

ANTWERP LOCAL SCHOOL TO PRESENT WIZARD OF OZ



Pictured: Ashton Barnhouse as Scarecrow and Maddie Boesch as Dorothy.

Antwerp Local School is proud to present The Wizard of Oz under the direction of Mary Smith and

Crystal Brooks, assistant director. Show dates are Friday, March 22nd and Saturday,

March 23rd at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 24th at 2:00 p.m. in the school auditoria. Come early for good seats!

PCED BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS 3/12/19

On March 12, 2019, the Paulding County Economic Development Board held their bi-monthly board meeting at the Paulding County Economic Development conference room.

Jason Hamman, site consultant with the Hamman Consulting Group, based in Vermilion, OH gave an update on a marketing and financial study for a new development being planned in Paulding County. Board

members approved the January 8, 2019 minutes along with the financial report, director's report and director's travel & expense report. The Executive, Finance, Governance, and Marketing Committees gave their reports and plans to move the economic office forward into the future. The new PCED website is now online at www.pced.net with additional changes continuing over the next few months. Each board member gave reports for January and February on the organizations they represent in the community. Board President Larry Manz discussed the Bowling Green State University Center for Regional Development State of the Region event in Perrysburg that he and director Zielke attended on Monday. The PCED marketing committee will meet on April 9 and the next PCED Board meeting will be May 14, 2019.

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HICKSVILLE VILLAGE PLAYERS PRESENTS "HARVEY"

The daft but harmless Elwood P. Dowd is a perfect gentleman in almost every sense. He is kind, quiet, polite, thoughtful and genuinely eager to make friends. But his best friend Harvey is his one and only serious flaw.

Harvey is perhaps the ultimate imaginary friend; a six-foot tall white rabbit, visible only to Elwood, and the two of them go everywhere together, much to the embarrassment of his sister Veta, particularly when Elwood includes Harvey in all of her social gatherings. To avoid embarrassment for her family (particularly her daughter, Myrtle Mae, who is of marrying age), Veta decides to have Elwood committed.

The medical staff, however, have their own problems, especially after accidentally committing Veta instead of her seemingly normal brother. But when Elwood arrives to look for Harvey, the head of the sanitarium begins to view his case with more than passing interest, leaving him to wonder whether Elwood isn't seeing things after all.

The Hicksville Village Players will present Mary Chase's beloved comedy "Harvey" on Friday and Saturday, March 29 and 30 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 31 at 2 p.m. The play will be presented at Lifeline Connect Ministry Center (the former

MONROEVILLE COMMUNITY PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT GROUNDBREAKING SET FOR MARCH 25th

Officials with the Town of Monroeville and the Monroeville Park Board are excited to announce a groundbreaking ceremony will take place on Monday, March 25th, to celebrate the official start of the Monroeville Community Park Improvements Project and the first of many quality of life improvements to be completed within East Allen's Rural Revival Regional Development Initiative.

The ceremony will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Monroeville Community Park located at 421 Monroe Street, Monroeville, IN 46773. State and County Officials will also be in attendance, as well as representatives from AWS Foundation and the NewAllen Alliance.

"The end result of these park improvements will be a tremendous asset to the residents of Monroeville and southeastern Allen County. It will improve both the quality of life and the accessibility within our community. We would not have been able to complete this project with-

out the support of the Allen County Board of Commissioners, AWS Foundation, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the NewAllen Alliance, and the Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council" said Don Gerardot, Monroeville Town Council President.

Park improvements will include a one half mile ADA compliant asphalt bike-ped trail, an ADA compliant splash pad/spray park, two (2) ADA compliant playgrounds with accessible surfacing, a new support facility with ADA compliant restrooms and future concession space, an ADA compliant fishing pier, a concrete bean bag toss game, and upgrades to parking and drainage. In addition to funding from the Town of Monroeville, the project will also utilize a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant from the Indiana DNR, an AWS Foundation Grant to assist with the accessible surfacing at the playgrounds,

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NORTHWEST STATE HOSTS COLLEGE FAIR



The NSCC Archbold campus was buzzing on Tuesday, March 12, as the college hosted 60 college and university representatives and nearly 500 area high school students to our annual College Fair! Community

colleges such as Northwest State provide great direct-to-job education pathways, valuable skills training, and also transfer pathways for students in pursuit of bachelor's (or higher) degrees.

Hicksville Assembly of God, 104 Fountain Street, Hicksville (located at the corner of Dixon and Fountain Streets). To get to the ministry center, motorists must arrive in Hicksville on Ohio 49 and turn east onto Dixon Street.

The cast is headed up by longtime Village Players veterans Jamy Shaffer as Elwood

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Community Calendar

- March 20**
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm
 - EACS Job Fair @ NH Comm. Ctr., 2-6pm
- March 21**
- Woodburn Informational Meeting @ Comm Ctr, 7pm
- March 22**
- Antwerp HS presents Wizard of Oz, 7pm (also 3/23-24)
- March 23**
- Gun Bingo @ Paulding Eagles, 6pm
 - Fruelingsfest @ Edelweiss Park, FW, 6pm
 - Gun & Purse Bingo @ Paulding Eagles, 6pm
- March 24**
- Drive Thru Prayer @ Cecil Comm. Church, 4-7pm
 - Mary Poppins @ Huber, 3pm
- March 25**
- Self Defense 101 @ Paulding OSU Ext., 5-6pm
- March 27**
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm
- March 28**
- Hands of Hope Annual Spring Dinner @ OSU Ext., 5:30pm
 - Senior Movie Night @ Cooper Comm. Library, 5pm
- March 29**
- Hicksville Village Players presents "Harvey" @ Lifeline Connect Ministry Center, 7pm (3/30,7p; 3/31,2p)
- March 30**
- Quilt Show @ Paulding NAZ
 - Square Dance @ St. Michael's Gym, Hicksville, 6:30pm
 - Princess Party @ Woodburn UMC, 1-3pm
- March 31**
- Meal, Music & Message @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm
- March 30-31**
- Quilt Fair @ Huber, Sa 10a-4p, Su 12-4pm

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



You're Invited to Payne Knights of Columbus Council #3617

Fish Fry

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OBITUARIES



3/21 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Stretch Band Exercises with Brookview 10:00 a.m.; Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Shop at Meijer 12:30 p.m.; Bingo Twin Rivers 12:30 p.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.
 3/22 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Tai Chi 10:00 a.m.; Crafts 10:30 a.m.
 3/25 - Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Nails & Tales with Dawn Ludwig 10:00 a.m.; Bingo with Senior Services 12:30 p.m.; Yoga 3:00 p.m.
 3/26 - 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.

HICKSVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

3/20 - Senior Soccer 10:00 a.m.; Inspire Me! 10:30 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.
 3/21 - Bingo 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.; Corn Hole 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.; NO Grocery Shop due to seniors night out 12:00 p.m.; Seniors' night out for open mic Continental 2:30 p.m. - transportation \$5
 3/22 - Dancing to the oldies 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.
 3/25 - Monday wake up and stretch 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.
 3/26 - Yahtzee 10:00 a.m.; Annual tea party wear your hats 12:30 p.m.

DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU

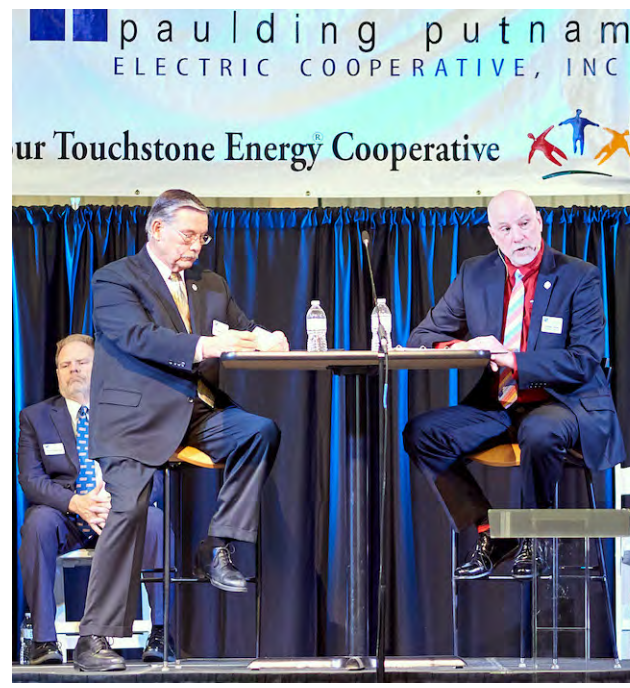
3/20 - Broccoli cheddar soup, Alt: Cream of chicken, cole slaw, cottage cheese, diced peaches, rice pudding; Salad Bar in Café
 3/21 - Beef pot roast, diced potatoes, carrots, Mandarin oranges with pineapple, wheat bread
 3/22 - Spinach lasagna, winter blend vegetables, fruit salad, garlic bread, apple brown Betty
 3/25 - Mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, asparagus, sliced apples, wheat bread
 3/26 - Creamed chicken sandwich, green bean casserole, glazed baby carrots, grapes, granola

SENIOR MOVIE NIGHT AT COOPER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Oakwood - The Cooper Community Library Branch, of the Paulding County Carnegie Library, is hosting a Senior Movie Night in the community room of the library on Thursday, March 28 at 5:00 p.m., for ages 60+. Popcorn will be provided. This is a free event and registration is not required.

The Cooper Community Branch Library was the third branch to open in the Paulding County Carnegie Library system. Opening in 2000 the branch has become the hub

PPEC ANNUAL MEETING EXPOUNDS ON 2018



The Paulding Putnam Electric Coop held their Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 17 at their headquarters in Paulding. The meeting opened with the pledge, the National Anthem, and the invocation. A video of the employees was shown, and after that the State of the Institution was delivered. PPEC was announced to be very financially solvent and high interest loans had been paid off early. It was noted the power was kept on an additional 1% over the previous year which was pointed out to be a nearly .25 million dollars in savings. CEO George Carter and Chairman of the Board, John Saxton, held a Q&A time which explained a lot of ins and outs of the company—from the bills to the maintenance,

and heart of the community, sponsoring programs and events throughout the year. Follow us on Facebook for upcoming events.

EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES TO ADDRESS THE OPIOID CRISIS IN NORTHWEST OHIO

Northwest State Community College (NSCC) and Community Hospitals and Wellness Centers (CHWC) will host a series of educational initiatives to address the opioid crisis affecting northwest Ohio. The initiatives, made possible through the generous support of the Eugenio Madero Family Medical Education Fund at Harvard Medical School, will run April 12 and 13 at Northwest State. They will include a film screening of the award-winning documentary "The Providers"; a continuing education course designed for health care providers and delivered by Harvard Medical School faculty on key aspects of treating opioid addiction; and an open town forum. Learn more and register.

A NATIONAL CRISIS HITS HOME
 More than 2.5 million Americans are struggling with addiction to opioids, including prescription painkillers and heroin. On average, 130 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose. 1 Ohio is among the top five states with the highest rates of opioid-related overdose deaths, 2 with, on average, 14 people dying each day. 3 Every county in Ohio and every city, town and village — urban and rural — is affected. The human toll, the increased

crime and the economic and societal damages caused by this epidemic are devastating.
 Mr. Eugenio Madero is Vice Chairman, President and CEO at Rassini SAB de CV, a global company in the automotive industry with a strong presence in more than 14 countries, including the United States. Rassini has manufacturing plants and technological centers in Ohio and Michigan — two states heavily impacted by the opioid crisis. Mr. Madero made a gift to Harvard Medical School supporting addiction prevention and treatment in the northwest region of Ohio, home to one of the Rassini plants.
 "Given Rassini's ties to the Midwest and our concern for the people in these communities, we are dedicated to tackling this critical issue," said Mr. Madero.
 The Eugenio Madero Family Medical Education Fund at Harvard Medical School has enabled the creation of an extensive educational program at NSCC, at which HMS faculty will collaborate with local providers to share best practices and experiences for managing pain, treating addiction and preventing overdose deaths. Clinicians, first responders, law enforcement agencies and residents of multiple Ohio counties will benefit.
 Mr. Madero notes, "HMS is key to helping support impacted communities and shape public policy around this pervasive and destructive health problem."
 "Medical professionals have taken great strides in recent years to help combat the

opioid issue and stop addiction before it starts by using alternative pain management methods, setting realistic expectations with patients about pain and only writing opioid prescriptions in short-term increments," said Mr. Phil Ennen, CEO of Community Hospitals and Wellness Centers. Dr. Michael Thomson, NSCC president, added, "The opioid and mental health crises facing northwest Ohio present major challenges spanning health care, legal and addiction services. While the task seems daunting, we can make a measurable difference in this crisis by working together using proven best practices from other rural communities."

Scheduled Events Include:
 Film Screening and Discussion of "The Providers"
 Date: Friday, April 12, 6-8:30 pm
 Location: NSCC Atrium, Northwest State Community College, 22600 State Route 34, Archbold, OH, 43502

Target Audience: Open to the public and local residents impacted by the opioid crisis
 Cost: Free; Registration is not required, but encouraged.
 Registration information
 "The Providers" is an award-winning documentary chronicling three health care providers bringing care to those living in a rural American community struggling with a shortage of doctors and the ravages of the opioid epidemic. The screening will be immediately followed by a Q&A with the filmmaker and two of the medical professionals featured in the film. Refreshments will be provided.

Treating and Preventing Addiction in Community-Based Settings
 Date: Saturday, April 13, 8 am-12:30 pm
 Location: NSCC Auditorium, Northwest State Community College, 22600 State Route 34, Archbold, OH, 43502

Target Audience: Regional medical and addiction treatment professionals
 Cost: Free; Registration required
 This continuing education course is presented by Harvard Medical School (HMS) and features HMS faculty who will discuss preventing and treating opioid addiction. Multiple sessions will include best practices for managing pain; identifying treatment strategies for opioid misuse and dependency; recognizing psychiatric and medical issues with substance use disorders (SUDs); determining how to best work with pregnant women with SUDs; and learning about mindful-

ness-based practices that can help with healing and prevent burnout.
 A Community Town Forum on Addiction Prevention and Treatment
 Date: Saturday, April 13, 1-2:30 pm
 Location: NSCC Auditorium, Northwest State Community College, 22600 State Route 34, Archbold, OH, 43502

Target Audience: Open to local residents, health care professionals, policymakers and law enforcement
 Cost: Free; Registration not required
 How can we work together as a community to eradicate the opioid crisis? This Town Forum will be a deep discussion about leveraging local partnerships to make a positive difference in addiction prevention, treatment and recovery in northwest Ohio, and will contain vital information for community leaders and medical professionals.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
 —Romans 15:13

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MEMBERS OF THE 2020 DIETARY GUIDELINES ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED

To ensure America's dietary guidance reflects the latest science, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue and U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Alex Azar announced the appointment of 20 nationally recognized scientists to serve on the 2020 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee. The independent advisory committee will review scientific evidence on topics and questions identified by the departments and will provide a report on their findings to the secretaries. Their review, along with public and agency comments, will help inform USDA and HHS' development of the 2020-2025

Thank You

The family of Bill Wetli would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, food, memorials and kind expressions of sympathy as well as the love and support shown to us during our loss. Your support at this difficult time was very much appreciated and of great comfort to the family. Bill, who was a devoted husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather will be missed greatly, but we know that he will live on in the hearts of everyone that knew him.

Warmest Regards,
the Bill Wetli Family

Hicksville Knights of Columbus

Last 2019 Fish Fries

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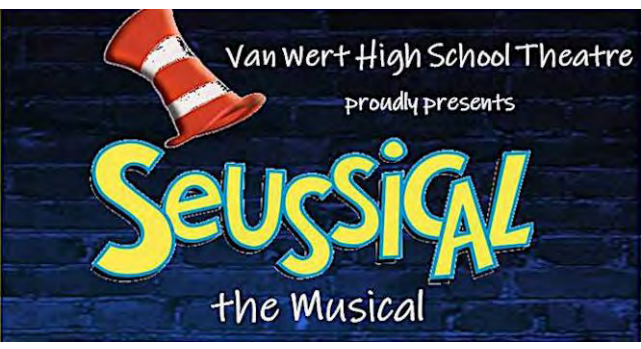
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Elephant, Cat in the Hat, and many of their friends from 18 Dr. Seuss books. Bring the whole family to join in on their adventures!

Tickets on sale now through the Niswonger Performing Arts Center Box Office. Stop by from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. or call 419-238-NPAC. Seussical, the Musical is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. www.MTIShows.com.

Dietary Guidelines for Americans (DGAs).

"USDA is committed to ensuring everything we do is data-driven and based in scientific facts, which is why this expert committee's work in objectively evaluating the science is of the utmost importance to the departments and to this process," said Secretary Perdue. "The committee will evaluate existing research and develop a report objectively, with an open mind."

"The scientists we selected to serve on the committee are national leaders in the areas of nutrition and health," said HHS Secretary Alex Azar. "HHS, USDA, and all Americans will benefit from the collective experience and expertise of the committee, which will conduct a rigorous examination of the scientific evidence on several diet-related health outcomes, including the prevention of cancer, type 2 diabetes, and cardiovascular disease, which are three of the leading causes of death in the United States."

The list of members appointed to the expert committee can be found at DietaryGuidelines.gov.

The committee's work will kick off at a public meeting to be announced in the coming weeks. The committee will review scientific evidence on specific nutrition and health-related topics and scientific questions (PDF, 477 KB) that, for the first time, reflect both public comments and feder-

al agency input. Throughout their deliberations, the public and other stakeholders will be encouraged to provide comments and feedback.

"In our continuing commitment to transparency and customer service, we invite the American public to engage in this process," said Secretary Perdue. "We want to hear from everyone and all viewpoints. I encourage everyone with an interest to attend public meetings and to send comments through the Federal Register once the committee begins their work."

The next edition of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans will continue to focus on dietary patterns of what Americans eat and drink as a whole, on average and over time, to help prevent disease and keep people healthy. Additionally, the review process will take a life-stage approach and will, for the first time, include pregnant women and children from birth to 24 months as mandated by the 2014 Farm Bill.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans are updated every five years and serve as the cornerstone of federal nutrition programs and policies, providing food-based recommendations to help prevent diet-related chronic diseases and promote overall health.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) works to reduce food insecurity and promote nutritious diets among the American people.

The agency administers 15 nutrition assistance programs that leverage American's agricultural abundance to ensure children and low-income individuals and families have nutritious food to eat. FNS also co-develops the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, which provides science-based nutrition recommendations and serves as the cornerstone of federal nutrition policy. For information and links, go to DietaryGuidelines.gov.

The HHS Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP) provides leadership for disease prevention and health promotion initiatives on behalf of the HHS Secretary and as part of the HHS Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health. ODPHP co-develops the Dietary Guidelines for Americans with USDA and leads the development of Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans. ODPHP also leads the Healthy People initiative, which sets evidence-based, 10-year national goals and objectives for improving the health of all Americans.

LEARN SELF-DEFENSE TACTICS FOR FREE

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce is partnering with the Paulding County Sheriff's Department for their upcoming Success in 60 Series- Self Defense 101. The free course will be offered on March 25, 2019 at the Paulding County Extension Building from 5:00 - 6:00 P.M. This is a great opportunity to learn some self defense moves that could help you in an unfortunate situation.

"Becoming aware of your surroundings and learning how to defend yourself is important for everyone to learn," says Mikayla Pieper, Chamber director. Bring your co-worker, employees, friends, and family for a fun and educational course. There are limited spaces on the mat so please RSVP to the Paulding Chamber at 419-399-5215 or pauldingchamber@gmail.com to save your space.

THE NISWONGER UNVEILS THE 2019-20 ENRICH COMMUNITY CONCERT SERIES

The tradition grows with a spectacular, value-packed 2019-20 Enrich Community Concert Series presented by Unverferth Dentistry and Roger and Kay Okuley. Since 1953, artists and entertainers from the around the globe have made their mark on the Van Wert community and enriched lives of those in it as a part of the Communi-

ANTWERP BALL COACHES RECEIVE CPR TRAINING



On Saturday morning, March 16 at the Antwerp School there was a coaches CPR training for the upcoming 2019 ball season. The training was led by Antwerp teacher, Josh Hoepfner.

ty Concert Series. The Niswonger is proud to continue this Van Wert institution by putting together four monumental acts that have been carefully selected to bring culture, joy, and wonder that's incredibly affordable.

Catapult, the magic of shadow dancing, kicks off Enrich by pushing the limits of both mind and imagination. As seen on NBC's hit show America's Got Talent, Catapult is a troupe of shadow dancers who work behind a screen to create seemingly impossible dancing silhouettes of the world around us. In their near decade of existence, Catapult has amazed audiences with their family friendly show full of music, humor, breathtaking visuals, and engaging storylines on Saturday, October 12 at 3:00 P.M.

The Swingles are coming to the Niswonger, bringing with them a holiday flare on Sunday, December 1 at 3:00 P. This five-time Grammy winning a cappella group, formerly known as The Swingle Singers, has astounded audiences for over half a century with their barrier-breaking vocals and delightful harmonies. The audience will sing-along to holiday classics and original songs by The Swingles.

Do-wop puts a bit of spunk into the holiday season when The Midtown Men come to town on Sunday, December 16 at 7:30 P. The 60s-era group consisting of four original cast members of the Broadway hit Jersey Boys, deliver their sweet harmonies performing both holiday and hits. Alongside their band, The Midtown Men have captivated audiences over the course of more than 2,000 performances.

Neil Diamond fans rejoice with a rocking full-production tribute show, I AM, HE SAID that leaves fans astounded. Matt, Jeff, and Tommy Vee (nephew and sons of 60's pop-star Bobby Vee) bring the hits of Neil Diamond to life in a spectacular show that features Neil Dia-

mond's classics such as Sweet Caroline, I Am, He Said, Cracklin' Rosie, Song Sung Blue and many more. This show has rocked venues of more than 23,000 people and will now entertain from the Niswonger stage on Saturday, March 21, 2020.

The new ENRICH Community Concert Series is a musical adventure that is packaged together at a tremendous savings from \$85 for all four events. ENRICH Members receive reserved seating and advanced ticketing along with VIP opportunities to meet the stars. ENRICH

Supporting Sponsors for

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and funding support from the Allen County Board of Commissioners. Work on the entire project is scheduled to be finished by Fall of 2019.

"We are always pleased to be a part of projects like the Monroeville Community Park Improvements Project. As a result of this LWCF project, residents of all abilities from Monroeville and the surrounding area will be able to enjoy several new outdoor recreation opportunities as well as several more that have been renovated. We applaud Monroeville for improving the quality of life and the green infrastructure of their community" said Bob Bronson, DNR SCORP Section Chief.

"For a park to meet the needs of the community, it must give people of all abilities an equal opportunity to play, relax and meet their neighbors. Our funding helps to ensure that the Monroeville Community Park is accessible and inclusive, improving quality of life for everyone" said Patti Hays, AWS Foundation CEO.

"We are excited to have been able to partner with the Town of Monroeville to get to this point in improving the park. It is these very partnerships that help to grow the Allen County community. These quality of life projects are so important to the health

the ENRICH Series are Taylor Auto Sales, Inc, State-Farm Tisha Fast Agent, Van Wert Health, E&R Trailer - Shurco Trailers, Putman Law Offices - Attorney Shaun Putman, First Financial Bank.

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and future of our communities and we look forward to seeing the completion of this project" said Commissioner Nelson Peters, Allen County Board of Commissioners.

This project was developed over a three year planning period, initiating with Monroeville's 2016 Strategic Investment Plan completed by the NewAllen Alliance, then followed by the Monroeville Park Board completing a 5-year Master Park Plan in 2017 that led to multiple grant applications and two grant awards in 2018. The project was discussed and planned in coordination with other projects within the East Allen Rural Revival Project; which received an Indiana Regional Stellar Community Designation from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs in December 2018 and includes the communities of Grabill, Harlan, Hoagland, Leo-Cedarville, Monroeville, New Haven, and Woodburn. The Monroeville Community Park Improvements Project is the first project within the East Allen Rural Revival Project portfolio to reach construction.

For additional information regarding this project, please contact Matt Vondran, Grant Administrator, Northeastern Indiana Regional Coordinating Council. (260) 449-7903, matt.vondran@co.allen.in.us.

Antwerp Conservation Club
SCHEDULE AND EVENT CHANGES

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- 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.
- 2019 memberships are available. Applications, range rules and liability forms can be found at our website antwerpconservationclub.com
- April 10th - Turkey Butchering Class - 6-9pm. Registration opening soon.
- April 11th - Club Meeting at 7pm
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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
My marriage partner of many years died recently. I feel like I can't go on another day and the nights hurt even more. What can I do to ease the pain?

Besides pouring out your heart alone with God and reclaiming by faith His comforting promises, consider the two examples Christ left with His disciples as He prepared to leave them.

- First, remembrance
 The Lord wanted the disciples to remember His saving sacrifice for them, so He instituted what we call the communion service. Hang on to the best memories of the partner. Pictures, recordings, special objects, celebrating special events, and whatever you can do to honor their memory is proper. Pretending like they never existed is not fitting. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and broke it, and gave unto them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me." - (Luke 22:19)

- Second, new relationships
 Christ sent the Holy Spirit to dwell in them and help them. You have fulfilled your ministry to your departed. Now God wants you to increase your ministry to other family members and acquaintances. This is the next chapter of your life and purpose for being left behind temporarily.

Note: Philippians 1:23-24 says, "For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better: Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you." Paul was saying, "I'd love to go to heaven, but for me to stay on earth for now is for your benefit."

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS

Presented by the Oakwood Church of Christ

The Mountain of Transfiguration Read Luke 9:28-36.

18. They talked with Jesus about: a) how he was praying; b) his approaching death (decease); c) what heaven is like.

19. T/F. Even though he had never before seen them, Peter realized that they were Moses and Elijah.

20. What did Peter suggest they should make: a) three tabernacles (dwelling places); b) an altar; c) a fire.

21. He suggested that these should be made for: a) Moses, Elijah, Christ; b) Peter, James, John; c) whoever might come to the mountain.

22. What immediately overshadowed them? a) storm; b) wind; c) cloud.

23. After God said, "This is my beloved Son," he added: a) "hear him"; b) "leave the mountain"; c) "honor Moses."

It was through Moses that

the Old Testament law (often called the law of Moses) had been given at Mount Sinai. Elijah was one of the great prophets of the Old Testament. God had spoken in the past through such men, but now his will, would be given through his beloved Son. "God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son ..." (Hebrews 1:1-2). The teachings of Moses and the prophets are very useful for us, but we are not to look for the plan of salvation, nor God's plan for Christian worship in the Old Testament. We are under the authority of Christ and his apostles. Many years later Peter recalled this glorious event on the holy mountain (II Peter 1:16-18). I

His Prayer for Unity Read John 17:1-26.

24. According to verse 3, to receive eternal life one must know: a) many things; b) God and Christ; c) how to read.

25. This prayer was on the night of his betrayal, so Jesus said he had glorified God on the earth and finished: a) the work given for him to do; b) the training of the apostles; e) his travels.

26. He prayed for the glory which he had with the Father: a) when he was born; b) at Mount Sinai; c) before the world began.

27. He said that he had kept all the men (the apostles) which the Father had given him except: a) the king; b) the high priest; e) the son of perdition (the one condemned, doomed).

28. This referred to the one who would betray him, which was: a) Judas; b) Simon; c) Paul.

29. Jesus said he did not pray that they (the apostles) would be taken out of the world, but that they: a) would live long lives; b) would love the world; c) be kept from the evil one (devil).

30. They would be sanctified (set apart from worldly evil) by the: a) truth; b) government; c) religious rituals.

ANSWERS: 18 B; 19 T; 20 A; 21 A; 22 C; 23 A; 24 B; 25 A; 26 C; 27 C; 28 A; 29 C; 30 A

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FROM DARKNESS TO LIGHT

By: Doris Applegate

Rules, rules, rules! We grow up learning the best thing to do is obey the rules or get punished. This mind set is ok for a fear dominated culture and in fact promotes FEAR. We are "children of DARKNESS" until we accept Jesus Christ as our Savior and then we become "children of LIGHT!" (I Peter 2:9) This is an amazing godly event that frees us from "the law of sin and death". Please stop and think on this. We then live under another law. "The last law of the Spirit of LIFE in Christ Jesus: (Roman 8:2). This is the reality of the born

PAYNE ELEMENTARY BOOK EXCHANGE



On March 8 Payne Elementary had their yearly Book Exchange. Students brought in 1 or 2 books to exchange for different books. Overall, over 400 books were collected this year and after they were combined with some of last year's books, over 400 books went home back into the hands of students in grades Preschool- Grade 6.

again (saved) person.

From DARKNESS to LIGHT, what a trade, don't you think? We need to believe who and what we are: children of the MOST HIGH GOD with the DNA of deity.

When taunted by satan that we are lost, undone and worthless, we must remember what the Bible says of us. This is why it is so important to read and study God's word. Don't take what any one person tells you unless you know what the Bible says. We are what God says we are. When we sin we feel shame and guilt until we remember that Jesus is our advocate (lawyer) and paid with His blood for our forgiveness.

We must REPENT and acknowledge our sin. Jesus is "faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (I John 1:9) Just because we sin and darkness comes into our lives does not mean that we are darkness, NO! We are children of LIGHT! Sin does not change our POSITION! When we know that we are LIGHT then we have the desire and motivation to do RIGHT!

If a child brings home an "F" on his or her grade card we might throw a "fit" and make the child feel ten times worse or say to him or her, "Well, perhaps you will be in this grade for a long, long time until you do better!" He will get with it and work harder in school. Wanting to restore our relationship with God is KEY to living the "GOOD LIFE". God is NOT out to "get us" or punish. He wants our love and respect. Punishment brings FEAR but forgiveness brings LOVE. "Perfect love (which God is), casts out FEAR" (I John 4:18). Amen!

ANGEL ENCOUNTERS EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

Angel encounters will be explored at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, March 20 from 6:30-7:30pm.

The program, titled "Angels: Are They Reaching Out to You?" features the filmed story of a man who believes meeting an angel in the Rocky Mountains saved his life during a hunting trip.

The man, who had become lost as night fell, encountered someone whose presence he couldn't explain. "I'm con-

vinced an angel saved my life," he said.

Participants will consider whether angels exist and, if so, whether angels interact with humans. Participants who believe they've encountered angels will be encouraged to share their 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

QUILTS AND THEIR STORIES: A QUILT SHOW

Paulding Church of the Nazarene (210 Dooley Drive) is hosting a quilt show on March 30th, from 11:00am-3:00pm. The beautiful quilts will be displayed in the sanctuary over the backs of the pews. A soup and sandwich lunch will be in the gym. There is still time to enter a quilt if you are interested! Call 419-399-3932 or message the church Facebook page for more information. All money raised will go to missions, both at home and abroad.

UNBROKEN II RESCHEDULED

Bible Fellowship Church (across from Paulding Hospital) will be hosting the third community wide Christian film on Sunday, March 24 at 3:00 p.m. The church, again, is excited to share the mega screen movie production of Unbroken II. It is the true story of a famous Olympic track runner and a World War II hero -Louis Zamperini.

Parents need to know that Unbroken II: Path To Redemption is a faith based follow-up to 2014's Unbroken I which dealt with Louise's struggles of 47 days adrift in the Pacific Ocean and being tortured almost everyday in POW camp in Japan for 2 years during World War II. Unbroken II is far more appropriate for Junior High and older. The second movie does show the effects of alcoholism and torturing dreams from the POW camp.

The transformation of Louis Zamperini from the first 2/3 of the show to the last 1/3 of the show will be an awesome encouragement and challenge to your life.

The film is based on Sea Biscuit author Laura Hildenbrand's best selling book Unbroken: Path To Redemption.

EVERYTHING is FREE, including refreshments. For information call 419-587-3660.

THE HUBER OPERA HOUSE PRESENTS THE CEMETERY CLUB

The Cemetery Club, opening April 26, 2019 at the Huber Opera House in Hicksville, dramatizes the three main characters deciding how to face the reality of growing old alone. The three women have known each other for years and now that they've all reached widowhood, they make a monthly visit for tea and visit to the cemetery to visit their husbands' graves. The social ritual connects them, but also invites wisecracks about how each is handling moving on.

Doris (Joni Rosebrock) defines contentment: Her husband's memory is enough for her, and she channels her energy into indignation about the cemetery's lousy upkeep. She also focuses a share of her indignation on feisty Lucille (Paty Hart), whose swaggering accounts of her success on the geriatric dating scene scandalize Doris. Lucille

hunts for clothing bargains and men with equal gusto and considers all of it invigorating payback for her deceased husband's infidelity.

At first, sweet-tempered Ida (Shiloh Wittwer) is as frozen in time as Doris, but she begins to wonder if it might finally be time to say goodbye to the monthly cemetery visit and leave room for "the next chapter." Sam (Rob Young), the neighborhood butcher, coins that phrase to describe his own uncertain efforts to get over the loss of his wife. To Lucille, this eligible bachelor is a possible conquest. To judgmental Doris, he's a scoundrel on the prowl and can't be trusted. To Ida, he might be the man she's ready to let into her life. Enter Mildred (Stephanie Beerbower) as an interloper, bold enough to shake the three friends from complacency.

The show is directed by Dave Snyder with Paul Meek as his assistant. Pam Diehl is producer. As always Dave Snyder's set design complements the era and setting of the play.

Reservations for the dinner buffet by Grants are necessary and available at www.huberoperahouse.org for 6:30 on Friday or Saturday April 26 & 27. If you have a group of 20, please call the Huber at 419-542-9553 for assistance and a discount price. If you prefer the show alone, it begins at 7:30 on Friday or Saturday and at 2:30 on Sunday, April 28, and you can make reservations or get tickets at the door.

QUILT FAIR AT HUBER OPERA HOUSE

The Huber Opera House of Hicksville will be hosting a Quilt Fair on March 30-31. There will be quilts on display, vendors to browse their wares, demonstrators, a quilt raffle plus more. The Quilt Fair will be open March 30 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., and March 31 12:00-4:00 p.m.

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SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK



The Ohio Emergency Management Agency and the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness have teamed up for Ohio's Severe Weather Awareness Week, March 17-23, 2019

This month already we have seen temperatures in the 60's, high winds and the first concerns for severe weather, in the southeastern United States. No matter what the forecast is, unexpected weather can develop. Ohio has been fortunate in recent years, with severe weather, and that can create complacency of not being prepared. You should have plan in place for your home, your work place, at school and even when you are away on business or vacation. What does being prepared, mean; having a plan in place for severe weather, knowing where to go for safety and having an emergency supply kit, ready when needed.

Know the Weather Terms - Know the difference between storm watches and storm warnings.

For example, a Tornado watch is issued by the National Weather Service when the conditions are favorable for the development of tornadoes in and close to the area. During a tornado watch, review tornado safety plans and be prepared to move to a safe place

if conditions worsen. Listen to a NOAA Weather Radio or local TV or radio stations newscasts for storm updates.

A Tornado warning is issued by the NWS when a tornado has been detected by Doppler radar or sighted by storm spotters. If a tornado warning is issued for your area, do not stop to take pictures or shoot video. Seek safe shelter immediately. Many Ohio counties have outdoor warning sirens that sound during storm warnings. Continue to listen to your NOAA Weather Radio or TV or radio newscasts for up-to-date weather information.

Another way to receive notification of severe weather and other emergencies is through your mobile device. Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) is emergency messages sent by authorized government alerting authorities through your mobile carrier. WEAs can alert you of extreme weather warnings, local emergencies requiring evacuation or immediate action, AMBER Alerts, and Presidential Alerts during a national emergency.

Paulding County will take part in the Statewide Outdoor Warning Siren Test on Wednesday March 20st, 2019 at 1:00pm Schools will take part in the statewide torna-

do as well. It is encouraged that you consider going over and reviewing your severe weather plan at work as well. Remember this simple acronym...

During tornado drills or actual tornado warnings, remember to DUCK!

D - Go DOWN to the lowest level

U - Get UNDER something (such as a basement staircase or heavy table or desk)

C - COVER your head

K - KEEP in shelter until the storm has passed

Know Your Risk - Learn and understand the different types of weather hazards that occur in Ohio. Know how severe weather could impact your household, your job, your community. Ohio's springtime hazards include tornadoes, thunderstorms, floods, and even snowstorms through early spring. Visit the OCSWA website at www.weathersafety.ohio.gov to view current weather in Ohio, and to review severe weather safety and preparedness information.

Also, during the month of March, FEMA and the National Weather Service kickoff Severe Weather Safety Month, promoting flood, severe weather and tornado safety.

Know the difference between flood warnings, watches and advisories.

A Flash Flood Warning is issued by the NWS when flash flooding is imminent or occurring. If you are in a flood-prone area, move to higher ground immediately. A flash flood is a sudden violent flood that can take from minutes to hours to develop.

A Flood Warning is issued when the hazardous weather event is imminent or already happening. Listen to EAS messages for possible evacuation orders.

A Flood Watch is issued when conditions are favorable for flooding to occur. A watch does not mean flooding will occur, but it is possible.

A Flood Advisory is issued when flooding is not expected to be bad enough to issue a warning. However, the weather event could cause significant inconvenience. Caution should be exercised.

During any weather event (flood watches, tornado warnings, severe thunderstorms), continue listening to local weather reports via radio, television or NOAA Weather Radio.

Paulding County will be taking part in the statewide elementary school Severe Weather Awareness Poster contest. Students in the 1st grade through 6th grade have the opportunity to compete. As part of the 2016 Severe Weather Awareness campaign, the Ohio Committee for Severe Weather Awareness, in cooperation with the National Weather Service, is sponsoring its Annual Severe Weather Awareness Poster Contest. This contest is open to all Ohio students in first through sixth grade and individualized instruction (special education) classes.

Participation is encouraged by all public, private and home schools. This drawing contest serves as a valuable tool to help students learn about severe weather safety and preparedness.

search Council (FRC) Action released the following statements regarding Rep. Banks' recognition as a "True Blue Member." This distinction was awarded to Rep. Banks for his 100% pro-life and pro-family voting record.

Said Rep. Banks, "I am honored to receive this recognition from an organization dedicated to protecting life, religious freedom, and traditional family values. Hoosiers from Indiana's Third District live out these principles in their daily lives and expect their members of Congress to reflect these values in their voting record. As the new Democrat-controlled House tries to radically expand pro-abortion policies, crack down on religious freedoms and erode family values, I am proud to stand with FRC Action in fighting back."

(Continued from Page 1) Dowd and Dawn Patterson as his hapless sister Veta. Elwood's long-suffering niece Myrtle Mae is portrayed by Avery Miller, with Richard Hall as Dr. William Chumley, the pompous head of Chumley's Rest. Other members of the medical staff are played by James Greer, Peter Greer (who also directs) and Mercedes Moncivais. Supporting roles are played by Carol Clark, Chris-

Said Tony Perkins, "We thank Rep. Banks for voting to defend and advance faith, family, and freedom. As a 'True Blue Member' he voted 100% on legislation that protects babies who are born alive after a failed abortion, help hard-working families set aside funds for an unborn child's future education, and defend the individual mandate in D.C.

"Rep. Banks deserves praise for his unwavering commitment to stand for life, family, marriage, and religious liberty. Hoosiers should be encouraged to know that they have a Member of Congress such as Rep. Banks who has come alongside other members and our president to begin the work of rebuilding our nation and protecting the very values that made America great."

NEW STATE WILDLIFE OFFICER ASSIGNED TO PAULDING COUNTY



FINDLAY, OH - Levi Farley, 28, of Antwerp, Ohio will be assigned as the new state wildlife officer in Paulding County, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

Officer Farley is one of 10 new wildlife officer cadets who have been undergoing extensive training and were sworn in as commissioned state wildlife officers during ceremonies on March 15 in Columbus.

Besides the 17-week Ohio Peace Officer Basic Training, the cadets had eight weeks of specialized wildlife officer training by the Division of Wildlife. In addition to wildlife law enforcement procedures and agency policies, the cadets received training in areas of wildlife and fisheries management, communications, outdoor education, all-terrain vehicle operation, hunter safety, and advanced firearms and self-defense topics.

As a state wildlife officer, Farley will have statewide jurisdiction to enforce wildlife regulations, investigate allegations of waterway pollution, protect state property and make arrests. He will also conduct educational programs, perform fish and wildlife management duties and advise landowners on dealing with wildlife. Wildlife officers serve an important role as a point of contact with law enforcement and other agencies on topics of mutual interest, providing assistance and expertise.

Officer Farley graduated from Hocking College in 2011 with an associate degree in Wildlife Management. Prior to the academy, Farley served as a Wildlife Technician for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

The mission of the ODNR Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

NEW STATE WILDLIFE OFFICER ASSIGNED TO VAN WERT COUNTY



FINDLAY, OH - Broc Williamson, 23, of Bucyrus, Ohio will be assigned as the new state wildlife officer in Van Wert County, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

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Officer Williamson is completing a bachelor's degree in Natural Resource Management at The Ohio State University. Prior to the academy, Williamson worked as a Creel Clerk for Fish Management on Alum Creek in Central Ohio.

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for farmers to help protect water quality in the western basin of Lake Erie. The Ohio Working Lands program will encourage producers to establish year-round vegetative cover on eligible crop land. The program will promote conversion, establishment and maintenance of forage/hay land on certain cropland acres.

Paulding SWCD office staff will assist landowners on putting together a plan for installing these buffers. Landowners will be eligible to receive up to \$120/acre for a 5-year contract. The goal of the program is to reduce nutrients entering Ohio waterways to lessen harmful algal blooms in Lake Erie. Funding is available to farmers install-

ing conservation practices that benefit water quality in the Western Lake Erie Basin.

Program enrollment officially kicks off for Ohio farmers in the Western Lake Erie Basin on March 15 and runs through May 1. Farmers will be able to sign up for the program at their local soil and water conservation district.

For more information please contact at Phone: 419-399-4771; Email: paulding@pauldingswcd.org

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HORSE POWER HOLIDAY

By: Stan Jordan

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They have camping, ATV & SXS trails, truck pulls, Tug-A-Truck, burn out competitions, grudge race, and ATV obstacle course and a lot of other competitions.

Plan your weekend of family fun.

See ya!



AN OLD LADY'S LAMENT

My face in the mirror isn't wrinkled or drawn

My house isn't dirty, the cob webs are gone.

My garden looks lovely and so does my lawn

I think I might never put my glasses back on.

AT THE BAR THE OTHER NIGHT

An elderly looking gentleman (mid nineties), very well dressed and hair well groomed, great looking suit, flower in lapel and smelling of good after shave, walks into an upscale cocktail lounge.

Seated at the bar was an elderly looking lady. The gentleman walks over and sits along side of her, orders a drink, takes a sip, turns to the lady and says, "So, tell me, do I come here often?"

When a woman steals your husband, there is no better revenge than to let her keep him.

A frustrated wife's version of a husband's retirement: Twice as much husband, half as much pay.

Last night, my neighbor came home drunk & banged on his own door for like 5 minutes. Problem is, he lives alone, so I went outside and told him he wasn't there & he left!!!!

COFFEE DRINKERS

By: Stan Jordan

I am probably one of the best coffee drinkers in the area. I guess maybe I will drink coffee with anybody, anytime.

I was drinking coffee with my nephew the other day and he said he was a gulper of coffee, and that opened my eyes as there are different types of coffee drinkers.

I know I have opened a can of worms, but let's see just what kind of coffee drinkers we have. Some people drink a couple of cups of coffee the first thing in the morning and most of them are sippers because the coffee is hot and they want it to last for a few minutes because they don't do anything until the coffee is gone.

Then we have people who stop every morning at the donut shop and they come in three types: one gets a coconut donut and coffee and sits at a table and sips his coffee and nibbles on his donut. The other type gets a coffee and donut, takes a gulp of the coffee and jumps in his car and heads off to work, nibbling on his sweet roll.

Then we have a table full of people at the coffee shop who have toast or breakfast or just a roll of some kind and sip two or three cups of coffee. Those are probably older retirement people who have earned that right.

We have people who turn up their nose when you mention coffee, some of them are avid hot tea drinkers, but the action is the same.

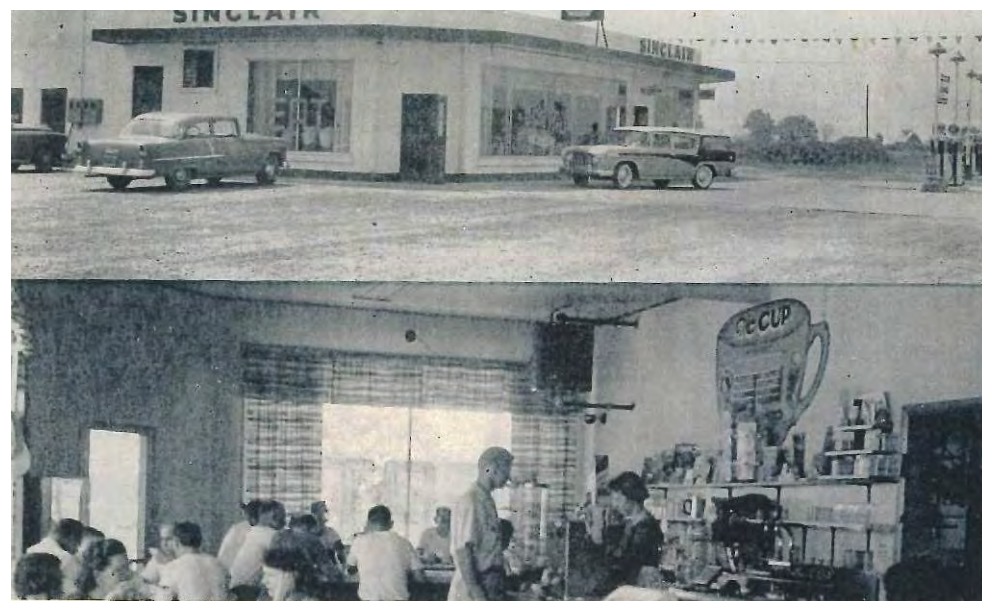
Some folks love the coffee aroma, but don't like the taste. I drink coffee all day but not any after supper, I think it keeps me awake.

We have heard and read a lot of rumors or truth about the effect of coffee on a person, so you can believe what you hear or pay it no mind.

I don't recommend that you drink lots or any coffee, but I have told you before about my case. I am 94 years old and I have eaten white bread and drank lots of coffee all my life.

See ya!

THE CUP RESTAURANT



By: Stan Jordan

Here is an inside and out side picture of The Cup Restaurant. This picture was given to me by Dan Hahn and it is from Mr. Ehrhart's collection, and I am tickled to get it. I have never seen an inside shot before. At that time we patronized that place often and so did everyone else.

This place was on the south side of 424 (then 24), just before the Weatherhead Plant. Look off past the station and that is the Wabash Railroad. At the very left end of the picture is the fence, driveway and wall of the Dana Weatherhead Plant.

ECHO GRAM

By: Stan Jordan

My heart doctor, Dr. Ramani, ordered that I should have an echo gram or what ever their profession calls it or the initials to it. Long ago, I stopped trying to remember and pronounce all of these medical names and terms.

Well, anyhow, I was to be at the PCH at 9:00 on that morning. After the usual paper work and showing all three of my cards that each and every adult American must carry, I was wheeled down the hall to a cold room and told, "take off all your clothes down to your belt, and I was already cold.

The technician was a nice young lady named Morgan from down around Hamler, Ohio. Anyhow she got her little hand held microscope and camera and felt my chest and rib area and all their pictures and stuff showed up on a screen. She even had me listen to my blood go swishing through my chest.

This went on for a while and she changed the area a little, all this time I am next to shivering. Soon, she said, "that's all" and she helped me put my clothes on.

For some reason or other I was exhausted and wore out.

She was a nice young lady and good at her job.

See ya!

OHIO AGRICULTURAL LAW BLOG — THE LEGAL CHALLENGES TO THE LAKE ERIE BILL OF RIGHTS BEGIN

Written by Evin Bachelor, Law Fellow, OSU Extension Agricultural & Resource Program

Toledo's Lake Erie Bill of Rights (LEBOR) has been in the headlines a lot lately, and certainly on the minds of farmers in the Lake Erie watershed. So far, the Ag Law Blog has focused attention on what LEBOR is, why it was on the ballot, and what types of defenses agricultur-

I think this was built in the middle of 1950's by John Meglich. Mr. Roland Gibson had been laid off from Weatherhead and he worked in the gas station side of it for a man named Carl Miller, now that was in 1958.

Now this truck stop was halfway between Detroit and Indianapolis and a number of truckers would change trailers and driver here. It's about 4 hours each way. They had all kinds of services for the semi-trailers, fuel and tire repair.

The dining room was very neat and cheery and the food was good. At that time, it was

the place to go.

One of the workers there was Roland Gibson. He and his family came from down around Wolf Coal or Hell for Certain, KY. It was pretty hilly there and Roland had a cow that the legs on one side were shorter than the other side. The pasture was pretty steep so when the cow wanted to go to the barn, she had to walk all the way around the hill top to the barn.

When he milked the cow they had to put a number 10 can under each short leg to make the cow level.

Well, whatever it takes.

See ya!

al producers can raise if sued. Because voters approved the ballot measure, the focus now shifts to how LEBOR will be treated in the courts.

On February 26th, Toledo held a special election, with one of the ballot questions being whether to amend the City of Toledo's charter to adopt LEBOR. While less than 9 percent of Toledo's registered voters cast a ballot, the majority of those who did voted in favor of amending the city's charter to include LEBOR.

On February 27th, the Drewes Farm Partnership filed a complaint and initiated a lawsuit in federal court against the City of Toledo. Family owned and operated, this Wood County based grain farm operates wholly within the Lake Erie watershed. Drewes Farm utilizes both manure and commercial fertilizers, and states in its complaint that it follows industry best practices, scientific recommendations, and all legal requirements such as keeping records and not applying fertilizer on snow covered ground. Two of the family members obtained Fertilizer Applicator Certificates, and the Ohio Department of Agriculture certified the farm under its Ohio Agricultural Stewardship Verification Program.

The complaint specifically alleges violations of Drewes Farm's rights under the First Amendment, Equal Protection Clause, and Due Process Clauses of both the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. Further, the complaint argues that LEBOR exceeds the City of Toledo's authority by intruding on state and federal powers by attempting to meddle with international relations, invalidate state and federal permits, invalidate state law, alter the rights of corporations, and create new causes of action in state courts. Drewes Farm requests that the court

1) grant it a preliminary and

permanent injunction to prevent LEBOR's enforcement, 2) invalidate LEBOR, and 3) grant the plaintiff an award for costs and fees.

The following day, Drewes Farm filed a motion for a preliminary injunction. Parties use preliminary injunctions as a way to enforce the status quo and prevent the other parties from acting in a way that would cause further harm. If granted, the preliminary injunction would prevent the enforcement of LEBOR against the Drewes Farm Partnership during the course of the litigation. At the end of the case, there would be a determination of whether Drewes Farm should receive a permanent injunction, which would prevent LEBOR from being enforced against it after the case has ended.

The party who brings the motion must argue and prove four elements in order for the court to grant the motion for a preliminary injunction:

First, that the movant has a likelihood of success on the merits, meaning that it is likely that the movant will win the underlying case. Drewes Farm's motion examines each of the grounds that it believes violates its constitutional rights and state and federal law. Drewes Farm argues that it can win on each of the dozen grounds it examines, and that it need only show a likelihood of success on one ground to satisfy this element.

Second, that the movant could suffer irreparable harm without a preliminary injunction, meaning that without a preliminary injunction, the other party may take action to harm the movant in a way that it will not be able to recover. Here, Drewes Farm cites court cases explaining that the loss of one's constitutional rights for any amount of time constitutes irreparable harm, and that a likelihood of success also demonstrates irrepara-

ble harm.

Third, that the issuance of an injunction will not cause greater harm. This element balances the previous element to see whether the injunction is fair. Where the second element looks at the harm to the movant, the third element looks at whether a preliminary injunction will harm others. Here, Drewes Farm argues that others will not be harmed by the granting of a preliminary injunction because it will merely allow the farm to continue operating as required under the law and its permits using best practices. Further, Drewes Farm mentions that the other farms in the watershed will actually experience a benefit from the prevention of LEBOR's enforcement.

Fourth, that the issuance of a preliminary injunction would serve the public interest. Here, Drewes Farm cites additional court cases explaining that the enforcement of constitutional rights is inherently in the public interest. Further, it argues that the State of Ohio holds its portion of Lake Erie in trust "for all Ohio citizens, not just those residing in a single municipality."

If the court is satisfied that Drewes Farm has established each of the four elements, it may grant a preliminary injunction.

At this time, the City of Toledo has not filed any responses to the complaint or motion; however, procedural rules require it to respond in a timely manner. Because it has not filed anything with the court, it is unclear how the City of Toledo intends to defend or respond. However, since enforcement of LEBOR had not been commenced against the Drewes Farm Partnership, it is possible that Toledo will challenge the plaintiff's standing to sue at the present time.

The case is cited in court records as Drewes Farm Partnership v. City of Toledo, Ohio, 3:19-cv-00343 (N.D. Ohio). Stay tuned to the Ag Law Blog for updates about the case.

DIVISION III & IV ALL-OHIO GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS ANNOUNCED

2019 DIVISION III GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-OHIO

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Jordan Horston, Columbus Africentric

COACH OF THE YEAR: Tim Gabbard, Waynesville

FIRST TEAM

Zoe Miller Berlin Hiland, soph., 6-foot, 18.0 points per game; Jordan Horston, Columbus Africentric, 6-2, sr., 16.0; Casey Bertkle, Cardington Lincoln, 6-3, jr., 21.8; Celeste Ryman, Loudonville, 5-3, sr., 18.5; Peyton Scott, Lynchburg-Clay, 5-8, sr., 26.4; Savannah Richards, Liberty-Benton, 5.8, sr., 19.1; Morgan Haney, Casstown Miami East, 5-8, sr., 23.3; Rachel Murray, Waynesville, 5-6, sr., 19.8; Emily Holzopfel, Rayland Buckeye Local, 5-8, sr., 24.0; Amil Ali-Shakur, Cincinnati Purcell Marian, 5-8, 13.2.

SECOND TEAM

Alyssa Evans, Amanda Clearcreek, 5-5, sr, 19.5; Faith Williams, Elyria Catholic, 5-6, sr., 14.0; Andrea Radcliff, Ravenna Southeast, 5-10, sr., 19.0; Celina Koncz, Doylestown Chippewa, 5-11, jr., 16.5; Jayden Moore, Casta-

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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PAULDING FFA CELEBRATES NATIONAL FFA WEEK

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH FEBRUARY SOM



Pictured here is the Seniors who were the winners of the Paulding FFA Country Olympics during National FFA Week.

By: Sydney Reineck, Paulding FFA Reporter

The last week in February, the Paulding FFA celebrated National FFA Week. The chapter had many activities planned for the week.

The chapter had a committee come up with dress-up days for the high school. There was no school on Monday and Tuesday. On Wednesday, everyone wore blue and gold. The students wore blue and gold, their FFA apparel, or official dress. Thursday was John Deere vs Case. The students wore John Deere or Case, depending on which they liked better. Friday was flannel Friday or America Friday. Students

could wear flannel or America apparel.

The officer team decided to sell rubber ducks during FFA week. The money raised from selling the ducks went to the National Children's Hospital. Students could buy a numbered duck toward an officer. On Wednesday, the chapter wanted to celebrate their teachers, so students brought in food and had a teacher appreciation luncheon, thank you, teachers!

On Friday, we had our annual Country Olympics games with the entire high school. The students competed by class to be crowned the winner of the Country Olympics. The students

competed in straw stacking, egg and spoon relay, stick horse races, tug of war and milking contest. The school enjoyed watching everyone complete.

We ended the day with the pie in the face for students who bought ducks. If the student's numbered duck was drawn they got to put a pie in that specific officer or Mrs. Miller in the face. The chapter raised over \$250 for Nationwide Children's Hospital. The seniors were the winners of the Country Olympics for 2019.

The chapter had a fun and successful FFA week that was full of education and excitement.

lia Margareta, 5-8, jr., 13.5; Erin Kaufman, Ottawa-Glandorf, 5-10, sr., 13.0; Rachel Richardson, Albany Catholic, 5-7, sr., 14.0; La'Mya Ford, Warrensville Heights, 5-8, sr., 26.7; Emily Londot, Utica, 6-1, jr., 20.3; Marcella Sizer, Waynesville, 6-0, sr., 13.3.

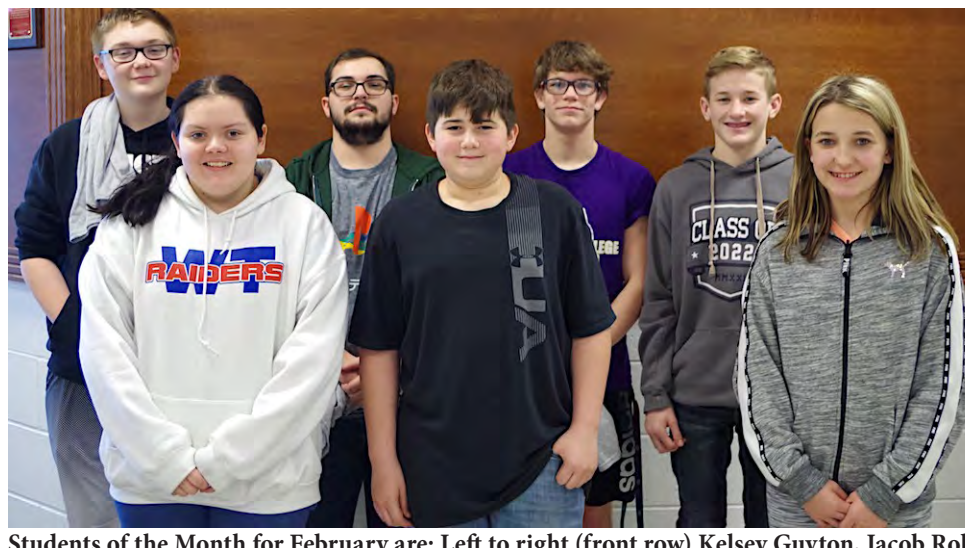
Lincoln; Derricka Bramwell, Columbus Ready; Josi Wolf, Marion Elgin; Ally Winnen, Elyria Catholic; Stephanie Martin, Wickliffe; Jalen Gibbs, Wellington; Camille Cummins, Middlefield Cardinal; Ashley Hall, Andover Pymatuning Valley; Sam Canner, Buckeye Trail; Zoe Johnson, Sugar Creek Garaway; Karlee Altimore, Magnolia Sandy Valley; Mikaila Carpenter, Orrville; Izzy Lamparty, Canfield South Range; Sharda Williams, Youngs. Liberty; Allie Marshall, Proctorville Fairland; Kaylee Darnell, Wheelersburg; Addi Dillow, Coal Grove-Dawson Bryant; Braiden Collins, Chillicothe Huntington; Caitlyn Brisker, Oak Hill; Jessica Chase, Williamsburg; Jenna Lovely, Camden Preble Shawnee; Lindsey Winner, Versailles; Abby Freeman, Delta; Kathleen, Leeper, Ashland Crestview; Lauren Gilliland, Coldwater; Mercedes Wagner, Sherwood Fairview; Sammi Mikonowicz, Rossford.

HONORABLE MEN-

TION
Karissa Rankin, Oberlin; Kendall Baker, Andover Pymatuning Valley; Grace Wolfe, Kirtland; Jenna Sayle, Kirtland; Riley Wilson, Independence; Tyra Eppinger, Cleveland Heights Lutheran East; Larane Vance, Rocky River Lutheran West;

Emma Gumont, Warren Champion; Grace Mills, Garrettsville Garfield; Breeana Hutson, Newton Falls; Cassie Duplin, Louisville St. Thomas Aquinas; Allison Sembach, Newton Falls; Abby White, Warren Champion; Kyla Jamison, Salem; Nikki Weber, Loudonville; Shadra Hamsher, Orrville; Kelsey Wolfe, Apple Creek Waynedale;

Haylee Stevens, Ironton; Emilee Whitt, South Point; Baylee McKnight, Coal Grove Dawson-Bryant; Kelsie Warnock, Proctorville Fairland; Bre Call, Lucasville Valley; Caitlyn Puckett, Minford; Ashley Blankenship, Minford; Maddie Cook, South Webster; Abbie Kallner, Wheelersburg; McKena Rice, Albany Alexander; Marykate McCulloch, Nelsonville-York; Grace McDowell, Seaman North Adams; Alexa Pennington, Sardinia Eastern Brown; Zoe Fittro, Lynchburg-Clay; Sydney Starr, Cadiz Harrison Central; Jadyn Kuykendall, Zoarville Tuscarawas Valley; Maci Crozier, Bellaire; Natalie Stoner, Bellaire; Madison Ging, Martins Ferry; Kara Hopkins, McConnellsville Morgan; Morgan Yoder, Berlin Hiland; Madison Fitzpatrick, Mount Gil-ead; Erika Linder, Pleasant; Gabbie King, West Jefferson; Sakima Walker, Columbus Africentric; Simone Christmon, Cincinnati James Gamble Montessori; Kristen Dickison, West Milton Milton-Union; Taylor Gray, Arcanum; Sha'Dai Hale, Cincinnati Purcell Marian; Caitlin McElDowney, Versailles; Dasia Thornton, Cincinnati



Students of the Month for February are: Left to right (front row) Kelsey Guyton, Jacob Robinson, Whitney Hale; (back row) Jackson Newman, Bryan Hofmann, Gabe Sutton, and Jarrett Hornish

Clark Montessori; Reagan Ware, Springfield Greenon; Ashley Schroeder, Ottawa-Glandorf; Danielle Horsley, North Robinson Colonel Crawford.

2019 DIVISION IV GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-OHIO

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Samantha Whiteman, Covington.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Mark Combs, Xenia Legacy Christian.

FIRST TEAM

Celeste Mershimer, Lancaster Fairfield Christian, 5-foot-4, sr., 14.5; Bailey Drapola, Brookfield, 5-10, sr., 20.4; Katie Detwiller, Portsmouth Notre Dame, 6-4, sr., 16.4; Samantha Whiteman, Covington, 5-7, sr., 24.8; MaKayla Elmore, Bascom Hopewell-Loudon, 6-3, soph., 21.3; Ivy Wolf, Minster, 5-8, soph., 15.8; Makenna Geiser, Dalton, 5-8, jr., 15.6; Lyssi Snouffer, Delaware Christian, 5-10, jr., 25.3; Kasey Knippen, Ottoville, 5-9, sr., 15.3; Lauren Flannery, Hannibal River, 5-7, sr., 22.0.

SECOND TEAM

Courtney Prenger, Minster, 6-2, sr., 11.1; Kaylin Nixon, Bellaire St. John Central, 5-10, sr., 20.9; Nika Hume-niuk, Willoughby Andrews Osborne Academy, 6-0, sr., 16.0; Michaela Cloonan, Willoughby Cornerstone Christian, 5-9, sr., 9.0; Alivia Koenig, Bluffton, 5-5, sr., 12.8; Jacey Justice, Peebles, 5-8, soph., 24.4; Hope Custer, Lancaster Fairfield Christian, 5-7, jr., 15.3; Courtney Pifher, New Washington Buckeye Central, 6-0, sr., 14.0; Danielle Vuletich, Berlin Center Western Reserve, 6-3, soph., 20.5; Jessie Grover, Lucas, 5-8, jr., 18.6.

THIRD TEAM

Claudia Pifher, New Washington Buckeye Central, 5-9, fr., 15.0; Bella Kline, Sugar Grove Berne Kline, 5-11, soph., 16.0; Madison Cloonan, Willoughby Cornerstone Christian, 5-9, jr., 12.7; Ava Hassel, Portsmouth Notre Dame, 5-5, soph., 11.2; Morgan Leppelmeier, Pettisville, 5-8, sr., 19.2; Corina Conley Arcanum Franklin Monroe, 6-0, jr., 18.0; Caitlyn Condoleon, Warren John F. Kennedy, 5-8, jr., 23.1; Danielle Smith, Norwalk St. Paul, 5-7, soph., 14.7; Kloe Yutzy, Plain City Shekinah Christian, 5-4, sr., 15.3; Baylee Wach, Shadyside, 5-8, soph., 16.0.

SPECIAL MENTION

Mallory Garbe, Columbus Tree of Life; Riley Stopp, Cornerstone Christian; Emily Cevera, Ashtabula St. John; Madyson Rosado, North Ridgeway Lake Ridge Academy; Emily McClain, Elyria Open

Door Christian Annette Weston, Tuscarawas Central Catholic; Morgan Borich, Beverly Fort Frye; Claire Creeks, Zanesville Rosecrans; Julia Zatta, Steubenville Central Catholic; Ashlie Loudon, Beallsville; Emma Cannon, Dalton; Kennedy Haubert, Lake Center Christian; Izzy Perez, Lisbon David Anderson; Kristen Gill, Young, Valley Christian; Rachael Adams, Waterford; Cara Taylor, Waterford; Kyna Waderker, Belpre; Sabrina Delbello, Cincinnati Country Day; Maddie Downing, New Madison Tri Village; Meghan Downing New Madison Tri Village; Emma Hess, Xenia Legacy Christian; Marissa Meiring, Fort Loramie; Claire Sinn, Wayne Trace; Kennedy Pratt, Arcadia; Rylee Sybert, Columbus Grove; Madilyn Hohenberger, Holgate; Brooklyn Gillig, New Riegel; Emma Grime, Stryker; Alivia Light, North Baltimore; Jenna Pepple, Arlington; Olivia Grove, Bucyrus Wynford; Betty Vorst, Delphos St. John's

HONORABLE MENTION

Brooke Wilson, Cuyahoga Heights; Emily Werley, Elyria Open Door Christian; Sydney Carpenter, Ashtabula St. John; Tamia Farris, Richmond Heights; Kailey Tyna, Willoughby Cornerstone Christian Academy; Tai Roberts, Willoughby Andrews Osborne Academy; Kenzie Grubbs, Newbury;

Molly Howard, McDonald; Erica Gasser, Rittman; Bella Zirzow, Bristolville Bristol; Alyssa Serensky, Berlin Center Western Reserve; Marissa Ventura, Cortland Maplewood; Kiersten Tricker, Kinsman Badger; Carlie Pratt, Vienna Mathews; Sophia Constantino, McDonald; Alyson Bailey, Reedsville Eastern; Jess Parker, Reedsville Eastern; Rachel Hayes, Willow Wood Symmes Valley; Paige Tolson, Stewart Federal Hocking; Jayne Six, Glouster Trimble; Ashley Spencer, Corning Miller; Jensen Warnock, Portsmouth Clay; Taylor Schmidt, Portsmouth Notre Dame; Emily Kern, Waterford; Sylvia Evans, Latham Western; Brooke Kennedy, Manchester; Raegan Flood, Sarahsville

Shenandoah; Cayton Secrest, Caldwell; Kendall Thomas, Toronto; Emma Gilkerson, Strasburg-Franklin; Sydney Lyon, Bowerston Conotton Valley; Christine Dombrowski, Steubenville Central Catholic; Tory Hendershot, Shadyside; Samantha Basham, Newark Catholic; Alyssa Goehring, Granville Christian; Maddie Majewski, Powell Village Academy; Rachel McLoughlin, Powell Village Academy; Cece Newbold, Danville; Laura Nowicki, Newark Catholic; Mandi Scheffel, Plain City Shekinah Christian; Sophia Sterling, Fairfield Christian;

Kathleen Ahner, Xenia Legacy Christian; Maddi Benjamin, Georgetown; Maggie Coe, Cedarville; Austy Miller, Bradford; Abigail Peterson, Springfield Catholic Central; Laurissa Poling, Russia; Dana Rose, Fort Loramie.

LIONS, BULLDOGS PUT ONE EACH ON NE8 FIRST TEAM

Leo's Blake Davison and New Haven's Donovynn Lewis each were selected to the first for the NE-8 all-league boys basketball team recently.

Other players named to the first team were East Noble's Ali Ali, Huntington North's Zach Daugherty, Bellmont's Kade Fuelling, Norwell's Will Geiger, East Noble's Hayden Jones, Huntington North's Hank Pulver, Columbia City's Mitchell Wilson and East Noble's Brent Cox.

Second team honorees included Huntington North's Trey Williams, DeKalb's Dalton Smith, East Noble's Nate Dickson, Bellmont's Aaron Lehman, Norwell's Conner Torson, Huntington North's Sawyer Stoltz, DeKalb's Caleb Nixon, East Noble's Michael Bender, Leo's D.J. Allen and New Haven's Thomas Latham.

Players receiving honorable mention were Norwell's Levi Leidig, New Haven's Jamarr Hutchins, Bellmont's Brady Manis, New Haven's Deante Causey, DeKalb's Cole Richmond, New Haven's Demarea Dial and Leo's Eric Steger.

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CHOCOLATE EXTRAVAGANZA 2019: THE GREAT GATSBY



The theme for this year's Chocolate Extravaganza was The Great Gatsby. This is an annual fundraiser hosted by the Oakwood Library Association.

Amidst the dreary days of the tail end of winter, a ray of sunshine ... or rather a stream of chocolate ... emits from the east side of Paulding County. The Oakwood Library Association hosted its 14th Annual Chocolate Extravaganza this past week on Tuesday, March 12 and Thursday March 14. The evenings sold out with 88

guests each night. Supporters from across the county converged at the library decked out in their cool cat roaring 20s threads to enhance The Great Gatsby theme for this year's gala. This is an annual fundraiser sponsored by the friends group of the Cooper Community Library.

Eight "courses" were

served by wait staff of library and community volunteers. 28 trifles of confections were presented to the festive guests. There were feathers, pearls, and ragtime music along with flapper dresses, fringed hems, headbands and elbow gloves to round out this period of the evening. Men were in short supply, for the event but



One of the courses of chocolate for the evening gives a glimpse of the variety served at this year's Chocolate Extravaganza.

the ones in attendance wore sharp suits and hats to complement the ladies.

Chocolate trivia was sprinkled in between courses to enlighten chocolate connoisseurs. Did you know that white chocolate is actually not chocolate at all? Or the first solid chocolate was developed in the 1850s by a man named Joseph Fry? Before that, chocolate was enjoyed in liquid form only. As a party favor, this year each guest was presented with a mini cook-

book of many of the sweet treats enjoyed at the Extravaganza. The pages were supplemented with small sayings about chocolate such as (my personal favorite) "Chocolate is nature's way of making up for Mondays!"

Oakwood Library Association: Kudos to you for another fundraiser success and a phenomenal night away from reality to indulge in a fascinating era of clothing, accessories ... and of course chocolate!

As stated earlier, Moreina Moore scored a game high 29 points, 19 of which came in the first half, to help Owens to their first round win. She would also finish with four rebounds and four assists. Taylor Works would shake off some early rust, scoring 15 of her 19 points in the second half. The sophomore also had five assists and six boards in the game.

Shyah Wheeler would post a double-double with 18 points and 13 caroms. She was also tough defensively, snagging six steals and garnering five blocks against the Pointers.

Tori Kopp was hot from three for the second straight contest too. After her 21 point MVP performance against Rock Valley, Kopp shot 4-6 from beyond the arc and finished with 14 points and seven rebounds. Her fellow Perrysburg alum continued her yeoman's work on the glass. Whitney Thames had a game high 21 rebounds, seven of which came on the offensive glass. She also had nine points.

Liliana Velazquez finished with four points, six rebounds, and three assists off the bench for the Express.

As a team, Owens shot 46.7% (35-75) from the floor for the game, while they held the Pointers to just 33.3% (31-93) from the floor. The Express are now 24-8 overall.

2019 DIVISION II GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-OHIO

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Zia Cooke, Toledo Rogers.

COACH OF THE YEAR: Kevin Cornell, New Philadelphia

2019 DIVISION I GIRLS BASKETBALL ALL-OHIO

PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Kierstan Bell, Canton McKinley

COACH OF THE YEAR: Dave Zvara, Avon Lake

FIRST TEAM

Jacy Sheldon, Dublin Coffman, 5-foot-11, SR., 28.3 points per game; Madison Greene, Pickerington Central, 5-7, SR., 16.0; Constance Chaplin, Euclid, 5-9, SR., 29.0; Kierstan Bell, Canton McKinley, 6-1, SR., 28.8; Sammie Puisis, Mason, SR., 6-1, 17.5; Shyanne Sellers, Aurora, 6-1, soph., 21.0; Jala Johnson, Toledo Notre Dame, 5-8, SR., 16.2; Destiny Leo, Eastlake North, 5-10, JR., 29.4; Destiny Bohanon, Huber Heights Wayne, 5-9, SR., 15.1; Gabbie Marshall, Cincinnati Mount Notre Dame, 5-9, SR., 13.7.

SECOND TEAM

Katie Shumate, Newark, 5-11, SR., 14.1; Mya Jackson, Wilmington, 5-7, SR., 25.0; Annie Roshak, North Canton Hoover, 6-1, SR., 22.0; Malia Perry, Pickerington Central, 5-11, SR., 15.0; Lonasia Brewer, Akron Hoban, 5-11, SR., 14.3; Clare Kelly, Olmsted Falls, 5-8, SR., 18.5; Macy Spielman, Upper Arlington, 5-10, SR., 20.8; Lauren Perry, Sylvania Southview, 5-6, JR., 13.1; Grace VanSlooten, Toledo Notre Dame, 6-2, FR., 12.2; Uju Ezeudu, Reynoldsburg, 6-0, SR., 19.5.

THIRD TEAM

Hailey Weaver, Solon, 5-11, SOPH., 15.0; Anyssa Jones, Westerville South, 5-11, JR., 15.8; Annie Rauch, Hilliard Darby, 6-3, SR., 17.0; Chance Gray, Lakota West, 5-9, FR., 14.8; Hayley Sims, Cleveland Heights, 5-7, JR., 17.0; Hayley Smith, Canton GlenOak, 6-1, JR., 12.0; Corinne Thomas, New Carlisle Tecumseh, 5-9, SR., 22.0; Emily Andrassy,

Stow-Munroe Falls, 5-7, SR., 14.1; Audrey Spiker, Dresden Tri-Valley, 5-8, JR., 14.0; Sommer Pitzer, Westerville South, 5-3, SR., 12.3; Destiny McDonald, Lima Senior, 5-5, SR., 15.7.

SPECIAL MENTION

Morgan Sharps, Newark; Alexandra Hamilton, Columbus Northland; Molly Neitzel, Cleveland St. Joseph; Kamryn Dziak, Amherst Steele; Rylee Pireu, Massillon Perry; Sabria Hunter, Austintown Fitch; Stephanie Smith, Wooster; Angela Fink, Brunswick; Amy Velasco, Centerville; Alyssa Steury, Ashland.

HONORABLE MENTION

Alexis Reese, Euclid; Kaitlyn Kinczel, Mayfield Village Mayfield; Reagan Bass, Strongsville; Alexandria Hunter, Bedford; Amaya Staton, Amherst Steele; Laurene Tere, Cleveland John Hay; Abby Carter, Eastlake North; Kamarah Bender, Warren Harding; Alana Ellis, Twinsburg; Lizzy Stefanov, Stow-Munroe Falls; Chelsea Huffman, Cuyahoga Falls; Nakyah Terrell, Canton McKinley; Jade Abdulla, Canton GlenOak; Emma Dretke, Massillon Jackson; Peyton Davis, North Canton Hoover; Serena Sammarone, Canfield; Raegan Burkey, Youngstown Boardman; Hannah Kroft, Marietta; Kyndal Howe, Dresden Tri-Valley; Lauren King, Dresden Tri-Valley; Breanne Beatty, Worthington Thomas Worthington; Annie Rauch, Hilliard Darby; Imarinnah Russell, Dublin Coffman; Reagan Willingham, Ashville Teays Valley; KK Bransford, Cincinnati Mount Notre Dame; Sean Kelly Darks, Cincinnati Walnut Hills; Lexi Fleming, Cincinnati Mercy McAuley; Jillian Hayes, Loveland; Mickayla Perdue, Springfield; CiCi Riggins,

Hamilton; Madeline Westbeld, Kettering Fairmont; Katie Thomas, Findlay; Abby Hickey, Toledo Whitmer; Kacee Baumhower, Sylvania Northview; Kylie Griggs, Perrysburg; Halle Barnett, Sylvania Southview; Keyaira Burroughs, Toledo Start.

MOORE'S 29 PACES EXPRESS IN NJCAA FIRST ROUND WIN

By: Chris Schmidbauer, Sports Information Director

Bethlehem, PA -- Freshman Moreina Moore scored the Express's first five points of the game against UConn-Avery Point and her offense helped carry Owens to a first round win in the NJCAA Division III National Tournament. Moore would finish with a game high 29 points to help Owens to a 93-79 win.

Owens and UConn-Avery Point would trade buckets over the first five minutes of the ball game. A Tori Kopp three with 4:51 left in the opening period would give the Express a 10-9 lead. Kopp's basket would spur Owens on to a 16-4 run to close the quarter, capped off by a tip in by Shyah Wheeler with fourteen seconds left in the opening frame. Owens would lead at the first quarter by a score of 23-13.

As good as the Express offense was to end the first, it was just as dormant to start the second quarter. Owens did not score a basket for the first 4:52 of the second. Luckily for Owens, their defense would pick up the slack. The Express only allowed five points to the Pointers during that early stretch of the second quarter. Moore's layup would snap the skid, and Owens would close the half on a solid run. The Express would outscore UConn-Avery Point over the remainder of the quarter, 16-5, and Owens would head to the locker room up 39-23.

The Pointers would make a run to start the third quarter, trimming the Owens lead down to 10 forcing an Express time out. Owens would pus the lead back to 14 on a pair of Shyah Wheeler free throws, and a Taylor Works

three with 5:44 to go in the period would give the Express a 17 point advantage, UConn-Avery Point would not go away, however, trimming the Owens lead back to 10 with 3:58 in the third on a Julitza Delgado layup. The advantage would be 10 for the No. 3 seeded Express heading to the fourth quarter.

The Express would begin the fourth scoring the first five points of the period, and a pair of Works layups would give Owens a commanding 17 point lead again with 8:27 to

play in the game. But like they did most of the evening, the Pointers would make another run. An 8-0 run by the No. 6 seed would trim the Express lead to single digits with 4:29 to play. The lead would be trimmed to just six a few moments later on a Mia Brennan three for the Pointers. The Express would answer though, pushing the lead back to 10 point on a pair of layups from Wheeler and Works. The Express would be able to finish off the game at the free throw line for the 14 point victory.

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SECOND TEAM

Cassidy Crawford, Willard, 5-10 JR., 20.2; Aaliyah Currence, New Philadelphia, 5-10, SR., 15.0; Elisabeth Bush, Dayton Carroll, 5-8, SR., 13.5; Maddie Edgerly, Bay Village Bay, 5-9, SR., 15.0; Morgan Bentley, McArthur Vinton County, 5-10, SOPH., 17.1; Emma Broermann, Hamilton Badin, 6-2, SR., 17.0; Kendyl Mick, Thornville Sheridan, 5-9, JR., 9.3; Bryana Housley, Norton, 5-3, SR., 9.4; Carlisa Strickland, Columbus Independence, 5-6, SR., 21.1; Bailee Smith, Zanesville Maysville, 5-6, SOPH., 17.3.

THIRD TEAM

Chloe Davis, Carroll Bloom-Carroll, 6-2, SR., 16.2; Jenna Riccardo, Lisbon Beaver, 6-0, JR., 23.0; Taylor Rinn, Richfield Revere, 5-9, SR., 18.0; Carly Perusek, Cleveland Heights Beaumont, 5-8, JR., 15.5; Kaydan Lawson, Pepper Pike Orange, 5-11, JR., 16.2; Makayla Abram, Steubenville, 5-10, SOPH., 16.4; Rachel Bolyard, Streetsboro, 5-5, SR., 21.2; Kenzie McConnell, Circleville, 6-0, SOPH., 16.4; Madyson Hacking, Perry, 5-4, SOPH., 15.3.

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Casey Smith, Pepper Pike Orange; Giuliana Marinozzi, Shaker Heights; Lydia Gattozzi, Cleveland Heights Beaumont; Jordan Vencill; Brooke Rebman, Lorain Clearview; Jaida Malone, Cleveland East Tech; Emma Liberatore, Chardon Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin; Shaye Foutty, Canal Fulton Northwest; Lauren Calhoun, Ravenna; Grace Hete, Richfield Revere; Maria Dobson, Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary; Kelsey Hosey, Norton; Maria Sziva, Mogadore Field; Peyton Alazaus, Beloit West Branch; Trinity McDowell, Struthers; Conchetta Rinaldi, Youngstown Cardinal Mooney; Kayla Clark, Warren Howland; Shayna Hoop, Circleville; Rayana Burns, Wash. C.H. Washington; Hannah Burnside, Lancaster Fairfield Union; Abby Hatter, Circleville Logan Elm; Laura Manderick, Athens; Zoiee Smith, Waverly; Kayla Burchett, Greenfield McClain; Rachel Cooke, Thornville Sheridan; Josie Ousley, McArthur Vinton County; Kylie Kiger, Wintersville Indian Creek; Josie Pry, New Philadelphia; Addie Rhodes, Minerva; Katie Strama, St. Clairsville; Madison Fields, Steubenville; Macie Jarrett, Zanesville Maysville; Bethany Colling, Duncan Falls Philo; Erin Boehm, Sunbury Big Walnut; Hannah Cowan, Delaware Buckeye Valley; Madison Linn, Hebron Lakewood; Malorie Colwell, London; Kadai Green-Tucker, Columbus South; Abby Jones, Plain City Jonathan Alder; Hailley Jordan, Columbus Eastmoor Academy; Jessica Nation, Olentangy Berlin; Cate Schieber, Granville; Maddy Vincent, Columbus Bexley; Emily Byrne, Cincinnati McNicholas; Clarissa Craig, St Bernard Roger Bacon; Paige Garr, Goshen; Sha'mya Leigh, Trotwood-Madison; Ashleigh Mader, Tipp City Tippecanoe; Chloe Smith, Germantown Valley View;

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KNIGHTS PUNCH TICKET TO COLUMBUS

Crestview made the trip to Bowling Green State University Friday night in Division IV regional boys basketball action and came home with a round trip ticket to the state capital.

The Knights cruised past Maumee Valley Country Day 66-49 and claimed a berth in the Division IV state boys basketball tournament in the process. It is Crestview's fourth trip to the state tournament.

Maumee Valley Country Day made things interesting early, grabbing a 15-12 advantage at the end of eight minutes of action.

However, it was all Knights after that.

Crestview dominated the second quarter, outscoring the Hawks 17-4 as the Knights posted a 29-19 lead at the midway point of the contest.

Maumee Valley Country Day did close within 37-32 midway through the period before Crestview scored the final nine points of the period to push the margin back to 46-32 at the end of three quarters.

Sophomore Kalen Etzler led the way for the Knights with 25 points and nine re-

FARMERS NEED TO GEAR UP FOR MORE RAIN



Weather extremes like those during 2018, much more rain, and heavier downpours are likely to become the norm rather than the exception in Ohio, according to a climate expert with The Ohio State University.

As a result, the state's farmers will have to deal with more and more water pouring onto and running off of their fields, and that could threaten the quality of water downstream, said Aaron Wilson, climate specialist with the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

Last year was the third wettest year ever in Ohio. Temperatures have been getting warmer across the Midwest, with the coldest temperature in the year now up 3 degrees from what it was in the first half of the 20th century, Wilson said. Warmer temperatures have led to a greater amount of water vapor in the atmosphere and increased rainfall.

Intense rain events are more common now. On Aug. 4, nearly 2 ½ inches of rain fell in one hour near Cincinnati, and from Sept. 8-9, nearly 7 ½ inches of rain fell in Brookville, just east of

Dayton. "The question is, what do we do with it? How do we steward that water?" Wilson asked.

Wilson spoke of recent weather trends during the Conservation Tillage and Technology Conference from March 5-6 in Ada, Ohio. The annual conference drew 824 people and offered a series of speakers on topics including soil health, nutrient management, and cover crops. The conference is one many educational offerings that CFAES provides to Ohio farmers, whose contributions are being celebrated this week as part of Ohio Agriculture Week.

Increased rainfall in Ohio is contributing to the load of nutrients, such as phosphorus and nitrogen, entering Lake Erie and other bodies of water, Wilson said. In 2017, Lake Erie recorded its third largest harmful algal bloom ever reported. Phosphorus runoff is a main driver of the lake's blooms.

Farmers might want to look into other measures - such as a second ditch, cover crops, an underground drainage system, and other conservation practices - for

handling the additional water, he said.

"I don't think we should ever look at a single solution to a problem," Wilson said.

The increase in the amount of annual rainfall in Ohio ranges from 5-15 percent, he said.

Saturated fields keep farmers out of them. Work days have been lost due to rain, with an average of five days lost in April and an additional five in October, both important months for farmers for planting and harvesting, Wilson said.

Besides the additional rain and a warmer winter, on average, summer days tend to not be as hot, but summer nights cool down less than they used to, Wilson said. Daytime temperatures across the Midwest, on average, are a little over 2 degrees cooler now compared to those in the first half of the 20th century.

These weather trends are leading to additional stress on livestock, more insects surviving through the winter, and more weeds, Wilson said.

"The changing climate we're seeing makes the job of a farmer more difficult," he said.

sessions begin at noon and 6:00 Thursday and Friday. The divisional rotation this year is III, II, IV and I.

2019 Boys Basketball State Tournament Pairings

All games at the Jerome Schottenstein Center, The Ohio State University

Rankings are from the Final Associated Press Poll released on Monday, February 18, 2019

Home Team Listed First.

Division III

No. 5 Cincinnati Purcell Marian (24-4) vs. No. 2 Canal Winchester Harvest Prep (26-2), Thursday, noon

Cleveland Heights Lutheran East (19-8) vs. Oregon Cardinal Stritch (24-3), Thursday, 2 p.m.

Division III State Championship: Saturday, 10:45 a.m.

Division II

Thornville Sheridan (21-

5) vs. No. 2 Columbus South (27-1), Thursday, 6 p.m.

Akron Buchtel (20-7) vs. No. 1 Trotwood-Madison (26-2), Thursday, 8 p.m.

Division II State Championship: Saturday, 2 p.m.

Division IV

No. 1 Berlin Hiland (27-1) vs. No. 3 St. Henry (24-3), Friday, noon

Richmond Heights (21-6) vs. No. 2 Convoy Crestview (26-1), Friday, 2 p.m.

Division IV State Championship: Saturday, 5:15 p.m.

Division I

Lakewood St. Edward (19-8) vs. No. 1 Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller (27-0) Friday, 6 p.m.

Powell Olentangy Liberty (24-4) vs. No. 7 Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary (23-3), Friday, 8 p.m.

Division I State Championship: Saturday, 8:30 p.m.

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Parker Thiel, Hicksville, 12

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SECOND TEAM:

Russ Zeedyk, Fairview, 10; Luke Brewer, Antwerp, 12; Keenan Jackson, Fairview, 12; Michael Myers, Hicksville, 12; Evan Willitzer, Tinora, 11; Tye Norden, Tinora, 12

HONORABLE MENTION:

Cole Seslar, Antwerp, 12; Jacob Berner, Ayersville, 12; Clayton Flegal, Edgerton, 12; Chayse Singer, Fairview, 11; Dylan Early, Hicksville, 12; Cody Sonnenberg, Holgate, 12; Josiah Linder, Wayne Trace, 12; Jace Vining, Wayne Trace, 11

OPINION: PROTECT OHIO

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART @ GROVER HILL



Students in Mrs. Jennifer Mohr's Class at Grover Hill Elementary School recently participated in a Jump Rope for Heart event. Students could visit stations set up around the

gymnasium to participate in jump roping, wall climb, stack the books, cross the river, skip it, double dutch and hippity hop balls and more. The \$310.00 raised will be given to

the American Heart Association, the nation's oldest and largest voluntary organization dedicated to fighting heart disease and stroke, according to heart.org.

ELECTIONS WITH CYBER STAFF

Ohio is mobilizing the troops to the worrisome threat of cyber-tampering in elections and all facets of state government.

That's an apt metaphor for

what is proposed in Senate Bill 52, as supported by the new Secretary of State, Frank LaRose.

The bill creates a new volunteer unit under the Ohio adjutant general, at the same level of the Ohio National Guard, called the Civilian Cyber Reserve Force.

We need safe, protected election systems. The disclosures of Russian attempts to hack into and sabotage America's 2016 and 2018 elections reveal that our systems were under more intensive threat than we knew.

The unit would be made up of volunteers working in Ohio's information technology industry. They would not be paid for training, but would be eligible to be paid if mobilized in response to an Internet attack on any facet of Ohio government, including its elections system.

This was a proposal Mr. LaRose made during the election campaign. Mr. LaRose's Democratic opponent, Kathleen Clyde, had a different cybersecurity proposal.

This is a much-needed team of cyber first responders who will be entirely civilian, with no military rank or uniforms, to be called out in a cyber emergency at the decision of the governor. This

is a smart way to address the threat of shadowy hackers at home and in a hostile foreign world.

LATTA: BIPARTISAN NET NEUTRALITY LEGISLATION NEEDED; TITLE II FRAMEWORK STIFLING

At an Energy and Commerce Subcommittee and Technology hearing, Subcommittee Republican Leader Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) discussed the need to pass permanent, bipartisan net neutrality legislation that protects consumers, but warned against the consequences of a Title II framework.

In his opening statement, Latta said, "The idea that only Title II is "real" net neutrality is dangerous and wrong. Those who are newer to this subcommittee or to this debate should not be fooled. You have heard over and over again that we need to protect consumers from blocking, throttling, and internet "fast lanes," which sounds reasonable enough. Well, we can easily do all of this without giving the government free rein over the internet through the specter of Title II.

"Everyone who has fol-

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Pay off some debts. Depending on the size of your inheritance, you may want to consider paying off some, if not all, of your debts, such as car loans, personal loans and student loans. You might even consider paying off your mortgage, but you may not want to, as you might be able to get a better return on your money by investing it. Also, if all your money is tied up in a house, you'll typically have less liquidity than you would get from your investments.

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lowed this net neutrality debate on even the most superficial level is aware that Title II is a nonstarter with Republicans, and even with some Democrats. It has no chance of ever passing the Senate or being signed by the President. Yet here we are in a repetitive hearing followed by a string of partisan, victories that will simply ensure that everyone digs in further and nothing meaningful ever gets done to protect consumers."

REP. RIEDEL APPOINTED TO PAULDING COUNTY TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Speaker Larry Householder (R-Glenford) appointed State Representative Craig S. Riedel (R-Defiance) to the Paulding County Transportation Improvement District Board of Trustees. Rep. Riedel represents the 82nd District, which includes Defiance, Paulding and Van Wert counties, as well as part of Auglaize County.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint a non-voting member of the Paulding County Transportation Improvement District board. The board is required to have 5 voting members and 2 non-voting members. Typically, of the two non-voting members, one is appointed from the House of Representatives and the other from the Senate. Serving as a counterpart to Rep. Riedel on the board is Senator Rob McColley.

The board was established in October of 2015 and meets annually to discuss potential transportation projects that would increase economic development in the county. The Transportation Improvement District will fund up to 25% of the total project cost capped at \$250,000. For example, the Paulding County Transportation Improvement District received funding back in 2016 for their USR 127 & Gasser Road Intersection Improvements project. Multiple businesses benefited from the project including Thompson Steel, PolyOne Corporation, and Alex Products, Inc. Im-

provements to the intersection included adding left turn lanes that helped enhance freight flow for the businesses in the area. Paulding County received \$169,000 from the ODOT TID fund to complete this project.

"I am pleased to be chosen as a member of this very important board." Rep. Riedel said. "As a state legislator, furthering economic development in our local communities has been and will continue to be a high priority of mine."

CONGRESSIONAL TRACKERS RANK LATTA AMONG MOST EFFECTIVE U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

Two Congressional trackers, GovTrack.us and the Center for Effective Lawmaking, have ranked Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) among the most effective U.S. Representatives in comparison to his Congressional colleagues. While using two different methods for tracking members of Congress, both placed Latta high on their scorecards when it came to authoring bills that are signed into law.

"Getting things done for the people of Ohio's 5th Congressional District is my top priority as their representative," said Latta. "I've passed legislation over the previous few Congresses to protect drinking water from harmful algal toxins, combat the opioid epidemic in our communities, and ensure farmers can use cutting-edge technology to do their jobs in a way that is safer, more efficient, and better for the environment. I'm not afraid to roll up my sleeves and do the tough job of legislating - especially when it comes to policies that will help my constituents - and the findings from these Congressional trackers recognizes that."

GovTrack.us, an independent website that publishes information on the status of federal legislation and information on individual representatives, puts out "report cards" at the end of each Congress. According to report cards released on the 113th, 114th, and 115th Congresses, Congressman Latta has had

adjusted many aspects of your financial strategy, such as when to take Social Security, how much to withdraw each year from your retirement accounts, and so on.

You'll also need to consult with your tax advisor, because some inherited assets, such as an IRA, could have tax implications.

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6-8, 2019. Pictured from left to right are Chris Ferris (Brunersburg Water Fiscal Officer), Sue Becher (Auglaize Twp Fiscal Officer), Jane Buchman (Paulding Twp Fiscal Officer), Keith Faber, Racheal

Head (Benton Twp Fiscal Officer), Sue Becher (Auglaize Twp Fiscal Officer) and Kathy Feasby (Harrison Twp Fiscal Officer).

10 bills signed into law over that time. Only five current members of the House have had more bills signed into law during that time period (Rep. Don Young, R-AK; Rep. Doug Collins, R-GA; Rep. Kevin Brady, R-TX; Rep. Hal Rodgers, R-KY; and Rep. Chris Smith, R-NJ), placing Latta in the top 2% of House legislators in terms of effectiveness.

Another congressional tracking group, the Center for Effective Lawmaking (CEL), also found that Congressman Latta ranks near the top in effectiveness using their analytical method.

CEL uses fifteen different indicators to form a Legislative Effectiveness Score (LES) that ranks Members of Congress. According to CEL, Latta ranked in the top 10% of House Republicans last Congress (24th out of 244), and 2nd highest in the Ohio delegation behind Rep. Steve Chabot. In addition, CEL ranked Latta 2nd in Ohio delegation for the 114th Congress, only behind former Congressman Pat Tiberi. In the 113th Congress, CEL ranked Latta as the most effective Member of Congress from Ohio.

LAROSE OP-ED: SHINING A BRIGHTER LIGHT ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE IN OHIO: FRANK LAROSE

You deserve to know who is funding campaigns aimed to influence the outcome of elections. It's really that simple.

A variety of motivating factors underlie political donations and many of them are laudable and altruistic. While what inspires those contributions is varied, what should never change is our right to know their source.

Each year around this time, newspapers from around the nation recognize Sunshine Week - an opportunity to highlight the need - the right - for voters to know what makes their government tick. As Ohio secretary of state, it is my mission -- in fact, my sworn duty -- to protect our elections. I believe that includes an obligation to do what I can to empower Ohio voters with the information they deserve to make an educated decision each election.

Right now, if you wanted to find out who was contributing to your local city council member, or school board member, or mayor - the last place you'd want to look is online. Why? Because today, state law doesn't even allow local candidates for office to submit their campaign finance reports online. Instead, each campaign is required to go to their local board of elections and drop off their campaign finance report in paper form yes, in the year 2019, local candidates are required to submit campaign finance reports in dead-tree format.

Interested in doing a quick search of their contributors? Good luck with that! The only way to do it is by hand. There

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is no search functionality. It's just you - slowly and diligently digging through form after form to find the information you need.

Now let's be fair. The average voter doesn't often search through campaign finance reports. But do you know who does? The journalists, academics and activists we entrust with the sacred obligation to search out facts relevant to our daily life and report them back to us.

And they could use some extra sunshine.

These campaign finance reports should be searchable and available on your county board of elections and the Ohio Secretary of State websites. That's why I'm supporting new legislation being introduced this week by state Sen. Michael Rulli that will allow local candidates for office to finally submit their campaign finance reports online.

It's 2019. Not 1999. Submitting these reports online is just common sense -- and for two decades it's been the law for state-level candidates. In the last General Assembly, I introduced very similar legislation that unanimously passed the Ohio Senate. Republicans and Democrats came together once on this, and I'm hopeful they will do so again.

In addition to the reforms being proposed in this new Ohio Senate bill, there is much more work to be done to bring true and real transparency to campaign finance reform. For too long, partisans on both sides of the aisle and deep-pocketed special interests have taken advantage of loopholes in campaign finance law to anonymously influence our elections.

Need an example? In 2017, voters were debating Issue 2, a ballot initiative which focused on drug pricing. Without debating the merits of the policy, consider that more than \$74 million was spent on the ballot issue by both sides -- making this the most expensive campaign in Ohio history. What's worse is that this money, spent to motivate voters, was completely anonymous. The two entities on either side of this contest reported their money in and money out, as required by law -- but who really were the Ohioans in the "Ohioans

Against the Deceptive Rx Ballot Issue" and "Ohio Taxpayers for Lower Drug Prices" organizations? We'll never know specifically where that money came from. Unless we do something about it, there's nothing to stop this from happening again and again for both issue campaigns and independent efforts seeking to help one candidate or another.

I'm committed to finding ways for state law to help reform this broken system. It's simply the right thing to do for the health of Ohio's civic life. It's about time we begin shining a bright light on the

dark money that influences our politics. Voters deserve the opportunity to be fully informed when they make their voice heard in each and every election. Together, we can get it done.

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Edgemont Colony Apartments
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800 Maple St., Stryker, OH 43557
Mgmt Cell 419-492-4919

1 and 2 Bedroom Units

Rental Assistance May be Available to Qualified Applicants

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Applications Available 24 hours a Day

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READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Country Time Market, Antwerp Branch Library, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Hometown Pantry, Pop-N-Brew, Genesis House, Pit-Stop, Subway, Manor House Assisted Living

Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, McDonald's, Bryan Senior Center, Walmart, Bryan Hospital

Cecil: Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

Defiance: Newman's Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Big Lots, Cabbage Patch Store, Werlor's Waste, Advanced Auto, Great Clips, Meijer Great Clips, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid

Edgerton: Marathon, Valero, Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Utilities Office, Napa

Grover Hill: Ross' Gas Station, N&N Quick Stop

Hicksville: Sailers, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, McDonald's, Senior Center, Community Memorial Hospital, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway

Latty: Kohart's Surplus & Salvage, Country Inn Living Center

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Ney: Marathon

Oakwood: Rhees' Market, The Landing Strip, The Oakleaf, Cooper Community Branch Library, TrueValue Hardware, Dollar General

Paulding: Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly Wood and Vine, Paulding County Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. OSU Extension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Past Time Cafe, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital

Payne: Blueberry Pancake House, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Maramart, Payne Branch Library, Puckerbrush Pizza

Sherwood: Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank

Scott: Scott Post Office

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

INDIANA LOCATIONS

Fort Wayne: Walmart, Walgreens & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Great Clips

Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, First Merchant Bank

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

New Haven: Curves, Milan Center, New Haven Branch Library, Ken's Meat Market, New Haven Bakery, Paterson Hardware, Richard's Restaurant, New Haven Chamber, Crumback Chevrolet, Hahn Systems, The Duce.

Woodburn: Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Woodburn Branch Library, Financial Partners, Love's Travel Center, Woodburn Meats & Produce, Heckley Outdoor

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GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY FEBRUARY SOM



Grover Hill Elementary February Student of the Month are: Front, Kahtleen Stoller, Lorie Sinn, Riley manz, Lance Maenle, Stefany Lopez-Castillo, Madison Gilbert and Abrie Hurd. Back, Brooke Tigner, Luke Miller, Brayden Sinn, Zoey Schnipke, Jonah Sinn, Jocelyn Mabis and Brynlee Maenle.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Brendan D. Cline, Defiance, OH; Assault; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Viorito; Pled no contest, found guilty; 2 years probation; TFC; 3rd millennium for alcohol course; No contact with victim; 20 hours community service; Evaluation at Westwood Behavioral

Ethan N. Crates, Payne, OH; 12 point suspension; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Gordon; Pled guilty; 2 years probation; Secure a valid operator's license; Pay or collections 12/20/19

Ethan N. Crates, Payne, OH; Registration violation; Count B dismissed per state agreement

Dale C. Mitzel, Kendallville, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David Childs, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jason M. Germann, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Case was waived by defendant

Steven G. Snodgrass, Fishers, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant written change of plea of

amended charge; No operator's license suspension

Jeremy L. Stokes, Oakwood, OH; FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 9/27/19; Warrant and warrant block rescinded; Proof of financial responsibility provided; Defendant to be released today - 3/7/19

Salvador M. Ramirez, Grover Hill, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Callejas; Pled guilty; No contact with victim; Pay today

Trevor V. Ball, Van Wert, OH; Unlawfully hunting; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant placed on probation; 20 hours of community service; Hunting privileges suspended 2 years beginning 3/7/19; \$500 restitution joint/severally with co-defendant; Pay or collection 5/31/19

Trevor V. Ball, Van Wert, OH; Deer permit; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant placed on probation; 20 hours community service; Hunting privileges suspended 2 years beginning 3/7/19; \$500 restitution joint/severally with co-defendant; Pay or collection

William J. Jackson II, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay fine and cost today

Alex C. Recker, Defiance, OH; FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Secure a valid operator's license; Proof of responsibility provided; Pay or collections 8/30/19

Jody A. Foltz, Latty, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

John E. Grubaugh, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Chad L. Manz, Defiance, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon M. Clark, Melrose, OH; Disorderly conduct; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Gordon; Pled guilty; No contact with victim; Pay or collections 3/29/19

Ashleigh Sue Marable, Oakwood, OH; OVI/under influence; Defendant appeared in open court with Ms. Smith; Pled guilty; 40 hours community service; Repay SCRAM; Evaluation at Recovery Services

James R. Reynolds, Paulding, OH; Pass bad check; Defendant appeared in the custody of the Paulding County Sheriff office; Pled guilty; Pay restitution of \$81 to Morning Star

Robert T. Ford, Oakwood, OH; Confinement of dog; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay or collections 3/29/19

Emilee E. Ranger, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Fine and costs to be paid today

Bryant Adkins, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control; Defendant appeared in open court for a bench trial; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay fine and costs by 3/29/19

Layton R. Boham, Antwerp, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alvin H. Manz, Defiance, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gerald R. Porter, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Charles J. Hill, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Stacey M. Reed, Holland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Edward L. Wagner, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Paul N. Miller (12/29/83), Paulding, Ohio; Gross sexual impositions, F4

Holly P. Hinchcliff (1/4/87), Paulding, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F3; Trafficking methamphetamine, F2

James L. England (1/7/72), Paulding Co. Jail; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Meliton Rodriguez (3/29/76), Hicksville, Ohio; Non support of dependents, F5

Jeffery A. Brummitt (7/10/81), Northwood, Ohio; Non support of dependents, F5

Matthew B. Baltrip (7/7/76), Tazewell, TN; Non support of dependents, F5

Raymond Sandoval (9/6/83), Paulding, Ohio; Assault, F5; Vandalism, F5

Andrew D. Schweitzer (2/20/80), Paulding, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Austin L. Fast (4/9/88), Toledo, Ohio; Possession of drugs, F5

Mark A. Barrett (12/20/68), Paulding, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Erika A. Miller (5/22/91), Defiance, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Bryan K. Lynch (2/27/92), Paulding, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Andrea N. Miller-Crawford (5/20/92), Defiance, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Dwain A. Bigger (5/25/79), Defiance, Ohio; Possession of methamphetamine, F3; Trafficking methamphetamine, F2

James A. Glass (11/17/68), Payne, Ohio; Non support of dependents, F5

Charles M. Reed Jr. (2/7/92), Toledo, Ohio; Failure to appear, F4

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NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Lou Ann Wannemacher, Plaintiff, vs. Michael Wright, et.al. Defendant

Case No. CI 18 198 To: Danny Miles LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown Address

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Michael Wright seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Michael Wright to pay delinquent real estate taxes wherein Danny Miles is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed a mortgage recorded in Volume 423 Page 1067 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated in the County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

Situated in the Village of Paulding, County of Paulding and State of Ohio, and known as: Lot Number Thirty (30) in Dix's First Addition to the Village of Paulding, Paul-

ding County, Ohio.

Said premises are subject to all ordinances, restrictions and road rights of way and easements either apparent or of record. Parcel ID No. 30-06S-09-00

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

Ann Pease, Clerk Court of Common Pleas Paulding, County, Ohio By: Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106) Paulding County, Ohio Prosecuting Attorney 120 S. Walnut Street Paulding, Ohio 45879 419-399-8270

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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

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: 30-17S-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 MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE, AND PURCHASERS OF ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY ARE URGED TO SEARCH THE FEDERAL TAX LIEN INDEX THAT IS KEPT BY THE COUNTY RECORDER TO DETERMINE IF NOTICE OF A FEDERAL TAX LIEN HAS BEEN FILED WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY.

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

COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879

Jimmy A. Stephey, II Plaintiff,

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 publication of this Notice, which will be published once a week for six (6) successive weeks, the date of the last publication 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.

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

Ann E. Pease Clerk

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START SIMPLE WITH MYPLATE



In a continuing effort to help Americans make healthy food choices, and in honor of National Nutrition Month®, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Sonny Perdue announced a new campaign to help simplify the nutrition information that surrounds us each day.

Start Simple with MyPlate is a new initiative to reduce confusion surrounding healthy eating and help

people start with the basics. The Start Simple with MyPlate campaign provides ideas and tips from the five MyPlate food groups that Americans can easily incorporate into their busy lives to help improve their health and well-being over time.

USDA recommends people visit www.choosemyplate.gov/startsimple to get started with tips on the MyPlate food groups, or to use a variety of

simple resources to put these tips into action. Online resources include the MyPlate Plan and widget, a tip sheet (PDF, 1 MB), the MyPlate Action Guide, a one-week menu template (PDF, 498 KB), as well as a toolkit for nutrition professionals.

USDA also invites Americans to join the #MyPlateChallenge by sharing healthy eating tips or ideas related to the five MyPlate food groups. People can post a MyPlate-inspired healthy eating tip with a photo or video and share it on social media. Once they post their healthy eating tip, people can challenge a family member, friend, or co-worker to share their own tip.

Join USDA as we celebrate the different ways people strive to eat healthy and Start

Simple with MyPlate! View more information about the challenge here: www.choosemyplate.gov/startsimplechallenge.

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service aims to increase food security and reduce hunger by providing children and low-income people access to food, a healthful diet and nutrition education in a way that supports American agriculture and inspires public confidence. In addition to co-developing the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and providing nutrition education through MyPlate, the agency administers a network of nutrition assistance programs that comprise America's nutrition safety net. For more information, visit www.fns.usda.gov.

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

3/11/19 State Of Ohio to Paulding County Land Reutilization Corporation; E Plum St; 0.1667 acres; Lot 3 Guerin Add Cecil Vill

acres; Pt E1/2 W1/2 Se1/4 Latty Twp S-16

MCCOLLEY & PRO-LIFE SENATE PASS HEARTBEAT BILL TO BETTER PROTECT UNBORN CHILDREN

State Senator Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) announced the Senate passage of Senate Bill 23, more commonly known as the Heartbeat Bill. The measure would generally prohibit an abortion procedure from being performed if the baby has a detectable heartbeat.

"As Americans, the fundamental right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness

should be guaranteed to all of our citizens, including those who have yet to be born," said McColley. "As a co-sponsor of this important pro-life legislation, I am proud that we have taken this crucial step to protect the beating hearts of Ohio's children."

The vote follows the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal's decision to uphold pro-life legislation from the 131st General Assembly that redirects taxpayer dollars away from entities that perform or promote non-therapeutic abortions.

The Senate also unanimously passed Senate Resolution 41, which urges congress to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. The federal bill aims to protect innocent babies who are inadvertently born alive during an abortion procedure.

Since 2011, the Ohio Senate has had an overwhelmingly pro-life track record and has passed more significant legislation to defend unborn children than at any time since the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark abortion ruling in 1973.

During the 132nd and 131st General Assemblies, both the Ohio Senate and House passed the Heartbeat Bill, but it was ultimately vetoed by Governor Kasich on

both occasions. Members of the Senate have expressed that they are hopeful that under the new leadership of Governor Mike DeWine the bill will be signed should it make it to his desk.

LATTA STATEMENT ON PLANNED PARENTHOOD RULING

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement after the Sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reversed a lower court decision that struck down an Ohio law restricting government funds to Planned Parenthood.

"A federal appeals court said that Planned Parenthood does not have a right to perform abortions - I completely agree," said Latta. "With radical abortion policies being passed in the legislatures of states like New York, Vermont, and Rhode Island, it's never been more important to stand up for the most innocent in our society. This ruling confirms Ohio's leadership when it comes to protecting innocent life by preventing taxpayer dollars from going to Planned Parenthood. This is an important ruling, but our work to pass pro-life policies must continue. In the U.S. House of Representatives, Democratic leadership blocked a vote on Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act for the 17th time this Congress. It's shameful that this bill will not be given a vote, and my colleagues and I won't rest in our efforts to bring this bill to the floor."

Congressman Latta is a member of the Congressional Pro-Life Caucus and recently authored an op-ed on the need to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act. He has cosponsored 15 pro-life pieces of legislation this Congress and introduced one, the Protecting the Dignity of Unborn Children Act.

MCCOMB CHAMPION HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM RECOGNIZED BY OHIO SENATE

State Senator Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) welcomed the McComb High School Football Team to the Ohio Statehouse to be recognized for winning the 2018 OHSAA Division VII State Football Championship.

"It was a genuine pleasure having this group of hardworking and respectful young men visit the Ohio Statehouse and be recognized

during Session today," said McColley. "Their leadership and commitment both on and off the field are a true testament to their character. I join my colleagues and our entire community in congratulating them on a job well done."

The victory marks the first time in 35 years the Panthers have earned the state football title. Head coach Kris Alge led the team to impressive 14-1 record for the historical season.

During the champion-

ship game at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton, they bested Gloucester Trimble by a score of 28-3.

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO JUDGE MICHAEL A. WEHRKAMP

IN RE: Change of Name of Mindy Nicole Torres to Mindy Nicole Hartwick Case No. 2019-6001

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

Applicant hereby gives notice to all interested persons and to unknown interested parties, whose last known address is unknown that the applicant has filed an Application for Change of Name in the Probate Court of Paulding County, Ohio, requesting the change of name of Mindy Nicole Torres to Mindy Nicole Hartwick. The hearing on the application will be held

on the 2nd day of May, 2019, at 10:30 o'clock A.M. in the Probate court of Paulding County, located at Room 202, 115 N. Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879

Mindy Nicole Torres
Applicant's Signature
Mindy Nicole Torres
Typed or Printed Name
13964 Helen Street
Address
Paulding OH 45879
City State Zip

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO JUDGE MICHAEL A. WEHRKAMP

IN RE: Change of Name of Summer Lyn Banks to Summer Lyn Stoller Case No. 2019-6002

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

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be held on the 2nd day of May, 2019, at 1:30 o'clock P.M. in the Probate court of Paulding County, located at Room 202, 115 N. Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879

Summer Banks
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Summer Banks
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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
PAULDING COUNTY:

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF THE MIDWEST, Plaintiff,

vs.

DENNIS A. MILLER, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 18 180

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 4th day of April, 2019 at 10:05 a.m., the real estate located at:

17519 Road 218, Cecil

Parcel Number: 16-14S-003-04

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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

John M. Liming, Attorney for Plaintiff

NOTICE

Defiance/Paulding Consolidated Job and Family Services will be conducting a public hearing to discuss and comment on the proposed Title XX Plan for the period of October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2021.

The Plan is an effort of the Department of Job and Family Services to address and to provide needed services to residents of Defiance and Paulding Counties. These services are funded by Title XX of the Social Security Act. The proposed plan will be available at this meeting.

Representatives from Defiance/Paulding Consolidated of Job and Family Services will be available to answer questions about the biennial plan. The public is invited and urged to attend.

The hearing will be held: April 1, 2019 Beginning at 7:00 a.m. until all testimony is heard at 6879 Evansport Rd, Defiance OH 43512

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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THE STATE OF OHIO,
PAULDING COUNTY:

FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF THE MIDWEST, Plaintiff,

vs.

CHAD D. MULLEN, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 18 211

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 4th day of April, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., the real estate located at:

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CELEBRATING OHIO WILDLIFE: AMERICAN BLACK DUCK



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD Email: patrick.troyer@pauldingswcd.org

Many might be wondering if we have touched on every major form of wildlife that lives in Ohio. While there have been several species that have been covered in our Ohio Wildlife Series, we have not even scratched at the surface of all the amazing wildlife species that call our great state home! Even when this article is done, there will be more to cover so that you can be more aware of the beauty and life that the great outdoors has to offer. So, what animal got picked for this week's feature? The American Black Duck is the spotlight species for this week. Where do they live? What do they eat? What are their behaviors? Read on to find out more!

The American Black Duck belongs to a group of birds called puddle ducks. According to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), this subset is commonly found in shallow freshwater swamps or rivers

compared larger lakes or bay areas, hence the name. It is quite common to see members of this group tipping their bills into the water and moving them around to catch a meal. ODNR adds that feeding by ducks that you may see near agricultural areas are also likely to be puddle ducks as they can walk very well over land. It is a species that is found well throughout Ohio and is very likely that you have seen one before.

Contrary to its name, not all the American Black Duck is not entirely black. Overall, they have a dark brown feathered body with a silver contrast on the bottom side of the wings with the legs and feet of this species appearing red in color. During their flight, this duck species will have white colored feathers on the bottom portion of their wings. ODNR writes that this duck has a purple speculum (secondary feathers) with a black border and a hint of white at the tail end of the wing. The males will have a pale green head with a yellowish-green

bill. It is common that you may see a cross species between the American Black Duck and the Mallard Duck, which share identifying characteristics of both species. According to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the females will generally be slightly paler in color than the males with a dull olive colored bill.

Have you ever noticed the nest of this species? Their nests are usually easy to spot as they are found at ground level appearing as a very small depression in the soil that is covered with some form of vegetation. The average clutch or group of eggs will number around nine to ten that will take about a month to incubate or 27 days to be more specific. Female ducks are bred in the early spring with the baby ducks typically hatching in May or the first part of June. The young American Black Ducks usually begin to become mobile within a few hours after they hatch.

Vegetation is the main dietary staple for the American Black Duck. They are also known to eat a variety of aquatic plants such as pondweed, small fish, and the occasional invertebrate. According to ODNR, this duck species has been known to associate with its mallard relative all along the Atlantic coast in small flocks or groups and their sounds can easily be confused with that of the mallard as the quack of the hen (female), and the drake's "kwek-kwek" sound one in the same with the two species. The American Black Duck likes to nest in wetlands throughout the east in either a freshwater or saltmarshes. According to Cornell University, they like to take up shelter in various protected ponds, marshes, or bays during the winter season and their annual migrations.

As mentioned, this species makes annual migrations as the seasons change. According to the Audubon Society, the fall migration happens a little later in the season as their waters freeze or the food supply becomes very limited. Those that live in more moderate southerly climates or along the coast will travel a shorter distance compared to the more northerly ducks. Most of the migration will take place during the nighttime hours rather than in the daylight.

Are there a lot of American Black Ducks to be found? According to the Audubon Society, due to clearing of a large amount of forest land has led to a decline in the population of the American Black Duck while favoring an increase in population of their mallard relatives. The increase of the mallard population has made it difficult for the black duck to maintain a strong presence in many areas. They can still have been found well in localized populations, all depending on the amount of forest cover an area has to offer.

Hopefully you enjoyed learning about another animal that finds itself at home right here in Ohio. The American Black Duck can be seen and heard in places far and wide! Have you seen this duck around? If so, we would love to see your pictures! Stay tuned for future installments of our Ohio Wildlife Series as we look at the wildlife and natural beauty that Ohio has to offer.

HELPING FARMERS KNOW THEIR BOTTOM LINE



In this rural town, a short drive from Canton, Ohio, Mark Thomas had been running a 400-cow dairy farm for years.

That, plus row-cropping 2,000 acres, kept him outside, where he wanted to be most days. But the number-crunching side of his job—tabulating production costs, losses, and inventory—never thrilled him. He and his wife, Chris, made money, sure. They paid their taxes on time, always. But for a while, they weren't able to keep a close watch on their production costs as they could have. And though profits for milk have dipped in recent years, they kept on milking.

Last year, they stopped. Selling off their herd of Holsteins, they switched to raising heifers while continuing with cultivating corn, soybeans, and wheat. While it was tough to watch the milking cows leave their barn for good, the Thomases had the financial projections and analysis to show that it was likely the right move.

They used information from several years of analysis done through the Ohio Farm Business Analysis and Benchmarking Program in The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). Partly funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the program assesses the financial health of a farm operation and generates reports that compare the operation to other comparable Ohio farms.

A decade ago when the Thomases first participated in the program, they had to dredge up a lot of receipts, bank statements, and loan information from a couple of years earlier.

"I've said before that I'd rather go through a colonoscopy or a tonsillectomy without anesthesia than go through that again, but we were a whole lot better as a result," Mark Thomas quipped.

Since he first participated in the program in 2009, Thomas has been able to make informed decisions that put his business on a better track, the shift to raising heifers being the most recent decision.

At a time when national farm income is down, on average, and uncertainty abounds about how tariffs might affect foreign demand for corn and especially soybeans, it is invaluable for Ohio farmers to know their production costs in every part of their business. The business analysis program is designed to help Ohio farmers achieve financial success. Helping farmers in this way is one of the main reasons land-grant institutions such as Ohio State were created.

This week, Ohio Agriculture Week, March 10-16, which corresponds with National Agriculture Week, is a time to acknowledge farmers' contributions. The state is home to 75,462 farms, and 83,491 people work in Ohio's production agriculture sector, according to the most recent data from USDA and CFAES reports. The Ohio Farm Business Analysis and Benchmarking Program is just one of many programs to assist the state's farmers so that they can continue pursuing, and making a sufficient profit in, what they're most passionate about.

"We don't always have good news for the farmer," said Dianne Shoemaker, a dairy specialist with Ohio State University Extension, the outreach arm of CFAES, and manager of the business analysis program. "But the benefits a farm receives from doing an analysis each year include seeing what is going well and identifying issues that need to be addressed in a timely manner."

Most farmers do cash-based record keeping, tracking money coming in and going out, so they might not separate out the contributions and expenses of each

individual venture—such as livestock, dairy, or crop enterprises, Shoemaker said. The accrual adjustments used in the business analysis program take into account inventory changes and income and expenses when they occur, regardless of when the cash is exchanged.

More often than not, farmers juggle multiple ventures: raising crops and (possibly) livestock, selling seed, and/or running a pick-your-own produce business. Keeping track of exactly what each of those enterprises is adding to—or taking away from—the business is critical, Shoemaker said.

"It helps farms identify where they're making money and where they have opportunities to improve," Shoemaker said.

Any business that participates works directly with a technician who helps the business collect the necessary information and generates the farm analysis. In addition to providing the relevant reports, Shoemaker and the technicians work with the farm's business owners to interpret and apply the results they see.

Getting a report that compares a farm or enterprise to comparable farm businesses can enable a farmer to know whether he or she could or should take a different approach to become more profitable.

"Sometimes farmers have to decide to discontinue an enterprise or sell a farm business, which is always sad, but they are able to make the decision with full information," Shoemaker said.

The Thomases knew their milk production business wasn't doing well. At first, they changed what they fed the cows to produce milk that was higher in fat and protein, milk that earned them more. Later, even that wasn't enough. So, the Thomases de-

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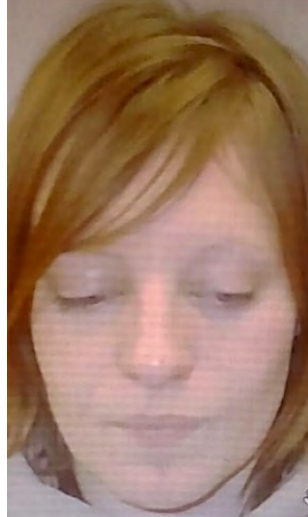
MAN UNIT EXECUTES SEARCH WARRANT IN PAULDING COUNTY



Brandon Berridge

In the early morning hours of Saturday March 9, 2019, the Paulding County Sheriff's Office and the Multi-Area Narcotics Task Force (MAN Unit) executed a search warrant in Paulding County in regards to the on going war against drug trafficking.

The search warrant was executed at 619 North Dix Street, Paulding, Ohio. Present in the home were Brandon Berridge and Holly Hinchcliff as well as two juveniles. Paulding County Deputies



Holly Hinchcliff

and Task Force Agents conducted the search and seized Methamphetamine, Crack Cocaine, Mushrooms, Acid and over \$3000.00 in US currency.

The two juveniles were removed from the home and are in the care of a family member. Brandon Berridge, 30, and Holly Hinchcliff, 32, were both arrested for serious aggravated drug trafficking charges and taken to the Paulding County Jail.

decided to sell off their herd in June 2018 when they suspected it would be a good time.

"Then," Mark Thomas said, "there was a solid market for the cows."

For more information about the Farm Business Analysis and Benchmarking Program, visit farmprofitability.osu.edu or email Shoemaker at shoemaker.3@osu.edu.

CHOW LINE: CDC: AVOID "ZOMBIE" DEER MEAT

I keep hearing about "zombie deer." What is that?

What you are talking about is chronic wasting disease, a disease that has been featured in numerous national media outlets and news stories in recent weeks.

Chronic wasting disease, which has also been called "zombie deer disease," rots the brains of deer, elk, and moose, causing them to act lethargic and less afraid of humans before dying, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

While Ohio's current status designation is "chronic wasting disease-free in the wild," there have been some reported cases in three surrounding states: Michigan, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania, the CDC said. The disease has been detected in 24

states thus far, the CDC said.

"Chronic wasting disease is a highly relevant topic and people are seeking sound science and guidance on this issue, including its impact on deer meat or venison," said Gabriel Karns, a visiting assistant professor of wildlife ecology and management in the School of Environment and Natural Resources at The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences.

"To date, there have been no confirmed cases, nor evidence to suggest, that humans are at risk from eating chronic wasting disease-positive meat," Karns said. "Because the natural incubation period for chronic wasting disease in animals is 18 months to two years, many harvested animals that may indeed be infected still appear healthy and are consumed as such."

Nevertheless, the CDC does advise people to take certain precautions when dealing with deer or elk and the meat from those animals in areas where chronic wasting disease is confirmed within the wild herd.

The CDC recommendations include the following.

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- Do not use household knives or other kitchen utensils.

- Check state wildlife and public health guidance to see whether testing of animals is recommended or required. Recommendations vary by state, but information about testing is available from many state wildlife agencies.

- Strongly consider having it tested for chronic wasting disease before eating the meat.

- If you have your deer or elk commercially processed, consider asking that your animal be processed individually to avoid mixing meat from multiple animals.

- If your animal tests positive for chronic wasting disease, do not eat its meat.

"For Ohioans, one should not hesitate to eat venison from wild white-tailed deer," Karns said.

"Even if and when Ohio documents its first wild case of chronic wasting disease, people should not despair," he said. "In that hypothetical but not far-fetched scenario, submitting a sample of unhealthy deer or any deer from within a mandated surveillance area will be prudent—if not mandatory—and test results will be sent expeditiously to the hunter."

The results of a test can then inform the hunter's decision of whether or not to consume the venison, Karns said.

"While more cautious culinary approaches, such as not cooking deer bone-in roasts from the neck region with spinal cord intact, may eventually become a standard

precaution, the fact remains that current evidence does not suggest that chronic wasting disease affects human health," he said.

Chow Line is a service of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and its outreach and research arms, OSU Extension and the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center. Send questions to Chow Line, c/o Tracy Turner, 364 W. Lane Ave., Suite B120, Columbus, OH 43201, or turner.490@osu.edu.

CONSIDER ROTATING USE OF GMO SEEDS TO AVOID RESISTANCE

It may be that a certain type of genetically modified corn or soybean seed works well, bringing high yields and sizeable profits.

But planted in the same field, year after year, the same seed might not be the right choice, said Curtis Young, an entomologist with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

When the same genetically engineered crops are grown in the same field repeatedly—crops developed to produce toxins that kill insects, for example, or to survive weed-killing sprays—the target insects or weeds begin to adapt. They can become resistant to the toxins or weed killer.

Take, for example, soybean seeds that are genetically engineered to tolerate glyphosate, a chemical that kills weeds. A farmer might want to plant soybeans that tolerate glyphosate so he or she can later spray a weed killer containing glyphosate, not hurting the crop but killing the

weeds that are sucking up the nutrients and water.

The problem is that soybean seeds that can withstand glyphosate were followed by the creation of corn seeds that can also tolerate the chemical. So in a field where corn and soybeans are rotated, glyphosate could be used every year, multiple times, resulting in the rapid development of weeds that can tolerate glyphosate.

"The number of weeds that are now glyphosate-resistant is incredible," Young said.

"We have to remember that genetically modified seeds are tools we can choose to use and not abuse," Young said. "We can't allow ourselves to get pulled into doing one thing over and over again."

Young will be one of the numerous speakers at the upcoming Conservation Tillage and Technology Conference set for March 5-6 on Ohio Northern University's campus in Ada, Ohio. The event is an annual program during which speakers cover a range of topics including nutrient management, digital technologies for farmers, cover crops, soil health, and best management practices to improve water quality. The conference is sponsored by CFAES and includes speakers from the college as well as the agriculture industry.

As farmers decide on seed purchases to plant this spring, Young recommends that they consider alternatives to using the same genetically modified seed on a given field.

For example, a grower who has been using soybeans that can tolerate glyphosate might opt to plant seeds that don't offer that ability. When weeds surface, the grower might try a different weed killer to eliminate the weeds from the field, Young said.

Is it risky? It might be, Young said. But paying every year for higher cost genetically engineered seeds when they might not be needed comes at a cost, he said.

"That's where you really have to put the pencil to the paper and figure out whether your main goal is maximum yield or maximum profit."

Sudoku solution from page 13

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LATTA STATEMENT ON FEBRUARY JOBS REPORT; HIGHEST WAGE GROWTH IN A DECADE

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement on the February jobs report which showed that wages grew 3.4% in the last year, the highest wage growth in a decade. In addition, unemployment dropped to 3.8%. Job creation was low at 20,000 new jobs after a very strong January jobs report.

"Wage growth growing at the fastest rate since 2009 is a major positive that everyone should be taking away from this report. More money in the pockets of American workers is something we should all applaud. The unemployment rate dropping to 3.8% is another piece of good news. At the same time, the new jobs number is disappointing. There are plenty of reasons for the low number - strong job growth in January, a month of very cold weather in February, and possible residual effects from the government shutdown. We'll have to look at the coming jobs reports to really get a full picture of our current economy.

"I do believe that discussions about massive new government programs like the 'Green New Deal' or 'Medicare for All' may be stifling some of the economic growth we had been seeing. When businesses think their taxes are going up, they invest less. We need to continue to support and implement pro-growth policies that led to the hottest economy in decades."



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- John O. Feighner - as a Super Lawyer
- Travis S. Friend - as a Super Lawyer
- Linda A. Polley - as a Super Lawyer
- J. Spencer Feighner - as a Rising Star
- Sarah L. Schreiber - as a Rising Star

STATE PATROL INVESTIGATING INJURY CRASH INVOLVING TROOPER

Farmer TOWNSHIP - The Ohio State Highway Patrol's Defiance Post is investigating an injury crash that occurred at 12:56 P.M. Tuesday, March 12, 2019 on Farmer Mark Road at Blosser Road, in Defiance County.

A 2013 Chevrolet Equinox, driven by Maxine Cook, age 85, of Hicksville, Ohio was traveling westbound on Blosser Road. A 2019 Dodge Charger, driven by Trooper Dennis Spangler, age 42 of the Defiance Patrol Post, was southbound on Farmer Mark Road. Ms. Cook failed to yield to oncoming traffic and pulled into the path of Trooper Spangler. Trooper Spangler was unable to avoid Ms. Cook and was struck in the left front.

Ms. Cook and Trooper Spangler both came to rest off the right side of Farmer Mark Road. Ms. Cook and Trooper Spangler were transported to Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville where they were treated for minor injuries. Both drivers were wearing their seat belt at the time of the crash.

The Defiance Patrol Post was assisted on scene by the Defiance County Sheriff's Office, Hicksville Fire and EMS, John's Towing, and Defiance Auto Body. The crash remains under investigation and alcohol is not believed to be a factor.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol reminds motorists to wear your seat belt and to not

drive distracted or after the use of alcohol or prescription medication.

K&P GROUP TRANSPORT MOTOR COACH NOW BOOKING PRIVATE TRIPS

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Trips can be booked by calling 419-785-3225 ext. 225 or by email at Jacob.Weinmann@kellerlogistics.com.

About K&P Group Transport: K&P Medical and K&P Group Transport are located on the Keller Logistics Group complex located at 24862 Elliott Road in Defiance.

THE HUBER QUEST CONTINUES ...

The Huber Opera House is very proud of the completion of the exterior walls. The new exterior looks wonderful, however, the job is not completely done. The old bricks were in such bad condition that it allowed moisture to leak through to the interior walls and ruin the plaster on the walls in the auditorium as well as deteriorate the floor joists that

ROTARY HOSTS ST. PATRICK'S DINNER!



Mike Kauser and Marsha Bennett, representing the Paulding Eagles, donated \$1800 to the St. Patrick's Day Steak Fry sponsored by the Antwerp Rotary Club.

The Antwerp Rotary plans their annual steak fry around the St. Patrick's Day holiday each year. The event is always at the Paulding Eagles who graciously helps the Rotary carry out this fundraiser each year. This year the planning was near perfect with 150 steaks ordered and tickets sold! The dinner was very tasty and the Rotary appreciates all of those who were able to participate in this great event!



The big 50/50 winner for the Antwerp Rotary St. Patrick's Steak Fry was Gary Mabis, who in this picture is receiving a check from Jennifer Ramsier from the Rotary.

are supporting the exterior walls. So our quest continues to complete the interior work that is needed.

The work will include repairing or replacing the floor joists under both exterior walls, repairing the door jam, replacing the door latches, and repairing the plaster on both walls in the auditorium. The water seeped through the old brick walls, soaking the plaster on the inside which is visible with the "bubbling" of the plaster. In addition, the water drained down the walls and has deteriorated the floor joists under the two exterior walls. This is evident by the fact that you can step on those areas with your foot and it bounces. This has also created an issue with the auditorium door as it is very difficult to latch and lock correctly, which poses a security concern when someone exits the door and it does not latch completely when it closes. Huber volunteers are aware of this inconsistency and are checking this door before leaving the Huber each day. But all of these conditions are a result of the old exterior bricks that were not keeping moisture out of the building for many years. Now that the exterior issue has been addressed, it is time to repair the interior walls, floor joists, and door.

Further work is also being considered to seal or plaster over the interior walls of the stage area. This work can be done after the auditorium project is completed, but will need to be done eventually. The old brick is very brittle and flakes off leaving debris on the stage floor and back-

stage. The company that did the exterior work will be able to treat and seal this brick or plaster over it to prevent this from happening. The plan is to keep the old brick at the back of the stage visible by sealing over it, thus keeping it available as a backdrop for productions and concerts and preserving the history of the original brick. The other areas backstage will be evaluated to determine if sealing or plaster application will be the most efficient and economical approach.

So the quest continues! The Board is being very vigilant and looking long term to

plan these projects in phases that can be completed as funding becomes available.

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 re-

sources tab.

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.

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP WELCOMES RADIO HOST ERIKA HANSON TO OUR ONLINE AIRWAVES

Defiance, OH—The New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) welcomes Erika Hanson who will host her first internet radio show on March 28, 2019. On her show, Ms. Hanson will discuss topics pertaining to depression, anxiety and other disabilities within our community.

Ms. Hanson's show will air weekly on Thursdays at 2:00 P.M. MST, 1:00 P.M. PST, and 4:00 P.M. EST joining NHEG's other broadcasts as part of "The New Heights Show on Education." Together, the shows have had over 156,000 listeners.

Other pre-recorded shows and topics include Kathy Woodring's history-related show, Briana Dincher's multi-topic show, Shannon Williamson's shared weekly stories, Anna Shi exploring biology and zoology, Freddie Bandola, Jr.'s show covering technology issues, Victoria Lowery's show covering soft skills, Kaden Behan covering disability topics and Victoria Lowery's show covering soft skills. Priscilena Shearon's previous show discussed Common Core myths and realities.

NHEG looks forward to expanding its listening audience, welcoming a new host and covering another educational topic.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Garrett & Rachel Atkins (of Atkins Family Bee Farm) welcomed their first baby, a daughter, Keturah Mallardee Atkins, born March 1, 2019. First-time grandparents are Kevin & Janet Atkins of Cecil, Laura Sterrett of Bucyrus, and Vince Redolf of Mansfield.

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