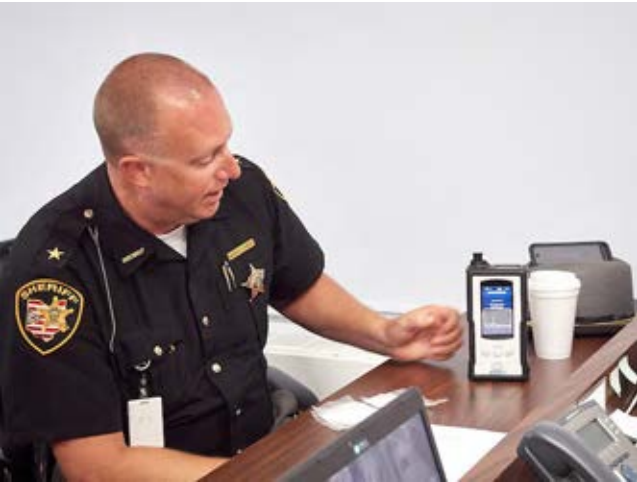


DRUG IDENTIFICATION UNIT PURCHASED IN PAULDING COUNTY



Paulding County would like to announce that with the continued spread of the drug epidemic, a collaborative effort by the Sheriff, Prosecutor and Commissioners of Paulding County was undertaken to purchase a portable Tactic ID Drug Identification Unit. This unit is handheld and utilizes laser technology to identify many chemicals and narcotics.

The purpose of this unit is to identify potential drugs before law enforcement personnel is subject to ex-

posure from handling unknown substances. Paulding County is the first county in Northwest Ohio to implement the purchase of one of these units. Part of the funding for this purchase made possible by fines paid for by folks convicted in Paulding County of drug related crimes.

A continued effort will be made by your county to providenecessary equipment to ensure the safety of our personnel and our constituents.

WORLD VISION HEALTH EXPERT APPEARING AT FORT WAYNE CHARITY EVENT



A very special charity event is coming to Fort Wayne this month. A Heart for Our Community will be held at the elegant Parkview Mirro Center on Monday, September 24, at 6:30 p.m. This exciting evening focuses on the mission of providing access to healthcare for families facing hardship, and is hosted by Christian Community Health Care and made possible by Parkview Health. Free admission is available for a limited number of seats.

Christian Community Health Care is thrilled to welcome two outstanding special guests for this event: Curtis Smith of Parkview Health, and international community health expert Dr. Gloria Ekpo of World Vision International.

Curtis Smith is a local legend, appearing on WPTA ABC 21 News for twenty-one years as their Chief Meteorologist. He is now in his third year of filling the important role of Director of Community Outreach for Parkview Health. Dinner guests at A Heart for Our Community will enjoy spending the evening with Curtis, who will be serving as MC for the program.

Dr. Gloria Ekpo is internationally recognized as a leader in global community health issues. During her 30+ years of public health experience, she has become an expert in health programming (Continued on Page 3)

SANDERSON - TALLEY



Mary Elizabeth Sanderson and David Wayne Talley would like to announce their engagement and upcoming marriage.

Mary is the daughter of Dewey and Kathy Sanderson of Broughton, Ohio. She is a graduate of Wayne Trace High School and is employed by In-source Technologies.

David is the son of the late Clarence and Doris Jean Talley of Garrett, Indiana. He is a graduate of Garrett High School and is employed at Steel Dynamics in Columbia City, Indiana.

The couple will exchange vows on October 13, 2018 at the Rose Hill Church of God in Paulding.

Community Calendar

Sept 11

- Sewing Demo @ Paulding Library, 6pm
- Catholic classes begin @ Educational Center, Paulding, 7pm
- United Way of Paulding County Campaign Kick-Off, 6pm

Sept 13

- Senior Saints @ Huber, 7pm
- Fall Open House @ Genesis House/&Junque/Petals&Vines/Pharmacy, Antwerp (also 14th&15th)
- Lunch-n-Learn @ NH Comm. Center, 12pm

Sept 14-15

- Woodburn Fall City-Wide Garage Sales, 8am-?

Sept 15

- NH class of 1973 reunion @ NH Parks & Rec, 7pm
- Retreat @ St. John Luth. Church, Stryker, 8:30a-1:45p
- Community Trap Shoot @ Roselms Christin Church, 12-3pm
- Anna Lee Huber @ Antwerp Library, 11am
- Ice Cream Social @ Twin Oaks UMC, 4:30-7pm

Sept 16

- Marty Miller in concert @ Harlan UMC, 9am

Sept 19

- Meet Willy & Sue Tops @ Twin Oaks UMC, 10am

Sept 21

- Murder Mystery Dinner Theater @ Huber, 6:30pm

Sept 22

- An Evening w/Pete Rose LIVE! @ Niswonger, 7:30pm

Sept 21-23

- Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival, PC Fairgrounds

Sept 23

- Vintage Truck Show @ JPHS, 9am

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Eligibility is based on 200% Of the Federal Poverty Income Guidelines.

Funding is limited and applications will be prioritized in the order they are received.
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Wednesday, September 12; 6:00 p.m.; ProMedica Memorial Hospital, Chestnut Café - 1st Floor, 715 S. Taft Ave., Fremont, Ohio, 43420

NICU Reunion

ProMedica Toledo Children's Hospital invites all former Newborn Intensive Care Unit patients and their families to reunite with other former NICU patients. Come enjoy an afternoon of fun and fellowship with crafts, refreshments and entertainment. All reunion activities will take place in the Ronald McDonald House parking lot. Donations are welcome for the families at the Ronald McDonald House, such as individually wrapped snacks, microwavable meals, and individual coffee creamers.

Sunday, September 16; 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Ronald McDonald House Parking Lot; 3883 Monroe St., Toledo, Ohio, 43606

Women's Cancer Support Group

ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital's Cancer Center is hosting a cancer support group for women who have a cancer diagnosis. It is a safe harbor to come to give or receive support. The group meets the third Tuesday of each month and provides education, encouragement and sharing in an informal social environment. Guest speakers who are compassionate professionals specializing in cancer issues may occasionally be invited. Come, share, and receive encouragement, love, compassion, hope, laughter and much more!

Tuesday, September 18; 7 - 8:30 p.m.; ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, Conference Room A, 4th Floor, 718 N. Macomb St., Monroe, Michigan, 48162

Caring and Restoring Each Other: Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support Group

This support group is for families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or infant death in the first few months of life. Each week during the 4-week group, a different speaker will present on various topics such as grief, follow-up pregnancies, other children, and relationships. Speakers include an OBGYN physician, a grief specialist, and parents who experienced an infant death many years ago. A social worker, chaplain, and neonatal nurse practitioner facilitate this group. The group is free and RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary. Come as you are and other adult family members are welcomed. For more information, contact Kim Folk-Axe at 419-291-9475 or kim.folk-axe@promedica.org.

Tuesdays, September 18

ACC VISITS FWRR



Saturday, September 8th started out raining and cold, but that did not stop members of the Antwerp Conservation Club, Gary Mabis and Aaron Kohler, from traveling to Harlan, Indiana to compete in the John Garand match at Ft. Wayne Rifle & Revolver. A total of 10 competitors shot the match, with one coming from Michigan to shoot the match.

John Garand was a long time employee of the Springfield Armory and inventor of the M1 Garand rifle, and to memorialize him the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) holds a rifle match in his name. The John Garand match is by far the most popular match the CMP has, as any domestic or foreign service rifle may be used, and the course of fire is only 30 shots.

After registration and a mandatory safety briefing, we were squaded in to 2 groups of 5 people, and our group was sent to the target pits for the first half of the match. In the target pits you are behind an earthen berm and under the targets. After each competitor takes a shot on their target, you pull the target down (target is suspended on a sliding target frame) Mark the shot with a marker where the shot hit the target, and a large orange circle in certain areas to help the guy scoring see what value ring was hit.

After pit duty it was a 200 yard walk to the firing line, where Gary Mabis shot and I scored for him. On goes your shooting coat, a very heavy

stiff canvas coat with pads, grab your rifle, on goes the sling, out come your ammo, ear protection on. Things are about to "get real" as the range master calls out "ready on the left...ready on the right...all ready on the firing line"

First you fire slow prone, 10 shots in 10 mins. Second you fire rapid prone 10 shots in 80 seconds starting from standing, with a magazine change out. This is not as hard as it may seem, most competitors can do this in about 60 seconds. Third and final is the hardest part of the match, 10 shots in 10 mins, offhand, that is standing unsupported.

After all competitors fired the match, we gathered in the club house to check our scores and see if any of us shot a score high enough to earn a medal. As Gary and I looked over the list, Larry Beardsley, of FWRR came up to us and shook my hand offering congrats as he handed me a bronze medal. As I was handed my bronze medal, Larry announced "In modern military, with a score of 275-5x, Aaron Kohler has earned himself a bronze medal."

With many thanks to the staff of FWRR for another great match, we can't wait until another rifle match to try our skills at.

We at the Antwerp Conservation Club (antwerp-conservationclub.com) offer rifle and pistol matches every month and hope you come out and try compilation shooting.

and 25; 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.; Ronald McDonald House, First floor conference room, 3883 Monroe St., Toledo, Ohio, 43606

ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY HEALTH FOUNDATION AWARDS \$1,500 KASPER AWARD TO FUND A BABY'S CLOSET

Associated Churches has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,500 Kasper Award from St. Joseph Community Health Foundation (SJCHF). These funds will be used to support A Baby's Closet, an incentivized education program of Associated Churches.

The Kasper Award will be used to provide low-income families and those experiencing hardships by providing essential baby items to safely and adequately care for their children. The program provides a unique opportunity to earn coupons which can be

redeemed for clothing, a crib, car seat, and baby supplies. Parents receive coupons for learning about nutrition and parenting, keeping prenatal and well child appointments, childbirth classes, and keeping their children's immunizations up-to-date.

Rev. Roger Reece, Executive Pastor of Associated Churches, states, "We are thankful for the on-going partnership with The St. Joseph Community Health Foundation. The Kasper Award will be used to help families in our community; families who need additional support for their babies with items such as diapers, car seats, etc. We are grateful for the support from SJCHF."

Since 1944, Associated Churches has filled the gap to help those most in need in the community of Fort Wayne and Allen County. Today, Associated Churches is a unique faith-based organization that brings together over 7,800 volunteers to serve

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Even to your old age and gray hairs I am he, I am he who will sustain you. I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you."

—Isaiah 46:4

and work together to improve our community. Associated Churches of Fort Wayne and Allen County is accepting donations to continue to fill the gap for those in need within the Fort Wayne and Allen county community. For more information on Associated Churches or how you can support Associated Churches' community efforts, please call (260) 422-3528. or visit www.associatedchurches.org for more information.

The St. Joseph Community Health Foundation, sponsored by the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, stewards resources to: Respond to community needs with grants; Leverage collaboration with community partners; Engage in transformational initiatives. SJCHF serves the poor in body, mind and spirit to achieve quality health and wellness, focusing on the community of Allen County, Indiana and responds to needs among other underserved populations.

HUBER TO VISIT ANTWERP LIBRARY

On September 15th, 2018 Author Anna Lee Huber will visit the Antwerp Branch Library at 11:00 a.m. All ages are welcome. Anna Lee Huber is the Daphne award-winning author of the national bestselling *Lady Darby Mysteries*, the *Verity Kent Mysteries*, and the *Gothic Myths* series, as well as the forthcoming anthology *The Jacobite's Watch*. She is a summa cum laude graduate of Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, where she majored in music and minored in psychology. She currently resides in Indiana with her family and is hard at work on her next novel. Visit her online at www.annaleehuber.com.

18TH ANNUAL ATHS VINTAGE TRUCK SHOW HOSTED BY JPHS

The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting the 18th Annual ATHS Vintage Truck Show featuring antique and special interest vehicles on Sunday, September 23rd starting at 9:00 a.m. The show will be held on the museum grounds located

across the street from the fairgrounds in Paulding. Last year there were well over 130 vehicles registered.

There's no admission charge or entry fee, but donations are welcome. The event will take place rain or shine. Lunch will be available for a freewill donation. Bring your truck or just come and browse through the many trucks and special interest vehicles that will be on display.

A great way to spend the day with friends and family! For more information contact Mike Kauser at 419-399-4856.

BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION COURSE OFFERED IN TOLEDO ON SEPT 22

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Parks and Watercraft invites the public to attend an Ohio Boating Education Course on Saturday, September 22 from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Pre-registration is required, but admission is free.

This free class will be offered at the Farmhouse at Wildwood Preserve Metro park, which is located at 4830 W. Central Avenue in Toledo. To pre-register for this class, please visit: web1.vermontsystems.com/wbws/ohmetroparkstoledowt.wsc/search.html.

The Ohio Boating Education Course covers a variety of topics including navigation rules, boating and personal safety equipment, navigational signage, Ohio boating laws and more.

Ohio law requires any person born on or after Jan. 1, 1982 to show proof they have successfully completed an approved boater safety education course if they operate any watercraft powered by a motor greater than 10 horsepower.

For additional information on boating, contact the Maumee Bay office at 419-836-6003 or visit watercraft.ohiodnr.gov.

The ODNR Division of Parks and Watercraft is responsible for managing Ohio's 75 state parks and providing the finest outdoor recreational opportunities, including first-class boating services, facilities and law enforcement for users of Ohio's waterways and public lands.

WOODBURN, IN

Jolene J. Beerbower, 67, of Woodburn passed away Friday, September 7, 2018 at The Cedars.

Jolene was born in Fort Wayne on February 23, 1951.

She was a secretary at Countryside Church of Christ, Southwest Church of Christ & Woodburn Church of Christ. She will be remembered most as a loving wife, mother & grandmother.

Jolene will be sadly missed by her husband James whom she married Jan. 1, 1971; mother, Marlene (nee. Wehrly) Atchley; children, Nathan (Katrina) Beerbower, Angela (Mark) Peters & Ashlee (Max) Workman; siblings, Larry (Deb) & David (Paula) Atchley & Julie Mason and 11 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, Joseph Atchley.

Her funeral service is at Harlan Church of Christ, 17108 IN-37, Harlan, IN, Wednesday, Sept. 12th, 2 pm with viewing from 1 - 1:45 pm.

Viewing is also Tuesday, Sept. 11th, 4 - 7 pm at Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

She will be laid to rest at Scipio Cemetery, Harlan.

Memorials are to Woodburn Children's Home, 24902 Notestine Rd, Woodburn, IN 46797

Funeral memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

PROMEDICA COMMUNITY EVENTS THIS WEEK IN SEPTEMBER

Alzheimer's Support Group

ProMedica Memorial Hospital is hosting a monthly Alzheimer's support group. This group is for family members, friends and patients as they navigate through the complexity of the illness. It is an opportunity to get support from others who are experiencing the trials and tribulations of dementia. This support group meets on the second Wednesday of every month and is free and open to the

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WOODBURN LIONS CLUB AT WOODBURN MEATS

The Woodburn Lions Club will have their famous donuts on Saturday, Sept. 15th during the Woodburn Garage Sale.

They will be located behind Woodburn Meats & Produce from 7:00-11:00 a.m. or until donuts are gone. Proceeds will be going to local projects.

PURDUE VARSITY GLEE CLUB TO PERFORM AT THE RHINEHART MUSIC CENTER

Purdue Varsity Glee Club will bring its special brand of musical variety and unparalleled showmanship to the John & Ruth Rhinehart Music Center on the Purdue Fort Wayne campus for a concert Friday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m. that will also feature the Singing Dons from Purdue Fort Wayne. The Glee Club's versatile repertoire includes gospel, vocal jazz, swing, contemporary hits, romantic ballads, classical selections, barbershop, folk, opera choruses, patriotic standards, country and novelty tunes. Specialty groups and outstanding soloists further enhance the performance. For information on line at pfw.edu/tickets and click on Purdue Varsity Glee Club in Concert to choose seats.

NORTHWEST STATE TO HOST CYBERSECURITY COMPLIANCE EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 28

Northwest State Community College, the Ohio Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP), and the Advanced Manufacturing Consortium will be hosting a very important informational cybersecurity event on Friday, September 28 at the Northwest State Archbold Campus, Room C200. This cybersecurity event is geared towards small to medium-sized businesses, suppliers to the Department of Defense and their supply chains, automotive manufacturing companies and their supply chains, and manufacturers in general. Some of the topics that are scheduled to be covered include the DFARS Mandate and what it means, NIST cybersecurity framework, risk assessment and gap analysis, and new developments such as Ohio Senate SB220 and the NIST SB Cybersecurity Act.

"The manufacturing sector is the second-most popular target for cyberattacks. Fortunately, there are indus-

try standards and best practices that businesses can put in place to reduce their risk. We are very pleased to host this event and allow this information to be shared with area businesses," said Todd Hernandez, Vice President for Innovation and Chief Information Officer at Northwest State.

REGISTER NOW! Networking will be available starting at 7:30 a.m., and the program runs from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. To register, visit www.trainwithcts.com and click on "Current Offerings", email Tori Wolf at twolf@NorthwestState.edu, or call 419.267.1219.

USDA REMOVES ROADBLOCK TO MINERAL EXPLORATION IN RAINY RIVER WATERSHED

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has removed a major obstacle to mineral leasing in Minnesota, through the cancellation of an application which has blocked mineral exploration in the Rainy River Watershed. Interested companies now may soon be able to lease minerals in the watershed in the Superior National Forest. Over the last 15 months the Forest Service conducted a thorough review on this issue and listened to thousands of citizens. Based on this review the USDA Forest Service cancelled the application for the Rainy River Watershed Withdrawal.

"It's our duty as responsible stewards of our environment to maintain and protect our natural resources. At the same time, we must put our national forests to work for the taxpayers to support local economies and create jobs," Perdue said. "We can do these two things at once: protect the integrity of the watershed and contribute to economic growth and stronger communities."

In 2016, the Forest Service segregated approximately 234,000 acres from the federal mineral estate and conducted an extensive review of environmental information related to the proposed mineral activities. The review included a mineral resources report, a biological and economic impact assessment, and potential impacts to water resources, wilderness areas, and cultural resources. The agency solicited public feedback at numerous public engagements. The analysis did not reveal new scientific information.

The Rainy River watershed landscape, which includes the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, is known for its mineral development potential. The Superior National Forest has been mined for decades and is known as the "Iron Range" due to its numerous iron mines. Minerals produced from lands managed by the Forest Service are

important to a variety of applications and other forms of technology, from medical and infrastructure applications to household appliances, smart phones, computers, and cars. Additionally, Boundary Waters is well known for high-quality fishing, wildlife viewing and recreational opportunities. The decision balances USDA's commitment to both economic opportunity and conservation.

Interested companies may seek to lease minerals in the watershed. The land management plan for the Superior National Forest includes environmental standards, including water quality standards, that guide the mineral leasing process. Further, the Secretary of the Interior must have the consent of the Forest Service before issuing such leases and retains discretion to deny the lease applications even assuming that the Forest Service does consent. In cases where leases are issued the Forest Service will have the right to include lease stipulations to protect the integrity of National Forest System lands. Additionally, the Forest Service at least will have an opportunity to review the lessee's mining plan of operations for mineral development, and to recommend specific operating requirements. While with respect to some National Forest System lands the Forest Service must consent to any mining plan of operations for mineral development that the lessee submits and may develop specific operating requirements that the lessee must meet during the mineral development.

For more information about USDA Forest Service, visit <http://www.fs.fed.us>.

NEW ANIMAL WELFARE DESIGNATION SHOWS COMPASSION, EXPERTISE

A veterinarian and assistant professor of animal sciences in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences at The Ohio State University (CFAES) has been named a Diplomate of the American College of Animal Welfare, the only swine veterinarian in Ohio to earn such a designation.

In fact, Monique Pairis-Garcia, who is also an animal welfare specialist with Ohio State University Extension, is the first veterinarian at Ohio State to earn board certification in this relatively new veterinary specialty. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of CFAES.

The designation means that Pairis-Garcia can demonstrate detailed knowledge of and special competence in animal welfare across all species. This is significant, considering that the American Veterinary Medical Association identified animal welfare in June 2006 as "one of the top five critical issues affecting the veterinary profession both in the United States and globally."

"My entire career has been focused on animal welfare and behavior, so I'm very proud and excited to bring this honor to Ohio State, CFAES and the Department of Animal Sciences," Pairis-Garcia said. "I think this designation means a lot to the field of animal welfare science and the impact it will have on the farm."

Pairis-Garcia earned her Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and a PhD in animal physiology from Iowa State University. She earned a scholarship from the American Association of Swine Veterinarians to take the exam for the board certification in animal welfare.

Her research at Ohio State focuses on animal welfare issues for livestock species including timely and humane euthanasia, on-farm welfare assessments and audits, and alternative management practices to improve animal welfare on-farm.

She also teaches CFAES undergraduate students and College of Veterinary Medicine veterinary students, focusing primarily on animal welfare and behavior in livestock industries.

In addition to teaching and conducting research, Pairis-Garcia serves as a consultant, working with livestock producers to improve animal welfare on farms, including swine, dairy and poultry farms.

For example, if an undercover video surfaces alleging suspected animal abuse or standards violations, Pairis-Garcia may be called to visit the farm to conduct an animal care audit. If violations are found, she works with producers to correct the animal care conditions.

Her new board certification in animal welfare demonstrates her expertise in the area, which is a key focus for producers in maintaining their social license to produce food, she said.

"I work to help producers provide an environment for their animals that optimizes their health and well-being," Pairis-Garcia said. "When we recognize the role that animals have in our lives - whether it be the human-animal bond with pets or those relationships we have with livestock, it is our duty to take proper care of them when they are in our care."

"It's important for us to view animal welfare on many levels, such as ensuring the animal is healthy, has good nutrition and has the ability to express natural behavior."

Not only is it the right thing to do on a humane level, Pairis-Garcia said, but it's also beneficial from a production standpoint - good animal welfare is key for quality food production.

"Consumers care about where their food is coming from and want quality," she said. "When an animal is stressed, it will result in a decrease in the quality of the meat."

To prevent that from happening, producers have to focus on proper animal handling, including remaining calm and quiet when they move animals, Pairis-Garcia said.

Pairis-Garcia said she plans to use her new animal welfare board designation to "have a better seat at the table to open up the lines of communications between producers and consumers and help people have a better understanding of the livestock industry."

"As a veterinarian with this board certification," she said, "I want to use this to

improve the perception of the livestock industry and improve animal welfare on farm."

LATTA TALKS EFFORTS TO COMBAT OPIOID CRISIS, THREAT OF FENTANYL

The opioid crisis continues to ravage our communities. During the District Work Period, #SubDCCP Chairman Bob Latta (R-OH) participated in a number of local events to talk about his efforts to combat the opioid crisis.

Chairman Latta discussed his legislation, H.R.

4284, the Indexing Narcotics, Fentanyl, and Opioids (INFO) Act, which will direct the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to create a public and easily accessible electronic dashboard linking to all of the nationwide efforts and strategies to combat the opioid crisis. H.R. 4284 passed the House in June by voice vote, before being added to H.R. 6, the Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment (SUPPORT) for Patients and Communities Act, which passed the House in June by a vote of 396-14.

(Continued from Page 1) for low income regions and implementing HIV & AIDS interventions in several countries. Dr. Ekpo is excited to travel from Washington DC to be featured as the keynote speaker for this event. She will share from her life story and her assignments for World Vision International



how "Impacting the World begins in Our Community."

A Heart for Our Community will include a delicious gourmet dinner, live music, an entertaining silent and live auction, and a program that will provide a glimpse of the amazing work taking place this year at Christian Community Health Care. Doors will open at 5:30PM, with the program starting at 6:30PM and ending approximately 8:30PM. The Mirro Event & Conference Center is located at 10622 Parkview Plaza Drive, Fort Wayne, on the campus of Parkview Regional Medical Center. Free tickets are available online by visiting ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org, but seating is limited.

Your attendance will make a difference for the thousands of medically underserved families who visit Christian Community Health Care. Over 100 volunteer staff

members offer free medical care each week to patients of all ages. The clinic is located just northeast of Fort Wayne in downtown Grabbill, Indiana. Event sponsorship opportunities are still available, including donations for the silent auction. For more information, visit ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org or call 260-627-2242, ext. 7.

MEDIA ACCESS: Members of the media are welcome to attend this event. Interview access is available to Dr. Gloria Ekpo (World Vision, keynote speaker), Curtis Smith (Parkview Health, event MC), and Mark Schlatter (Christian Community Health Care - Executive Director) at these times.

- September 3-22: Pre-scheduled telephone interviews as their schedules allow

- September 3-22: Mark Schlatter is available for live interviews as his schedule allows

- September 24, 10:30am-11:30 a.m.: Dr. Ekpo, Curtis Smith, and Mark Schlatter are available during a tour of clinic facilities at Christian Community Health Care (13410 Main Street, Grabbill, Indiana)

- September 24, 2:00pm-5:00 p.m.: Dr. Ekpo and Mark Schlatter are available for pre-scheduled interviews.

- September 24, 9:00-10:00 p.m.: Dr. Ekpo, Curtis Smith, and Mark Schlatter are available for live interviews at the Parkview Mirro Center (10622 Parkview Plaza Drive, Fort Wayne)

- September 25: Dr. Ekpo and Mark Schlatter are available on a limited basis for pre-scheduled interviews

CONTACT: Mark Schlatter (Mobile) 260-760-8627, (Email) markschlatter@ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org

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SCHEDULE AND EVENT CHANGES

- Sept. 13th - Club meeting at 7pm**
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The public is invited to attend a gathering at Twin Oaks United Methodist Church on Wednesday, September 19, at 10:00 a.m. to greet Willy and Sue (Lanz) Tops, Missionaries from Belgium. Sue was raised in Paulding County near Briceton, Ohio. She and

husband Willy would like to share about their work with the prison ministry in Belgium.

Twin Oaks church is located at the corner of Harmon and Second Streets in Oakwood.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

*Dear Parson,
I have a hard time understanding my husband. I don't know what he wants from me because he doesn't communicate.*

According to Ephesians 5:33 the wife needs true love and the husband needs real reverence. This is a high form of RESPECT most every man inwardly longs for even more than physical love.

Most men who don't get that respect from their wife either explode or shut down their communications. Unfortunately some even go looking for another woman who will show them respect.

Yes, most of the time he may not fully deserve the respect he longs for, but if you will work hard to show him more respect and stop any demeaning of him, you will unleash the power God gave you to help fulfill and change your husband. Study carefully I Peter 3:1-6. In verse one,

God starts with the wives needing to give subjective obedience to their husband's position. Verse two says, while they (husbands) behold your chaste (pure) conversation (conduct) coupled with fear (deep respect). In verse 4, it points out a meek and quiet spirit. These are life changing tools God provides for wives who want their husbands to love and communicate with them.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

TWIN OAKS UMC ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Homemade ice cream social this Saturday September 15 At Twin Oaks United Methodist Church, Harmon Street, Oakwood, Ohio.

Serving from 4:30-7:00, four flavors of ice cream, noodle soup, pie, sandwiches, etc.

Free will donation will be accepted.

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doest, except God be with him" (John 3:2).

A Crippled Man Read Mark 2:1-12.

1. Unable to walk, this man was carried on a bed (cot, mat): a) on a donkey cart; b) by four men; c) by his doctors.

2. They lowered him through the roof because: a) there was such a crowd they could not get through the door; b) he needed fresh air; c) we don't know why.

3. The first thing Jesus said to him was: a) "Arise and walk." b) "Be patient in your illness." c) "Thy sins be forgiven thee."

4. Some of the scribes criticized Jesus for this, accusing him: a) of blasphemy; b) of seeking money; c) of not caring about the man.

5. By healing the crippled man, Jesus proved: a) that everyone can receive a miracle; b) that medicine is never really needed; c) that he had power (authority) to forgive sins.

6. T/F. Since only God can forgive sins, this proved that Jesus himself was divine (the Son of God).

Some might think that being healed of disease would be a person's most urgent concern, but Jesus demonstrated that forgiveness of sins is really man's greatest need. The miracles of Jesus were not merely for the purpose of helping people who were hurting. Their main purpose was to show that he has the power to save us. The man in the text could go to heaven without being able to walk, but he could not go to heaven without forgiveness. The Lord has not promised that everyone will be given good health, but he has promised eternal salvation to all who obey him (Hebrews 5:9).

Answers: B, A, C, C, T

MVNU INVITES COMMUNITY TO BE INVOLVED IN MESSIAH

Mount Vernon Nazarene University's Choral Union is beginning preparation for the annual presentation of Handel's Messiah, scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018, at 7 p.m. MVNU is pleased to invite community members to sing with the students in this traditional performance.

Unless you are a returning participant, interested singers should provide a reference to Dr. Robert Tocheff by email at Bob.Tocheff@mvnu.edu or by phone at 740-397-9000, ext. 3005, or contact him directly.

Rehearsal times are Wednesdays 4:40-5:40 p.m. in the Nease Rehearsal Hall in the R.R. Hodges Chapel/Fine Arts Center on the MVNU campus. The first practice will be Wednesday, Sept. 26. Regular rehearsal attendance will be expected to prepare a quality performance.

Singers will need to provide a score—preferably the G. Schirmer edition. Please join the MVNU and Knox County community for this significant event of the Christmas season.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University is a private, four-year, intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students, and working adults. With a 327-acre main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, and several convenient Graduate and Professional Studies locations throughout the state, MVNU emphasizes academic excellence, spiritual growth,

and service to community and church. MVNU offers an affordable education to more than 2,200 students from 32 states and 19 countries/U.S. territories.

FROM BILLY TO FOSTER

By: Doris Applegate

In kindergarten, a boy named Billy King "grabbed" my heart with a "crush" and "first love" that I still recall at age eighty six!

When "Mr. Right" came along years later and we "tied the knot" (whoopie do!) it didn't take long for me, the "perfectionist", who always wanted her "ducks in a row" to realize that "Mr. Right", the perfect "one and only" was not so perfect after all! What chaos! After all, who doesn't put the cap back on the toothpaste or hit the clothes hamper when tossing clothes, or "burp" or "belch" in private?

This almost caused a divide greater than the canyon out west! (Bear with me because this is where it gets good!)

"Iron sharpens iron" (Proverbs 27:17) so with me "calming down" and realizing that I had some faults I had not seen, we came to a "truce" that resulted in three great sons, six great grandchildren and two great-greats (with another on the way!)

We came through the "iron sharpening" process a lot kinder, more thoughtful, more patient and loving. In Ephesians 5:30-33 it likens marriage to Jesus Christ and His church: Husbands are to love their wives as Jesus loves His church and wives are to respect their husbands! Sharpening irons helps this to happen. Of course we are referring to a spiritual process and not a physical iron! (Don't go beat up your spouse with an iron bar for goodness sakes!) Hoping that the re-telling of my so called "love story" will encourage those who are married and those couples yet to be.

I'll sign off for now with a "perfect" so long!

FIRST UM CHURCH ANNOUNCES CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY

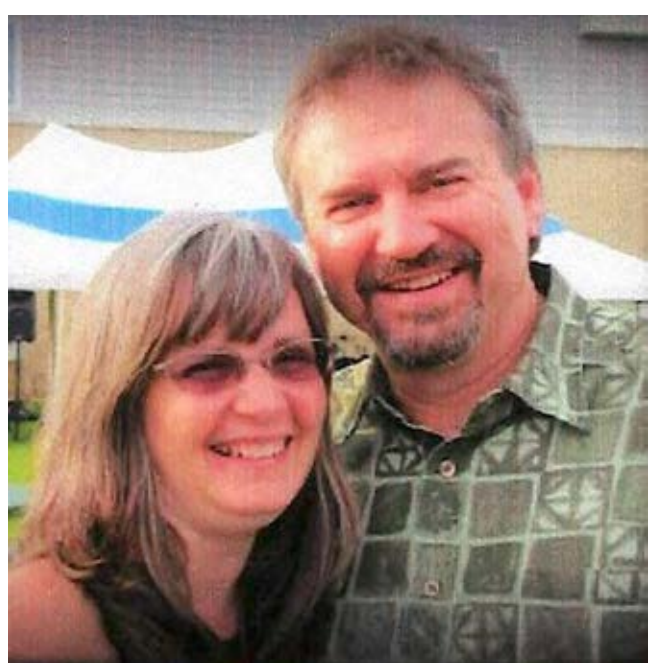
First United Methodist Church, located at 113 W. Central Avenue in Van Wert, Ohio is planning their upcoming Children's Christmas play.

Rehearsals will begin September 19 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Auditions for solos and speaking parts will be in early October. Persons interested in being the choir members need not audition. The musical chosen is titled "The Wild West Christmas Adventures of The Loaned Manger." This is a musical with two strong messages. The most important message is the Good News of the Savior's birth. The other message: welcoming change. This is a fun musical with interesting characters and great music! For more information, contact director Chris Gordon at 614-530-3516 or capullins@hotmail.com.

The Wild West Christmas Adventures of THE LOANED MANGER

In the small western town of Incarnation, Christmas is celebrated with grit, giddy-up and gusto! They like to think of themselves as the "most Christmassy town in the west! But 1891 is the year when two

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Harlan United Methodist Church Heritage Days -171 years! September 16, 2018, 9:00 a.m. at Harlan United Methodist Church, 16434 St. Rd. 37, harlan, IN 46743.

big "signs o' progress" could spell either opportunity, or trouble! The railroad has finally punched through with the grand opening of Incarnation Station, bringing in visitors from far and wide to take in their Christmas festivities. And the advent of the electric light promises to revolutionize their Nativity program! Some fret that all the expected "outsiders" could threaten the peace of their quiet town, maybe even bring in desperados, while others see the chance to spread even wider the Good News of the birth of Jesus. Round up some rambunctious cowpokes, some forward-thinking townsmen, and a lot of raucous yee-haw for the Wild West Christmas Adventures of The Loaned Manger!

If you are looking for a home church or haven't been to worship for a while, the loving congregation of First United Methodist, Pastor Chris Farmer, and Rev. Paul Miller invite you to celebrate during the holidays and any Sunday you are able.

HUSTED DECLARES SEPTEMBER AS "AGRICULTURE" MONTH

Secretary of State Jon Husted has announced September as "Agriculture" Month. Throughout the month, Ohio Business Pro-

file will highlight a series of businesses who are helping to make agriculture a cornerstone of Ohio's economy.

"Not only is agriculture a huge industry in the State of Ohio, but it's also a vital part of our culture," Secretary Husted said. "Growing up in rural northwest Ohio, I learned the values of hard work and family that were nurtured by farmers throughout the community."

Businesses profiled this month include:

Brighton Wool & Honey Co. (Grafton, Ohio) specializes in honey, wool, and all-natural handmade soap. Their priority is to ensure their products are pure, nourishing, and environmentally friendly.

Buckeye Valley Beef Cooperative (Russellville, Ohio) prides itself by providing naturally raised beef that is safe, local, and healthy. Handling their product from start to finish helps them with quality control, while also providing excellent customer service.

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Seven Grains Natural Market (Tallmadge, Ohio) started in 1998 as a small farm market with a simple goal - to offer natural, organic foods at prices the average family can afford. Over the past two decades, Seven Grains has evolved into a full-scale market boasting a large selection of organic wine and a huge stock of gluten-free, vegetarian, and vegan food options.

Sunshine Acres Lavender Farm (Morrow, Ohio) took root in 2014 and is now a thriving micro-farm. Based on seven acres of land, the farm now features chickens, goats, and sprawling lavender plants. The rustic, natural environment has become a popular location for photographers looking to capture the beauty of the outdoors.

The Quarry Farm (Pandora, Ohio) is committed to helping people of all ages to increase their understanding of northwest Ohio's natural environment. Located in Putnam County, the farm provides visitors an opportunity to interact with their fellow inhabitants in a sustainable manner. This is achieved through a series of educational programs both on and off-site.

In January, Secretary Husted announced that 2017 was a record-breaking year for new businesses formed in the Buckeye State. This marks the eighth consecutive year Ohio has seen a record number of new entities file to set up shop.

Since taking office in 2011, Secretary Husted has made it a priority to offer better services to Ohio entrepreneurs and businesses at a lower cost. In 2013, he launched Ohio Business Central, which allows businesses to be created online with a significantly quicker turnaround time. This efficiency allowed the state to cut the fees associated with starting a new business by 21 percent in 2015. That same year, Secretary Husted began a partnership with Google's "Let's Put Our Cities on the Map" program making it easy for new businesses to access free tools to help them get off the ground.

Ohio Business Profile was launched in 2011 to highlight Ohio companies that create transformative products, offer outstanding service, contribute to their local communities and employ Ohioans. Each month, a handful of diverse businesses linked together by a common theme are featured on the Secretary of State's website. Ohioans are encouraged to submit compa-

nies they feel are deserving of recognition in future months.

RAIDERS HAVE NO ANSWER IN STOPPING KNIGHTS

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

CONVOY - The Crestview Knights kept the Wayne Trace Raiders off the scoreboard in the first half and while leading 14-0 at intermission the Knights powered past the Paulding County visitors 34-14. The non conference game was the final tune-up before both squads turn to conference play this Friday.

Looking at a 14-point deficit in the third quarter on a cool rainy night, the Raiders managed to get on the board when a Crestview punt attempt went awry near their end zone allowing the Raiders to score on a 2-point safety. The Crestview miscue sparked the Raiders with its first offensive score.

An 8-play scoring drive covering 56 yards was capped off with a one-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Trevor Speice to Nate Gerber. With the score, the Raiders were within striking distance, trailing 14-8 with 2:41 remaining in the third period.

With the Raiders looking to take control in the contest, the Knights quickly squelched any idea of a Raider comeback. The home team Knights needed just three minutes to orchestrate a six-play drive, covering 65 yards of real estate. Crestview upped their advantage to 20-8 with a Drew Kline 5-yard pass connection to Wade Sheets.

In the fourth quarter the Raiders failed to move the ball on their first possession and the Knights took advantage. A 55-yard drive ended when Brody Brecht found the end zone on an 11-yard scamper. Holding a 27-8 margin, the Knight's defense came up huge on the Raiders next possession. On their second play Raider quarterback Trevor Speice was intercepted by Sheets who returned it to the Raider 35-yard line. The Knights used the Wayne Trace turnover to their advantage as Brecht finished the Crestview scoring with a 15 yard gallop and a 34-8 lead.

In the final minute and the game settled, all but the final score, the Raiders put six more on the board when Speice dialed in with Gerber for a 26-yard touchdown to complete the scoring.

The two scores by the Knights in the first half came on passes from quarterback Drew Kline who connected with Wade Sheets in the first quarter on an 11-yard catch. In the second quarter Kline teamed up with Derick Dealey for a 10-yard touchdown connection.

Kline was near perfect in the passing department, finishing with 191 yards on 16-18. Sheets finished with 63 yards on six catches as

did team mate Derick Dealey who had four grabs on the night.

Wayne Trace finished the night with 227 total yards of offense: 44 yards rushing and 183 through the air. Speice connected on 14 of 25 attempts for all 183 yards. Top Raider receivers were Mox Price with 67 yards on two grabs; Nate Gerber totaled 48 yards on four catches and two touchdowns; Evan Mohr added 43 yards on five catches and Korbin Slade picking up 20 yards on three grabs.

Speice had 15 totes for 28 yards while Kameron Bevis rushed four times for 17 yards.

The Raiders (1-2) return to action on Friday when they host Tinora in the first GMC battle of the season.

Editor's Note: We here at the West Bend News print at "Letters to the Editor" because we believe that everyone has a Constitutional right to freedom of the press. In saying that, we do not necessarily agree with the content that is printed. We are just the messengers. The name of the person who wrote the letter is placed at the end of each article. To be considered for publication, letters must be no longer than 1000 words, and you must provide a name along with a phone number and/or email to confirm validity of content. You can respond or submit a new letter by email, USPS or fax.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Paulding County is Cheating Children

The research is now compelling, and it confirms common sense: children usually do best when both parents are fully involved in their lives. This is true whether the parents are living together or not. But Ohio law and the common pleas courts of most Ohio counties—including, unfortunately, Paulding County—are way behind the curve on this issue.

Ohio law requires that each county's court of common pleas have "standard parenting time guidelines" that the courts will use for divorcing parents unless the court determines that there is a statutory basis for deviating from this standard rule.

National Parents Organization (NPO) is dedicated to promoting children's well-being by working to promote the active involvement of both parents in the rearing of children when the parents are living apart. In the pursuit of this goal, NPO recently undertook a comprehensive review of the parenting time guidelines of all 88 of Ohio's county courts of common pleas. That report is available online here.

The results are shocking — and depressing.

The guiding principle in Ohio law for all domestic relations cases involving children is supposed to be the "best interest of the child." One would expect, then,

WMYW SHOWCASES AT PAULDING CHAMBER AFTER HOURS



Mark Holtsberry, Joe Barker and Michelle O'Dell after announcing Holtsberry as the closest guess to tower height.

On Thursday, September 6 the Paulding Chamber of Commerce held their monthly After Hours networking event at the broadcasting station and studio of WMYW on Country Road 176. Off the Clock was attended by community leaders from all over the county who participated and took tours through the facility. Many people stopped in for the tour and the good food.

A contest to guess the height of the radio tower was

very competitive, but at the end of the evening, it was Mark Holtsberry who had the correct height at 300 feet.

WMYW and the Paulding Chamber of Commerce gave away numerous prizes and trinkets of the radio station to those who attended.

Joe Barker, Executive Director WMYW, showcased their newly wrapped trailer for everyone to see along with all of the equipment that it takes to make the facilities run. Those who

work with the radio station include Terry Carwile, Engineer/Programmer; Bruce Essex, Public Service Announcement Coordinator; Michelle O'Dell, Social Media; Dusty Sonnenberg, My-Farm Radio Program Host.

The evening was beautiful and the turnout was a crowd. Local businesses are working to grow and WMYW has done a great job of showcasing businesses and events from around the area!

that county courts, aiming to promote the well-being of children of divorcing parents, would carefully review the best scientific research on child well-being and tailor their standard parenting time guidelines to promote the best interest of children.

A handful of Ohio county courts are doing just that. These counties, guided by a growing body of carefully constructed and peer-reviewed research, have adopted parenting time guidelines that provide children with equal or nearly equal parenting time with each of their fit parents. That's what research says is best for children, what minimizes the adverse impact of parental separation.

The vast majority of Ohio courts, though, appear to have been constructed in complete ignorance of what psychologists and child development experts now know is best for children. And this includes Paulding County.

While children in counties like Ashtabula and Tuscarawas are subject to standard parenting time guidelines that entitle them to seven overnights and 168 hours with each parent in a two-week period, children in Paulding County are not so fortunate. The standard parenting time guidelines in Paulding County allow children only two overnights and 54 hours with one of their parents in that same two-week period.

There is no consistency here. Ohio children are being subjected to wildly different presumptions concerning parenting time. It's obviously not possible for such varied schedules to all be in the best interest of children, and the research tells us that it is counties like Ashtabula and Tuscarawas that are taking seriously their charge to create rules that promote the best interest of children.

But there's good news here, too. Local court rules are local. There is no need to wait for the Ohio legislature to correct the problems. The Paulding County Court of Common Pleas can change the outdated and harmful rule that is currently in place. If you care about the well-being of children of divorced parents and believe, as researchers have come to conclude, that the active and engaged involvement of both fit parents is almost always best for children, contact the Paulding County Court of Common Pleas and insist that

it review its standard parenting time guidelines in light of what the research tells us is best for children.

We owe this to our children.

Donald C. Hubin, Ph.D., is on the National Board of National Parents Organization and the Chair of the Ohio Chapter of NPO. He is a professor emeritus of philosophy at The Ohio State University and Director of the Ohio State University Center for Ethics and Human Values.

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ARCHERS HOLD OFF PANTHERS FOR 3-0 START



Paulding's Drew Lumpkins dives to catch the overthrown ball in the 1st quarter of the game. More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - Keaton Altimus completed 18 of 27 passes and the Antwerp Archers improved to 3-0 on the season for the first time since 2007 with a 14-7 win over county rival Paulding Friday night at Keyser Field.

With the game tied at 7-7, Antwerp struck with just over five minutes left in the contest to get the victory.

Altimus found Luke Brewer on a 12-yard touchdown pass with 5:13 remaining on the clock to give the blue and white the go-ahead score. Jacob Savina split the uprights on the extra point kick to set the final at 14-7.

Paulding struck first, giving the Panthers the early advantage.

The Panthers took the game's first possession and

put together a drive that eclipsed 7:51 off of the clock before culminating in a four-yard Jacob King run to put Paulding on top 7-0.

Antwerp tied the game in the final minute of the first half.

Cole Seslar hauled in a ten-yard scoring strike from Altimus with 54 seconds remaining in the second quarter to, after Savina's extra point conversion, send the game into the break tied at 7-7.

Altimus finished the night with 238 yards passing to lead the Archers to the victory. Cole Seslar hauled in nine receptions for Antwerp, covering 155 yards, with Luke Brewer picking up five catches for 63 yards.

Antwerp totaled 23 rushing yards and 261 yards of

total offense on the night while the Panthers totaled 265 yards.

Meanwhile, Paulding posted 169 yards on the ground over 48 carries.

Deisler rumbled for 76 yards on 21 carries with Jacob King running for 57 yards on 14 tries.

Quarterback Payton Beckman was 6 of 10 passing for 42 yards while Jacob Deisler finished 4 of 12 for 54 yards for the Panthers.

The Archers had four turnovers compared to Paulding's two.

The maroon and white had 16 first downs compared to Antwerp's 13.

Antwerp will open Green Meadows Conference play on Friday as it hosts Fairview. The Apaches are 2-1 on the



Antwerp's Cole Seslar was left unopposed, as he drove 10 yards to cross the line. More pictures at westbendnews.net

season after posting wins over Wauseon (34-30) and Paulding (46-6) to start the season before falling to Bryan 21-20 on Friday.

Paulding, which falls to 0-3, starts Northwest Conference action on Friday as well when the Panthers travel to

Columbus Grove. The Bulldogs are 1-2 after losses to undefeated Pandora Gilboa (25-13) and Leipsic (48-18) before knocking winless Patrick Henry (27-7) in week three.

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(51-19) and Monroe Central (26-0) since.

PILOTS SWEEP PANTHERS

DEFIANCE - Paulding dropped to 2-5 on the season with a three-set loss to Ayersville last Thursday night.

The Lady Pilots took game one 25-19 before outlasting Paulding 25-23 for the second set victory. Ayersville then wrapped up the match by defeating the Lady Panthers 25-15 in game three.

Sade Estle had 13 blocks and eight kills to lead the maroon and white while Haylee Dominique added five slams and five blocks.

Jalynn Parrett chipped in a dozen digs, three blocks and two kills for Paulding with Kristen Razo dishing out 13 assists.

Megan Tope also recorded 15 digs for the Lady Panthers and Leigha Egnor finished with four assists. Macy Iler added seven digs as well for Paulding.

The Lady Panther junior varsity was victorious over the Pilots in the first match of the night.

Paulding (2-5) Statistics:

Sadie Estle - 22-26 hitting, eight kills, 13 blocks

Haylee Dominique - 15-17 hitting, five kills, five blocks

Jalynn Parrett - 10-11 hitting, two kills, three blocks, 12 digs

Kristen Razo - 13 assists

Leigha Egnor - four assists

Megan Tope - 15 digs

Macy Iler - seven digs

ARCHERS CLAIM TRI-MATCH AT IRONWOOD

WAUSEON - Antwerp got a preview of where it will play its Green Meadows Conference championship tournament at and the Archers came home happy with a tri-match victory over Pettisville and North

WARRIORS DOMINATE TIGERS FOR SECOND WIN

BLUFFTON - Woodlan stayed tied atop the ACAC football standings at 2-0 in conference play with a dominating effort at Bluffton Friday night as the Warriors rolled to a 49-21 victory.

The Warriors controlled the ball for 32:06 of the 48-minute contest, running 61 plays compared to 45 for the Tigers. Woodlan also amassed 25 first downs in the game compared to Bluffton's nine.

Ben Reidy tossed a pair of touchdown passes in the opening quarter while Seb Spieth, Reggie Blackmon and Isaac Meyer all ran for scores as the Warriors took quick control.

Blackmon's 76 yard scamper put the Warriors

on the scoreboard before Jack Stuckey caught a 68-yard pass from Reidy for another touchdown.

After Meyer found the end zone on a two-yard plunge, Reidy hooked up with Trevor Wallace for a five-yard scoring strike on Woodlan's fourth score of the night. Conner Sowers also added extra points on all four touchdowns as the Warriors went in front 28-0.

Bluffton then picked up a pair of touchdown passes from Gavin King, the first a 34-yard toss to Blake Kizer before a 48-yard reception by Kaden Gerber got the Tigers within 28-14.

Woodlan, though, added a four yard scamper by Spieth for a score on the last official play of the quarter. Reidy then found Wallace on the two-point conversion pass to make it 36-14 War-

riors after one quarter.

Bluffton opened the second quarter with a 92-yard kickoff return for a touchdown by Cody Mittlestedt to get the Tigers within 36-21.

They would get no closer.

Stuckey found the end zone on a seven-yard run for Woodlan to make it 42-21 at the midway point.

Spieth then closed out the game's scoring on a seven-yard plunge for a touchdown to set the final margin at 49-21.

Reidy finished the contest seven of ten passing for 123 yards.

Spieth led the Woodlan ground attack with 203 yards on 22 carries while Blackmon ran for 175 yards on 14 tries. Stuckey hauled in five receptions for 112 yards as well for Woodlan with Wallace picking up

two catches.

Meyer paced the Woodlan defense with a dozen tackles and three stops for a loss. Spieth recorded 11 tackles and Dane Castleman had nine tackles.

Wallace, Dirk Herschberger, Castleman, Jaden Keller, Jai Harrison, Keegan Jones and Spieth all had a tackle for a loss for the Warrior defense with Meyer and Harrison both recording

sacks. Herschberger picked up an interception and Harrison added a fumble recovery for the Warriors.

Woodlan (2-2 overall, 2-0 ACAC) will welcome in Southern Wells (1-3, 0-1 ACAC) on Friday as the Warriors resume ACAC action. The Raiders opened the season with a 42-0 win over Fremont but have dropped consecutive games to Blackford (28-14), Jay County

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PAULDING FFA PARTICIPATES IN OAKWOOD HOMECOMING



By: Sydney Reineck, Reporter

The Paulding FFA chapter had a busy weekend this past week. The chapter helped with Oakwood Homecoming. They ran the kiddie tractor pulls, had a food stand

at the tractor pulls, and they made a float for the Oakwood Parade.

The chapter served food at the tractor pulls with the assistance of the Paulding FFA Alumni. The chapter had shifts, where members served

food to people watching the pulls, and people pulling. The chapter ran the kiddie tractor pulls, where lots of kids participated. The winners of each class were as followed, Class A Kaine Marsae, Class B Kale Marsae, Class C Blaine Eitnrear, and Class D Dominic Batt.

The chapter decorated a float and drove it through the Oakwood parade on Monday. The chapter had about 15 members showed up to build the float and walk in the parade. The float was driven by Dan Howell, Paulding FFA Alumni President and the members handed out freeze pops donated by the Bulka family. The chapter had a great time helping out with the Oakwood Homecoming, they can't wait to help out next year.



THE HIT KING SLIDING INTO THE NISWONGER

His mark on Major League Baseball was huge, but in this part of Ohio whom many refer to as "Reds Country," he's a legend. On Saturday, September 22 at 7:30 p.m., Lee Kintsle GM Sales & Service is proud to present An Evening with Pete Rose LIVE! Get up close and personal with Charlie Hustle like never before when home plate is relocated to the Niswonger stage.

An Evening with Pete Rose Live is a Broadway style theatrical event that captures the golden years of America's pastime. Baseball's Hit King, Pete Rose, shares stories of baseball's past as only Pete can. This production uses hi-tech multimedia that creates a gameday atmosphere, complete with all

the trappings of a World Series game including the First Pitch being thrown out by Van Wert's Eric McCracken, the Star-Spangled Banner, and of course introductions. The stage will be transformed into a field of memories and the audience will be transported to the golden era of Baseball.

Storytelling, enhanced with visuals, will make the audience laugh as well as be inspired by Charlie Hustle. Pete Rose, the American icon tells it all and dives head-first inside the game of baseball as no other person can.

Before the show, join Pete for dinner and a special VIP Meet & Greet at The Elks in Van Wert beginning at 5 PM. This unique dinner package includes a photo-op with Pete, an autographed show photo and pre-show reception. This once

in a lifetime experience is \$100 and is limited to 150 attendees. Please note that this dinner package does not include tickets to the event at the Niswonger. The Elks is located at 1197 Elks Dr., Van Wert, Ohio.

Along with Presenting Sponsor Lee Kintsle GM Sales & Service, Supporting Sponsors include First Federal of Van Wert and Eileen Manken. IGNITE 18-19 Season Sponsors include Chuck and Karen Koch, StateWide Ford Lincoln, and Van Wert Federal Savings Bank.

The Niswonger Performing Arts Center is located at 10700 SR 118 S, Van Wert, Ohio.

LOCAL BUSINESSES TO HAVE FALL OPEN HOUSE

Petals and Vines, &Junque, The Genesis House and

Antwerp Pharmacy will be opening having Fall Open House this week.

Stop into these local businesses and see what they have. There is sure to be something for everyone.

Thursday, September 13th - 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.; Friday, September 14th - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 15th - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

PAULDING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: LEADERSHIP IN ACTION

Paulding, OH: The Paulding Chamber of Commerce is proud to reintroduce Leadership in Action. LIA is a series of experiences designed to enhance personal and professional leadership qualities within the unique resources of Paulding County. The nine-month program to start on October 18th explores specific leadership issues and business tours that will give participants a working knowledge of what is happening in our county. Class size is limited to 20 people so businesses are encouraged to sign up quickly! The challenges, the speakers, the tours and the interaction of the participants provide an unforgettable journey in the quest for leadership. Participants meet monthly, October through June and along the way will learn about themselves and their leadership capabilities. "I went through the Leadership in Action class while in high school, and I loved every second of it" says Chamber director Mikayla Pieper. "I've built relationships through Leadership in Action 5 years ago that have since helped me in my position as director today."

There is a one-time tuition fee of \$449.00 for participants of a Chamber members' organization, or \$499.00 for a participant of a non-members' organization, but also includes a one year individual membership for the participant. This price covers all program fees, all materials and meals. This year the class will dive into Strength Finders 2.0 by Tom Rath. This book comes with an assessment that will reveal each participants' top 5 strengths that can be used throughout the entire program. Previous sessions included team building at Camp Clay in Van Wert, Know Yourself, Know Your Team at Cooper Farms, including a tour of the Hatchery, Focused Intensity at Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative, Ethics Panel at the Paulding County Sheriff's Office including a tour of the jail and Paulding County Courthouse, Building Communication Skills followed by tours of Alex Products and HE Orr, and What is Real Leadership? at Antwerp Exchange Bank followed by a tour of Taylor Made Glass. Every Leadership In Action class is given a project to execute. Time is set aside during the class sessions for planning, but some out of class time will be required. This is an important part of the LIA process. It gives a hands-on experience of how leadership skills are used and defined. Once the class is formed the project will be presented and announced. Some previous projects have included the Herb Monroe Community Park, a public safety study for ODOT, and many others. All Chamber members should have received information and a registration form in the mail. If you are interested in joining this opportunity, please contact the Chamber at 419-399-5215 or email us at pauldingchamber@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT KIWANIS



Sheriff Jason Landers on the left and Joe Barker on the right.

Paulding, OH: Sheriff Jason Landers introduced guest speaker Joe Barker, owner, founder and "radio personality" of MY 102.7, Paulding County's own radio station. Joe is a fifth-generation farmer, and his family started farming in 1854. His passion really lies in farming, but as his dad once told him, "Do you want to be a part of this community or just drive through it to the next field?" That drove Joe to get involved and at a young age was stepping into leadership roles where he could.

There is little control over local radio. Although it may seem local, the checks are usually made out to a bigger company in another state when advertising. Joe thought, why not start a local radio station that can benefit our community and keep those advertising dollars in the county? So he did! Three years after applying through the FCC for a non-profit radio license MY 102.7 was on air, well kind of. Joe, in the field at the time was told to tune into the radio and hear his own station playing. "Our focus from day one has been encouraging Paulding County folks to support local business and invest themselves in our organization." Later he went out with a microphone and recorded about 200 people saying "This is (in-

sert person's name here) and you're listening to WMWY, LP Paulding County MY 102.7." As people started listening and hearing familiar voices, they wanted to get in on all the action too, and soon there were over 200 different people with their voice on the radio. Slowly Joe started slipping out the free bits for advertised ones. As a non-profit radio station sponsors of MY 102.7 are important pieces of the station, and the community's success. Funds from the sponsors are used to promote county events, important dates, etc. "Our local sponsors have made our dream of a locally owned radio station possible. Their financial support has allowed MY 102.7 to promote 51 different Paulding County organizations and events for free in the last year." MY 102.7 gives 4, \$500 scholarships annually to each high school in the county, including a Paulding County senior attending Vantage. Not only do they give back by being involved in the community, helping other organizations and non-profits, encouraging people to keep their money locally spent, but also help the leaders of tomorrow succeed. Paulding County is lucky to have an organization like MY 102.7. Thank you to Joe, the station crew, and sponsors for running a successful station.

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