

MEYER SIGNS LETTER OF INTENT



Woodlan Senior, Isaac Meyer signed his letter of intent for Marian University in Indianapolis, IN. He will play football for the Knights in his freshman season. Meyer is planning to major in Sociology and minor in Criminal Justice. Over the summer, he worked as an Intern for the New Haven Police Department, partic-

ipating in ride alongs with Officer Steve Priory.

Meyer has been much involved throughout his high school career. Besides being a defensive end for the Warriors football team, Meyer threw shot put and disc, and ran the 4x4 and 4x8 for the Track team. In ACAC, Meyer was named Defensive

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NSCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES HOLDS ANNUAL ELECTIONS



The officers are shown with NSCC President Dr. Michael Thomson. [From L to R: Joel Miller (Vice Chair), Laura Howell (Chair), Lisa McClure (Second Vice Chair), Thomson]

The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, February 22 on the Archbold campus. As part of the meeting, the Board held its annual election for the positions of Chair, Vice Chair and Second Vice Chair. Laura

Howell was elected to assume the duties as Chair, replacing Jeff Erb. Joel Miller ascends to Vice Chair and Lisa McClure will become the Second Vice Chair. All officers will serve in these positions for the period of February 2019 through February 2020. Former Chair Jeff Erb nominated Howell to serve the College in this capacity, and he also offered a note of thanks and congratulations to Paul Siebenmorgen, who had recently submitted

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In Recognition of **NATIONAL QUILTING DAY** on March 16th, the **PIECEMAKERS** of Hicksville are hosting a "SEW-IN" Bring your sewing machine, a project to work on, a food dish to share, and JOIN US! 9 am at Grace Methodist Church in Hicksville. Call 419-487-1906 or 419-542-9218 with questions.

You're Invited to Payne Knights of Columbus Council #3617 **Fish Fry** (All You Can Eat) (Public Welcome) Divine Mercy Catholic Hall PAYNE, OHIO Friday, March 8 and 15, Friday, March 29, Fri. April 12 Serving from 5-7 pm Meal includes our Delicious Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, French Fries, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Fruit Cocktail, Roll and Drink Adult \$8.50 / 6-11 yrs \$3.50 / 5 & Under Free Carryout Dinner & Fish Only Available Charity - Unity - Fraternity - Patriotism

SYNERGY SENIORS LEARN ABOUT CAREERS



Synergy Learning Center seniors were recently guests of Lincolnview High School for their 3rd Annual Career Fair. While there they visited and learned about 40 local businesses, many of which are looking to hire workers.

Following the career fair, they were given a tour of National Door & Trim by Production Manager Roy Salsbury, (shown above) where they learned about their niche in the marketplace in regards to interior doors, trim, exterior

doors, hardware, cabinetry, stairparts, and other areas. SYNERGY Learning Center would like to thank Mr. Mendenhall & Mrs. Leeth from Lincolnview, and Mr Salsbury from National Door & Trim for the informative day.

PAULDING CHAMBER "OFF THE CLOCK"

Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library are going "Off the Clock"!

Come join in on the ribbon cutting and grand reopening of the "Buy the Book" used book store. Wednesday, March 6th 5:00-6:30 p.m. at Buy the Book store next to the Paulding Library.

2019 FOUNTAIN PARK SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

The 2019 Fountain Park Summer Music Series concerts will be announced soon and The Van Wert County Foundation is seeking non-profit organizations who are interested in concessions during these Friday night concerts.

Any non-profit organization in Van Wert County is welcome to submit their name to The Van Wert County Foundation between now and March 31. A drawing will be held to select the winning organizations on April 2. The only concert not available is the June 7 date as it is part of the Peony Festival. An organization will be selected for each concert.

Any interested organization may contact The Van Wert County Foundation at 138 E. Main Street or call 419-238-1743 or email paulhoverman@gmail.com. Information required is the name of the non-profit organization, contact name, address, phone number, and email address.

The Van Wert County Foundation is pleased to assist these non-profit organizations in raising funds which benefit our community.

ANTWERP APPOINTS NEW HEAD FOOTBALL COACH: JASON HALE



Reported earlier in the school year, the 2018 football season was the last for long-time coach, Drew Altimus. He is also the Athletic Director for Antwerp Local School which he will continue. Altimus led the Archer Football program for 24 years. This past month he passed the torch onto colleague and assistant coach, Jason Hale.

Coach Hale has been a teacher at Antwerp School for five years now. Of those five years, he was also an assistant football coach for the Antwerp Squad. Other coaching experience that Coach Hale has includes one year of track assistant coaching at Antwerp, Head Track coach for the past three seasons, junior high football at Defiance as an assistant, and an assistant Track coach at South Central High School.

The Antwerp Football program will begin a new era with the 2019 season of fresh energy with Hale's leadership. "Being a young coach, I am honored to get this opportunity and cannot wait to show how much I care about this sport and program through interactions with

the athletes and parents," Coach Hale comments.

Coach Hale comes to Antwerp from Greenwich Ohio where he played high school football at South Central High School. He then went on to play college ball for Ashland University. His experience of the game runs deep and will be able to offer the Antwerp athletes that wisdom of the game.

Hale had this to say when asked about his reaction to this appointment as coach, "I would like to thank the board and the administration for this chance to lead the Antwerp football program. A great tradition has been put down by the previous coach and I cannot wait to build upon what Coach Altimus has built. I look forward to the positive relationships I will build with the team and community in the years to come!"

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Community Calendar

- March 6**
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm
 - Paulding Chamber "Off the Clock" @ Buy the Book, Paulding, 5-6:30pm
 - Ash Wednesday service @ St. John Lutheran Church, Hicksville, 7:35pm
- March 7**
- Revival @ Freedom Church, Paulding, 6pm (also 3/8-10)
 - Free Community Dinner, 5-6:30 PM at St. Paul UMC, Payne
- March 8**
- Coffee w/Craig Riedel @ Truly Divine, VW, 9-10:30am
- March 9**
- Regional Spelling Bee @ Purdue FW Rhinehart Recital Hall, 10am
 - Cabin Fever Thirty One Bag Bingo @ Edgewood Park Bldg., Convoy, 10am
 - Old Fort Reenactment, FW, 10a-5p
 - Spring Square Dance @ St. Louis Besancon Hall, NH, 7pm
 - WT FFA Pancake & Sausage Breakfast @ WT cafeteria, 7-11 am
- March 12**
- Chocolate Extravaganza @ Oakwood Library, 7pm
 - FW Community Band concert @ Rhinehart Music Center, FW, 7:30pm
 - Tuesday Night Jammers @ Elm St. Hall, Edgerton, 6-8pm
- March 13**
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm
 - OSU Master Gardeners Basic Training @ Paulding OSU Ext. Bldg., 9-10:30am
- March 14**
- Chocolate Extravaganza @ Oakwood Library, 7pm

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DEFIANCE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

3/6 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Crafts 10:00 a.m.; Kroger shopping 12:30 p.m.; Toe nail clinic 9 - 10:45 a.m. and 12:30 - 2:15 p.m.
 3/7 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Blood pressure check 9:45 a.m.; Stretch Band exercise with Brookview 10:00 a.m.; Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Bingo - Brookview 12:30 p.m.; Shop at Meijer 12:30 p.m.; Alzheimer's support group 1:30 p.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.
 3/8 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Tai Chi 10:00 a.m.; Crafts 10:30 a.m.
 3/11 - Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Bingo with Kingsbury Place 12:30 p.m.; Yoga 3:00 p.m.
 3/12 - Shop at Aldi's 9:45 a.m.; Bible study 10:00 a.m.; Tai Chi - auditorium 10:00 a.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.; Seniors' night out - Craker Barrel, Ft. Wayne

HICKSVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

3/6 - Alan Seibert-The Music Man 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.
 3/7 - Phase 10 10:00 a.m.; Grocery shop 12:00 p.m.
 3/8 - Penny Pitch - prize cards 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.
 3/11 - Ladder Ball - prize cards 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.
 3/12 - Cards and games 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.;

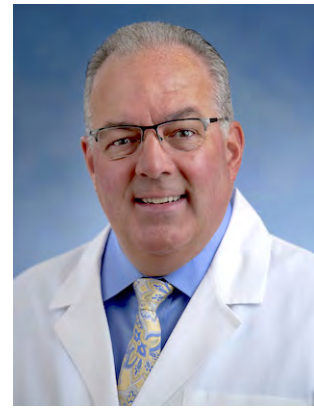
DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU

3/6 - ASH Wednesday; Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, celery & carrot sticks, grape juice; Salad Bar in Café
 3/7 - Country fried steak, sour cream and chive mashed potatoes, spinach, tangerine, whole wheat dinner roll
 3/8 - Fish snadwich; ALT: Mac & Cheese, creamed corn, cinnamon apples, cucumber salad, cookie
 3/11 - Beef Manhattan, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, apricots
 3/12 - Chicken breast with gravy, cauliflower and cheese, succotash, banana, wheat bread

PROMEDICA COMMUNITY EVENTS IN MARCH

AROMATHERAPY
 Discuss the special ways that essential oils can be used for everyday health and wellness. This program is free to people with a cancer diagnosis and is sponsored by ProMedica Cancer Institute. Aromatherapy takes place the first and third Wednesday of each month. Call the Victory Center at 419-531-7600 for

NEW ADDITIONS TO LUTHERAN HEALTH PHYSICIANS REPRESENT 5 DIFFERENT SPECIALTIES



Keith Clancy

Five providers specializing in the area of trauma surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, cardiology, hematology/oncology, and family medicine are the most recent to join the Lutheran Health Physicians team.

Keith Clancy, MD, is a trauma surgeon who treats patients who have severe, life-threatening blunt force and penetrating injuries usually involving the colon, pancreas, spleen and/or stomach.

Dr. Clancy obtained a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Wheaton College in Illinois in 1985 before earning a medical degree from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1992. He completed a general surgery residency at Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, Illinois, and a surgical critical care fellowship at The Ryder Trauma Center at the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Medical Center in Miami. Dr. Clancy later received a master of business administration degree in healthcare management from the University of Texas at Dallas School of Management in 2011.

Prior to joining LHP, Dr. Clancy served as the trauma program medical director at Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. During his more than 30 years in healthcare, he has

also served as the medical director for trauma and surgical critical care at York Hospital in York, Pennsylvania, Creighton University Medical Center, and University Hospital Cleveland Medical Center.

Board certified by the American Board of Surgery, Dr. Clancy is a member of the American College of Surgeons, the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, the Society of Critical Care Medicine, the Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma, and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma. Since 1999, he has also held numerous academic appointments, most recently as an associate professor of surgery at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, Dr.

Clancy's office is located in Suite 306 of Medical Office Building One, 7900 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the Lutheran



Luis Gonzales

Hospital campus.

Luis Gonzalez, MD, joined the obstetrics/gynecology team at Lutheran Health Physicians in Warsaw for 17 years in Lansing, Michigan, as a member of the medical staff at Sparrow Hospital and a practice leader for Sparrow Medical Group Midwest OB/GYN.

As an OB/GYN, Dr. Gon-

zalez assists women through pregnancy, labor, delivery and postpartum care. He also diagnoses and treats disorders and diseases related to the female reproductive system.

Dr. Gonzalez is trained to perform robotic and laparoscopy gynecologic surgeries and advanced minimally invasive gynecologic surgeries.

His office is located at 2300



Muzammil Mushtaq

Dubois Drive in Warsaw.

Muzammil Mushtaq, MD, is a cardiologist on the Lutheran Health Physicians team. He examines, diagnoses and treats patients with heart disorders that can be managed by medication and lifestyle changes. He is experienced in interventional cardiology and complex coronary interventions.

Dr. Mushtaq completed an interventional cardiology fellowship at the Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, a teaching hospital of Harvard Medical School. He earned his medical degree from King Edward Medical College in Lahore, Pakistan and an internal medicine residency at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York.

Board certified in internal medicine, Dr. Mushtaq has extensive cardiology-related publications. He conducted transitional research studying the role of mesenchymal stem cell therapy for the treatment of ischemic and

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

—Joshua 1:9

dilated cardiomyopathy, and has participated in preclinical animal models. His other research experiences cover topics including heart failure, cardiomyopathy and hypertension.

Dr. Mushtaq is fluent in English, Hindi, Urdu, Arabic and Punjabi.

His office is located at 7916 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the Lu-



Lisa Guzman

theran Hospital campus.

Lisa Guzman, FNP-BC, brings with her more than 30 years of cancer care and palliative care experience to the Lutheran Health Physicians team. Prior to joining LHP, Guzman worked as a palliative care nurse practitioner with Benefis Hospital in Great Falls, Montana. She has also worked in the Chicagoland area in various roles including bone marrow transplant nurse at Northwestern Memorial Hospital and oncology clinical nurse specialist with Monroe Medical.

Guzman received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Purdue University Northwest in Hammond where she also earned a master's degree in nursing with a clinical nurse specialist area of emphasis. In 2013, she re-

ceived a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree from Purdue University in West Lafayette.

Guzman is a member of Oncology Nurses Society, the National Hospice Organization, the American Nurses Association and the Indiana Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. She serves as a board member of the Northwest Indiana Oncology Nurses Society.

Guzman's office is located at 1520 Provident Drive in Warsaw.



Melissa Jimenez

Melissa Jimenez, FNP, joined the family practice team at Lutheran Health Physicians in North Manchester after most recently serving for 10 years as a nurse and nurse manager at Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester. As a family medicine nurse practitioner, Jimenez works in collaboration with Dr. Lori Zimmerman delivering an integrative approach to family-focused preventive care and developing treatment plans for chronic illnesses and acute conditions.

Her office is located at 605 N. Walnut St. in North Manchester.

details.

Wednesdays, March 6 and 20; 1 - 2 p.m. The Victory Center, 5532 W. Central Ave., Suite B, Toledo, Ohio, 43615

NURSING MOTHERS SUPPORT GROUP

ProMedica Toledo Hospital's women's services is hosting a breastfeeding support group for nursing mothers. Do you have breastfeeding questions? Drop in and receive support from a certified lactation consultant and other nursing mothers. The group meets the second Tuesday of every month. For more information, call 419-291-5666.

Tuesday, March 12; 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. ProMedica Toledo Hospital, Entrance F, Mom & Me Boutique, 2142 N. Cove

Blvd., Toledo, Ohio, 43606

PROMEDICA DEMONSTRATION EDUCATION SERIES

ProMedica's Goerlich Center is offering free dementia education sessions for family members, caregivers, friends, and community members. ProMedica experts will provide insight, strategies, techniques and care approaches for managing the course of Alzheimer's disease and dementia. A Certified Dementia Practitioner will provide free adult day care supervision and recreational activities during the event. Light refreshments will be provided. This series takes place on the second Tuesday of each month. Pre-registration is requested, but not required. For more informa-

tion, call Cheyenne Abrego 419-824-1758 or email Cheyenne.Abrego@ProMedica.org.

Tuesday, March 12; 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. ProMedica Flower Hospital, Conference Center, Boardroom, 5200 Harroun Rd., Sylvania, Ohio, 43560

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 public. For more information, call 567-938-9394.

Wednesday, March 13; 6 p.m. ProMedica Memorial Hospital, Chestnut Café - 1st Floor, 715 S. Taft Ave., Fre-

mont, Ohio, 43420

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, March 19; 7 - 8:30 p.m. ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, Conference Room A, 4th Floor, 718 N. Macomb St., Monroe, Michigan, 48162

LYMPHEDEMA SUPPORT GROUP

ProMedica Flower Hospi-

tal is hosting a Lymphedema support group. The Lymphedema Support group is free for individuals, friends and family members of anyone who is at risk or currently suffering from the effects of lymphedema/lipedema. Come share and receive support from others fighting with you.

Tuesday, March 19; 6 p.m. ProMedica Flower Hospital, Conference Center Board Room, 5200 Harroun Rd., Sylvania, Ohio, 43560

FORMER UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO TRUSTEE APPOINTED OHIO PUBLIC POLICY DIRECTOR FOR THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

Trey Addison, an executive with experience in private equities and government relations, has been named the Alzheimer's Association's first State Public Policy Direc-

Thank You!
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Thanks to all of the wonderful Donors, Sponsors, Auction Bidders, and Volunteers who helped make the Paulding County Hospital Foundation's 2nd Annual Valentine's Party a Sweet Success!
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James Medical Scrub Sale
 Wednesday, March 13
 7:00 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.
 Community Rooms 1 & 2

Addison has worked in business, government and government affairs his entire career. As the former lead lobbyist for AARP Ohio, Addison managed lobbying and regulatory affairs with a focus on public utilities, healthcare and banking. He successfully led lobbying efforts to introduce The Care Act, which ensures hospital patients' family caregivers receive proper instruction for at-home care. Governor John Kasich signed it into law in 2016. He also played a critical role in the passage of Ohio House Bill 216, which modernized the scope of practice for nurses and was signed into law in 2017.

Addison, who is a University of Toledo graduate and a former UT Trustee, was also co-managing partner and is co-founder of Nascent Group Holdings, LLC (NGH), a hybrid private equity and venture capital firm that invests in promising start-ups and companies with the potential for significant growth.

"I am extremely excited to serve as the first State Public Policy Director for the Alzheimer's Association in Ohio. With more than 200,000 people living with Alzheimer's in Ohio, this issue has become a public health priority, and I am honored to advocate for the caregivers and loved ones who have been impacted by the disease," he said.

The Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter provides care and support for 24 counties in Northwest Ohio. Currently in Northwest Ohio, almost 32,000 people are living with Alzheimer's disease, and 96,000 family and friends are providing care. Individuals needing assistance can call the Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900.

Addison will work with

the Northwest Ohio Alzheimer's Association and other Ohio chapters to manage policy needs. Julia Faulkner Pechlivanos, executive director of the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter, said, "We are excited to welcome Trey to our team at the Alzheimer's Association, and especially pleased that he is familiar with Northwest Ohio. Our elected legislators in Northwest Ohio, both state and federal, are uniquely positioned to help us advance the fight against Alzheimer's and related dementias. Trey has a very important role in our work with Northwest Ohio constituents and legislators."

UNDERSTANDING SYMPTOMS OF FOOD POISONING

The symptoms of food poisoning vary depending on the type of germ to which you've been exposed, but there are some common signs that can indicate whether you've been exposed to a foodborne illness.

The most common signs include stomach cramps, upset stomach, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and fever. Some bacteria, such as Listeria can cause flu-like symptoms.

It's important to note that symptoms of food poisoning can range from mild to serious and that some of them can come on as quickly as 30 minutes after you eat or as long as four weeks after you've eaten something that contains a foodborne pathogen, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The time it takes for symptoms of a foodborne illness to manifest really depends on the germ. For example, according to the CDC, if you consume foods that are contaminated with:

Staphylococcus aureus (staph), symptoms could appear as soon as 30 minutes to six hours later.

Clostridium perfringens, symptoms could appear as soon as six to 24 hours later.

Norovirus, symptoms could appear as soon as 12 to

HAVING A "HOOT" LEARNING ABOUT OWL PELLETS



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

Residents in Paulding County nursing homes and students in our local schools have been learning why we need to give a "hoot" about owls and the importance they serve to our ecosystem. Everyone learned some general information about the owl, the young owl (owlet), where owls are found, and the digestion process of owl which gives us the famous owl pellet. Have you seen an owl pellet before or watch an owl release a pellet? Never fear, owl pellets are simply a ball of bones and fur, materials in which the owl is not able to digest, and the owl is fine once it gets rid of its' pellet.

The focus species for the owl pellet discussion was the barn owl. As many are likely aware, the owl has earned itself a well-known reputation full of folklore and superstition, but that is not the case with owls. One story says that owls like to haunt old buildings like barns, church steeples, or abandoned houses roosting high above and keeping an eye on things. A barn owl nearby or perched in a barn is more helpful than it is haunting! The reason behind this is that owls are big fans of rodents which means they are good mouse catchers. So, if there is a mouse problem in a barn near you, let your neighborhood owl take care of that for you!

Everyone's favorite part was of course how those owl pellets they are about to dissect are formed. Before a pellet can even be formed, the owl must first capture its prey. Owls do not have teeth, so they cannot chew their food, so they must swallow their food in whole or large chunks. The owl's meal makes its way down the digestive tract with

48 hours later. Salmonella, symptoms could appear as soon as 12 to 72 hours later. Clostridium botulinum (botulism), symptoms could appear as soon as 18 to 36 hours later. Vibrio vulnificus, symptoms could appear as soon as one to four days later. Campylobacter, symptoms could appear as soon as two to five days later. E. coli, symptoms could appear three to four days later. Cyclospora, symptoms could appear one week later. Listeria monocytogenes, symptoms could appear one to four weeks later.

Some people may experience symptoms that last several hours or several days, said Sanja Ilic, the state food safety specialist for Ohio State University Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). "While most people experience only a mild illness, people with underlining conditions that weaken their im-

mune system may experience severe outcomes that require them to be hospitalized," she said.

So how do you know if you should see a doctor for your symptoms? The CDC advises people to seek medical attention for severe symptoms, including:

A high fever, typically over 101.5 degrees Fahrenheit, measured with an oral thermometer.

Diarrhea that lasts more than three days.

Frequent vomiting that prevents you from keeping down liquids, as this can lead to dehydration.

Signs of dehydration, which can be marked by a decrease in urination, a very dry mouth and throat, or feeling dizzy upon standing.

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1st team for two years. He was the captain of the football team his senior year. In track, Meyer earned 1st team status for the 4x8 relay.

In academics, Meyer has

the ending destination being the gizzard. Meals are separated into two parts, digestible and non-digestible with the digestible parts being the meat/organs, and the non-digestible being the bones and feathers from their meal.

The non-digestible material is collected and forms a rounded pellet produced by the gizzard. The pellet is stored in the owl's throat for several hours and must be removed before the owl can eat another meal as the pellet is blocking anything from coming in or out. The final step in the pellet formation is for the owl to spit up the pellet. As the owl is doing this, it will look like the owl is having a difficult time breathing. Once the pellet is out of the owl's throat, the owl will then settle back into a comfortable position and seek out the next meal. Depending on how much food is available, an owl can produce up to two pellets per day.

Primary among the owl's diet are members of the rodent family that includes mice and rats. They will also eat frogs and fish on occasion, rabbits, small birds, and various insects.

Not all owl pellets are going to be the same as the shape and texture of the pellet is going to depend on the species of owl that made it and the species of prey that was consumed as some will be densely packed together, ova; shaped, and furry while others will not have a defined shaped and have loosely packed material, according to Carolina Biological Supply Company. The

pellets of course will be found in locations in which owls are typically found such as below their tree perch or near barns. Carolina Biological writes that when the pellet is first released by the owl it is wet but will quickly dry out and begin to decompose. These pellets are often collected by those who want to examine the pellets for research purposes or to sell for dissection by those who purchase them.

For students to get an idea of what their owl had for its last meal, everyone had the opportunity to examine an owl pellet. Pellets used in this activity are sanitized prior to dissection by the students. In this activity, they dissect the pellet sorting through all the bones and feathers in groups. Each group is given tweezers and a bone identification chart to see if they can identify what animal the bones belong to. After they made their observations and collected their bones, everyone shared their findings with their classmates.

The nursing home residents and classroom students found a majority of rodent (mice, rats) bones, which is the owl's favorite meal. Does your classroom or environmental group have an interest in learning more about owl pellets? Contact the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District at 419-399-4771 or email patrick.troyer@pauldingswcd.org and get something set up! There is no better way to learn about the great outdoors than with some great hands-on learning!

enjoyed english, government and history class the most. Out of doors, he says he loves to go fishing on Lake James.

Football coach, Sherwood Haydock, commented on Meyer's signing, "He is very deserving of this with

his 4 years of hard work and dedication. We look forward to great things for Isaac."

Isaac Meyer lives in Woodburn with his parents, Roger and Kris, and his sister, Caroline. They are members of Christ Lutheran Church in Woodburn.

Antwerp Conservation Club

SCHEDULE AND EVENT CHANGES

ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB

- **2019 ACC SCHOLARSHIP FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.** Two \$400 scholarships will be awarded to graduates from area schools. Eligible schools are: Antwerp, Hicksville, Fairview, Paulding, Wayne Trace and Woodlan.
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The story was not told to justify his dishonesty, but to commend his efforts to prepare for his future. Christians need to prepare for their eternal rewards. Even this dishonest man had more sense than many Christians who love and use their money selfishly for this life. They should be laying up treasure in heaven using their time, talent and treasure for God and helping others (Luke 16:13). Matthew 6:20-21 - "But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 25:34-36 - "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger and ye took me in: (verse 40b) - Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

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There are many references to the prayers of Jesus.

We cannot know how without understanding how important prayer was in his daily life. From his example we learn how to pray and why prayer is an essential part of one's relationship with the heavenly father.

All Night in Prayer Read Luke 6:12-16.

I. How long did Jesus pray? a) an hour; b) all night; c) till midnight.

2. What important thing

did he do the next day? a) chose the twelve; b) asked for food; c) rebuked Judas.

3. What term did he apply to the men which he chose? a) priests; b) apostles; c) pastors.

4. Which one of these men is named as the traitor? a) James; b) Simon Peter; c) Judas Iscariot

5. This example should teach us: a) to choose apostles; b) to pray before making important decisions; c) to pray only on mountains.

All who follow Christ are his disciples, but only certain of the New Testament disciples were chosen to be apostles. These were the men he trained to continue his work after the returned to heaven. Judas would betray him and be replaced. Later Saul of Tarsus (Paul) would be an additional apostle. No apostles have been chosen since Paul. There have been, and are, false apostles (II Corinthians 11:13), but they are liars (Revelation 2:2). The New Testament apostles still have authority over the church. They guide us through the Scriptures. It is the Lord's plan that the church should always follow the apostolic pattern.

The Example Prayer Read Matthew 6:5-15.

6. Those who pray just to make an impression on others are: a) hypocrites; b) rude; c) blasphemers.

7. Jesus said that when we pray we should not use: a) vain repetition (meaningless words); b) big words; c) ugly words.

8. TIF. The reason our prayers are important is because the Father does not know what we really need.

9. Jesus indicated that the prayer of verses 9-13 was an illustration of how to pray because he said to: a) pray after this manner (in this way); b) pray any way you please; c) pray these same words every time.

ANSWERS: 1.B; 2. A; 3. B; 4. C; 5 B; 6 A; 7 A; 8 F; 9 A

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READY TO LEAD

By: Doris Applegate

Living in these days of fear, rioting, government fighting and uncertain of what could happen next in our world of "craziness" we all should keep our thoughts on the promises that God has given us in His Holy world, the Bible.

In 2 Peter 1:4 it says that "these promises are given so that we might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that

is in the world through lust" These promises are given to those saved (born again) by accepting Jesus Christ as Savior. We must be on guard lest we be led away with the error of the wicked and fall from own steadfastness in our walk with the Lord and we must grow in grace and knowledge of the Lord, Jesus (2 Peter 3:17-18).

Our enemy, Satan, will bring condemnation, thoughts of unworthiness, depression and many other things to get us "off course". Winston Churchill, as great as man as he was to lead a nation in right thinking and right answers, also had what he called a "black dog" that showed up at odd times and was hard to control. This "black dog" of depression would cause Churchill to stay away from the edge of a train platform and get behind a pillar. He never wanted to look over the side of a boat into the water thinking: "A second's action could end everything". It was supposed that he had a bipolar disorder, as many have today (could it be Satan trying to stop or stifle the gift that God put inside these people?).

Depression is treated with drugs that help but we also have the "sure word" of Bible promises to encourage also. We need God's help to confront the daily challenges before us - as we humble ourselves and look to where our help comes from ("Our help comes from the Lord") Read Psalm 46: 1, we are then empowered by the Holy Spirit to become leaders in a world that so needs the right and Godly ones.

God gives the wisdom, courage, strength and ability to those willing to help set an example of what is expected of our country. Do we want to be "a light set on a hill"? The "black dog" of our lives cannot keep us from our calling and destiny when we realize that "greater is He in us than he that is in the world" (I Johns 4:4).

Amen and amen!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH INVITES FAMILIES AND CHILDREN TO PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

A Preschool Open House will be held at First United Methodist Church on Tuesday, March 5 from 6:00-7:30 pm. Parents will also be able to register, tour and meet the teachers.

First Church is located at the corner of Central Avenue and Jefferson Street, across from Fountain Park.

We offer a half-day program from 8:30-11:30 am two, three or four days a week. The curriculum is guided by the Ohio Department of Education's Early Learning Standards and incorporates Christian principles daily. We participate in monthly field trips, theme parties, progress monitoring and assessments, weekly Chapel, Christmas and Spring programs and much more. Our goal is to prepare children for Kindergarten in a loving Christ-centered environment.

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THE SUNSHINE BOYS COMING TO VWCT



Van Wert Civic Theatre proudly announces the opening of our next show, "The Sunshine Boys." VWCT is honored to bring this Neil Simon gem to the stage. "The Sunshine Boys" was originally produced in 1972, directed by Alan Arkin. This version, under the direction of Doug Grooms and assisted by Deb Duncan-Faul, opens March 7 for a two weekend run. This will mark the second time VWCT has produced this show, doing so originally in 1981. The Box Office will be taking reservations from the public beginning Monday, March 4.

The show introduces the audience to Al (Steve Lane) and Willie (Rick Workman) as "Lewis and Clark" who were top-billed vaudevillians for over forty years. Now they aren't even speaking. When CBS requests them for a "History of Comedy" retrospective, a grudging reunion

brings the two back together. The story follows the attempt by a young theatrical agent (Stan Lippi) to reunite his elderly uncle, a former vaudevillian great, with his longtime stage partner for this TV reunion, but the two former partners have not spoken in over a decade. Tensions rise during the rehearsal of the TV sketch (featuring J J Kurtz as the Patient, Jim O'Neill as Eddie, and Audra Clevenger as Nurse) leading to an unexpected turn of events. Amy McConn rounds out the cast as the Registered Nurse.

Beginning March 4, call 419-238-9689 from 2 - 6 p.m. Monday - Saturday to reserve a seat. Any time Rick Workman and Steve Lane arrive on stage together, it is a show not to miss. Show dates are March 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 at 8 p.m. and March 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. Visit vwct.org for more information.

LADIES SOCIETY OF EMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH SUPPORTS MANY LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Ladies Society of Emanuel Lutheran Church supports two events each year, one in the Spring and one in the Fall. The Society supports many charities including the New Haven Food Bank, Lutheran World Relief, Worship Anew, Lutheran Social Services, Emanuel's Vacation Bible School, Concordia Theological Seminary, Mission trips to Kenya, and many other charities.

Emanuel Lutheran Church is located at 800 Green St. in New Haven, Indiana.

Members donate many items such as clothing, shoes, purses, linens, tools, kitchenware, games, toys, craft items, books, small furniture, and small appliances.

The event begins Thursday May 2, from 9:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and Friday May 3, 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Outside items are available at 8:00 A.M. both days.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend this fun event, everyone is welcome.

LENTEN SERVICES AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

St John Lutheran Church, 812 East High Street, Hicksville, will begin the Lenten Season of the church year with Ash Wednesday on March 6 at 7:35 pm.

The church will offer two mid week services each Wednesday of Lent. A Morning Prayer service will be held at 10 am in the Fireplace Room followed by a Bible Study on Acts, the early church. The evening service will use the beautiful UN-FAILING LIGHT by Haugen and Briehl at 7:35 pm. Each week a different object, rope/whip, thorns, wood, nails, linen cloth and stone will be used.

Please call the church office 419-542-6269 with any questions. Come...Return to the Lord. ALL ARE WELCOME!

PAMELA S. CLARK NAMED AS BRONZE WINNER IN 2019 STEVIE® AWARDS FOR SALES & CUSTOMER SERVICE

New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) Founder and Director, Pamela S. Clark, was named a Bronze Winner

in the 2019 Stevie® Awards for Sales & Customer Service Category: Business Development Executive of the Year. <https://stevieawards.com/sales/2019-stevie%C2%AE-award-winners>

The Stevie Awards, which organizes several of the world's leading business awards shows including the prestigious International Business Awards® and the Stevie Awards for Great Employers revealed the Gold, Silver and Bronze Stevie placements during a gala banquet on Friday, February 22, at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, Nevada. More than 600 professionals from across the globe attended.

More than 2,700 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry, in 45 nations, were evaluated in this year's competition. Finalists were determined by the average scores of more than 150 professionals worldwide who worked in seven specialized judging committees. Entries were considered in 93 categories for customer service and contact center achievements, including Contact Center of the Year, Award for Innovation in Customer Service and Customer Service Department of the Year. Sixty categories were considered for sales and business development achievements, ranging from Senior Sales Executive of the Year to Sales Training or Business Development Executive of the Year. The rest of the categories recognized new products and services and solution providers.

New Heights Educational Group continues to grow its online and offline presence. In the last year, it's more than doubled its internet radio show audience with over 155,000 listeners; its bi-monthly magazine reached over 55,000 viewers, and its online tutoring program has offered new affordable and unique pre-recorded and live courses. Furthermore, it has expanded its annual schoolbag giveaway event where it offered more bags, hats and scarves and various back-to-school accessories.

Pamela Clark, Executive Director, stated: "I'm truly blessed for not only the recognition this award brings to our work, but for the over 70 volunteers that make us successful. We wouldn't be able to offer any of the above programs without our fantastic team of volunteers. I'm so proud of all of them and this fantastic organization that many hands have built. Without volunteers, none of our programs would exist."

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BITTERSWEET INN UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP



The Bittersweet Inn, located at 940 W. Wayne St., Paulding, OH is under new ownership as of November 1, 2018.

New owners, Jack & Valerie Baughman, moved here from Rockford, OH. They have three grown children, one married and lives in Ft. Wayne and the younger two are in college. Jack works as an engineer at ElringKlinger Manufacturing Indiana in Ft.

Wayne and Valerie is a substitute teacher, who loves history and quilting.

They also converted an old church into an Airbnb in Rockford, OH. If you or someone you know is looking for a place to stay, Bittersweet Inn has four rooms available, two with kitchenettes. You can contact Valerie at 419-399-2861 or email bittersweetinnpaulding@gmail.com

system to improve over time. The plan is updated every five year and will be completed in 2020 with a horizon year of 2045.

MVPO is requesting that residents of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams County take the public survey in order to contribute their feedback to the plan. The public survey will gather feedback on current transportation related problems and future transportation needs. It is crucial the public provides their feedback, so the plan can reflect what the transportation needs are for the five-county region.

The survey will be open from March 1, 2019 until May 1, 2019. The survey is available online at www.mvpo.org/mt2045. Paper copies are also available at local libraries and upon request at MVPO. Contact MVPO at mvpo@mvpo.org or 419-784-3882 to request a paper survey.

Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is a voluntary association of local governments designated as an Ohio Regional Planning and Development Organization. MVPO serves Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams Counties in Northwest Ohio.

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANNOUNCES NEW WESTERN LAKE ERIE BASIN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) Director Dorothy Pelanda announced new assistance programs for producers in the Western Lake Erie Basin funded by the passage of Ohio Senate Bill 299.

Signed in 2018, Ohio Senate Bill 299 provided \$23.5 million for soil and water conservation districts (SWCD) located in the Western Lake Erie Basin (WLEB) for nutrient management programs. ODA has already distributed \$3.5 million to 24 SWCDs in Northwest Ohio.

"Water quality is a top priority of our administration," said Governor Mike DeWine. "Roughly three million Ohioans rely on Lake Erie for their drinking water. These programs are a good step toward promoting better water quality, and more will come."

At the 2019 Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts Annual Meeting this morning, Director Pelanda announced plans for the remaining \$20 million, to be spread across three new assistance programs:

The Ohio Working Lands Program will encourage producers to establish year-round vegetative cover on eligible crop land. The program will promote the conversion, establishment and maintenance of forage/hay land on certain cropland acres. Also, there will be a new incentive payment to encourage producers to re-enroll acreage through the Lake Erie Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program. This will help reach the 67,000 acre goal and increase conservation efforts.

The Voluntary Nutrient Management Plan Development Program will be a partnership with the Ohio Agribusiness Association, in

which producers are reimbursed for soil testing and nutrient management plans. This would help to ensure the 4R principles are put into place.

The Cost Share and Equipment Buy Down Program will provide producers with funds to purchase technological improvements to agricultural land, equipment and structures to reduce nutrient loss.

"This \$20 million suite of practices will go a long way toward our clean water initiatives and helping us set the tone for water quality efforts statewide," said Director Pelanda. "Our agency looks forward to working with producers to implement meaningful programs that make progress toward our common goals of soil and water conservation."

"Ohio's farmers are committed to doing their part to keep nutrients in our fields and out of our water and these programs will help us do that," said Kris Swartz, Past President of the Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts and Northwest Ohio farmer. "I'm confident interest for these programs will be strong and I know our soil and water districts are ready to put them into practice."

"Our members understand how important our role is helping farmers practice proper nutrient stewardship and the 4R's," said Chris Henney, President and CEO of the Ohio Agribusiness Association. "We're excited to be part of these programs and stand ready to help Northwest Ohio farmers."

Producers located in the Western Lake Erie Basin are encouraged to contact their local soil and water conservation district office to learn more and sign up for these new programs.

FOOD ALLERGIES EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFE

Coping with the challenges of food allergies will be discussed at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, March 6 from 6:30-7:30pm.

The program, titled "Allergic to Food: Living in an Incredible, Inedible World," features a filmed interview with nutritionist Nicole Eckman and provides a glimpse into the life of a woman coping with celiac disease.

"There's a reason people are so reactive to their food when it didn't used to be that way," says Eckman, who describes what's behind the rising numbers of food allergies.

Participants in the Lifetree program will have an opportunity to understand the realities of living with food allergies and share their own stories.

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

BOARD DISCUSSES MARCH DD AWARENESS MONTH



Hailey Harris (Photo taken by "CAPTURED PHOTOS BY KATHY K")

At the Paulding County Board of DD (PCBDD) February Board meeting on February 21, Debra Guilford, PCBDD Superintendent announced local arrangements for March Developmental Disabilities Month. Since established in 1987, with a proclamation from President Reagan, DD Awareness Month exists to generate discussion and acceptance for people of every ability.

Jessica Reinhart, PCBDD Community Connections Coordinator, and three self-advocates will be traveling to the Ohio Statehouse on March 5th for the DD Awareness and Advocacy Day event. Event speakers will include Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Director of Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities (DODD) Jeff Davis & Director of Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities (OOD) Kevin Miller.

Paulding County Commissioners will be signing a proclamation declaring March as Developmental Disabilities month on March 3rd at 9:00 a.m. the Paulding County Courthouse.

In celebration of the month, Hailey Harris, Paulding High School Senior, will be featured on a local billboard sporting her Paulding Pride Basketball uniform. Hailey has been playing basketball for two years. Her dad Corey is one of the coaches,

and at their last game against the Defiance Tigers, her mom Nicole and grandma Sandy cheered the team on to victory.

Hailey is also passionate about animals and photography. She has been riding horses for six years, and she has taken chickens to the Paulding County Fair for the last two years. Hailey and her brother, Kyle, will be taking Goats to the fair this year. Hailey's mom says she has a great connection to animals, especially to Sky, her dog, Rocky, her cat, and a horse, Bo, that she can't ride any longer, but enjoys visiting.

Hailey loves her school-based internship and has a great group of friends that cheer each other on in sports. Hailey is looking forward to being featured on a billboard in March.

Other Board meeting business included the announcement of the arrival of a new transit van that will be primarily used for advocates traveling to statewide meetings and events.

The Board decided to re-bid the Waterline Project as 2 separate projects, a replacement of the domestic water lines, and a new HVAC system, to replace the aging boiler system. Also, a generous donation of \$12,480.50 was received from the estate of Dorothy Snook.

of this year's nominations, which set another record for

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this competition. The quality of the accomplishments outlined in every Finalist nomination was remarkable," said Michael Gallagher, president and founder of the Stevie Awards.

Details about the Stevie Awards for Sales & Customer Service and the list of Finalists in all categories are available at www.StevieAwards.com/Sales.

MOVING TOGETHER 2045 LONG RANGE PLAN UPDATE

Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) for the counties of Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, and Williams. MVPO is currently updating the organization's long-range transportation plan, Moving Together 2040.

The long-range transportation plan is a multi-modal, comprehensive plan meant to serve as a blueprint for how the five-county region wants the transportation

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MORE ON THE WILD LIFE

By: Stan Jordan

I just received a letter from Nancy Klingover in Oakwood about seeing a bald eagle out in the field and on the return said eagle had flown up in a big tree. Yes they are getting more acclimated to humans all the time. I'm sure there is a nest or so in the Oakwood area or maybe a little north. Thanks for that report.

Our son, Gale, lives a little south of the Power Dam and he sees bald eagles pretty regularly. They are darn near common place. I'm glad to hear that.

The other day when we had those two very cold days, I stayed home both days, but looking out the kitchen window, I saw a woodpecker and I am positive he is a pileated variety. He works mostly on the south side of the walnut tree in the sunshine because that would be warmer, but I couldn't see him on that side. See ya!



- A lady with one leg shorter than the other, is called Leena
- This blonde was so clumsy, she kept tripping over the wire to her cell phone.
- This blonde wanted the mechanic to put some 710 in her engine. The boy, after a number of explanations, showed her from the other side of the engine it said OIL.
- This lady said she wanted all of her dead husbands to look nice, so she took them all to the cleaners.
- The Baltimore Orioles is named after Lord Baltimore, he was very interested in wild life.
- Do you know why a

hummingbird hums? He doesn't know the words.

• A man stood on the side of the road hitchhiking on a very dark night in the middle of a storm.

As the night went by no cars passed him. The storm was so strong, he could hardly see a few feet ahead of him. Suddenly he saw a car come towards him and stop.

The guy, without thinking about it, got in the car and closed the door to realize that nobody was behind the wheel. The car started slowly. The guy looked at the road and saw a curve coming his way. Scared, he started praying, and begged for his life. He hadn't come out of shock, when just before the curve, a hand appeared through the window and moved the wheel. The guy, paralyzed in terror, watched how the hand appeared every time before a curve.

The guy gathered strength, got out of the car and ran to the nearest town. Wet and in shock, he ran into a bar and asked for two shots of tequila and started telling everybody about the horrible experience he went through. A silence enveloped everybody when they realized he was crying and wasn't drunk.

About half an hour later, two guys walked into the same bar and the one said to the other, "Look Bubba, that's the jerk who climbed into the car while we were pushing."

BUS DRIVERS, I LOVE 'EM

By: Stan Jordan

There are many classes or types of bus drivers, like school bus drivers, cruise bus, Greyhound, army bus, rest home buses or vans... there are many vehicles in this group.

Here of late, in the news there have been accidents where buses are involved. Different types of buses but still one type of driver, a human being.

In most of the accidents involving a bus, the bus driver is not to blame. In one case the bus driver was forced off the road, another a bridge collapsed, another a big truck side swiped the bus. I could go on, but when ever I hear of an accident involving a bus with kids or athletes or older people, right away we think of the bus driver, but in most cases, the bus driver is in the right.

A bus driver is a special type of person. They all realize they have a number of lives in their hands. They are a special type of person, I love

'em. See ya!

CAST ANNOUNCED FOR SPRING COMEDY

Van Wert, OH Off Stage Productions Inc. is proud to announce the cast for the Spring 2019 Dinner Theatre production of "The Savannah Sipping Society", a Jones, Hope, Wooten comedy. This two-act production is being directed by Crystal Cully Ringer.

The cast is as follows (character name - cast member):

- Christa Manning - Jinx Jenkins
- Pat Howard - Dot Haigler
- Mary Yackey - Randa Covington
- Terri Stevens - Marlafaye Mosley

Christa Manning will be in her first performance with Off Stage Productions, although she is no stranger to the stage. Christa has performed in various roles here in Van Wert as well as Lima, Ohio and Pennsylvania. Her most recent role has been that of Lois Shields in Van Wert Civic Theatre's comedy "Ca-hoots".

Pat Howard will be in her second show with Offstage Productions. She recently portrayed Mavis in the Southern comedy "Hallelujah Girls," which was a role she loved. Pat explains, "As I'm getting older, I want to branch out and this is such a great opportunity to do just that."

Mary Yackey has most recently been involved with Off Stage's production of "Farce of Nature" in 2017 as well as various Van Wert Civic Theatre roles. One of Mary's favorite roles was Sister Augusta in Drinking Habits, as she puts it "Who wouldn't want to be a nun?? Performing on stage in a role that is totally not me is so much fun! I'm excited to be on stage once again to bring laughter into peoples' lives. Life is better when you're laughing!"

Terri Stevens has been enthusiastically involved in Van Wert theatre for many roles. Terri explained that "I became interested in theatre while in college, but once I entered the workforce I put my stage time on the back burner until I retired. Then, I heard about a little community theatre having auditions for a cute comedy. I was fortunate to get a role and the rest is, as they say, history. Since then I've been in several shows both with Off Stage Productions and Van Wert Civic theatre and several of these shows are comedies by Jones Hope Wooten. My favorite role was Gaynelle in "Rexes Exes", another Jones Hope Wooten show."

Directing this show is Crystal Cully Ringer, a Van Wert native. After being involved in Lincolnview Drama Club, Offstage Productions, and the Van Wert Civic Theatre as a youth, Crystal was inspired to pursue her undergraduate degree in theatre. While in college she continued to perform in local theatre as well as university productions, and performed professionally while residing at the Dunes Summer Theatre in Michiana Shores, Indiana. "I strongly believe in the power and influence of community theatre and all of the countless hours of hard work that these loving individuals dedicate to it. I couldn't be

LEINARD GARAGE



By: Stan Jordan

From what I can remember and I'm not sure at all, Jack Leinard and Harry Parent started this business about 1932. Then I think Harry Parent sold out and went to New Haven and then it became Leinard Chevrolet.

If you will notice, in the picture it shows Leinard's has two big doors. Well it started with one big door. In the 1930's and a little longer that far door to the right was a wooden building where a man, P.B. Hipkins has a tin shop, metal roofing and spouting. It came to pass, later Leinard bought the build-

ing and enlarged his own and it ended up as it shows here.

Leinard Chevrolet was a very successful business and son Lyle entered after he finished school. Over the years they acquired that lot to the north and a couple lots across the street.

Across the street the first two lots south of the Bee Argus was the Gordon Brothers Hardware and it was destroyed by fire in 1940. The Leinard's had that side built in the 1970's and a one time was a machine shop and display of new cars for sale. See ya!

more appreciative to be back in Van Wert as part of this beautiful production." The Savannah Sipping Society will be performed at Vantage Career Center starting on Friday, April 5th. Additional show dates are April 6, 7, 12, 13 & 14. Friday shows again will be "Popcorn Night" performances with free popcorn included (no dinner). Saturday and Sunday performances will include a catered buffet style dinner. Reservations will open for members on March 18th and to the public on March 20th. Box office number will be 419-605-6708

NEW HAVEN LUNCH AND LEARN: CYBERSECURITY

Cybersecurity will be discussed at noon on March 21, 2019 at New Haven Community Center, 7500 SR 930 E. New Haven, IN 46774

Join Andy Uhl from Tri-

Core Logic for our latest Lunch & Learn! TriCore works with dozens of small businesses in the northeast Indiana area to keep their technology running smoothly while keeping their data safe from threats. Andy will be focusing on Detect & Respond Endpoint Protection which unifies endpoint threat prevention, detection, and response in a single platform driven by sophisticated machine learning and intelligent automation. With Detect & Respond Endpoint Protection, organizations can detect malicious behavior across multiple areas and rapidly eliminate threats with fully-automated, integrated response capabilities. This allows them to adapt their defenses against the most advanced cyber attacks. Coupled with our 24/7 SOC (Security Operations Center) these cyber security services provide a "Worry-Free IT" approach from start to finish that you can rely on. Join us!

Registration forms can be found at all local libraries in the county and can also be found on the Paulding Chamber of Commerce website at www.pauldingchamber.com under the community resources tab. There is a

RSVP by March 18, 2019 for a food count: 749-4484 or info@newhavenindiana.org.

KIWANIS LAUNCHES STARS OF TOMORROW FOR COUNTY YOUTH

PAULDING, OH: The Paulding Kiwanis club is dedicated to serving the children of the county by supporting them financially through donations to children's clubs and organizations, volunteering with kids in the community, and offering opportunities for growth and a brighter future. The Paulding Kiwanis club is excited to launch "Stars of Tomorrow", a talent competition for different age groups with the chance to win monetary prizes and scholarships as much as \$1,500.

Stars of Tomorrow will be held on Sunday May 19th at the Paulding High School Auditorium. There will be four divisions with a total purse of \$4,575. Division I is Kindergarten through second grade with monetary prizes of \$25, \$50, and \$100 for third, second, and first place accordingly. Division II is third through fifth grades with the same award amounts as Division I. Division III is grades six through eight with \$50, \$75, and \$100 monetary prizes. Division IV is grades nine through twelve with \$500, \$1000, and \$1500 monetary prizes.

This is a fun and entertaining way to provide opportunities for amateur talent and allows children to showcase their talents before the public, thereby aiding in the development of their artistic abilities. Any performing art including music, dance, theater, comedy, and magic are encouraged but the more creative the better! Entries can be no longer than 5 minutes and are limited to five persons including any adult accompaniment. There is a limit of one entry per person. Acts will be judged in four areas: showmanship, stage appearance, presentation, and talent. Judges will consist of local persons with some background in the performing arts and public presentation.

Registration forms can be found at all local libraries in the county and can also be found on the Paulding Chamber of Commerce website at www.pauldingchamber.com under the community resources tab. There is a

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.

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

Paulding Fish & Game Club

GUN SHOW

March 9; 8 am - 3 pm

Contact: Theresa Caryer at 419-769-9476

HUNTER ED CLASS

March 16; 8 am - 5 pm

Pre Register at ODNR

Contact: Matt Reighter at 419-263-2029

Melrose and Paulding Fish & Game Clubs

GUN & PURSE BINGO

March 23 at Paulding Eagles

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ANTWERP ARCHERS ADVANCE TO STATE CHEERLEADING COMPETITION



Pictured is the competition cheer squad: Front row: Lauren Schueller, Chloe Saul, Hannah Rettig, Chloe Franklin, Kendall Billman, Jaidis Getrost, Alayna Ryan. Back row: Summer Franklin, Emerson Litzenberg, Maycee Contrarez, Holly Sanders, Jonathon Lederman, Allison Reinhart, Kiera Reyes, Mia Altimus, Maddie Smith, Megan O'Donnell, Hailey Grant.

The Archer competition squad competed for the first time ever in Antwerp school history at the regional cheerleading competition on Sunday, February 10.

The Archers performed well enough to qualify for the state cheerleading competition which will be held on Sunday, March 10 at The Ohio State University. They

will compete at 12:50 at St. John Arena. April Litzenberg is working on getting a fan bus so they can have a large Archer crowd there to support us.

The competition squad has 4 seniors, 3 juniors, 1 sophomore, and 10 freshman. They've competed in 4 other cheerleading competitions this year and placed in all

four competitions:

Defiance County Fair Cheerleading competition they placed 3rd.

Van Wert County Fair Cheerleading competition they placed 2nd.

Liberty Center Cheerleading competition they placed 1st.

Ayersville Cheerleading competition they placed 3rd.

\$10 registration fee for single participants in Divisions I - III, and \$20 for group entries in those divisions. The registration fee is \$25 for single participants in Division IV and a \$50 fee for group entries. The deadline to submit your registration form and fee is May 11th and can be mailed to Paulding Kiwanis Club at PO Box 94 Paulding, OH 45879.

Paulding Kiwanis Club is excited to offer a new opportunity for the children of the community and to experience the talent of the leaders, and stars of tomorrow.

PATROL'S EFFECTIVE TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT YIELDS DRUG ARRESTS

Troopers are trained to look beyond the initial traffic stop for possible indicators of criminal activity. In 2018 the Ohio State Highway Patrol investigated a wide range of felony offenses and saw an increase in total drug arrests from 2017.

Troopers made 16,956 total drug arrests, representing a 2 percent increase compared to 2017 and a 20 percent jump over the previous three-year average (2015-2017).

"Our highways are often used during the transportation of illegal drugs and other crimes," said Lt. Tim Grigsby, Lima Post Commander. "By looking for criminal indicators during a traffic stop, troopers

are able to keep illegal items, such as drugs, out of our communities."

Quantities of drug seizures in 2018 substantially increased over 2017. Seizures such as methamphetamine, a 197 percent increase; fentanyl, 151 percent increase; cocaine, a 94 percent increase and heroin, a 78 percent increase, far surpassed 2017 totals. In fact, troopers recorded historic drug seizures in 2018, with two methamphetamine seizures consisting of 141.8 pounds and 94.6 pounds. Troopers also conducted three of the top 10 heroin seizures on record.

Motorists are reminded that public involvement is critical to highway safety. Call #677 to report impaired drivers or drug activity.

For a complete statistical analysis please visit: https://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov/doc/2019_FelonyAndDrug.pdf.

RAIDERS OPEN TOURNAMENT PLAY WITH WIN OVER MILLER CITY

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

PAULDING - For the Wayne Trace Raiders the tournament trail started at Paulding High school where the Raiders were matched up against Miller City in opening round sectional play. After a competitive first half the Raiders eased past the Wildcats 74-57 with a 25 point

scoring burst in the third quarter. With the win the red, white, and blue move their record to 18-5 while Miller City ends their season at 10-13.

Wayne Trace was paced by junior Mate Gerber who tallied 25 points and senior Josiah Linder adding 22. Also in double figures was Jace Vining chipping in 12 and Reid Miller with 10. Vining was perfect at the free throw line hitting all five of his attempts. Rounding out the Raider scoring was Trae Sinn with three points and Alex Reinhart with two.

The Raiders trailed 22-20 at the 6:52 mark of the second quarter but a 10-0 run put the Raiders on top for good. Linder's bucket followed by a couple of 2-point goals from Vining and a "triple" from Gerber helped give the Raiders a 32-27 halftime advantage.

Third quarter action opened with a Trae Sinn three-point basket followed by a two point field goal from Linder to give the Raiders a double digit margin 37-27 with 6:57 remaining in the third stanza. Miller City cut their deficit to eight on a couple of free throws from freshman Austin Ruhe but the Raiders answered with another run of 11 unanswered points to lead by 19 at 53-34.

In the final eight minutes of play Miller City whittled the Raider lead from 20 to 13 when Luke Lammers drained a three-ball with 1:55 remaining and the 'Cats trailing 66-53 but would get no closer.

The Raiders shot the ball very well in the contest, hitting 18-28 from the two-point area for 64 percent and from behind the arc the Raiders were 9-14 for 64 percent as well. At the foul line the winning Raiders connected on 11-13 while pulling down 26 rebounds to just 16 for Miller City.

The Wildcats hit 10-19 of their two-point goals for 53 percent and managed 8-25 behind the arc for 32 percent.

DIVISION IV BOYS BASKETBALL SECTIONALS AT PAULDING

On February 26th, Paulding High School varsity gym played host to the Division IV Boys Basketball Section-

RAIDERS WIN SECTIONAL; GERBER HITS FOR 35



Wayne Trace Boys win the sectional championship basket to shoot for the Raiders in the fourth quarter! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

PAULDING - It was a game totally dominated by the Wayne Trace Raiders. Like they say - on any given night anything can happen during tournament time - and no one expected what happened when the Raiders met up with Ottoville last Friday at Paulding High school. The fourth seed Raiders destroyed the Big Green in convincing fashion 74-44. Ottoville entered tournament action as the third seeded team. The Raiders played earlier in the week and got past Miller City to set up the much anticipated rematch.

The Raiders and Ottoville played just seven nights earlier at Wayne Trace to complete the regular season. Wayne Trace won that contest 62-4, but on Friday, although the results would be the same, the manner in which the Raiders picked apart the Big Green is almost impossible to describe.

Consider the main highlights: Nate Gerber finished with 35 points, hitting 8-10 from behind the arc, 3-4 from two-point area and a perfect 5-5 at the foul line. As a team the Raiders connected on 17-30 on two-pointers for 57 percent and 10-19 behind the arc for a 53 percent clip. The Raiders won the rebound battle 32-20 with Ottoville not getting an offensive board. Reid Miller, held to just four points was the floor general, handing out eight assists.

Wayne Trace led from wire-to-wire, scoring 23 points in the opening quarter to lead 23-9. In the opening frame Gerber collected three 3-pointers to propel the Raider offense into high gear. In the second quarter six different Raiders scored including Miller, Linder, Gerber, Trae Sinn, Jace Vining and Alex Reinhart. Midway through



Josiah Linder, Senior at Wayne Trace, gets under the basket to shoot for the Raiders in the fourth quarter! More pictures at westbendnews.net

the period Vining dialed in from long distance to put the Raiders on top 30-17 followed by a 9-2 run by the red, white, and blue. In the final thirty seconds prior to half time Reid Miller connected on a couple of free throws to push the Raider lead to 20 at 41-21.

The Raiders scored 23 points in the first quarter and backed it up with 18 in the second period but the third frame would be their best offensive output of the night - scoring 29 points. Gerber connected on four "long balls" in the third with Coach Jim Linder taking his star shooter out late in the third quarter. The Raiders led after three quarters of play 70-37.

Jace Vining finished with 10 points including two buckets behind the arc and 2-2 from the foul line along with six rebounds. Josiah

Linder added nine points hitting all four of his field goals. Trae Sinn chipped in six along with team mate Alex Reinhart. Rounding out the Raiders scoring with two points a piece was Evan Mohr and Trevor Speice.

Others seeing action on sectional night was Caleb Crosby, Mox Price, Caleb Yenser and Nate Crosby.

The Raiders improve to 19-5 and will advance to the district tournament at Elida where they will play second seed Kalida (18-5) in the 8:00 p.m. game on Tuesday night. In the opening game the top seed Crestview nights will battle fifth seed Delphos St. Johns. The two winners will return to the Elida Fieldhouse on Friday to determine the district champion. Tip-off is at 7:00 p.m.

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als. Parkway went up against Lincolnview. This match up sent Parkway onto the semi-finals and Lincolnview to an end of the season. Final score: Parkway 48, Lincolnview 38

Lincolnview closes the season with a record of 10-12. Score by the Quarter: Parkway - 11 8 13 16 = 48 Lincolnview - 9 4 14 11 = 38

Scorers of the Game: Parkway - Dylan Hughes 12, Mason Baxter 9, Corey Walls 7, Preston Stober 8, Caleb Kinney 12

Lincolnview - Jorge Salinas 4, Logan Williams 2, Ethan Kemler 4, Kyle Wallis 3-0-0-6, Alex Bowersock 2-2-2-12, Jake Bowersock 1-0-0-2, Creed Jessee 0-0-1-1, Zane Miller 1-1-2-7

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ANTWERP FALLS IN HEARTBREAKER TO BULLDOGS



In the second quarter Antwerp Senior Keaton Altimus, while guarded by Edgerton senior Clayton Flegal, puts up a basket and scores two points for the Archers! More pictures at westbendnews.net

DEFIANCE - The thrill of victory. The agony of defeat.

Two phrases that have been heard in the sports world for a long time definitely rang true Friday night at Defiance High School.

Unfortunately, for Antwerp, it was the Archers who felt the agony of defeat as Edgerton posted a 44-43 overtime win over the Archers in the Division IV boys sectional championship at the home of the Bulldogs.

Tied at 34-34 at the end of regulation, the Bulldogs outscored Antwerp 10-9 in the extra session to pick up the victory and claim a berth in Division IV district tournament action.

The Archers led 7-2 at the end of one quarter but Edgerton came back, outscoring the blue and white 17-11 in the second stanza to seize a 19-18 halftime advantage.

Antwerp took back the lead in the third, picking up nine points to Edgerton's seven as the Archers grabbed a 27-26 lead at the end of three periods.

The Bulldogs, though, tied the game by knotting the game at 34-34 at the end of regulation.

Gannon Ripke paced Edgerton with a dozen points and Clayton Flegal chipped in nine.

Logan Showalter (eight), Brayton Cape (seven), Jaron Cape (six) and Colin Gary (two) also scored for the Bulldogs, who improved to 13-10.

teams left playing in the NJ-CAA at the Division III level and they will participate in the National Tournament at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, PA.

The two teams traded baskets at the outset of the game. Tied at 4-4, a Shyah Wheeler layup would jump start a 12-1 Owens run to put the Express up 16-5. After a Rock Valley timeout, the Golden Eagles would find their offensive groove, answering back with a 9-0 run to cut the Owens lead to just two points at 16-14 with 1:39 to play in the opening quarter. Wheeler would stem the tide with a personal 5-0 run to put the Express back up by five, and then a pair of Lliana Velazquez threes helped Owens stave off the Golden Eagles to lead 27-21 at the end of the first period.

After a Rock Valley layup from Kalea Kruser to being the quarter, Tori Kopp would bury a three to advance to the Owens lead to 30-23. Rock Valley would storm back again, taking off on a 9-0 run to give the Golden Eagles a 32-30 lead, their first and subsequently only lead of the day, after a pair of free throws from Kruser. Kopp would answer right back for the Express, hitting another three just 31 seconds later, and the Express reeled off a 14-2 run to push the lead back up 10 at 44-34 with 3:52 left in the first half. Owens would push their lead to 15, after a jumper from Taylor Works with six seconds left made the score 55-40. A half court prayer from Rock Valley's Madi Hecox was not answered, and the Express headed to the locker room with the double digit advantage.

The Golden Eagles would slowly begin to chip away at the Express lead in the third, trading baskets at first before a 7-2 run trimmed the Owens lead to single digits again at 59-51 with 6:17 to play in the third. The lead would hover around the double digit mark, with both teams trading shots in the latter stages of the quarter. After a Works layup for Owens put the Express up 73-61 with 1:19 to play in the period, Rock Valley would get a four point swing to cut the Owens lead to single digits again at 73-65 heading to the final period of play.

In the fourth though, the Express were not to be denied. With the score at 80-71 with 7:23 to go, Owens would rattle off a 13-2 run over the next four and a half minutes to push their lead to 20 points with 3:39 to play in the ball game. Moreina Moore and Shyah Wheeler were the main drivers in helping close out the Golden Eagles in the period. Wheeler would 13 points in the quarter while Moore added 11. They represented 24 of the Express's 31 points in the fourth, while the Golden Eagles scored just 13 points. The final quarter scoring gap meant the Express would finish with the 21 point victory.

Three players finished with more than 20 points, while all six Express players finished in double figures scoring wise. Tori Kopp had her best offensive performance of the year against Rock Valley. Kopp, who averaged five points per game coming into the contest, had a career high 21 points, and she was a perfect 8-8 from the floor and 5-5 from beyond the arc. She also grabbed six rebounds on the afternoon.

The outing was good enough to name her District B's Most Valuable Player.

Moreina Moore was the Express's leading scorer, finishing with 26 points on 9-18 shooting. She also grabbed eight rebounds. Fresh off her Region XII MVP performance, Shyah Wheeler turned in a double-double, scoring 24 points on 10-20 shooting and grabbing 12 caroms in the process. She also had six assists in the as well. Whitney Thames had another double-double to add to her tally for the season. The Perrysburg native scored 10 points and had 15 rebounds, six of which came on the offensive end. It was her eighth double-double of the season.

Playing in her final home game, sophomore Taylor Works finished with 12 points and a game high nine assists. She also had five rebounds. Liliana Velazquez had 11 points off the bench, hitting several clutch threes on 4-6 shooting from the floor. Velazquez almost outscored the Golden Eagle's entire bench, finishing four points shy of their bench scoring.

Owens shot 52.1% (38-73) from the floor for the game, 50.5 (11-22) from three, and 85% (17-20) from the free throw line. Rock Valley shot 42.7% (32-75) for the game.

The victory means Owens's record improves to 23-8 overall in the season, and they will be playing the NJ-CAA Division III National Championship Tournament in two weeks at Northampton College in Bethlehem, PA. The tournament will tip off Thursday March 14 and running through Saturday March 16. Seeding and matchups are yet to be determined.

2018-19 GMC GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference Selections for Girls Basketball 2018-2019 season.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR:
Claire Sinn, Wayne Trace, 11

FIRST TEAM:
Clair Sinn, Wayne Trace, 11; Mercedes Wagner, Fairview, 12; Madilyn Hohenberger, Holgate, 12; Ally Cape, Edgerton, 11; Micah Schroeder, Hicksville, 12; Ashlee Tressler, Ayersville, 12

SECOND TEAM:
Sydney Grieser, Tinora, 12; Bailey Platt, Holgate, 12; Kaylee Shepherd, Wayne Trace, 12; Katelyn Bergman, Hicksville, 12; Heather Oberlin, Antwerp, 11; M i r i a m Sinn, Wayne Trace, 11

HONORABLE MENTION:

Karsyn Brumett, Antwerp, 11; A m a n d a Addington, Ayersville, 12; Claire Flegal, Edgerton, 12; Riley Mealer, Fairview, 11; Harlee Shuman, Hicksville, 12; Justine Eis, Holgate, 9; Aaliyah Hurtt, Tinora, 11; Sadie Sinn, Wayne Trace, 12

IHSAA SETS FOOTBALL CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

INDIANAPOLIS - Local high schools in the state of Indiana learned their classifications for the 2019 and 2020 high school football seasons as the IHSAA released those assignments last week.

Homestead and Carroll are the lone two schools in

PANTHERS BATTLE IN SECTIONAL PLAY



Paulding Senior Jaret Miller tosses the ball up, attempting a basket, while getting fouled! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Paulding boys basketball battled out their sectional semi-final game against Coldwater at Elida on February 26, falling 52-67.

The game started close for the Paulding as the home team. They outscored the Cavaliers in the first quarter by 2 points with Jaret Miller being on fire having 3 - 3 pointer baskets in a row! Miller also posted two free throws. Fletcher Cook contributed to the score in the first with a 3 point basket! The score at the end of the first was 14-12.

The Cavaliers knew at this point they had to shut down Miller or they would not be able to pull off the win. Even though he scored later it was nothing like the first quarter as Coldwater focused their defensive efforts on letting Jaret score.

Paulding's number dropped to 9 points in the second when Miller added 5 points. Carson Shull picked up a layup for 2 and Patyon Beckman posted his basket! Coldwater was able to bump up their scores for the period to 23, giving themselves what it took to win the game. The half time score was now 23-

Class 6A while Northrop, Snider, North Side and Bishop Dwenger all will be Class 5A.

Area high schools in Class 4A will include New Haven and Leo along with Wayne, South Side, DeKalb, East Noble, Columbia City, Jay County and Angola.

Class 3A finds local squads as well in Heritage, Norwell, Concordia, Belmont, West Noble and Garrett.

Woodlan leads the list of schools in Class 2A along with Bishop Luers, Bluffton, Whitko, Central Noble, Eastside and Prairie Heights.

In Class A, Adams Central and South Adams top the local squads who are joined by Churubusco, Fremont and Southern Wells.

SOCCER ASSIGNMENTS SET FOR 2019 & 2020

INDIANAPOLIS - Girls and boys soccer teams received their 2019 and 2020 classifications from the Indiana High School Athletic Association last week.

On the girls side, area high school squads who will

35. The third quarter was Paulding's best for offensive when Blake McGarvey sunk two - 3 pointers! Shull added another pair of baskets and Miller posted another 3. Cook added a 2 pointer and a 3 for a total of 18 additional for the Panthers! The defense could not keep the Cav's down as they also posted 16.

The fourth quarter the Panthers were back down again to only 11. Shull posted 4 more points and Miller added another three. Cook built to his score with another 4 points and that was it!

Paulding finished their 2018-2019 basketball season with a 12-11 overall record and a 5-3 NWC record!

Score by the Quarter:
Paulding - 14 9 18 11 = 52
Coldwater - 12 23 16 16 = 67

Scorers of the Game:
Paulding - Blake McGarvey 6, Carson Shull 10; Jaret Miller 22; Fletcher Cook 12; Payton Beckman 2

Coldwater - Bruns 23; Frilling 12; Wenning J 10; Wenning B. 7; Hemmelgain 3; Miller 12

be participating in Class 3A are Homestead, Carroll, Northrop, Snider, North Side, Huntington North, Wayne, South Side, East Noble and DeKalb.

In Class 2A, New Haven, Leo and Heritage will be joined by local squads from Bishop Dwenger, Jay County, Angola, Concordia, Belmont, West Noble and Garrett.

Woodlan tops the list of local teams in the girls Class 1A along with Bishop Luers, Central Noble, Canterbury and Blackhawk Christian.

Boys classifications find some differences from the girls with Woodlan being the primary local school to change. The Warrior boys are Class 2A while the girls are Class A.

Teams in Class A are Whitko, Central Noble, Prairie Heights, Eastside, South Adams, Lakewood Park and Blackhawk Christian.

Leo, Woodlan and Heritage will take part in Class 2A as will Bishop Dwenger, Jay County, Angola, Concordia, Belmont, West Noble, Garrett and Bishop Luers.

Class 3A schools from the area include New Haven as

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BULLDOGS MOVE ON; WARRIORS AT AN END



Woodlan's freshman Simon Handerson scores on the layup! Woodlan ended their season on this night of tournament play against New Haven. Final score: Woodlan 37, New Haven 48. Overall record is 6-19 and conference 3-5. New Haven went on to play Angola on March 2nd and Angola topped the Bulldogs putting a halt to their season: 47-37. More pictures at westbendnews.net

well as Homestead, Carroll, Northrop, Snider, North Side, Huntington North, Wayne, South Side, DeKalb and Columbia City.

VOLLEYBALL TEAMS FIND OUT FUTURE CLASSES

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indiana High School Athletic Association released the volleyball classifications for 2019 and 2020 last week with some changes being made to area schools.

The smallest schools will do battle in Class A, with Fremont taking part as the largest local school to be included. Other local teams will come from Southern Wells,

Blackhawk and Lakewood Park.

In Class 2A, Bluffton is joined by Wabash, Whitko, Central Noble, Prairie Heights, Eastside, South Adams, Churubusco and Canterbury and Adams Central.

Teams assigned to Class 3A are Heritage, Leo, Bishop Dwenger, Jay County, Angola, Norwell, Concordia, Belmont, West Noble, Garrett, Bishop Luers and the Lady Warriors of Woodlan. Woodlan is the third smallest school in Class 3A.

Area high schools who will take part in Class 4A are Homestead, Carroll, Northrop, Snider, North Side, Huntington North, Wayne, South Side, East Noble,

DeKalb, Columbia City and New Haven. The Lady Bulldogs are tied for the fourth smallest school in Class 4A.

ETZLER NAMED NWC POY: 'MILLER PICKS UP FIRST TEAM HONORS'

Crestview senior Javin Etzler was selected the Northwest Conference Player of the Year in voting by the league's coaches at their annual conference selection meeting.

Etzler led the Knights to a share of the Northwest Conference championship after averaging 14.4 points, seven rebounds and two assists per game.

Columbus Grove head coach Chris Sautter was selected the Coach of the Year as well by the league's coaches after leading the Bulldogs to a co-NWC title.

Crestview and Columbus Grove finished 7-1 to tie for the NWC championship.

Players named to the NWC first team along with Etzler were Bluffton senior Luke Denecker, Columbus Grove sophomore Tayt Birnesser, Paulding senior Jaret Miller and Crestview sophomore Kalen Etzler.

Second team selections included Lincolnview senior Zane Miller, Allen East sophomore Tyler Clum, Bluffton junior Jared Piercefield, Paulding senior Fletcher Cook, Bluffton junior Mason Soper and Crestview senior Drew Kline.

Players garnering honorable mention were Lincolnview senior Ethan Kemler, Delphos Jefferson sophomore Ian Wannemacher, Ada junior Phillip Coulson, Lincolnview senior Alek Bowersock, Ada senior Connor Frazier, Paulding senior Carson Shull, Spencerville freshman Eli Harter, Ada senior Cade Mullins and Crestview senior Wade Sheets.

LATTA: DARK DAY IN U.S. SENATE AS BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT FAILS TO ADVANCE

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement after the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act was defeated in the U.S. Senate by a vote of 53-44. The legislation needed 60 votes to proceed.

"There is no justification for voting against this legislation. The Born-Alive Survivors Protection Act would require that a baby who survives an attempted abortion be provided the exact same health care as a baby born prematurely. It's the morally right decision to pass this bill. It's backed by science. It's supported by nearly four out of every five Americans. Instead, 44 Democrats voted against the bill and supported a position completely outside of the mainstream. I thank Senators Manchin, Jones, and Casey for bucking their party on this important issue - but it's disgraceful that they weren't joined by more of their colleagues.

"As a member of the Pro-Life Caucus, we will continue to call up this legislation in the House until we are given a vote. The American people need to see how extreme the Democrats have

RAIDERS WRESTLERS AT TROY WRESTLING SECTIONAL



At the Hobart Arena in Troy, Ohio is Hunter Long who performs a reversal on David Davis of Miami, then pinning his opponent. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Camron Lacure (LC) dec. Hunter Long (WT) 6-4 SV
 126 - Gavin Brown (LC) dec. Ethan Turner (TC) 2-1 UTB;
 132 - Colton Robins (READ) maj. dec. Isaac Hernandez (OG) md10-2
 138 - Peyton Lane (NAT Trail) dec. Austin Awan (TC) 7-2
 145 - Joey Caprella (LCC)

dec. Ryan Whitten (TC) 5-3
 152 - Keringten Martin (COV) dec. Dylan Schenck (MU) 6-2
 160 - Seth Henderson (MVCA) dec. Josh Fink (COLD) 4-3
 170 - Devin Olgee (Mid. Mad) dec. Craig Montgomery (TC) 6-3
 182 - Deandre Nassar (BL) dec. Danny Rosales (OG) 8-1
 195 - Garrett Neth (AE) dec. Dakota Sargent (CG) 7-2
 220 - Nick Baker (TC) pin Trent Vonderwell (DSt.J) 1:03
 285 - Jeff Meyer (CG) pin Brennan Davies (AE) 3:09
 Fifth Place:
 106 - Gavin Caprella (LCC) dec. Jarrett Hornish (WT) 3-1
 170 - Eli Moore (WT) dec. Mark Wrasman (DSt.J) 9-4
 Consolation Semifinal:
 Matt Ellis (LC) dec. Jarrett Hornish (WT) 6-3
 170 - Jaron Patterson (MECH) dec. Eli Moore (WT) 9-2
 Third Consolation:
 Jarrett Hornish (WT) dec. Jordan Kennedy (AE) 4-3
 160 - Deontae' Davis (CR) tech. fall Wyatt Stabler (WT) tf19-3
 Semifinal:
 120 - Hunter Long (WT) maj. dec. Trey Sander (BT) md20-6
 170 - Devin Olgee (Mid. Mad) dec. Eli Moore (WT) 8-6

become on this issue. I won't stop standing up for the most innocent in our society."

Latta recently authored an op-ed on the Born-Alive

Abortion Survivors Protection Act. The Congressman joined a contingent of House members that walked to the Senate chamber to show their support for the legis-

lation. All 50 Republicans present voted for the bill along with Senators Joe Manchin (D-WV), Doug Jones (D-AL), and Bob Casey (D-PA).

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LADY RAIDERS BOW OUT OF TOURNAMENT AFTER OT LOSS



Wayne Trace's Miriam Sinn drives forward into the key to shoot and score for the Raiders! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

VAN WERT - The Wayne Trace Lady Raiders laid it all on the line last Saturday in

their district championship game against Ottoville but it was the more experienced, senior laden team from Putnam County who would prevail.

After playing even for 32 minutes both teams went four extra minutes before the battle was settled. Unfortunately for the Raiders, they were unable to score in the extra session while the Big Green managed three points to take the win 34-31.

It was a disappointing lose for the Raiders who were seeded third. They battled the much taller top seed Ottoville squad that started four seniors. In the overtime it was senior Haley Hoersten who scored in the paint with two-minutes remaining to give the Big Green the lead. Nicole Knippen connected on a free throw with 27 seconds remaining to push the Ottoville margin to three points and the eventual win as the Raiders were unable to get a shot off in the closing seconds.

In the low scoring affair it often times appeared that more jump-balls were called than points being scored. Loose balls and scrambling on the court was often the case as both teams battled for control of the basketball. The largest lead in the contest for Ottoville was five when they led 25-20 at halftime. For the Raiders, their largest lead was four, early in the second quarter and again late in the contest.

Trailing the Big Green 27-23 with five minutes remaining the Raiders sparked a come back, scoring the next eight points. Katrina Stoller bucketed a two-pointer from close range to pull the Raiders to within two at 27-25. Claire Sinn followed with two free throws and Stoller managed to drop two more from the charity stripe to give the Raiders the lead 29-27 with 2:02 remaining.

The Raiders appeared to be in the drivers seat as Ottoville turned the ball over and Claire Sinn fouled. Sinn went to the line and calmly sank both freebies to push Wayne Trace ahead 31-27 with 1:13 remaining.

Ottoville worked the ball into Hoersten, a senior, who connected on a basket to pull the Big Green to within two at 31-29. With 34 seconds remaining Sadie Sinn was fouled but was unable to connect at the line. Following an Ottoville timeout the Big Green put the ball into the hands of senior Kasey Knippen who scored with seven seconds remaining and the game knotted at 31. The Raiders were unable to get a shot as Ottoville's defense forced overtime. Knippen led Ottoville in scoring with 9 points.

Scoring for the Raiders was Kaylee Shepherd and Katrina Stoller each with nine, Claire Sinn chipped in six and team mates Rachel Stoller added five and Sadie Sinn two.

The Raiders complete a very successful season at 21-4. Three seniors will graduate from this year's team including Kaylee Shepherd, Sadie Sinn, and Sara Edwards.

EXPRESS RECEIVE MORE ACCOLADES FOR 2018 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

By: Chris Schmidbauer, Sports Information Director

Toledo, OH -- It may have been a few month since the Owens Volleyball team won their Division III National Championship, but the celebration continues.

LADY RAIDERS BATTLE PAST WILDCATS IN TOURNAMENT PLAY



Wayne Trace's Kaylee Shepherd posts the first points of the game with this basket against Kalida! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

VAN WERT - In the Northwest District Division IV girls state tournament last Thursday the top four seeds were in action. In the game two the third seed Wayne Trace Lady Raiders used their sticky, ball-hawking defense to withstand the aggressive play of second seed Kalida to take the night cap 35-24. In the opener, top seed Ottoville ran past fourth seed Delphos St. Johns 60-41, setting up a finals featuring the Big Green and the Lady Raiders. Bith teams stand at 21-3.

Kalida's Abby Wurth got the Wildcats on the board first 2-0 but a 9-0 Raider run sparked by two early buckets by Kaylee Shepherd had the Raiders on top 9-2. The red, white, and blue never trailed after securing the first quarter advantage. The initial eight minutes ended with Wayne Trace on top 9-4.

Both teams battled throughout the second frame

with the Wildcats closing the gap to just three at 14-11 when McKayla Maag drained two free throws with 3:49 remaining. A Brenna Smith basket trimmed the Raider margin to just two at 15-13 but the Raiders answered prior to halftime when Shepherd connected on a traditional three-point play with 5.6 second showing on the clock to spark the Raiders to a 18-13 lead at the half.

"I really felt like Shep (Kaylee Shepherd) set the tone early for us. She drove to the basket and scored and that got us going. She may not be our leading scorer but she does so many positive things that don't show up in the score book. She played really well for us tonight, said Wayne Trace Head Coach Bethany DeJarnett.

The Raiders turned up the defense in the third stanza with points coming at a premium. The Raiders managed just eight points but did the job defensively, holding the

Cats to just four. With the Raiders leading 20-15 Katrina Stoller and Claire Sinn hit back-to-back shots to push the Raiders out to a nine point advantage 24-15. The final scoring in the third period came with 2:17 remaining when Sadie Sinn scored her first points on the contest, two free throws to send the Raiders into the final quarter leading 26-17.

"The defensive level tonight was very high. We took care of the basketball and we only turned the ball over ten times to their 24. That was the difference in the ball game," DeJarnett said.

In the final period, both teams could not find the basket in the first four minutes of play. Kalida scored four free throws to narrow the Raider margin to 26-21 but the first field goal didn't come until Shepherd bucketed a two-pointer with 2:38 remaining. Wayne Trace managed a double digit lead when Katrina Stoller connected at the charity stripe on a couple of throws with 1:04 remaining and the Raiders up 33-22. Claire Sinn iced the Raider win with two free throws in the closing seconds to give the Raiders a hard fought 11-point win.

"This was a hard nosed battle and we guarded people. Kalida is a very strong team but the Raiders were a determined group of young ladies tonight," said Coach DeJarnett.

Clair Sinn led the Raider offense with 15 points with Shepherd adding 11 on 5-7 shooting along with five rebounds. Katrina Stoller chipped in four but came up with five boards and five steals in a solid effort. Sadie Sinn finished with two along with two points from Tiffany Stoller and a point from Rachel Stoller. Miriam Sinn was held scoreless but was so valuable on the floor with her passing, defense along with six rebounds.

Abby Wurth led Kalida with a double-double including 10 points and 15 rebounds.

On Monday February 18, the team was presented with proclamations from the Ohio State legislature and a team photo to commemorate the 2018 season was unveiled thanks to the Owens Community College Alumni Association.

The photo is hung across from the main gym doors in the Student Health & Activities Center to recognize the volleyball program's first national title.

Members from the Ohio State Legislature were also on hand to hand out state proclamations for several worthy accomplishments. The Chancellor of the Ohio Department of Higher Education, Randy Gardner, was on hand to close out his Ohio Senate tenure, by bestowing a proclamation from the state senate. Gardner was the state senator for Ohio's 2nd District until he was appointed the chancellor by new governor, Mike Dewine.

State senator, Theresa Gavarone, who took the senate seat of Mr. Gardner, was on hand to complete her tenure as the state representative of Ohio's 2nd District. She gave out the proclamation to the team from the state House of Representatives.

Finally, state representative, Steven Arndt, of Ohio's

89th District, handed down proclamations for head coach Sonny Lewis for being named NJCAA Division III Coach of the Year and Michaela Eisenhower for being named NJCAA Division iii Player of the Year.

For a link to photos from the event, please click the link: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/DCoh1MivsnLUSPhB8>

About Owens's 2018 Season:

Owens Athletics moved all of its programs from Division II to Division III starting with 2018-19 season. The Express would lose all but three players from that second place finisher a year ago. The program would bring in 10 freshman to compete for the team this season, and the team was a bit of an unknown as the year began. Owens lost their first match of the season, before

finding their stride, ripping off a 19 win streak. They would ascend to as high as No. 2 in the country in the Division III National Poll.

Owens would hit a mid-season snag, losing for of their next eleven matches. The losses would drop them one spot to No. 3 in the National Poll. The team would rebound though winning their next eight matches in a row, which would jump them to the No. 1 ranking in the country.

Owens would win Region XII, beating Lorain County 3-0, and they would win the District I/J Tournament last weekend, beating Lorain again 3-0 to advance to the NJCAA Division III National Championship tournament.

Owens opened the tournament on Thursday, sweeping Queensborough College 3-0. On Friday, Owens would

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DIVINE MERCY FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Cruz Chavez

Kalel Mead

Wyatt Flynn

Addilyn Davis



Brisa Chavez

Achilles Mead

Jack Schweller

Aiden Lee

Preschool - Cruz Chavez

Cruz enters the classroom with a smile and a wink. He is always extremely polite, helpful, and eager to learn every day. Great job Cruz!

Nominated by: Mrs. Lopshire and Mrs. Warnimont

Kindergarten - Kalel Mead

My student of the month is Kalel. Kalel is very helpful in class. He also likes to see his classmates every day and greets them with a smile.

Kalel is always ready to share his answers with the class and he is always trying his best.

Nominated by: Mrs. Baldauf

First Grade - Wyatt Flynn

Wyatt Flynn is the February student of the month for first grade! Wyatt works hard in class. He loves to make others happy. Wyatt especially likes to share stickers with all of the teachers to make them smile. He gets along and will play with anyone regardless

of their grade level.

Nominated by: Miss Sullivan

Second Grade - Addilyn Davis

The February student of the month for second grade is Addilyn Davis! Addilyn has a wonderful heart that she uses to love and help others. She is always ready to participate in class, and she isn't scared to ask for help when she needs it. Addilyn is patient with her classmates and is a friend to everybody.

Nominated by: Miss Sullivan, Mrs. Gerardot, and Mr. Linder

Third Grade - Brisa Chavez

Brisa has matured into a leader in the 3rd grade class. She is always one of the first to step up to help her peers with technology questions, or other things that she can help with. She is also very strong with her math facts. She has moved on to division in our xtramath program. I am sure she will soon complete the program! Keep up the good work, Brisa!

Nominated by: Mrs. Gideon and Mrs. Reinhart

Fourth Grade - Achilles

Mead

Achilles has worked hard this year to do his best in all of his work, and always has a positive attitude. He is also a great technology resource. He's often discovering new ways to do things on the Chromebooks, and coming to me for permission to teach his techniques to his peers. He is an asset to our classroom!

Nominated by: Mrs. Gideon

Fifth Grade - Jack Schweller

Jack has been achieving at a high level the entire school year. He is an incredibly hard worker and always wants to do his best. He is consistently one of the first done with any assignments, and he takes great pride in his work.

Nominated by: Mr. Grant

Sixth Grade - Aiden Lee

Aiden has shown great consistency and determination throughout the school year. He always has a good attitude, is quick to follow directions, and sets a good example for his classmates with his behavior and work ethic.

Nominated by: Mr. Grant and Mrs. Gerardot

WTGH STUDENTS WORK TOGETHER ON READING



Sixth graders a WTGH are working with their kindergarten sidekick. Each week the kids get together to read an Accelerated Reader book. They work on chromebooks and take a quiz. Pictured here are kindergarten student Brynlee Maenle and 6th grader Morgan Elliott.

by Kara Evers and Carlie Bengela. They took their first lead of the set at 7-6 a few moments later, when Kalli Caddell was called for a ball handling penalty. The score would be retied at seven before the Express would rally for three straight points, taking a 10-7 lead. The Harvesters called a timeout and would fight their way back into the set. They would retie the score at 11-11.

It was now the Express's turn to take their timeout in the fifth set. Owens and Eastfield traded points, and the Express would set up match point after a block by Kara Evers. Head coach Sonny Lewis would sub in Carlie Bengela and Kara Schafer for the match point. Schafer would serve for the Express. Her serve was volleyed back over the net. Bengela was ready on the attack, as she drove off the ball off the fingertips of Kalli Caddell of Eastfield. The ball would fall out of bounds, and the match was over.

For their efforts in the tournament, Michaela Eisenhauer won the tournament's Most Valuable Player Award. The sophomore had 19 kills in

the national title match to go along with her other 22 kills from the previous two matches.

Summer Sweeting and Kennedy Ames were also both named to the All-Tournament Team. Sweeting had 29 assists and two aces in the match. She finished with 70 total assists and eight aces for the tournament. Ames would finish with 26 kills total for the tournament as well. Coach Sonny Lewis was named Coach of the Year for Division III as well. Lewis, who is in his 18th year at Owens as head coach, has a 665-196 overall record with the Express. The Express have won the last four OCCAC championships under his tutelage, and now they have the program's first national championship.

The Express finish the season at 40-6 overall. That ties last year's team for 5th most wins in a season at 40. Owens closed the year out on a 15 game winning streak. They had an undefeated season at home for the second straight year as well.

again sweep their opponent, Rochester, 3-0 to advance to Saturday's title match against Eastfield.

Things got off to a tremendous start in the championship match. Owens, who had been dominant through the first two matches of the national tournament, picked up right where they left off. Owens would jump out to

an early lead at 7-4, and they would maintain that cushion throughout much of the first half of the set. Owens would push their lead to five in the first set, after an attack error by Eastfield's Keishla Reyes. The Express would maintain that lead to 20-15 on a kill by Michaela Eisenhauer. The lead would be trimmed to 22-20, before the Express would

finish off the set with three straight points. Kara Schafer's ace clinched the opening frame in favor of Owens at 25-20.

In the second set, Owens, again, would get off to a fast start. The Express would lead 10-5 after another attack error by Eastfield. The Express would stretch that lead to 12-6. Eastfield would rally and cut the lead to 12-10, forcing the Express to take a timeout. The score would remain aa three to four point lead as the two teams traded points. Owens would get a kill from Kara Evers to push the lead back to six points at 22-16. The Harvesters, Alex McPherson, would make the score 22-17 on a kill, but Owens would close the set with three straight points. An attack error by Kalli Caddell, off of Kara Schafer's serve, would give Owens a 2-0 lead with a 25-17 win.

With everything going their way, the Express seemed poised to sweep the national title match, but Eastfield did not go quietly. Owens would take a 4-1 lead out of the gate, but the Harvesters would rally back. They would score seven of the next nine points, to take an 8-6 lead after a kill by Keishla Reyes. The two teams would trade points until 15-14 with Eastfield still leading. The Harvesters would get three straight points. capped off by a Cara Munoz ace, forcing Owens to call a timeout at 18-14. Owens would trade points with Eastfield, but the damage had been done as Eastfield won the third set 25-20, to cut Owens's lead in half at 2-1.

Looking to rebound in the fourth, Owens still was out of sorts, with Eastfield jumping out to a 5-2 lead early. The Express would rally back with four straight points to take a 6-5 lead after a kill by Kennedy Ames. Eastfield would not be denied in the fourth set however. The Harvesters would retake the lead at 8-6, and then after an Express point, they would rally, taking five of the next six points. Owens would eventually trail by as many as six points in the fourth. The Express would narrow the gap to 16-14, forcing Eastfield to take a timeout. They would regroup and would outscore Owens 9-5 over the final stretch and the set at 25-19. Catherine Mudd would score the final point for the Harvesters.

It would bring the entire season down to a fifth set, something Owens had not yet dealt with this year. No match, whether it be a win or loss, had gone more than four sets for the Express. The two teams played a tight affair in the decisive set. The two teams traded points back and forth. Owens trailed early but tied the score at 5-5 after a block

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Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Jairen K. Boykins, Fort Wayne, IN; Carrying a concealed weapon; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Hyman, pled guilty; Fines and costs from bond; Handgun to be released to the defendant upon proper proof of ownership

Jairen K. Boykins, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under fra suspension; Defendant appeared with Mr. Hyman; Pled guilty; Pay from bond

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Scott A. Turner, Cecil, OH; Disorderly conduct; Defendant appeared in open court with Miss Yates; Pled guilty; No contact order vacated; Removed from pretrial services; All contraband shall be forfeited

Scott A. Turner, Cecil, OH; Possession of drugs; Count B dismissed per statement

Scott A. Turner, Cecil,

OH; Drug paraphernalia; Defendant appeared in open courts with Miss Yates; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 8/30/19

Tracy A. Wagner, Defiance, OH; Driving under suspension; Case dismissed per state

Tracy A. Wagner, Defiance, OH; Failure to control; Case dismissed per state agreement

Larry D. Grace, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David Esparza Sr., Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amanda J. Kennedy, Defiance, OH; Following too close; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Philip M. Shiple, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Benjamin A. Manz, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Doyle A. Johnson, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kolton D. Titus, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty;

PAYNE ELEMENTARY FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Pictured is Payne Elementary Febraury SOM: Front Row: Lukas Laukhuf, Grace Ringler, Kaiden Creighton-Smith, Reece Morehead, Brady Cox, Chandler Murphy. Back Row: Clay Stoller, Christopher Dilling, Tyson Gerber, Ryleigh McGarvey, Krandon Crites, Conner Reuille. Not pictured: Jada Gross and Braden Miller

Case was waived by defendant

Robert D. Haley, Toledo, OH; Paraphernalia; Defendant appeared with counsel; Pled guilty to charge; Fines and costs to be taken from bond

Robert D. Haley, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana; Case dismissed per state agreement

Robert F. Stevens, Oakwood, OH; OVI/breath(low); Case dismissed per state's agreement

Robert F. Stevens, Oakwood, OH; No tail lights; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Hill; Pled guilty; ALS vacated immediately

Robert F. Stevens, Oakwood, OH; Reckless operation; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Hill; Pled guilty to reduced charge; Pay or collection 6/28/19; ALS vacated immediately

Robert D. Haley Jr., Toledo, OH; OVI/under influence; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Hill; Pled guilty; To complete DIP; No ALS to be imposed and/or vacated immediately

George Clemens IV, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Maria L. Wheeler, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Defendant appeared in open court; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 3/29/19

Daniel Martinez, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicholas Thomas, Hicksville, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Michael A. Delas, Perrysburg, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joseph Horstman, Cloverdale, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Chase M. Dunderman, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Roger Bostelman, Hamler, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

James A. Partee, Continental, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cameron R. Hitt, Oakwood, OH; Failure to yeild/left turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BROWN TWP
2/28/19 Miller Ann C & Miller Eugene R to Miller Ann C Le; Rd 122; 1.58 acres; Se Cor Lot 5 Brown Twp S-20

2/28/19 Miller Ann C & Miller Eugene R to Miller Ann C Le; Rd 122; 169.521 acres; N1/2Nw1/4 & Lot 3 Less 3.57A & Lot 4 Less 3.079Abrown Twp S-21

2/28/19 Miller Eugene Miller Ann to Miller Eugene

0.2506 acres; Lot 2 Estle 1St Add Oakwood Vill

CARRYALL TWP
2/28/19 Stride Farms to Jnt Farms Llc; Rd 19; 73.538 acres; Ptnw1/4Se1/4 & Nel1/4Sw1/4Carryall Twp S-5

2/28/19 Stride Farms to Jnt Farms Llc; Rd 19; 38.5 acres; Sw1/4 Nel1/4 Less 1.5Ac Carryall Twp Sec 5

2/28/19 Koch Logan to Kees Grain Farms Inc; 17872 Rd 3 Hicksville Oh 43526; 1.591 acres; Pt W1/2 Nw1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 7

2/28/19 Esther H Schroeder Revocable Living Trust to Esther H Schroeder Trustee; 14817 Rd 61 Antwerp Oh 45813; 1.01 acres; Pt Nel1/4 Nel1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 25

2/28/19Esther H Schroeder Revocable Living Trust to Esther H Schroeder Trustee; 5554 Rd 424 Antwerp Oh 45813; 0.3 acres; Pt Nel1/4 Nw1/4 S Of Rr Carryall Twp Sec 26

2/28/19 Esther H Schroeder Revocable Living Trust to Esther H Schroeder Trustee; 5554 Rd 424; 3.7 acres; Pt Nel1/4 Nw1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 26

2/28/19 Coughlin Joann to Hunt Carol; 404 W Canal St; 0.2 acres; Lot 80 Wilhelm Add Antwerp Vill

PAULDING TWP
2/26/19 Trammell Shirley M to Coyne Charles L Coyne Donna M; 7905 Sr 111 Paulding Oh 45879; 0.2927 acres; Lot 3 S-7 Rw Morrow Pcls Paulding Twp

2/26/19 Trammell Shirley M to Coyne Charles L Coyne Donna M; Sr 111; 0.2066 acres; Lot 4 S-7 Rw Morrow Pcls Paulding Twp

2/26/19 Trammell Shirley M to Coyne Charles L Coyne Donna M; Sr 111; 0.9553 acres; Pt Se1/4 S-7 Pldg Twp

Le Miller Ann Le; 7775 Sr 66 Oakwood Oh 45873; 2.86 acres; Pt S1/2 Nefr1/4 W Of Rd66brown Twp S-34

2/28/19 Miller Ann C Miller Eugene R to Miller Ann C Le Miller Eugene R Le; 7863 Sr 66 Oakwood Oh 45873; 1.42 acres; Pt Ne Cor Nel1/4 222X278 Brown Twp S-34

2/28/19 Miller Ann C Miller Eugene R to Miller Ann C Le Miller Eugene R Le; Rd 195; 28.286 acres; Pt S1/2Nefr1/4 W Of Rd Brown Twp S-34

2/28/19 Warner Dustin to Yates Teddy Joe Yates Valerie Sue; Superior St; 0.3011 acres; Lot 241&N1/2Vacalley(S)& E1/2Vac Jackson St Melrose Vill O.p.

2/28/19 Warner Dustin to Yates Teddy Joe Yates Valerie Sue; Superior St; 0.1814 acres; Lot 242 & N1/2 Vac Alley O.p. Melrose Vill

2/28/19 Warner Dustin to Yates Teddy Joe Yates Valerie Sue; 309 Superior St; 0.1814 acres; Lot 243 & N1/2 Vac Alley O.p. Melrose Vill

2/27/19 Finnegan Charles E Finnegan Linda L to Pease Bradley Pease Angela; Rd 177; 5.187 acres; Pt Nw1/4Sw1/4 S-33 Outlots Melrose Vill

2/27/19 Finnegan Charles E Finnegan Linda L to Pease Bradley Pease Angela; Rd 177; 3.02 acres; Pt Nw1/4Nw1/4 S-33 Outlots Melrose Vill

2/26/19 Porter Mary Kay to Creative Home Buying Solutions Inc; 107 Estle St;

COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879

Plaintiff A. Stephey, II

vs.

Rhonda J. Stephey

lka: 208 S. Broadway

Trotwood, OH 45426

Defendant

Case No. DIV 19 009

To: Rhonda J. Stephey

You are hereby notified

that you have been named

a Defendant in a Complaint

for Divorce filed in Paulding

County Common Pleas Court

entitled Jimmy A. Stephey, II,

Plaintiff -vs-

Rhonda J. Stephey, Defendant.

The object of the Complaint

is for the Plaintiff to be granted an absolute divorce,

an equitable division of property

and debts, costs of this

suit, and for such other and

further relief as

the Court may find

just and equitable

under the circumstances.

You are required to answer

the complaint within 28 days

after the last date of publica-

tion of this Notice, which will

be published once a week

for six (6) successive weeks,

the date of the last publica-

tion will be on April, 9, 2019,

and the 28 days for answer

will commence on that date.

If you fail to answer or otherwise

respond within the time stated,

judgment by default will be taken

against you for the relief demanded

in the complaint.

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ANN E. PEASE
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Ann E. Pease, Clerk

Common Pleas Court of Paulding

County, Ohio

Ann E. Pease

Clerk

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

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

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

vs.

GREGORY R. LAMMERS, ET AL., Defendants.

Case No. CI 18 131

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

421 West Wayne Street, Paulding Parcel Number: 30-175-004-00

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

Total amount of judgment is Four Thousand Six Hundred Fourteen and 89/100 (\$4,614.89) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:25 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 11th day of April, 2019, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 25th day of April, 2019 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

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

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:

THE STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,

vs.

TRENT A. WELLS, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 17 098

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2019 at 10:25, the real estate located at:

802 West Jackson Street, Paulding Parcel Number: 30-07S-055-00

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

Said premises appraised at Twenty-four Thousand and No/00 (\$24,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 28th day of March, 2019 at 10:25. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

The purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

The successful bidder will have 30 days from the sale date to obtain an examination of title at their expense, if so desired. Should such examination disclose the title to be unmarketable by any defect in the court proceedings or the existence of any outstanding interest rendering the title unmarketable, the successful bidder has 30 days to file a written motion requesting the sale shall be set aside. If the court finds the title unmarketable, the court will refuse to confirm the sale or fix a reasonable time, not to exceed 90 days, within which the defect of title may be corrected.

Taxes shall be prorated to the date of the sale and paid from the sale proceeds.

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

Tina Woods, Attorney for Plaintiff

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:

THE SHERWOOD STATE BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

DONALD L. HOWARD, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 18 0126

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 28th day of March, 2019 at 10:30, the real estate located at:

11600 Road 117, Paulding Parcel Number: 20-08S-004-00

11626 Road 117, Paulding Parcel Number: 20-08S-004-01

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

Said premises appraised at One Hundred Five Thousand and No/100 (\$105,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 11th day of April, 2019 at 10:30. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

The purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

The successful bidder will have 30 days from the sale date to obtain an examination of title at their expense, if so desired. Should such examination disclose the title to be unmarketable by any defect in the court proceedings or the existence of any outstanding interest rendering the title unmarketable, the successful bidder has 30 days to file a written motion requesting the sale shall be set aside. If the court finds the title unmarketable, the court will refuse to confirm the sale or fix a reasonable time, not to exceed 90 days, within which the defect of title may be corrected.

Taxes shall be prorated to the date of the sale and paid from the sale proceeds.

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

James K. Weaner, Attorney for Plaintiff

Who should get what? And when? How can you address these and other issues?

You'll need to get some help. In drawing up your estate plan, you will need to work with an attorney. And for guidance on the investments that can help fund your estate planning arrangements, such as a living trust, you can draw on the help of a financial advisor. You also may want to connect with a trust company, which can help facilitate your estate plans and coordinate the activities of your legal and financial professionals.

Of course, you might think that only the very wealthy need a trust company. But that's not really the case – people of many income levels have long used these companies. As long as you have a reasonable amount of financial assets, you likely can benefit from the various services provided by a trust organization.

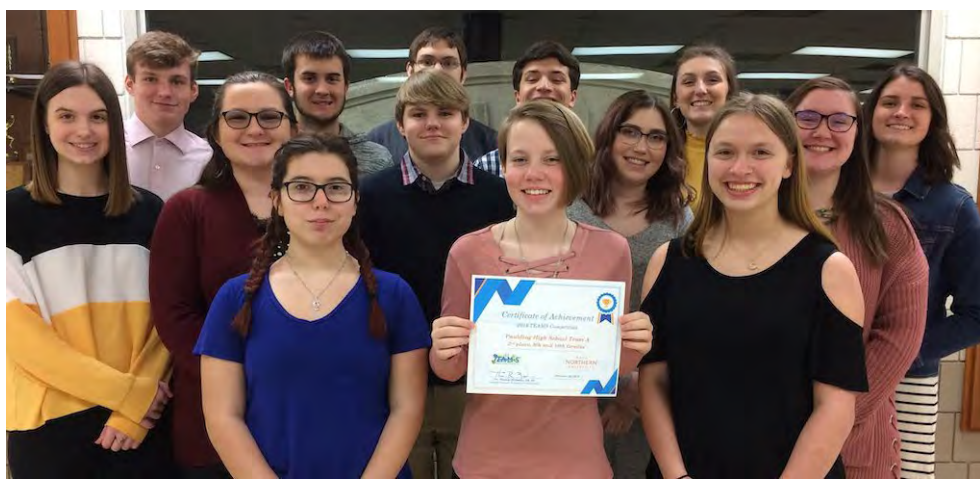
And these services can range from administration of a variety of trusts (such as living trusts and charitable trusts) to asset-management services (bill-paying, check-writing, etc.) to safe-keeping services (such as providing secure vaults for jewelry and collectibles).

In short, using a trust company can make things a lot easier when it's time to plan and execute your estate. A trust company can help you in the following ways:

Avoiding family squabbles – It's unfortunate, but true: Dividing the assets of an estate can cause ill will and turmoil among family members. But a trust company can act as a neutral third party, thus minimizing any feelings of unfairness.

Providing greater control – When you establish an ar-

PHS ENGINEER TEAM PARTICIPATE IN TEAMS/JETS ENGINEER COMPETITION



The Paulding High School Engineering team participated in the TEAMS/JETS engineering competition at Ohio Northern University. The 9-10th grade team placed 3rd. Members of the team include: Kennedy Salinas, Vanessa Krueger, Gilian Porter, Brianna Minck, Megan Dearth, Jon Clapsaddle, Allison Reineck, Molly Adams, Charles Clapsaddle, Kolson Egnor, Eugene Hemenway, Luke McCullough, Mallory Taylor, and Mary Cate Panico. Not pictured are Macy Iler, Adrian Manz, and Austin Adams.

angement such as a living trust, administered by the trust company, you can give yourself great control over how you want your assets distributed. For example, you can specify that a certain child receive portions of your estate spaced out over several years – a move that may appeal to you if you think this child might not be ready to handle large sums all at once. Saving time and effort – As mentioned above, when you worked with a trust company, you can let it do all the “legwork” of coordinating your plans with your financial professional, tax advisor and attorney. And these professionals are used to dealing with trust companies.

Gaining Protection – Trust companies assume fiduciary responsibility for your financial well-being – which means that your best interests will always be considered in each service and transaction performed.

You can choose from

among a variety of trust companies, large and small. Before choosing one, you may want to check out the services and fees of a few different firms. In any case, as you move toward that time of your life when estate planning becomes more essential, talk to your attorney, tax advisor and financial professional about whether using the services of a trust company might be right for you.

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ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL TO HOLD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Antwerp Elementary is now scheduling appointments for its kindergarten registration and screening which will be held on April 1st and 2nd. Antwerp offers all-day, every-day kindergarten. If your child will be 5 years old before August 1, 2019, please call the elementary office at 419-258-5421, ext. 2200 between 7:15 a.m. - 3:15 p.m. to schedule your appointment. According to state law, all children must complete kindergarten before entering first grade.

Please call today to schedule your appointment.

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his resignation/retirement to the Board. “We greatly admire, and will miss Paul’s wisdom, expertise and leadership,” Erb noted.

RESTRUCTURING THE NSCC CABINET FOR LONG-TERM SUCCESS

As part of the Board meeting, Dr. Michael Thomson presented a restructuring of the NSCC Cabinet (senior leadership) for consideration. Using a hybrid of the Executive Vice President (EVP) model, something NSCC has implemented with success in the past, Thomson recommended that Todd Hernandez be promoted to EVP. The move, which was approved by the Board, allows the College to increase its community engagement efforts, which will also benefit student recruitment, retention and success efforts throughout the College’s six-county service area. “Our communities depend on

LATTA: TIME IS RIGHT TO WORK TOGETHER ON A FEDERAL DATA PRIVACY SOLUTION

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) called on Republicans and Democrats to work together to implement a strong federal data privacy framework at an Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce (CPAC) hearing this morning. Latta currently serves as the Republican Leader of the Communications and Technology Subcommittee and chaired the CPAC Subcommittee last Congress.

In his remarks, Congressman Latta alluded to privacy legislation passed last year by the California legislature. The law, which will take effect in 2020, will have a massive impact on U.S. commerce even though most Americans were not able to weigh in on the law through their state or federal representatives.

Latta said, “Last Congress, the Energy and Commerce Committee held nearly a dozen hearings discussing privacy and security issues. That includes much publicized hearings where we heard from the CEOs of Facebook and Twitter about how those companies collect, safeguard, and use data. From those hearings, it was clear that while these companies provide a service

us to help keep them strong. I am confident that working together, we can support our communities and provide NSCC a stable long-term future,” Thomson said.

In other Board action:

- Appointed John Bridenbaugh (delegate) and Sue Derck (alternate) from the Board to serve on the governing board of the Ohio Association of Community Colleges (OACC)
- Approved the transfer of \$300,000 in reserves in the Unallocated Fund Balance to year-end reserves to support emergency and/or strategic expenses
- Approved the 2019-2020 student fees
- Approved the 2018-2019 revised budget
- Approved miscellaneous employment contracts and three resignations
- Approved the meeting dates for April 2019 through February 2020

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Answers to “Sudoku puzzle on Page 15”

that Americans like, consumers aren’t always clear about what happens with their personal information.

“With the California law slated to take effect at the beginning of next year, time is of the essence. In divided government, it’s not always easy to tackle the tough problems, but I believe the time is right to work together on a federal data privacy solution.

“Both consumer groups and business organizations have come on board in calling for a national standard.

We all agree that consumers should have transparency and accountability, and that we want to ensure that the United States stays the prime location for innovation and technology.”

WT FFA ANNUAL PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Wayne Trace FFA will hold its annual pancake and sausage breakfast from 7-11 A.M. on Saturday, March 9 in the cafeteria. The breakfast is open to the public and is a free will donation!

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Annual Financial Report for the Antwerp Cemetery Association, Antwerp, OH, for the year ended or the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 is complete and available for public inspection, at the clerk’s office, by appointment. A copy of the report can be provided upon request.

Kim M. Kemerer, Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Paulding County unaudited 2018 Annual Financial Report is now complete and available for inspection at the office of the County Auditor.

Claudia J. Fickel
County Auditor

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Cecil 2018 Annual Financial Report is complete and available for public inspection by scheduling an appointment with Carlene Turner, Clerk Treasurer by calling 419-399-0520

—Carlene A. Turner,
Clerk Treasurer
Village of Cecil

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Cecil will hold the Monthly Council Meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month in the Firehouse Community Room at 7 pm. 301 W. Third St. Cecil Ohio. Please contact the Clerk 7 days in advance if you wish to be added to the agenda. Carlene A. Turner, Clerk Treasurer 419-399-0520

—Carlene A. Turner,
Clerk Treasurer
Village of Cecil

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Council of the Village of Antwerp
Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 5:30 p.m.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in Council Chambers, 118 N. Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio, to consider the Application for Placement of Farmland in an Agricultural District, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 929.02. Any interested person or representative of an interested person may appear (or submit an affidavit to the Village Administrator prior to the hearing date) in support of or to contest the granting of the application.

On February 26, 2019, Harvest Farm Management, on behalf of the Robert & Sally Skillen Revocable Joint Trust and Carolyn R. Langdon Revocable Trust, filed with the Village of Antwerp an application to place 76.779 acres of land in an agricultural district, said land identified as Parcel Nos. 12-19S-005-00, 12-34S-119-00, 12-19S-001-00, and 12-19S-030-00 located at S. Erie Street, Antwerp, Ohio, for a five-year period, subject to renewal if the necessary requirements are met.

Any person who owns agricultural land may file an application with the county auditor and the clerk of the municipal corporation if the land lies within a municipal corporation to place the land in an agricultural district for five years if, during the three calendar years prior to the year in which the person files the application, the land has been devoted exclusively to agricultural production or devoted to and qualified for payments or other compensation under a land retirement or conservation program under an agreement with a federal agency. The total amount of land for which application is made must be not less than ten acres or more or the activities conducted on the land produced an average yearly gross income of at least \$2,500.00 during that three year period or the owner has evidence of an anticipated gross income of that amount from those activities.

Additional information may be viewed at the Village Administrator’s office located in the Antwerp Depot at 503 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio, during normal business hours or by calling the Village Administrator at (419) 258-2371.

Leaving Your Employer? Understand your 401(k) Options.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Antwerp Local School Board of Education hereby gives notice in accordance with section 3307.353 of the Ohio Revised Code that Dr. Martin Miller, currently employed in the District as Superintendent, will be retired and is seeking employment with the District in such position following retirement. The Antwerp Local School Board of Education will hold a public meeting on the issue of Dr. Martin Miller being employed in the District at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 18, 2019 at the Antwerp Local School District Board of Education room.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2019-05 on February 20, 2019, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING’S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2019 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY.” This Ordinance approves the adoption of the 2019 Edition of the Ohio Basic Code as the code of ordinances for the Village.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2019-06 on February 20, 2019, entitled, “AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE PERSONNEL MANUAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, SPECIFICALLY, AMENDMENTS TO THE CREDIT CARD POLICY (SECTION 9.06(C)) AND THE SICK LEAVE POLICY (SECTION 10.02(G), SECTION 10.05(B)), AND ADDING PARAGRAPHS C AND D TO SECTION 10.05), AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY.” This Ordinance approves the adoption of certain amendments to the Personnel Manual for the Village of Antwerp as to the credit card policy (adopting the compliance officer model and requirements set forth by Auditor of State Bulletin No. 2018-003) and the sick leave policy (adopting limitations on the transfer of the accumulated sick leave balance when an employee transfers from another public agency and clarifying the eligibility requirements for election of a cash payment for accumulated sick leave).

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

PAULDING FFA COMPETES IN AG COMMUNICATIONS CONTEST



Pictured here is the Ag Communications team made up of left to right Paige Jones, Jen Stahl, Kalyn Strahley and Shannon Hale

By: Sydney Reineck, Paulding FFA Reporter

The Paulding FFA had four members compete at State in Columbus for Ag Communications.

The team consists of Kalyn Strahley, Jen Stahl, Shannon Hale, and Paige Jones. The team traveled to Columbus on Saturday, February 16th.

The members had to submit a media plan and present what their chapter is doing

to benefit the community a month prior to the contest. They presented a brochure, a tee-shirt design, and a poster. They talked about different advertising methods and then sat in on a mock press conference. They then had to make a website design, create a letter to editor, a press release and media story.

The team placed 7th overall and Kalyn Strahley placed 10th individually.

ODOT RELEASES DETAILS OF VARIABLE SPEED LIMIT PROPOSAL

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) released more details about a proposal in the next two-year transportation budget, House Bill 62, to identify specific roadways where variable speed limits could enhance driver safety.

"The goal is not to constantly shift speed limits or install new speed limit signs on all of Ohio's roads throughout the state. Instead, ODOT wants the ability to study specific stretches of roadway. We would analyze crash data, look at any peculiar weather phenomena, and see how congestion affects travel time to determine if a variable speed limit, one that changes only in certain conditions - such as bad weather - would improve safety along that specific stretch of road," said ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks.

Currently, using a variable speed limit (other than in school and construction zones) is limited by law to three sites in Ohio: I-90

from east of Cleveland to the Pennsylvania border, I-670 in Columbus and I-275 near Cincinnati. If approved by the Ohio General Assembly, House Bill 62 would allow ODOT to explore the use of variable speed limits on other corridors and to install variable speed limit signs only on limited stretches of road where an analysis shows there would be a significant safety benefit.

"This proposal is part of ODOT's efforts to protect drivers and passengers on our roads. Variable speed limits don't make sense in every location, but they can have a huge impact on travel safety in some areas. We want to ensure we're picking strategic locations where weather or traffic congestion create a frequent hazard to motorists," Marchbanks said. "We only want to use it where we believe it will make a difference in safety."

Ohio's first variable speed limit pilot, a 12-mile stretch of I-90 in Lake County where lake effect snow regularly causes whiteout conditions that can lead to multi-vehicle pileups, has been a huge success. Since the variable speed

limit signs were installed, there have been no fatalities on that stretch of interstate during snow fall and only one serious injury. Crashes during snow fall have dropped by more than fifty percent.

Ohio's first pilot project to test a rush hour variable speed limit on a congested corridor, the I-670 SmartLane project in Columbus, will open later this year. During peak hours on many Ohio highways, excessive starting and stopping of motorists results in waves of backed up vehicles and the potential for increased accidents. The goal of the I-670 SmartLane project is to lower the eastbound speed limit during the evening rush hour in order to help reduce the stop/start cycle that leads to more time lost sitting in traffic and more crashes. The project also includes converting the inside eastbound shoulder to a travel lane for several hours in the evening to help get more vehicles safely through that highly-congested stretch.

Although the use of variable speed limits is a relatively new concept in Ohio, they have been very successful in other states, and other parts of the world, at reducing crashes. In Europe, crashes dropped by nearly 30 percent since using variable speed limits during rush hour in highly congested areas. Secondary crashes, the result of backed up traffic caused by an earlier crash, dropped by 50 percent.

ANTWERP / PAULDING COMPETES @ DISTRICT WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

The Antwerp High School wrestling team recently concluded their season at the District wrestling tournament on March 1 & 2, 2019. All 3 Archer wrestlers gave it their all, with 2 of them closing out their careers at Antwerp High School. Junior 126-pounder Randall Mills went 2-2 for the tournament to finish short of the placing rounds. Mills ends his season with a 30-6 record earning 10 pins, 5 technical falls, and set a career high record for takedowns in a season with 93. Mills also tied a program record by qualifying for the district tournament 3 times and currently sits at 80 wins for his career.

Senior Tanner Wentland finished his district tournament with a 1-2 record with 1 technical fall. Wentland closed out his senior season with a 27-8 record and a team high 20 pins for the season. This was by far Tanner's most productive season on the mat and he is a terrific example that hard work and dedication will pay off if you believe in yourself. He ends his career 44-60 with 33 pins and 64 takedowns.

Senior Aidan McAlexander finished the district tournament in 5th place with a 4-2 record with 2 pins. His 5th place finish earns him an

alternate spot at next week's state tournament in Columbus. McAlexander ends his senior season with a 26-3 record with 102 takedowns, 13 pins, and 2 technical falls. McAlexander has set numerous records in his time as an archer wrestler. This season alone he has set a new benchmark in winning percentage at 90% with his 26-3 record. For his career, Aidan had 90 wins to only 21 losses, an 81% career winning percentage, which is also a new record for Antwerp. He was Antwerp's first state qualifier and state placer with his 3rd place finish at state last season and is also the first archer wrestler to be a 2-time GMC and sectional champion as well. Aidan's 298 career takedowns also put him atop the list for takedowns in a career. He also already holds the most takedowns in a season with 129. Aidan is the first archer wrestler to have come all the way up through the Antwerp wrestling club to junior high and then onto high school. His leadership is something that will most certainly be missed, and his records will be something that all future archer wrestlers can certainly aspire to. Everyone in the Antwerp wrestling community would like to thank all wrestlers for their hard work this past season and we wish Tanner and Aidan the best as they close out their wrestling careers and open the next chapter of their lives.

Paulding had a heart breaking tournament this year, taking 3 to districts with no state qualifiers. 132 Jordon Mudel had two tough matches on Friday and was not able to advance to the second day. He worked all season to get this far and he's made huge improvements. Jordon wrestled hard in both matches but came up short on a win. As a junior, he has another year to work on his skills and get better on his feet to start scoring more in these tough matches.

170 Cole Mabis had a hard match first round that he knew going into the tournament. His second match Cole was winning, but lost due to an injury costing him the match. Cole also a junior has another year to work on his strength and made some necessary adjustments to his bottom position. Adrian Simonin had a great first match advancing to the championship quarterfinals with a pin. Adrian's second match was a tough one, he knew his opponent would be tough, he was a big strong kid that just out muscled Adrian. Adrian came back on Saturday with a big win first round. Adrian has wrestled this kid three times and he was 1-2 against him in the regular season. Adrian came out just like he practiced and wrestled his style to get the victory. He then lost in the consolation quarterfinals 8-2 and unfortunately didn't get him to state. Adrian, a senior, wrestled a great year for Paulding. Coach Brian Jacobs had these

THE PAULDING FFA SENDS 6 OFFICERS TO LEADERSHIP SUMMIT



Pictured left to right back row (Riley Noffsinger, Emma Horstman, Courtney Luderman and Kalyn Strahley. Front Row left to right Sydney Reineck and Jordyn Merriman.

By: Sydney Reineck, Reporter

The Paulding FFA Chapter sent 6 Officers to the Huntington Leadership Summit at Huntington College. On January 24th, the 6 FFA Officers traveled to Huntington, Indiana where they got a tour of the college and even had a chance to ask Huntington College Alumni students some questions about college and the agriculture program. While at the summit, the officers played some get to know

you games to meet the other members there. They listened to Jane Ade Stevens (Chief Executive Officer, Indiana Soybean Alliance) the keynote speaker talk about all the different jobs available to youth in the agriculture industry. It was a great day for building new leadership skills and getting to know new FFA members from Ohio and Indiana. The FFA officer team looks forward to this event each year.

comments about Simonin's performance, "He has come a long way on and off the mat since I became the head coach three years ago. Adrian and our other senior Sloan Foster will be missed next year, those two were fun to coach and provided a lot of laughs for us in the wrestling room. I look forward to the next season with two returning district qualifiers, a great group of returning letterman and a good upcoming freshman class."

NEW HAVEN HOSTS INDOOR TRACK INVITATIONAL @ PFW

On Saturday, March 2nd Purdue Fort Wayne indoor track was the place to be for high school track season. New Haven played host for this late winter/early spring competition.

Women - Team Rankings:
1 Northrop 79; 2 Warsaw Community 74; 3 Carroll 68; 4 Bishop Dwenger 48; 5 Concordia Lutheran 40; 6 Elkhart Memorial 35; 7 Snider 34; 8 Norwell 30; 9 Wheeler 27; 10 Belmont 26; 11 NorthWood

23; 12 Wayne 19; 13 North Side 18; 14 Bishop Luers 17; 15 Heritage 14; 16 Westview 12; 17 Leo 11; 18 New Haven 6; 19 Adams Central 3; 20 Manchester 1

High Jump:
1 Coyne, H, 5-03.00;
2 Hart, Warsaw Comm, 5-00.00; 3 Kirkwood, NRUP, J5-00.00; 4 Long, Carroll, J5-00.00; 5 Lauck, Warsaw Comm, J5-00.00; 5 Kilburn, Warsaw Comm, J5-00.00
Pole Vault:
1 Kehler, War Comm, 10-06.00; 2 Ocock, War Comm, 9-06.00; 3 Hankenson, BELL, 9-00.00; 4 Nelson, BELL, 8-06.00; 5 Button, Carroll, 8-00.00; 6 Roa, NW, J8-00.00
Long Jump:
1 Brown, NRUP, 17-04.25; 2 Smith, CONC, 17-02.00; 3 Kirkwood, NRUP, 16-05.50; 4 Patterson, NRUP, 16-05.00; 5 Coyne, HER, 15-10.50; 6 Steffensmeier, War Comm, 15-09.50
Shot Put
1 Barnes, NRUP, 38-01.25; 2 Sparks, Carroll, 36-02.00; 3 Bradtmueller, NORW, 34-11.50; 4 Roundtree, ELK MEM, 34-02.25; 5 Davis, War Comm, 32-10.00; 6 Marquee-

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PAULDING FFA COMPETES IN PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST



Pictured left to right Jen Stahl, Sydney Reineck, Shannon Hale, Kalyn Strahley, Mallory Taylor, Courtney Luderman and Paige Jones.

By: Sydney Reineck, Paulding FFA Reporter

The Paulding FFA chapter had seven members compete in sub-district public speaking at Delphos on February 13th. Students in the creed speaking contest had to memorize the FFA Creed by E.M Tiffany and answer questions about the creed. Paige Jones competed in beginning creed speaking placing 7th and Mallory Taylor competed in advanced creed speaking placing 2nd.

The next category is prepared speaking. Students had to write a speech about an agriculture topic and say their memorized speech to the judge and answer questions about their topic. Sydney Reineck competed in beginning public speaking placing 1st, Kalyn Strahley and Shannon Hale competed in advanced public speaking with Kalyn placing 1st and Shannon placing 2nd. The final category is extemporane-

ous speaking where students draw a topic and they have 30 minutes to write a speech about that topic and present it to the judges. Jen Stahl and Courtney Luderman competed in extemporaneous speaking with Jen placing 1st and Courtney placing 2nd. We had four members advance to the district contest.

On February 20th, Sydney Reineck, Kalyn Strahley, Jen Stahl and Mallory Taylor competed in district public speaking at Crestview. Sydney placed 1st with her speech about dairy farms, Kalyn placed 3rd with her speech about windmills, Jen placed 8th with her extemporaneous speech, and Mallory placed 6th with the creed. Sydney Reineck will compete at State on March 2nd in Marysville. The chapter is extremely proud of all the members who competed and want to wish Sydney Reineck best of luck at State!

- shia, SNID, 32-08.00
- 3200 Meter Run:
 - 1 Lambert, NORW, 11:34.69; 2 Minton, CARROLL, 11:38.31; 3 Cates, CONC, 11:42.93; 4 Orosz, Wheeler, 11:49.31; 5 Dyer, ELK MEM, 11:49.73; 6 Busch, BL, 12:02.34
- 60 Meter Hurdles:
 - 1 Kirkwood, NRUP, 9.22; 2 Patterson, NRUP, 9.28; 3 Vanlandingham, NH, 9.93; 4 Fitts, WAYNE, 10.02; 5 Hankenson, BELL, 10.36; 6 Van De Weg, AC, 10.41
- 60 Meter Dash
 - 1 Brown, NRUP, 7.71; 2 Patterson, NRUP, 8.03; 3 Gorman, SNID, 8.06
- 4x800 Meter Relay
 - 1 Wheeler, 9:52.65; 2 Carroll, 9:54.02; 3 Dwenger, 10:19.00
- 4x200 Meter Relay
 - 1 Warsaw Community, 1:53.08; 2 Snider, 1:53.32; 3 Northwood, 1:53.34
- Distance Medley
 - 1 Dwenger, 12:38.15; 2 Carroll, 13:05.23; 3 Luers, 14:11.28

- 4x400 Meter Relay
 - 1 Concordia A 2 Dwenger A 3 Westview
- Men - Team Rankings:**
 - 1 Carroll 76; 2 Concordia Lutheran 67; 3 Westview 49; 4 Snider 40; 5 Bishop Dwenger 39.5; 6 Wayne 39; 7 Northwood 36; 8 Belmont 35.5; 9 Wheeler 34; 9 Leo 34; 11 Northrop 33; 12 Elkhart Memorial 21; 13 South Side 18; 14 North Side 17.5; 15 Manchester 12; 15 DeKalb 12; 17 New Haven 11; 18 Norwell 10.5
- High Jump:
 - 1 Martz, Wheeler, 6-04.00; 2 Norby, BELL, 6-04.00; 3 Davis, MANCH, J6-04.00; 4 Catherman, Wheeler, 6-00.00; 5 Franklin, NS, 5-08.00; 5 Zimmerman, BELL, 5-08.00
- Pole Vault:
 - 1 Lubbehusen, Carroll, 13-06.00; 2 Zollinger, Carroll, J13-06.00; 3 Garrett, BD, 12-06.00; 4 Hoffer, NRUP, 11-06.00; 5 Scherer, Orwell, 11-00.00; 6 Schipper, BD, 10-

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 - Shot Put:
 - 1 Anglemeyer, NORTHW, 45-04.50; 2 Holtz, SNID, 44-11.25; 3 Green, Carroll, 41-11.50; 4 Johnson, Wayne, 41-08.00; 5 Snider, DeKalb, 41-05.50; 6 Smith, Wheeler, 41-04.00

- 3200 Meter Run
 - 1 Hamlin, SNID, 9:39.69; 2 Carpenter, WV, 9:46.14; 3 Gibson, CONC, 9:50.48; 4 Hall, Wheeler, 9:51.13; 5 Whicker, CONC, 9:53.06; 6 Kropf, CONC, 9:55.65
- 60 Meter Hurdles:
 - 1 Rivas, CONC, 8.65; 2 Elliot, WAYNE, 8.80; 3 Miller, NORTHW, 9.31; 4 O'Sullivan, BD, 9.33; 5 Suttle, NRUP, 9.42; 6 Wright, NRUP, 9.45
- 60 Meter Dash
 - 1 Parker, NORTHW, 7.22; 2 Baker, Wayne, 7.24; 3 Adams, Wayne, 7.26

- 4x800 Meter Relay
 - 1 Westview, 8:22.03; 2 Snider, 8:26.80; 3 Leo, 8:27.40
- 4x200 Meter Relay
 - 1 Carroll 1:36.10; 2 Concordia, 1:36.74; 3 Wayne, 1:36.94
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LEPC DISCUSSES EMERGENCY TASKFORCES & EMPLOYEE TRAININGS

The Local Emergency Planning Committee of Paulding County met on Wednesday, February 27 at the Paulding County Health Department. Ed Bohn arrived at the meeting. In attendance were several emergency and health personnel including Ashley McDougall, Ed Bohn, Bill Edwards, John Fleegal, and Erika Willtizer.

Erika Willtizer was a new attendee from PPEC. John Fleegal is a Coordinator representative from Ohio EPA. Ashley McDougall was representing the Rescue task force.

The School Emergency Response Book is a sore subject for Mr. Bohn. Legal action may be taken. Three schools have invested money into this. Bohn believes they may have gotten too big and cannot handle everything. The proof was very poor and disappointing.

The Hazmat function exercise is set for April 6 at the COOP south of SR 613. The Hazmat exercise is put into place so they can find problems now before it may cause problems. This will be starting at the Apostolic Church just south of SR 613. Rain/shine/snow will still take place. It will be focusing on incident command, structure, and communications.

MARCS radios are now distributed to all fire departments. The police stations are moving slower. By the end of the week they should have their codes and be completely live by April 1.

The training facility is still being worked on. The Commissioners are working with the fabricator. Electricity is in the building now and can be used for nighttime training. A contract is written now with Vantage and they will be utilizing the facilities for their classes. The city of Van Wert has also reached out for the use of this.

Ashley McDougall talked about the rescue taskforce. It is a concept that teams up a 2-3 emergency personnel with an officer. This taskforce would train personnel to opens airways until rescue workers arrive, increasing survival rates. The training will be with the school response booklets. The training will be for actively involved personnel. The Stop The Bleed Project has also been made public. Training is done on mannequins, but they want to make it as real as possible. They are limited to the supplies that they have. This isn't just geared towards school, but any kind of gatherings.

Mr. Bohn stated that a group of EMA coordinators will be going down to Columbus to testify about expanding the funds that are available to also sharing with EMA.

The \$26,000 reimbursement should be coming through soon for the HMEP training from last year.

The HSGP (Homeland Security Grants) are being spent now with towers, backup generators and other things such as a mass casualty trailer. Some of the grants were denied because of using the word "terrorist" instead of "violence". They are getting the opportunity to change the grant verbiage. They have said they would like larger project grants rather than a bunch of small ones.

Payne has said they are willing to have their services used throughout the county since they have a full time EMA.

Mr. Bohn commented that upcoming trainings will be for what groups are requesting and not just offering them only to be cancelled later.

Bill Edwards said that the Health Department training for employees' certifications will have to be updated to the new classifications. The training is identical to the previous

Sudoku solution from page 13

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6	2	8	9	1	7	4	3	5
1	9	3	8	4	6	7	2	9
4	9	7	5	2	3	6	1	8

earning requirements but still have to be re-certified. Some of the certifications can be done online.

Paulding County has received its third constitutive award for recognition from the State.

Dr. Frank Foss Award was given to Antwerp for its service in the semi-truck accident that saved the driver's legs.

AEP had numerous outages recently due to the wind and cold. Power was provided for 18 hours to the Gardens of Paulding. PPEC has not had near the outages reported.

It was brought up of concerns that CERT hasn't been called out to fires when it seems that it should be.

John Fleegal, from EPA, said he and another person are called when there are spills that they need to be attended to or if they need to stay on other jobs. Contacting Fleegal is the spill hotline. They are resources to help and not regulators.

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TARYN STILTNER OF UWPC VISITS ROTARY



Rotary member, Ron Eschbach with UWPC executive director, Taryn Stiltner.

At last week's Antwerp Rotary Club meeting, the executive director of United Way of Paulding County was the honored guest, Taryn Stiltner. Stiltner discussed with Rotary members all the resources that are available to people in the county to help them through the United Way. UWPC's mission is to improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of the community. Its purpose is to increase the organized capacity of the people in Paulding, Ohio to care for one another through the establishments of a community process which brings us together to identify, improve, and where possible, resolve health and human care problems. All in an effort to promote individual well-being and social good.

The OSU extension office is hosting a FREE cooking class to individuals who are on any kind of food assistance program. This includes SNAP, WIC, Soup Kitchens, etc. These classes will take place each Wednesday in March and the first two Wednesdays in April.

Another event sponsored by UWPC is Stuff the Truck Food Drive. Stiltner explained that local businesses helped sponsor this event where any-

one can donate items such as health cereals and oatmeal, kids snack items, baby food, diapers and wipes, personal hygiene products, toilet paper and toiletries, dry pasta and pasta sauce, canned meat, veggies or fruit, peanut butter, sliced bread, or canned and dry soups. Drop off locations are at Chief Supermarket or Integrity Ford in Paulding.

Small Business Investment Company of Paulding is sponsoring in partnership with UWPC a Homebuyer Education Open House. First Federal Bank reps along with SBIC will be available to answer questions about the home buying process including mortgages and Welcome Home Grant. This open house will take place at the SBIC office which is on N. Williams St. in Paulding.

Tax season is upon everyone and the United Way has connections with NOCAC to offer free tax prep for qualified persons. These clinics are available in Defiance, Fulton, Paulding and Williams Counties.

For more information about any of these programs or about UWPC visit the website unitedwayofpauldning-county.com

PSWCD MARCH MEETING DATE CHANGE

Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District will be holding their March board of supervisors meeting on Wed., March 6, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. instead of March 13th, due to schedule conflicts

At 11:00 a.m. there will be the annual planning meeting with NRCS local work group at the Parc Lane Center 900 Fairground Drive - Paulding, Ohio.

3rd ANNUAL EACS JOB FAIR

The 3rd Annual East Allen County Schools Job Information Fair will be on Wednesday, March 20 from 2:00 p.m.- 6:00 p.m. at New Haven Community Center, 7500 St Rd 930, Fort Wayne, IN 46803.

This is an opportunity to meet with Human Resources, Principals, Special Education, Health Services, Transportation, Facilities and Maintenance, and Food Service to discuss what types of jobs may be available in each department.

2019 CABIN FEVER THIRTY ONE BAG BINGO

Are you tired of the cold, snowy, icy, foggy, rainy days, join us for Convoy Community Days "CABIN FEVER THIRTY ONE BAG BINGO" on Saturday March 9, 2019 at the Edgewood Park Building, Convoy OH, doors open 9:30 a.m. bingo starting at 10:00 a.m.

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The 2019 "Pamper Yourself Gift" raffle will include gift items from many local businesses.

Get out of the house and enjoy a day with friends, fun and food. Cinnamon rolls & sandwiches will be available.

PRINCESS PARTY WITH THE GIRL SCOUTS

There are many girl scout troops in Woodburn and there is one that is raising funds for a big trip. They want to have some fun and host a party for other girls.

Girl Scout Troop 20180 is hosting a princess party Saturday March 30th from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. at the Woodburn United Methodist Church on Becker Road. The girls are welcome to wear their favorite princess outfit. We want to share the fun that can be had in girl scouts. There will be a craft, light refreshments and a snack. You will want to set this date aside for your princess in grades K-5th.

You do not have to be a girl scout to be a princess for a day. We want to invite all girls that want to have some fun to enjoy this party.

You must RSVP to attend this party. Contact Heather Buchanan to sign up for this event, cost and questions: hmw78@yahoo.com or 260-715-3594.

FOUR STUDENTS TRANSPORTED FROM SCHOOL BUS CRASH NEAR ALLEN EAST

The Lima Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a two vehicle crash involving an Allen East School bus which occurred on SR 309 at Napoleon Road.

On February 27, at approximately 7:40 a.m., a 2011 Blue Bird School Bus (Allen East Bus #3), driven by Amy C. Redman (45) of Lima, was east bound on State Route 309 and attempted to make a left turn onto Napoleon Road. A silver 2002 Ford Taurus, driven by Jay Holliday (38) of Lima, was driving south

THIS WEEK AT KIWANIS



Kiwanis member Michael Wehrkamp introduced Dwight Stoller of the recently formed coalition, The Citizens of Paulding for Recovery and Prevention (CPR). The mission of the CPR coalition is to help those in the community who suffer directly or indirectly from the effects of addiction and other life-controlling issues. "We need to remove the stigma of addiction and get people the help they need," Stoller said.

Stoller explained that his "lane" within CPR is a program called Living Free. Living Free is a small-group min-

istry with a biblically-based curriculum that focuses on helping people prevent and overcome life-controlling issues. "For CPR to be successful, we all need to identify what we can bring to the coalition using our God-given gifts and talents," Stoller said. Stoller shared how his faith and life experiences led him to desire to do more to help those in need in his community.

Anyone wishing to volunteer or learn more about CPR or Living Free should contact Stoller at dstoller@dlfamily.org.

on Napoleon Road and failed to yield from a posted stop sign, striking the bus.

Four students were transported by Lafayette-Jackson Fire and EMS and Harrod Fire and EMS to Lima Memorial Hospital for treatment of minor injuries. Mr. Holliday was

cited for failure to yield from a posted stop sign. The crash remains under investigation.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol reminds motorists to not drive distracted or impaired, and always ensure all occupants of a motor vehicle wear properly adjusted seat belts.

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 - March 30, 2019
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 - April 6, 2019
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 - April 13, 2019
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