tional Airspace System."

DriveOhio was created by Governor Kasich on January 18, 2018, as a center within the Ohio Department of Transportation that brings together those who are responsible for building infrastructure in Ohio with those who are developing the advanced mobility technologies needed to allow the state's transportation system to reach its full potential. DriveOhio's UAS Center is the premier unmanned aircraft support agency for the

State of Ohio. The mission of the center is to support flight operations for local, state, and federal government and agencies.

LATTA STATEMENT ON PRESIDENT TRUMP SIGNING THE VA MISSION ACT INTO LAW

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement after President Trump signed the

VA MISSION Act into law to improve access to health care for veterans and streamline a number of veteran programs.

"We owe it to our veterans to ensure that the promises made to them are kept," said Latta. "The current VA Choice program is too difficult and cumbersome for many veterans to use. I've worked to expand access to cancer treatment for veterans in Ohio's 5th Congressional District because of rigid requirements under VA Choice, and the signing of the VA MISSION Act will help solve this problem.

"By allowing more flexibility in the way the program is administered, many veterans will be able to seek care closer to home. In addition, the bill levels the playing field for pre- and post-9/11 veteran caregivers and streamlines a number of VA programs.

"The VA MISSION Act makes the necessary reforms to programs that support our veterans, and it is supported by every major veterans service organization. I applaud President Trump signing this legislation into law this afternoon."

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WOODLAN FFA PLACES AT STATE POULTRY CONTEST



Pictured Front Row: Dakotah Krohn, Bailey Nickell, Hannah Franklin, and Emily Tripp. Back Row: Ckloe Ely, Olivia Schaffer, Haylee Basting, Riley Zent, Lydia McCagg, and Luke Ketzler

Woodlan FFA members competed in the State FFA Poultry Judging contest recently held at Battle Ground Middle school located near Purdue University. The Junior Poultry team of Olivia Schaefer, Haylee Basting and Luke Ketzler placed 3rd in state competition at the Junior level competi-

tion. They will be receiving a team plaque at the Indiana FFA State Convention for finishing in the top three overall teams. The Woodlan FFA team of Emily Tripp, Dakotah Krohn, and Bailey Nickell placed 6th overall. And the Woodlan FFA team of Riley Zent, Hannah Franklin, Ckloe Ely, and

Lydia McCagg placed 8th in the FFA State team Poultry judging contest. The poultry contest consist of evaluating seven different areas in poultry production. Areas of evaluations include: egg grading, carcass grading of chickens, and turkeys, and judging live production hens.

mum of three games (barring weather issues) and you may play one pool play game on Thursday, July 5, if you would prefer.

A boys 8 & under coach pitch baseball tournament will be held for boys age eight or under as of August 31, 2018.

Also, a girls 8 & under coach-pitch softball tournament will be held for girls age eight or under as of December 31, 2017.

For more information or to register, please contact Kevin Wannemacher at (419) 399-7243 or via email at wannie8@frontier.com.

Spots are available on a limited basis for each tournament.

REGIONS ASSIGNED FOR OHSAA FOOTBALL PLAY-OFFS

Schools around Northwest Ohio found out their regional assignments for the 2018 high school football season as the Ohio High School Athletic Association released the list last week.

Below is a listing of regions and area schools assigned from that OHSAA release:

D1, Region 2 - Findlay, Toledo Start, Toledo Whitmer

D2, Region 6 - Anthony Wayne, Fremont Ross, Lima Senior, Perrysburg, Sylvania Northview, Sylvania Southview, Toledo Bowsher, Toledo St. Francis, Toledo St. John's, Toledo Waite

D3, Region 10 - Defiance, Maumee, Toledo Rogers, Toledo Scott, Toledo Woodward

D3, Region 12 - Celina, Elida, Lima Shawnee, Wapakoneta

D4, Region 14 - Bryan, Kenton, Lima Bath, Napoleon, St. Marys, Van Wert, Wauseon

D5, Region 18 - Anna, Archbold, Eastwood, Elmwood, Lake, Liberty Center, Osego, Ottawa Glandorf, Paulding, Rossford, Swanton, Van Buren, Versailles

D6, Region 22 - Ada, Allen East, Bluffton, Cardinal Stritch, Columbus Grove, Delta, Evergreen, Fairview, Gibsonburg, Hicksville, Liberty Benton, Montpelier, Northwood, Ottawa Hills, Tinora, Wayne Trace, Woodmore

D6, Region 24 - Coldwater, Delphos Jefferson, Fort Recovery, Lima Central Catholic, Lima Perry, Marion Local, Parkway, Spencer-ville, St. Henry

D7, Region 26 - Antwerp, Arcadia, Arlington, Ayersville, Cory Rawson, Edgerton, Edon, Hilltop, Holgate, Leipsic, McComb, North Baltimore, Pandora Gilboa, Patrick Henry, Stryker, Toledo Christian, Vanlue

D7, Region 28 - Crestview, Delphos St. John's, Hardin Northern, Minster, New Bremen, Ridgemont, Riverdale, Riverside, Upper Scioto Valley, Waynesfield Goshen

WT CRUISES PAST VW

A five run sixth inning proved to be the difference as the Wayne Trace ACME baseball team cruised to an 8-2 win over rival Van Wert last

week in action at the home of the Cougars.

Trailing 2-1 after five innings of play, the red, white and blue broke the game open with a five-run top of the sixth outburst that put the Raiders on top 6-2.

Wayne Trace then plated two more runs in the top of the seventh to wrap up the victory.

The Raiders actually struck first in the contest, scoring once in the opening frame, before Van Wert answered by getting a run of its own in the bottom of the inning.

A Keaton Brown double led to Van Wert's lone run in the bottom of the fourth to make it 2-1 Cougars but that would be it for the hosts on the night.

Wayne Trace then grasped control with the five run sixth that put the Raiders on top 6-2.

Korbin Slade hit a two-run double that put the Raiders on top for good at 3-2 before Trevor Speice followed with a RBI double for a 4-2 advantage.

The red, white and blue scored twice more in the inning for the 6-2 lead.

Slade had a pair of doubles for Wayne Trace and Reid Miller chipped in two singles. Slade also drove in four runs for the Raiders.

Brown's double and a Jalen McCracken were the only two Cougar hits in the game.

MAKING THE GRADE: EXPRESS PLACE NINE ON OCCAC ACADEMIC ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM FOR SPRING SEMESTER

By: Chris Schmidbauer, Sports Information Director

Toledo, OH - The Ohio Community College Athletic Conference (OCCAC) announced the Academic All-Conference members for the 2018 Spring Semester on Monday June 4. Owens was able to have nine members of its three athletic programs be named to the list.

Women's volleyball continued its strong academic season to partner with its historic season on the court this past fall. The Express had six players from the team achieve honors for their performance in the classroom. Erika Angstmann and Devon Heitkamp, who were named to the NJCAA Academic All-American team last week, were rewarded for their 4.0 grade point averages this past semester. Both were named to the Fall's Academic All-Conference team as well. Joining them were teammates Kennedy Ames, Carrigan Gray, Olivia Hermiller, and Cassidy Wlodarz. Wlodarz, like Angstmann and Heitkamp, was also on the Fall team as well.

Women's Basketball placed two members on the team as well. Olivia Frost, who was also named a NJCAA Academic All-American last week, achieved a 4.0 during the Spring semester. She accomplished the same feat this past fall as well. Joining her on the team was Essence Cowan. Cowan saved her best semester in the classroom for her last at Owens, as she was nominated for her first Academic All-Conference team.

Rounding things out was Julian Egbo from the Men's Basketball team. This was Egbo's second nomination as he was a member of the Academic All-Conference team this past fall.

In order to be nominated for the team, a student-athlete must achieve a 3.30 GPA or higher while completing at least 12 credit hours. In total for the year, Owens's athletic programs received 19 nominations for the 2017-2018 academic year.

OHSAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The Ohio High School Athletic Association Board of Directors held its regularly scheduled June meeting Wednesday afternoon at the OHSAA office. The following are highlights from the

SOFTBALL MARATHON IN PAULDING

Perry Sinn Memorial Tournament 24 Hour softball marathon will be held June 22 and 23rd at Paulding Reservoir Park from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 6:00 p.m. Saturday.

24 Teams for 24 hours (each team 3 game minimum) Teams for all over

NW Ohio.

Friday night 9:00 p.m. - Perry Sinn family will be playing a benefit game vs the Paulding Softball Hall of Famers.

Also Redneck Sounds will be playing your best 80's and 90's music turning back the clock to 1999.

Midnight New Years Celebration. Air guitar, lip sync and home run derby con-

tests also Friday night .

Proceeds to benefit Reservoir Park future improvements.

Everyone's invited to come out as we honor all former players, coaches, fans etc. past and present .

More info on softball in Paulding Facebook page. Join. Like, comment and add members now over 3500 strong.

Making softball great again in Paulding!

PAYNE BALL ASSOC. SPONSORS ALL-STAR TOURNAMENTS

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meeting. Complete meeting minutes will be posted at OHSAA.org.

• By a 9-0 vote, the board approved the 2018 football tournament regulations, which include the new play-off regions, schedule and format. The new divisional assignments were announced in January. The board also approved by a 9-0 vote the OHSAA Executive Director's Office to complete the contract with Visit Canton and the Pro Football Hall of Fame to host the 2018 football state championships. Please see the separate release posted at: <https://bit.ly/2LoLUV1>

• The board received the attendance and financial reports from the 2018 state tournaments in girls and boys basketball, bowling, gymnastics and ice hockey. In boys basketball, the total paid attendance was 89,442, down from 100,392 in 2017. The total paid attendances in girls basketball (29,884), bowling (2,826), gymnastics (1,360) and ice hockey (3,507) were nearly the same as 2017.

• Since the board's last meeting, 10 member schools were penalized for committing infractions of OHSAA bylaws or sports regulations. The list of infractions and penalties is always included in the complete meeting minutes, but media members may request the list in advance from Tim Stried, OHSAA Director of Communications, at tstried@ohsaa.org.

• The board reviewed the results of the May referendum voting results. Details are at: <https://bit.ly/2xYhbwn>

• The board reviewed the results of the District Athletic Board elections. Details are at: <http://ohsaa.org/about/>

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• New board of directors members for 2018-19 will begin their two-year terms on August 1 and include Jeff Cassella, Athletic Administrator at Mentor High School, Dan Leffingwell, Superintendent of Noble Local Schools (Sarahsville), Leonard Steyer, principal of Chillicothe Southeastern High School, and Jan Wilking, Athletic Administrator at Cincinnati Wyoming High School. Outgoing board members include board vice-president Rhonda Rickelman, Director of Auxiliary Planning at Gates Mills Gilmour Academy, Walt Skaggs, Superintendent of St. Clairsville-Richland City Schools, Tony Deem, Superintendent of Southern Local Schools (Racine) and board president Paul Powers, Athletic Administrator at Aurora High School. The 2017-18 Board of Directors is posted at: <http://www.ohsaa.org/about/BOD>

BANKS STATEMENT ON GOP IMMIGRATION MEETING

Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) released the following statement regarding this morning's House Republican Conference meeting on immigration reform:

"Republicans are united in the belief that our current immigration policy is outdated, our system needs reformed and the border must be secured. The American people elected a Republican majority with a mandate to fix these problems and I thank President Trump for making this a priority.

"As we work toward a solution, our nation's immigration

laws must be enforced both at the border and throughout the country, which means no amnesty and putting an end to special pathways to citizenship. It also means ending the visa lottery program and chain migration, and moving toward a more merit-based approach.

"By focusing on these priorities, along with building a wall and investing in new technology, there is a path forward for Congress to fix our broken immigration system and finally provide true border security."

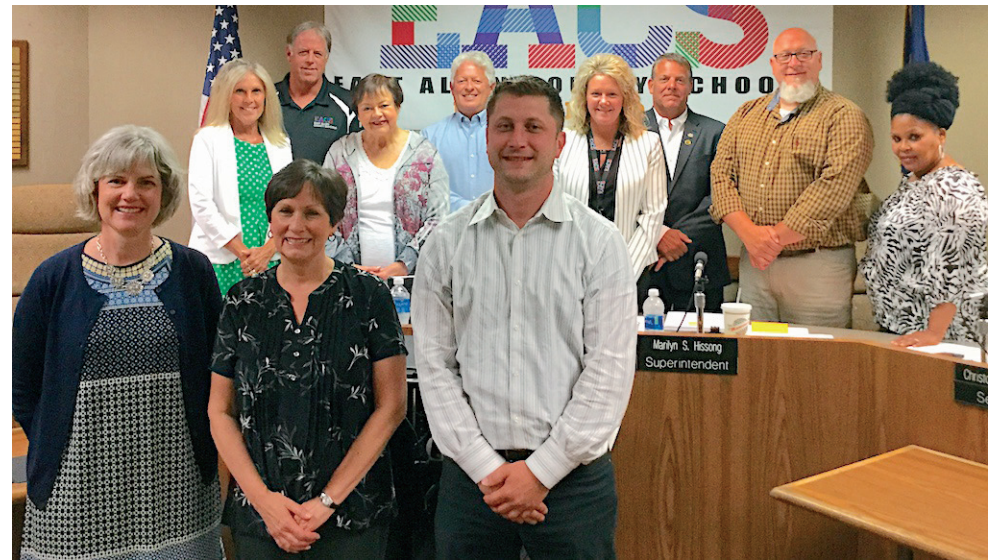
STATEMENT FROM SECRETARY HUSTED ON HOUSE PASSAGE OF SENATE BILL 135

Ohio Secretary of State Jon Husted released a statement in response to Ohio House of Representatives passage of Senate Bill 135, legislation that will provide funding for the purchase of new voting machines statewide. The following may be attributed to Secretary Husted.

"Today's House passage of Senate Bill 135 puts Ohio on track to update its election technology well ahead of the 2020 Presidential Election. We've worked hard in recent years to make Ohio a national leader in elections administration, and the purchase of new voting machines across all 88 counties will help us to continue that effort.

"I commend Speaker Smith for making this measure a priority and bringing it before the chamber for a vote. I'm hopeful the Senate will soon concur with House changes and quickly send the bill to the Governor's desk."

INDIANA SCHOOL NUTRITION EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR RECOGNIZED AT EACS BOARD MEETING



Mrs. Carol Smith was named the Assistant Food Service Director of the Year and Mrs. Jolene Sanderson was named Food Service Manager of the Year by the Indiana School Nutrition Association!

Mrs. Smith has been with EACS for over 27 years. She was key in bringing uniformity to school sites in terms of menus across the various grade levels and all school sites. She researched food products and testing with students/staff, and she promoted signage and site enhancements at each building.

Carol handles the Free/Reduced Lunch Applications and data tracking for the district which involves daily updating and changes and ties into many other aspects of district funding. She served on the District Wellness Council several years

until in 2015. Carol works directly Mr. Dan Krleski, Food Service Director. The staff in that department say, "we don't know anyone who is more dedicated to her employer, her profession, her co-workers and her friends than Carol Smith. She is truly "priceless".

Mrs. Sanderson has been with EACS for 19 years! She is very caring when it comes to the kids. She has compassion, she talks to them like they're her own children, making sure they are able to find something to eat...even if it is just a little "something" to put in their bellies!

She excites the children about fruits & vegetables: increased the variety of fresh fruits & veggies offered. She uses an "edible ink" pen and makes smiley faces on oranges, and writes uplifting words on bananas.

Students & staff enjoy the

FUN she brings to each day.

Mrs. Sanderson models friendliness and patience and expects the same from her staff at Cedarville Elementary. She puts kids first every day, and greets them with a smile. She strives to make sure each child feels like school is an extension of his/her home. It's obvious to all that she is passionate about her job!

CONGRATULATIONS CAROL SMITH AND JOLENE SANDERSON!

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THIS WEEK AT KIWANIS



Paulding, OH: This week at Kiwanis, member and president Elizabeth Vance introduced Mikayla Pieper, fellow Kiwanis member and executive director of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce as the speaker. Pieper took the position in September of 2017 and since has tried to rebrand the Chamber and try new things. Focusing on serving members and the community has been her primary focus. With new initiatives like In Your Shoes where she goes to a Chamber members' business each month and learns more about their business and

then shares that information with the community through videos posted on social media. Along with the weekly Chamber newsletter, Pieper has a Monday Morning with Mikayla video she posts on Facebook every Monday highlighting the events, promotions, sales, job opportunities and more each week. Pieper is trying to make sure all members see the benefit in their Chamber membership and is working hard to bring new and exciting things to the position. Kiwanis members are meeting next Thursday at noon.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Nate and Sarah Gerencser welcomed baby boy Aedyn Paul Gerencser on May 23, 2018. Aedyn weighed 7 lbs 12 oz and was 21 inches long. Aedyn has a sister, Parker Gerencser. Grandparents are: Chad and Kris Lantow, Paulding, OH and Jim and Nadene Gerencser, Antwerp, OH. Great grandparents are: Bev Rex, Antwerp, OH and Charlotte Russell, Paulding, OH.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Baby boy, Beau Lee Pepple, was born June 5, 2018 to Grasiela Salas-Morales and Brandon Pepple, weighing 6 lbs 11 oz and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are: Greg Pepple, Edgerton; Dee Pepple, Edgerton; Columba Morales, Hicksville and Eric Molina, Hicksville. Aunts: Liliana Salas-Morales; Brooke Eberly. Uncle: Tim Eberly; Godparents: Bethany Carlson and Tyler Eberly.

WOODBURN TO HOLD SUMMER FEST - JUNE 22 & 23

The Woodburn Community Association is hosting Summer Fest on June 22 & 23 at the Woodburn Community Park, Park Street & State Road 101. Mark your calendar now & watch for more information next weeks.

For a complete list of events, visit woodburnsummerfest.com! Below are just a few of the activities that are planned for this year's event!

Start your weekend out on Friday, June 22 with a Trivia Night in the Park beginning at 7 p.m. Grab some friends and come out for a hilarious night of trivia & fun. Maximum of ten people per team will compete. Prizes will be awarded. So don't miss this opportunity to name your team and come up with a great theme with decorations! Beer, Wine & Food will be available for purchase at the Trivia Night. You can pre-register by calling (260) 437-9001 or same night registrations will be accepted.

Saturday, June 23 is full of events for your entire family! Start your day with the famous Lion Club Donuts, available beginning at 8 a.m. in the park by the Headquarters Tent. Make sure and get yours early - they will sell out quickly! Next, you can walk off your donuts by joining in Woodburn Summer Fest 5K or 1 mile family fun walk which will conclude before the parade starts!

The Woodburn Summer Fest Parade "Wet & Wild" starts at 10 a.m. Kids! Make sure and get your bags ready to collect all of that candy that will be thrown from the floats! If you are interested in participating in the parade please contact Tiffany via email at woodburnsummerfest@gmail.com.

There are so many fun and family-oriented activities scheduled for the Woodburn Summer Fest that you should just plan on being there all day! The Prince & Princess Crowning will take place right after the parade. Contestants are now being accept-

ed, but are limited to the first three boys and girls ages 4 to 6. Visit Horizon Bank to register your child in the Prince & Princess Contest. Show off your skills in the Cornhole Tournament! Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize! Call (260) 466-6599 to register! Same day registration will take place at 12 Noon on June 23rd.

The Chalk Walk is a new event for 2018!! There are two divisions for this competition: ages 12 and under and ages 13 and above. Entry details and fees are located on the registration form. Cash prizes will be given in each category based on creativity, originality, and appropriate incorporation of this year's theme, "Wet and Wild." Please contact Angie at stokesam@hotmail.com

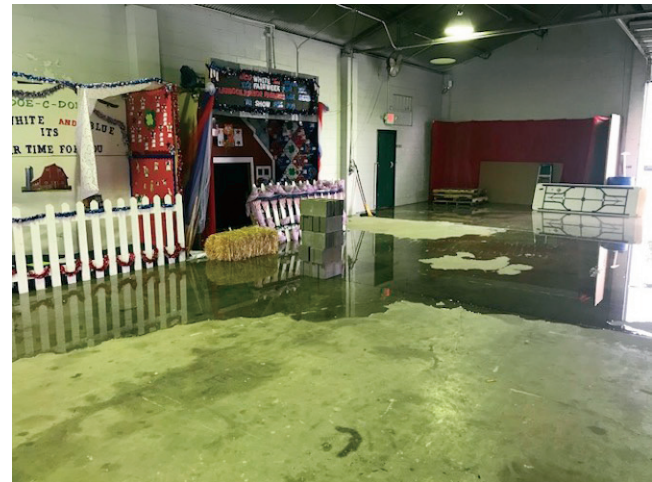
Also taking place are the Pie & Pizza Eating Contests, participate in the Scavenger Hunt or Play Games for all ages - all of this from 12 Noon to 6 p.m. on Saturday, June 23.

Abbi's Fireflies Daycare is hosting The Cutest Baby Contest during the Woodburn Summer Fest on June 23rd. Submissions will be accepted through email. Voting will take place in the park from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Each vote is a penny. The baby that has the most votes will receive a splash & play pad. Registration deadline is June 16th. Contact fireflies.cutest@gmail.com for official rules.

A 4x4 Truck and Jeep Cruise In will also take place beginning at 4 p.m. on the ball diamond. Pulling Trucks, Jalopy, Trailer Queen, Mall Crawlers are all welcome. Call (260) 632-5318 with questions or if you would like to register.

All of those activities are going to make you hungry! Local Vendors will have a variety of food for you to choose from. You won't be disappointed with the home made, yummy food. The Woodburn Summer Fest will rock it's way to closing with Joe5 starting at 6 p.m. on the main stage. Donation drawing tickets will be available at the Headquarters Tent.

FLOODING IN PAULDING



On Saturday, June 9th, the skies opened up and let loose its moisture in the form of some heavy rains around the Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio area. In Paulding, as the 4-H Fair is getting set up for this week's festivities, the rains put their set up on hold as the water rose in and around the fair-

grounds. According to Paulding County's EMA director, Ed Bohn, 1 1/4 inches of rain fell in a short period of time. This won't stop the 4-H fair participants from their plans for the week. Showing, competing and exhibiting are all still set to take place this week - June 11-16 at the Paulding County Fairgrounds.

There are some great prizes this year. Drawing will take place at 9:15 p.m. on the main stage. Need not be present to win and proceeds benefit the Woodburn Community Association. Woodburn Summer Fest will end with an exciting Fireworks Display at dusk.

Watch for more information on the Woodburn Summer Fest at Woodburn businesses over the next few weeks.

If you are interested in helping with the Woodburn Summer Fest, please contact the Woodburn Community Association 632-7780. All Woodburn residents are invited to attend the Woodburn Community Association monthly meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

BRYAN MAN KILLED IN A CAR VS. TRAIN CRASH

Bryan - Troopers from the Defiance Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol are currently investigating a fatal car vs. train crash that occurred at 2:32 PM today on County Road 15D (N. Union Street) at the railroad tracks, 2/10 of a mile south of US Route 127 in Pulaski Township, Williams County.

A 2008 Dodge Grand Caravan was northbound on County Road 15D when it drove around down/ functioning lighted gates, crossed over four sets of railroad tracks before being struck in the left side by an eastbound Norfolk and Southern freight train on a fifth set of railroad tracks.

The driver of the Dodge Grand Caravan, John A. Restainer, age 74 of Bryan, Ohio was pronounced deceased at the scene by the Williams County Coroner.

Assisting the patrol at the scene were personnel

from the Bryan City Police Department, Bryan City Fire Department, Williams County Sheriff's Office, Williams County EMS and the Williams County Coroner, Doctor Kevin L. Park.

The crash remains under investigation.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING SET FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2018

A special council meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at Village Hall, 118 N. Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio. The only item on the agenda will be the second reading of Resolution 2018-03, A resolution to proceed with submission of the question to levying a tax that is a renewal of an existing levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of police protection. This is a renewal levy and will not increase the amount already being taxed for police protection.

CARD SHOW

Saturday June the 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Ramada Plaza Center and Travel Hotel (formerly The Hotel Fort Wayne) located at 305 E Washington Center Rd (exit 312a off of I-69) in Fort Wayne, Indiana there will be a sports card and collectibles show. Dealers from the tri-state region will be in attendance with both sport and non-sport cards and collectibles. Featured will be vintage and new singles, hobby boxes and supplies. Attendance is free and the public is invited to attend. Please feel free to bring your items in for appraisal. For more information please contact Brian Mayne at 260-824-4867 or mscards@icloud.com or on facebook at mcs cards.

Grants
Father's Day
Smokehouse Buffet
Sunday June 17th from 10am to 2pm
 Menu will include a delicious Salad Bar, Baby Back Ribs, Smoked Brisket, Grilled Pork Chops and much more. Price includes tax, drink, and dessert!!
Adults: \$15 • Kids 3 - 12: \$7 • Under 3 are free
No Reservations will be taken
Any questions? Call 419-258-2233
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