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COOPER FARMS ACQUIRES ASSETS OF **HEMMELGARN & SONS, INC.**



Cooper Farms, finalized their asset acquisition of Hemmelgarn & Sons, Inc. helping to further grow the egg portion of their business.

The purchase includes an offline egg grading and packaging plant, located in Philothea, Ohio; a feed mill, located in Union City, Ohio; 1.6 million hens, cared for by 12 contract farmers; as well as a trucking fleet and nearly 300 acres of land.

"Hemmelgarn & Sons has had a successful presence in the shell egg business and we are looking forward to opportunities to continue to grow in that market," said Jeff Cutler, Cooper Farms Egg Division Manager. "With their packing plant and feed mill in such close proximity to our operations, and our similar business models, we

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The 89-year-old company has roots much like those of Cooper Farms, being privately held and operated by the Hemmelgarn family, their close friends and coworkers. Started in 1930 by Ed Hemmelgarn, who was later joined by his sons Floyd and Jerry, the company grew to be a top provider of shell eggs in the Midwest.

"You can't say enough about how the Hemmelgarn family cared for their employees and all that they did," said Tad Gross, Hemmelgarn & Sons President. "They were just a top notch family. I see a lot of that in the Cooper family. I'm hoping that what the Hemmelgarn family did, the Cooper family will help me

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NORTHWEST STATE FIRST ROBOTICS TEAM **PREPARES FOR BUCKEYE** REGIONAL COMPETITION

The FIRST Robotics Team at Northwest State Community College has been busy in preparations for their appearance in the Buckeye Regional FIRST Robotics Competition, to be held March 28-30. The overall goal of the competition, which is organized by the NASA Glenn Research Center in Cleveland, OH, "is to encourage students in an enlightening project to design, build, test and operate a robot which would encourage them to pursue careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics." This year's event is the 17th annual FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition. There are currently 60 teams registered throughout the region, which includes KY, MI, NY, OH and PA.

The NSCC team, the "Cryptic Cyborgs" are a local collaboration between Northwest State, North Star Bluescope Steel, Chase Brass and Copper, Swanton Welding Company and Worthington Industries. This iteration of

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TYRA'YN JONES SIGNS WITH INDIANA TRACK



L-R Coach Brad McAlexander, Gregory White, Tyra'yn Jones, and Rosetta White.

Indiana Tech just picked up their latest student athlete, Tyra'yn Jones. A senior at Woodlan, Tyra'yn has been in various sports for the past four years at Woodlan Jr/Sr. High School. He will be running in Track for the School. Jones is majoring in Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement. Currently, he live sin Fort Wayne with his parents, Gregory and Rosetta White.

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Community Calendar

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)
- Hickville KofC Fish Fry @ St. Michael's, 4:30-7pm
- Payne KofC Fish Fry @ Payne Divine Mercy, 5-7p

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

April 1-2

• Antwerp Kindergarten Registration, call 7:15a -3:15p for appt.

April 2

 PCAF Annual Business Meeting @ Grant's, 6pm

April 3

- Antwerp Childhood Screening, @ Antwerp School, 3:30-7pm
- PERI Meeting @ PC Senior Center, 10am
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm

April 4

- GH Elem. presents Spring Musical, 2pm & 7pm
- Off the Clock w/P.E.N. @ Paulding Eagles, 5-6:30pm

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PC SENIOR CENTER HOSTS HEALTH, **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY FAIR**



The Paulding County Senior Center is hosting their 15th annual Health, Business and Industry Fair on Wednesday, March 27, 2019. The event is being held at the Paulding Count Extension Building from 11:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Over 45 businesses will be represented and offer valuable information. Among the new vendors this year is the Ohio Attorney General's

There will be Cardio Drumming demonstrations for those who are interested in some healthy fun. Guests will also be able to pick up some great promotional items, register to win over 30 door prizes and eat lunch. Lunch is a free will donation otherwise the event is free and welcome to everyone.

DEFIANCE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

3/27 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Crafts 10:00 a.m.; Hearing Aid checks by N.W.O. Hearing Aid Center 10:00 a.m.; Kroger shopping 12:30 p.m.; CSFP 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.; Evening Meal 5:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m.

3/28 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Stretch Band 10:00 a.m.; Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Bingo All Caring 12:30 p.m.; Shop at Meijer 12:30 p.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.

3/29 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Tai Chi 10:00 a.m.; Crafts 10:30 a.m.

HICKSVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

3/27 - Seniors' Choice ?? what will it be??; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.; CSFP Food Commodities Distribution 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

3/28 - Chair exercises 10:00 a.m. Grocery Shop 12:00 p.m.

3/29 - Music & dancing 10:30 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 -

DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU

3/27 - Vegetable soup, ham & cheese sandwich (ALT: turkey & cheese), carrot raisin salad, fresh orange, cookie/sf cookie; Salad Bar in Café

3/28 - Meatloaf, hash brown casserole, corn, tropical fruit, whole wheat roll

3/29 - Tuna salad (ALT: egg salad); 3 bean salad, tomato salad, apple juice,

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A GLUTEN-FREE DIET?

I am thinking about removing gluten from my diet. Is there anything that I need to consider before making that decision?

Yes. An important thing to consider before going gluten free is the question of why you want to make that

Gluten is a protein that is found in wheat, barley, and rye. It also appears in many processed foods.

There is often a medical reason-such as wheat allergy, celiac disease, or non-celiac gluten sensitivity-why a person must follow a gluten-free diet, said Shannon Carter, educator, family and consumer sciences, Ohio State University Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences.

weight loss.

to show that a gluten-free toms associated with certain as dermatitis herpetiformis, psoriasis, there is no evihealth claims for the general population," Carter said in Gluten-Free Eating: Important Considerations, a recent Ohioline fact sheet.

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CHOW LINE: CONSIDERING

However, some people have adopted a gluten-free diet because they believe it has health benefits, including

While there is evidence diet can help diminish sympautoimmune diseases such irritable bowel syndrome, rheumatoid arthritis, type 1 diabetes, thyroiditis, and dence to support gluten-free

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gluten-free diet do not need

'The likelihood of weight loss on a gluten-free diet depends on how a person eliminates gluten," Carter said. "Avoiding processed foods and refined carbohydrates like bread, crackers, and pasta and replacing them with whole grains will reduce extra calories and increase fiber.

"Gluten free does not necessarily mean healthy. Gluten is found in foods that are part of a healthy diet, which contributes nutrients and fiber."

Carter offers these points to consider when deciding to go gluten free: • Be sure to consult a doc-

tor before going gluten free, since diagnostic tests require active gluten consumption in order to be accurate. A gluten-free diet cannot replace a formal consultation, diagnosis, or recommendation from a physician. • Talk with a dietitian to

understand how a gluten-free diet plays an important role in managing gluten-related disorders. Gluten-free diets might require careful monitoring to ensure a healthy and adequate balance of nutrients and fiber.

• If you will be the only gluten-free person in your household, will you prepare separate gluten-containing food for others? Will you have adequate space for storing and preparing gluten-free food separately from food containing gluten?

· Purchasing or preparing food for a gluten-free diet might take more time. While many grocery stores have a wide variety of gluten-free foods, some products might only be available at specialty stores.

• When eating away from home, you might need to prepare food to take with you. When eating out, you must check with the restaurant and inquire about the menu and possible sources of cross-contact, which is when gluten-free food comes into contact with food or surfaces where gluten has been pres-

• Gluten-free substitutes are usually more expensive. One research study by the National Institutes of Health found that gluten-free foods cost almost 2 1/2 times more than regular products.

If you have been gluten free and decide it's no longer for you—and you do not have a medical reason to avoid gluten—Carter says to be careful when reintroducing gluten back into your diet.

"Do so in sparing amounts, as your body might have difficulty digesting gluten and fructan, a highly fermentable component in wheat," she said. "When medical diagnoses provide a solid motive for avoiding gluten, the gluten-free diet is inevitable.

"If eliminating gluten is merely a dietary preference, this decision deserves some careful consideration."

Chow Line is a service of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and its outreach and research arms, Ohio State University 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.

PAULDING COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Paulding County General Health District Advisory Council was held on March 5, 2019. During the meeting, Joe

Thome was named President of the council and Donna Greear was named secretary for the ensuing year. Reports were presented

by all the health department personnel for the calendar year 2018. The following were in

attendance: Daniel Thomas, Brown Township; Mike Kauser, Paulding Township; Mark Holtsberry, County Commissioner; Gene Sheets, Cecil Mayor; Donna Greear, Broughton Mayor; Randy Noggle, Benton Township; Richard Bowers, Haviland Mayor; Joe Thome, Benton Township; Kerry Hook, Harrison Township; Ray Delong, Antwerp Mayor; Chris Bercaw, Board Member; Ronald Schmidt, Board Member; Lisa Nicelley, Board Member; Wendell Spangler, MD, Board Member; Joseph Kuhn, DO, Health Commissioner; William Edwards, RS, Emergency Preparedness Cord.; Carol Sanford, Environmental Director; Amber Gochenour, RN, Director of Nursing; Sherry Miller, RN, WIC Director; Robin Gonzales, Clerk/Registrar.

The Paulding County Health Department's 2018 Financial Report is on file at the health department. The report can be viewed during regular health department business hours.

HICKSVILLE VILLAGE PLAYERS PRESENT HARVEY

The Village Players of Hicksville, Ohio reminds area residents of this weekend's upcoming production of "Harvey," the beloved Pulitzer Prize-winning Mary Chase comedy.

Several years ago, the somewhat eccentric gentleman named Elwood P. Dowd was out for a walk when he spied Harvey, a sixfoot rabbit leaning against a lamppost, a sight which struck Elwood as absolutely normal. "When you live in a town as long as I have lived in this one," he explains, "you get used to the fact that everybody knows your name." Harvey accompanied Elwood home that night, and it was the beginning of a beautiful friend-

Unfortunately, the oblivious Elwood is the only one who can see the rabbit. This causes no small amount of consternation to Elwood's sister Veta, particularly since she wants to see her daughter Myrtle get married soon, and no self-respecting gentleman wants to marry into a family which includes a six-foot invisible rabbit. But having Elwood committed presents its own problems, as Veta's agitated state of mind leaves the sanitarium's medical staff to commit her instead. But who is really crazy here... Elwood, Veta, the doctors, or no one

Dick Hall as sanitarium

at all? The cast is led by Jamy Shaffer as Elwood, Dawn Patterson as Veta, Avery Miller as Myrtle Mae and

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"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

head Dr. William Chumley. Supporting roles are played by James Greer, Peter Greer (who also directs), Mercedes Moncivais, Christy Miller, Brandy Patterson, Carol Clark, Cole Patterson, Jill Miller and Harvey as himself. "Harvey" will be presented Friday and Saturday, March 29 and 30, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 31 at 2 p.m. at Lifeline Connect Ministry Center on the corner of Dixon and Fountain Streets in Hicksville. To get there, turn east off of Ohio 49 (Antwerp Drive) in Hicksville onto Dixon Street. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 260-440-6695. For more information, please search the Hicksville Village Players on Facebook.

MAINTENANCE ON HILLEGAS ROAD BRIDGE IN ALLEN COUNTY PLANNED ON APRIL 1

The Indiana Department of Transportation announces that an overpass construction project is scheduled to begin on Interstate 69, at Hillegas Road in the City of Fort Wayne, on Monday, April 1, weather permitting.

Hillegas Road will be closed, between Leesburg and Goshen roads, while work is completed.

Drivers may also see overnight lane restrictions or scheduled rolling slowdowns on I-69, between mile marker 308 to 310 to accommodate for the bridge

work occurring on Hillegas Motorists are reminded

to use caution and consider worker safety when driving through any construction zone. Work on the overpasses will continue through late November, weather permit-

The combined contract was awarded to Primco for \$5.8 million and also included the reconstruction of the Hillegas Road bridge over U.S. 30 in 2018.

To accommodate the bridge replacement at I-69 and Hillegas, the City of Fort Wayne established a local detour (see image below). Southbound traffic detours will include the following: Washington Center Road to U.S. 33 to U.S. 30 to West Coliseum to Hillegas. Northbound traffic detours will include: Hillegas to West Coliseum to U.S. 30 to U.S. 33 to Washington Cen-

ter Road. At some point during the project, the West Coliseum connection to Hillegas will be reconstructed. The timeline for the closure of West Coliseum is not known at this time, but is anticipated to take place mid-summer. The City of Fort Wayne will send an update when that information becomes available. Updates on the detour will be available at www. cityoffortwayne.org/streets.

View the Hillegas Road bridge project in INDOT'S CARS program here: http:// bit.ly/2HvvPyX

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Gross, along with the other managers and team members of the company are now members of the Cooper Farms team. The contract farmers have also transferred any contracts to Cooper

"We are pleased to have them on board," said Jim Cooper. "The leadership and experience of this group will help us to continue their operations with very little change as we transition."

Cooper Farms held a banquet for all of the Hemmelgarn & Sons team members and growers on Monday, March 11 to welcome them and answer any questions they might have had.

Cooper Farms previously had one egg grader and four feed mills. This acquisition will add two egg graders in a separate packing location and an additional feed mill. The mill will continue feeding the 12 contract farms to maintain continuity for the time-being.

The West Bend News website has many pictures of area events. Be sure to visit www.westbendnews.net

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soybean farmers are not likely to be as high as they were in 2018 when growers benefited from above normal yields and new government aid, according to an agricultural economics expert at The Ohio State University.

At least two factors could be different this year: Yields in 2018 were record high for corn and soybeans, which may not happen again in 2019, and the government payments that farmers received to compensate for the impact of foreign tariffs may not be reissued, said Ben Brown, manager of the farm management program in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) at The Ohio State University.

"We're expecting Ohio corn and soybean farmers, on average, to either break even or experience losses in 2019," Brown said.

The majority of corn and soybean returns for producers are determined by the price per bushel the farmer is able to sell them for, in addition to the number of bushels per acre the crop yields. Also, farmers can receive government aid. For corn, roughly 8 percent of per acre gross returns comes from direct government assistance; for soybeans, 6 percent, Brown said.

Government payments are authorized through the federal farm bill, which Congress passed in December and is budgeted to cost \$426 billion over five years.

On April 11, a Farm Bill Summit in Versailles, Ohio, will be hosted by CFAES and other partners to address changes in the new farm bill and the implications for the state's farmers.

"We want people to know what the farm bill means to them and what steps they can take to maximize profits going forward," Brown said.

Brown will serve as moderator of the summit, which will feature three speakers:

Keith Coble, Giles Distinguished Professor and head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Mississippi State University.

Jonathan Coppes, director of the Gardner Agricultural Policy Program, director of the Bock Agricultural Law and Policy Program, and clinical assistant professor at the University of Illinois; and past administrator of the Farm Service Agency. Patrick Westhof, director

of the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute, Howard Cowden Professor of Agricultural and Applied Economics at the University of Missouri; and past econo-

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The speakers will address government assistance paid or partially paid for in the farm bill including crop insurance, compensation for farmers who set aside a portion of their land for conservation, and payments to farmers who grow corn, soybeans, wheat, and other commodities when losses occur due to low commodities prices or low revenue.

Producers of commodities have a choice between two programs: Agricultural Risk Coverage or Price Loss Coverage. Prior to the 2018 farm bill, growers chose between the two programs at the beginning of the farm bill and were required to stick with their choice for the authorized period, typically five to seven years.

The new farm bill allows producers to make a choice for the first two years (2019, 2020) and then, beginning in 2021, allows that choice to be made annually. Which program is more profitable for a farmer can change from year

significant Another change in the new farm bill will affect dairy producers. The Dairy Margin Coverage program provides aid to dairy farmers when the margin between milk prices and feed costs dips below a certain coverage level that the dairy farmer chooses. Higher coverage levels have a higher probability of triggering a government payment, so the premium a dairy farmer must pay to enroll in the program also increases. The 2018 farm bill lowered the cost of premiums for the first 5 million pounds of milk, but raised premiums costs for any milk over 5 million pounds.

'The change will help all dairy farmers who participate in the program, but particularly small dairy producers," Brown said.

Producers who participate in the Conservation Reserve Program will see changes as well. Those who opt to set aside a portion of their land for conservation to reduce soil loss, improve water quality, or increase wildlife habitat could receive less compensation per acre compared to what they received under the previous farm bill. However, the farmers will have the option of enrolling more acres in that program.

Nationally, the total acreage allowed in the program rose to 27 million acres from 24 million, but the payment rate for farmers enrolled in the program dropped. Farmers have been paid the county rental rate for their property placed in the conservation program, which differs by county. The new compensation rate has been decreased to 85 percent of the county

rental rate.

NEARLY 400 ATTEND PPEC ANNUAL MEETING

Cheesecake, tree seedling giveaways, a business update, and the chatter of member fellowship — all things present at Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op's (PPEC) 82nd Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 16. In a conversational style, Board Chairman Dr. John Saxton and President and CEO George Carter reflected on 2018 and discussed plans for years to come. The team here has done

a great job: increased electric reliability, exceeded budget goals for margins, had the largest capital credit retirement in history, and the most important milestone: two years without a lost-time accident," Saxton said. "That's impressive." Carter elaborated on

PPEC employees' dedication to "living the safety culture," describing the co-op's high marks in Ohio's Electric Cooperatives' statewide Safety Achievement Program, exceeding PPEC's last score from three years ago. He went on to explain that over the past several years, the co-op has made great progress in member satisfaction and outage times, as well as maintaining competitive rates despite 2018's slight rate

"We're investing about \$27 million back into our electric system for reliability efforts over the next four years," Carter said. "This past year, our members' average outage time was 64 minutes — a slight improvement from last year. This ranks us near the top among our peers, and much credit goes to our linemen out there restoring power in all conditions and our inside employees who are often overlooked in the restoration process."

Both Carter and Saxton broke down the co-op's Construction Work Plan, laying out projects for 2019 and beyond, including a new rightof-way maintenance program, continuing to reduce line loss, and upgrading two substations for future growth and reliability - Cecil substation in Cecil, Ohio, and the Herb Monroe substation in New Haven, Indiana — as well as replacing the main power lines coming into Paulding, improving reliability to Rite Aid, Circle K, and the members in that area of town. The Cecil substation upgrade will also increase reliability to North American Stamping Company, formerly

Alex Products. "Line loss is simply the difference between the amount of power we purchase and the amount we sell," Carter said. "This past year, we saw line loss drop nearly 1 percent equals about a quarter of a million dollars in savings."

After Saxton asked about PPEC's all-in-one account management system and mobile app, SmartHub, Carter showcased all the things members can do within the app: pay bills, set up recurring payments, monitor electric use, report outages with the click of a button, view the outage map, and set up text alerts. "SmartHub is a very pow-

erful tool available to all our members on their smart phones or other devices," Carter said. During the meeting, Sax-

ton also highlighted PPEC's dedication to cost-effective practices and one of its Seven Cooperative Principles, Cooperation Among Cooperatives, by introducing the co-op's newest shared service employee, Samantha Kuhn, who performs shared communication and marketing services for PPEC and three other NW Ohio cooperatives.

"We can have high-quality employees because the cost is shared by more than one cooperative," Saxton said.
"Paulding Putnam could not hire an employee with Samantha's skills; however, by sharing her talents with neighboring cooperatives, we can all afford to have someone like her on the team. Carter took a moment

to also recognize PPEC's #WhoPowersYou contest third-place winner, Ronnie Kahle of Kalida, Ohio, who has raised more than \$5 million toward Kalida's area parks. #WhoPowersYou is in partnership with America's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and is a national contest to promote volunteerism and celebrate local heroes making a difference. Kahle, who is 82 years old, won \$1,500 toward continuing his cause.

Carter ended the meeting asking members to mark their calendars for September 28, 2019, at the Paulding County Fairgrounds - PPEC's Member Appreciation Day, an autumn family fun day with bounce houses, games, and prizes for kids and adults

In other business, attorney Norm Cook reported that William Dowler (District 2), Jay Dangler (District 4), and Steve McMichael (District 5) all ran unopposed and therefore, were re-elected. Following this announcement, the PPEC Board took their oath

Several local high school students were also recognized during the meeting. Emma Crosby of Wayne Trace High School won a spot on Youth Tour. an all-expenses-paid, weeklong trip to Washington, D.C. with around 1,600 cooperative high school students visit some of the capital's most famous sites and meet the students' Congressional representatives. Crosby is the daughter of Chad and Angela Crosby of Payne, Ohio.

Scholarship winners: 1st place - \$1,000 Alli Hefner of Payne Wayne Trace High School Christian Nartker of Ottawa - Kalida High School

2nd place - \$800 Lindsey Schnegg of Ottawa - Ottawa Glandorf High

dale – Kalida High School 3rd place - \$600 Derek Luersman of Fort Jennings - Fort Jennings

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Adam Butzin of Antwerp Antwerp High School Elizabeth Westrick of

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Ottawa - Miller City High School

Christian Nartker will go on to represent PPEC in the Ohio's Electric Cooperatives statewide scholarship competition in Columbus this spring, where a total of \$38,200 will be distributed. Nartker has a 4.0 grade-point average, is ranked first in his class, and is the son of Keith and Beth Nartker of Ottawa, Hefner has a 4.0 grade-

point average and is ranked first in her class. She is the daughter of Jesse and Lisa Hefner of Payne, Ohio.

companies at the same level as 2-dimensional mammo-

In 2019, more than 268,000 women will be diagnosed with new breast cancer and over 2,600 men will be diagnosed with new breast cancer. Unfortunately, about 41,760 will lose the battle. Early detection is the life-saving key to beating breast cancer and becoming a survivor. Receiving a mammogram is the best tool for early detection and diagnosis. A conversation with your Primary Care Provider is the first step to learning risk factors for breast cancer, and to when to start scheduling regular mammograms. However, screening mammograms do not require a doctor's order to be performed.



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RESOLVING FAMILY TURMOIL EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ



How families torn apart by conflict can find hope for healing will be discussed at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, March 27 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The program, titled "Family Do-Over: Is It Ever Too Late?" features a screening of the award-winning short film

Participants will follow the story of a taxi driver whose last passenger on Christmas Eve is deeply troubled by a family conflict, a conflict that feels too painful to resolve. Viewers will discuss the film and consider a question it

raises: Is it ever too late for a family to experience healing?

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

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS

Presented by the Oakwood Church of Christ

His Prayer for Unity Read John 17:1-26

31. What did he say is the truth? a) God's word; b) works of philosophy; c) anything sincerely believed.

Through verse 19, the prayer is especially concerned with his own relationship with the Father and with his chosen apostles. Verses 20-21, however, are especially important because they directly concern all true believers of all ages. Here he names all who would come to believe in him through the word of the apostles. All true believers have faith which is based on the message of the New Testament, the gospel. This reminds us that true faith is always based on what we learn from the word of God. "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10: 17). One who believes things about Je-

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sus which are not in harmony with what the apostles taught is not a true believer. The oneness for which he prayed means that all true believers should be one in Christ. This part of Jesus' prayer is very different from the many divisions and denominations that exist in the world today.

32. True believers are those who: a) have a good feeling about their faith; b) are members of a church; c) accept the teaching (word) of the apostles.

33. Jesus prayed that all such believers should be: a) one; b) happy; c) in good

34. He prayed that this oneness would be like the oneness between: a) man and wife; b) himself and the Father; c) James and John.

35. Such unity among believers would help the world: a) to admire the church; b) to believe that God had sent Christ; c) to understand mys-

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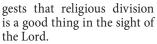
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good morals"

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36. T/F. This prayer sug-



37. T/F. It was never the Lord's plan that those who believe in him should be divided into many different sects and denominations.

The present division into numerous denominations is directly contrary to the will and prayer of our Lord. It is a sad thing that all who seek to follow Jesus cannot all be in the same church. Often families are divided. Jesus established only one church (Matthew 16:18). The church is the body of Christ (Colossians 1 :18) and in the plan of God there is "one body" (Ephesians 4:4). The solution to religious division is for everyone to give up the creeds and traditions of men and follow the new testament teachings. Each of us has a duty to leave that which divides and to be a part of that which is the faith and practice

ANSWERS: 31 A; 32 C; 33 A; 34 B; 35 B; 36 F; 37 T

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman Dear Parson,

I am a teenager and feel God is calling me into the ministry. My parents are concerned about the low pay that usually accompanies the ministry. Any suggestions?

If you are looking for financial riches on earth, you have the wrong motive. For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre: - (Titus 1:7) Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. (Proverbs 23:4)

The ministry, however, is one of, if not the most, profitable vocations on earth. God will meet all your needs. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. - (Matthew 6:33) He will turn all things out for your good. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28) He will give you things money can't buy like joy, peace, love, and fulfillment. God will also reward His servants in Heaven. And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away. - (I Peter 5:4)

There are, however, three requirements needed to guarantee your success:

1. Be sure of your calling –

By: Doris Applegate

No one loves darkness except someone doing evil deeds so they cannot be seen. Most love light because we can see where we are going.

Light brings clarity and hope. Flip on a light switch in a dark room and immediately you feel better inside. "Oh, I can see!" We live in a dark and evil

world as predicted in God's

holy word. In Isaiah 60:2 we

read that "darkness will cover the earth and gross darkness

the people but GLORY will be

seen upon God's people." The

LIGHT in the people of God

will shine brightly. It will be

seen. We are to let our light

shine which means we can hide it. We hide it by not doing the love thing. The story is told of some merchants walking in a dark, moonless night when someone spoke and said that "they should pick up stones at the riverbed ahead. They would be both glad and sad." As they unloaded the stones the next morning they were indeed glad and sad because the "stones" were gems. How they wished they had gathered more. Our "stones" (gems) of kindness, mercy, justice,

forgiveness and LOVE will

help turn the darkness in our

world to light.

Darkness cannot stand or stay in the light. Do not be discouraged by the discord, evil and unrest in our world because by letting our light shine we will help destroy the darkness. Even a small light in a dark room is powerful. We are at the beginning now of a "great awakening" with these many lights burning so brightly that we will change things in a world that seems hopeless.

Pray for our leaders and those trying to do justice and mercy, love everyone you meet with kindness and good deeds. Be thankful for everything God gives you. Pray for the persecuted people in prison and those who are homeless. We will see "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven."

Amen!

RESERVATIONS OPEN FOR THE SAVANNAH SIPPING **SOCIETY**

Reservations are now open for Off Stage Productions' next dinner theatre show "The Savannah Sipping Society", a two-act comedy written by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten. Performances will again be held at Vantage Career Center, 818 N. Franklin Street, Van Wert, Ohio. Show dates are April 5, 6, 7 and 12, 13 and 14. Saturday and Sunday performances will be dinner theatre shows. For Saturday performances, doors will open at 6:30 PM, dinner at 7:00 PM and show

lightful, comedy, four unique Southern women, all needing to escape the sameness of their day-to-day routines, are drawn together by Fate—and an impromptu happy hour and decide it's high time to

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Left to right: MESA volunteer, Dick Stewart; Don Oberlin, Antwerp Rotary club member; Ray Stevens, MESA Warehouse engineer.

The Paulding Hospital donated another load of surplus equipment and supplies to MESA, which stands for Medical Equipment and Supplies Abroad. Rotary district 6600 (northern Ohio) collects these items from hos-

pitals and medical facilities throughout the region and ships them from their warehouse in Fostoria to third world countries where they are badly needed. The need is huge and the donations are greatly appreciated.

reclaim the enthusiasm for life they've lost through the Randa, a perfectionist

and workaholic, is struggling to cope with a surprise career derailment that, unfortunately, reveals that she has no life and no idea how to get

Dot, still reeling from her husband's recent demise and the loss of their plans for an idyllic retirement, faces the unsettling prospect of starting a new life from scratch and all alone.

Earthy and boisterous Marlafaye, a good ol' Texas gal, has blasted into Savannah in the wake of losing her tom-cattin' husband to a twenty-three-year-old dental hygienist. The strength of her desire to establish a new life is equaled only by her desire to wreak a righteous revenge

Also new to town, Jinx, a spunky ball of fire, offers her services as a much-needed life coach for these women. However, blinded by her determination and efforts to get their lives on track, she over-looks the fact that she's the one most in need of sage

Over the course of six months, filled with laughter, hilarious misadventures, and the occasional liquid refreshment, these middle-aged women successfully bond and find the confidence to iumpstart their new lives. Together, they discover last-

ing friendships and a renewed determination to live in the moment-and most importantly, realize it's never too late to make new old friends. So raise your glass to these strong Southern women and their fierce embrace of life and say "Cheers!" to this joyful and surprisingly touching Jones, Hope, Wooten comedy! The cast is as follows

(character name - cast mem-Christa Manning - Jinx

Pat Howard - Dot Haigler Mary Yackey - Randa Covington

Terri Stevens - Marlafaye

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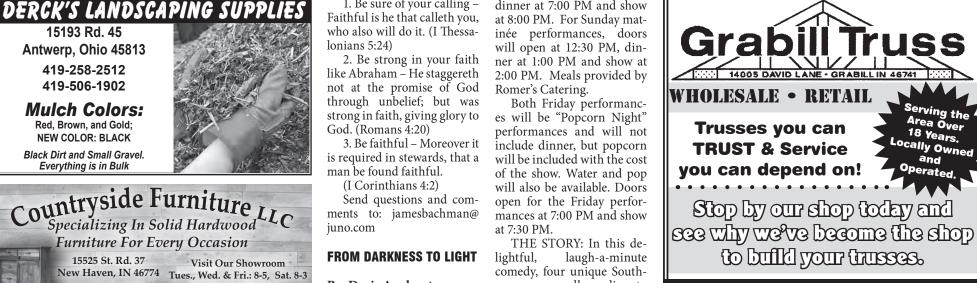
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Saturday April 6 & 13 doors open 6:30 pm, dinner at 7:00. show at 8:00

Sunday Matinee April 7 & 14 - doors open 12:30, dinner at 1:00, performance at 2:00

Off Stage Productions can be found online at http:// www.offstagetheatre.com and on Facebook at https:// www.facebook.com/Off-StageProductions. Find out more about us. Contact one of our members or call (419) 605-6708.



NATIONWIDE FOUNDATION APPROVES \$7M GRANT IN SUPPORT OF OHIO STATE PARTNERSHIP TO SUPPORT FACILITIES, PROGRAMMING IN CFAES



Building on 50 years of partnership with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES), the Nationwide Foundation is contributing \$7 million to support the college's vision of a modern land-grant institution with a mission to sustain life.

"The Nationwide Foundation is proud to make this contribution to Ohio State and see our collaborative efforts around food production, security, and sustainability take a giant leap forward," said Nationwide Foundation President Chad Jester. "Together, we share a long-term vision with the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences that assures the landgrant mission of sustaining life remains strong for generations to come."

The Nationwide Foundation gift supports initiatives in translating research and making it accessible, strategic collaboration, workforce development, and new fa-

cilities. This new gift brings total contributions to \$11.8 million for the CFAES collaborative over the past several years.

"We are grateful for the Nationwide Foundation's steadfast support of Ohio State and its land- grant mission," President Michael V. Drake said. "This generous gift will enable our faculty and students to continue addressing critical challenges for years to come—benefiting communities across Ohio and around the world."

The largest part of the gift, \$5 million, supports constructing new facilities and infrastructure at Waterman Agricultural and Natural Resources Laboratory, a key asset on the Columbus campus and essential to our comprehensive university. At Waterman, CFAES operates a unique hub for teaching, research, and extension.

Last year alone, more than 100 active research projects, and more than 200 outreach programs in the areas of turf science, dairy management and research, entomology, ecological engineering, agricultural systems management, sustainable agriculture, food science, medicine and behavioral science, and agronomic and horticultural production practices took place at Waterman.

Waterman is also home to a multitude of college-credit courses encompassing everything from beekeeping to biogeography. Nationwide Foundation's lead gift will support CFAES' goal to engage every undergraduate student in some aspect of the Waterman experience dedicated to food security, production, or sustainability during his or her time at Ohio State.

The plan for Waterman includes a Controlled Environment Food Production Research Complex with a state-of-the-art greenhouse production system. In addition, there will be a new multispecies animal learning center, the Kunz-Brundige Franklin County Extension Building, which is currently being built, and a modernization of the dairy facility.

With the remaining \$2 million, the Nationwide Foundation is contributing to programming initiatives focused on the land-grant mission, including translating research to ensure its accessibility and utility, broadening lifelong learning opportunities to strengthen the workforce, and strengthening leadership programming for CFAES students.

These initiatives include combining an integrated team of researchers, data scientists, and communicators to manage a robust digital knowledge exchange to respond to public needs and highlight relevant research and data. Also included is the coordinated development of emerging talent, leaders, and workforce through educational, training, and certification programs, with innovative research through the college and programming that emphasizes career exploration and college preparation through Ohio 4-H.

"Our college works every

day to sustain life, and to be successful, we need partners who share our vision and appreciate its complexity and the long-term investment it requires," said CFAES Vice President for Agricultural Administration and Dean Cathann A. Kress. "Nationwide's value on doing together what cannot be done alone, both supports our interdisciplinary work and challenges us to keep seeking other collaborators. We are deeply fortunate to have partners like Nationwide and the Nationwide Foundation committed to advancing and sustaining life across Ohio and beyond."

FEBRUARY'S NEW BUSI-NESS FILING NUMBERS SHOW CONTINUED STRENGTH

Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose announced 10,084 new entities filed to do business in Ohio in February, an increase of 450 when compared to the same month in 2018.

January's numbers showed a strong start to 2019, and February kept that trend going. So far this year, business filings are running 12.7 percent ahead of last year's

BUDDY PROJECT AT WAYNE TRACE PAYNE ELEMENTARY



Pictured here as buddies are Hudsyn Burkley and Johnalynn Shellenbarger.

For her principal internship, Mrs. Teresa Pfeiffer implemented the "Arthur Interactive Media (AIM) Buddy Project" which is a cross-grade buddy program between the fourth and first

grade students at Wayne Trace Payne Elementary School in order to promote social, emotional, and character development and to build school unity.

record-breaking pace.

"As our economy transforms, Ohioans are embracing their entrepreneurial spirit and utilizing our office to kick start their new business, and that's exciting to me," said LaRose. "These numbers are yet another positive indicator that Ohio is on the right track."

NOTE: New business filings are classified as forms filed with the Ohio Secretary of State that declare the formation of a business entity, including for-profit, non-profit and professional corporations, limited liability companies, partnerships,

limited partnerships and limited liability partnerships. Filing as a business in Ohio does not guarantee the company will begin operations, be profitable, or create jobs.

Editor's Quick Facts:

10,084 new entities filed to do business in Ohio throughout February 2019.

Compared to the same month last year, new businesses are up by 450.

So far this year, Ohio is 12.7 percent ahead of last year's record pace.

84% of all business filings were done online in February 2019.



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SOME WHITE SWANS

By: Stan Jordan

This week (the week of March 17) two men stopped in the office to tell us what they have seen (one on Wednesday and one today, Friday).

Down where 61 and 176 meet on the south side of 176 is a pond and it was covered with hundreds of white

The man showed us a picture but there was a thicket between the road and the pond so the picture wasn't very good, bu you could see those birds alright. We're going to try and get a good one, if they stick around long enough.

Now I haven't made it down there to see the birds yet, I dropped and broke my partial plate and spent most of Thursday getting me a new one at the dentist.

I was glad to get the reports though.

THIS GENDER NEUTRAL STUFF

By: Stan Jordan

There is a family in Orlando, Florida that has a baby named Sparrow and they are raising the child as gender-neutral. That means the child will decide what he/she is later. Even the birth certificate is not marked.

From the outside looking in, I don't agree or like this stuff. They don't even dress the child in a certain color, they are opposed to that. What is wrong with growing up as a child, not a "thing." It is called a "theyby.'

Most American, everyday, working tax paying people when they have a child and it has all its fingers, toes, etc... are tickled to death and are happy as can be and they want to raise the child like they were raised and cultured.

I don't agree with raising a child like that. I can see that can turn into child abuse. Let a child be a child, grow up and enjoy those years being a normal kid. Lots of times a kid that isn't "normal" gets

picked on and can lead a miserable life. Sooner or later it will get out that she/he isn't quite like every other child in that respect. I'm sure those people have been reading a book written by some professor on child raising.

The teacher asked Jose'

Jose' said, "H I J K L M N

The teacher asked, "How

Well you said water was

The old man said, "I'm not

An old cowboy walks into

He tells the barber he can't

a barbershop for a shave and

get all his whiskers off be-

cause his cheeks are wrinkled

from age. The barber gets a

little wooden ball for a cup

on the shelf and tells the old

cowboy to put it inside his

cheek to spread out the skin.

old cowboy tells the barber

that was the cleanest shave

he'd had in years, but he

wanted to know what would

have happened if he had acci-

dentally swallowed that little

ball. The barber replied, "Just

bring it back in a couple of

days like everyone else does."

My co-worker, Jarrison

Steiner, took a few minutes off

today and told me all about

this equinox stuff. It happens

twice a year, about the same

days each year. In September

and March, generally around

the 20th, 21st or the 22nd of

THE EQUINOX

By: Stan Jordan

When he's finished, the

how to spell water?

did you get that?"

old, just matured."

these months.

That is when the earth

swings back and forth and on

that specific day the earth is

in balance. This is how they figure Easter Sunday, it is the

first Sunday after the first

full moon after the vernal

equinox, which is in March.

The equinox in September is

called the autumnal equinox.

southern England is made

around these happenings.

See ya!

THAT FIASCO IN

By: Stan Jordan

WASHINGTON

As I understand, the Stonehenge Relic Park in

Big hairy deal! It is over!

That political drama lasted

over 22 months and cost over

25 million bucks. The under-

side of that is, with that over

500 workers down there, very

started that they could not

indict the president. That is in

the book. If they would have

some thing on him, he could

the common Americans are

dumb to put on a fiasco like

that. Of course if the presi-

dent would not have pulled

those shenanigans, all that

crap would not have come

tics, what do I expect?

See ya!

THIS OLD HOUSE

Well, I guess that is poli-

Those people must think

pardon himself anyhow.

They knew when they

little governing was done.

I'm in for raising your child like you were, the old fashioned way: a boy or a girl. And in school, help guide them and let the school help them find their abilities.

I think these people are making a mountain out of a mole hill. Let the child grow up as nature bids.

There are only two types of people born into this world, boys or girls. I guess you can deviate from there.

See ya!

NEW SCHOOL BUS LAWS

By: Stan Jordan

I know that it's not my affair, but the new laws they are considering over in Indiana about the school bus passing, does not go far enough.

To me, no child should have to cross a busy road or street to get on or off a school bus. I think that should be a law all over and maybe some discussion with a local school board about some rural roads.

The laws we have now about passing school buses, don't work. They are not stiff enough. I think we should go all the way and pick up every child at the curb, yes it would cost more, but as this would be nationwide, get the funds from the government by the way of a few cents extra on the gasoline tax, nationwide.

No more of this killing a school child by a driver not paying attention to his/her driving.



A boy was attending his first wedding. After the ceremony a cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?

"Sixteen" the boy respond-

"Well how do you know

that it is the home of H.K. that?" Harris, so that tells me this "That's easy. All you have to do is add 'em up. Like the 1930's as at that time Pat preacher said, 4 better, 4 Harris was the local banker worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer.' and he lived on the north-

> west corner of Woodcox and North Main Street. He lived

We hear a lot of rumors on this house, it is just full

there for years.

When I started to school in 1930 Thee Outland lived there and they had a daughter, Wanda, who was my age and they lived there till sometime in the 1950's.

I don't know who lived there next, but the Lyle Leinard family lived there a

Now it is the home of Tim and Cindy Yenser, who own and operate the coffee shop across the street named The Genesis House.

See ya!

FREE TURKEY PREPARATION SEMINAR

Outdoor enthusiasts interested in learning to process a turkey after the hunt are encouraged to attend a free informational seminar on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources

(ODNR) Division of Wildlife. The seminar will be held from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Antwerp Conservation Club, located at 17814 Road 53,

To register, visit https://

directed to the Division of Wildlife District Two Office

professionals Trained from the Division of Wildlife and Antwerp Conservation Club will cover topics including multiple ways to process a turkey after the hunt and how to preserve the fan, beard, feet, and spurs. Turkey cooking techniques and recipes will also be shared.

For more information on turkey hunting and meal

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By: Stan Jordan

What is now the Subway, years ago (1926) was the Battershell Variety Store. Then just to the right of that was Dr. Caines office, then to the right of that was the Shadow Beauty Salon. But in the mid 1930's Hertels had a watch repair and jewelry store.

Just to the right of the building you can see part of the Petals and Vines Flower Shop, but that building is comparativley new. It was built for a drug store for Frank Smith. Now, Frank Smith was not Carl's boy. Carl had Bud and Max, Frank and Arlie were Bert Smith's boys. After a few years, Frank retired and

that building has been a flower shop for quite a few years, with a number of owners.

When I was young, in that area, was a dry cleaner shop ran by Jim Sexton. That next shop, the Leland Smith Ins., was Jim Powers Cafe for a decade or so.

Where Papa Oley's Pizza is, that was the post office for many years and was moved to the present location in 1968. The location where McDougall's Firearms is, has been a lot of businesses, all the way from a bank to a dozen things and now a successful gun shop. For years the telephone exchange was upstairs.

See ya!

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IN NORTHWEST OHIO

By: Stan Jordan

of history and I will tell you

I have been told that it

It says on the picture

was built in 1886 by looking

at it, to me, it's just a little

picture was taken before the

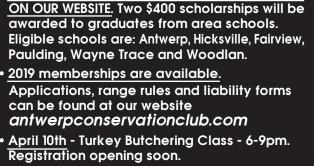
short of being a mansion.

what I know about it.

Antwerp 45815. It is free of charge, but preregistration is required by April 9, as space is limited.

apps.ohiodnr.gov/wildlife/ educationregistration/. Registration questions can be at 419-424-5000.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

For many decades now, a story has been circulating and can still be found on the Internet. This story is about F.E.M.A. camps scattered around the U.S.A. These camps will house and terminate dissidents and resisters to a communist takeover of the U.S.A. People will be categorized as to their threat potential to the new order by being placed on a "list". The "red List" is for hardcore Americans that know what is happening and will resist. These people will be immediately executed by fellow Americans on the "Blue list" who think they have a deal with the new regime.

The "blue list" will be police officers, Sherriff officers, national guard, and regular troops etc. When these "team players" are finished with their dirty work, they will be killed by foreign troops and the U.S.A will be policed by these foreign troops. There are many variations to this story. In the last few years, Dave Hodges of the thecommonsenseshow.com, supposedly discovered a plan by many nations to attack the U.S.A. You may find the story on his site; I haven't looked lately. Also, on Sept. 2018, a video was published on youtube by "ĥigh frequency radio" quoting "Judge Dale" a juristic doctor who detailed this same FEMA story. The difference in Judge Dale's story is that Blue List people will be

required to take inoculations that will kill them and their families. Why do I bring this up now? In all my years on this planet, I have never seen politics as crazy as it is today. A distraction, perhaps? And for you "Christians"; If God is God, do you really believe he will sit in the Heavens forever while this nation continues to murder the most innocent of all, unborn and now born babies? Would He punish the U.S.A. just as He did Israel in the book of Judges of the Bible by bringing in a foreign nation to subdue them? —Phillip Piersma

MARY PENROSE WAYNE **CHAPTER - DAUGHTERS OF** THE AMERICAN REVOLU-

Mary Penrose Wayne Chapter - Daughters of the American Revolution - NSDAR met Sat. March 9, 2019 at the Allen Co. Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

The meeting was opened by Chapter Regent, Barbara Harris at 1:00 pm. with the patriotic ritual which included the Pledge to the Flag of the USA and the singing of the National Anthem. The DAR opening ritual was read by all present.

Regent Harris welcomed all the guests and committee chairmen. Introduced was the program on "Buddy Benches" given by Samantha Vance. It was an interesting talk and presentation about her books and attempts to collect bottle caps and produce items from them that

In the chapter reports, the Chapter Registrar reported that the membership stands at approx. 179 members with approx. 20 members pending. There is a monthly meeting at the Ft. Wayne Library the first Wed. of the month for help with Genealogy DAR papers. Registrar, Benita Steyer can be contacted for further info.

The President General's message was read. The National Defense Report was read - "Small Unit Development"/ "Upgrading Defense

Members are urged to get on the DAR website so that they could receive info direct from NSDAR.

Regent Harris nounced that the minutes were read and approved as read. Committee reports included DAR Schools (Chrm. Sandy Gordon reminded members to save boxtops); there will be a Naturalization ceremony in May - please plan to attend; Insignia Chairman: Be sure to wear the DAR logo on appropriate attire (no on denim or pants); do not wear DAR sash with pants; wear pins in the right order; see the rules for wearing in public on the Internet; pins are to be covered in public if not at DAR function. The official DAR logo is the official insignia of 1891 which is the spinning wheel and the 13 stars (colonies).

New business: the Indiana DAR State conference is May 17-19. Place: Marriott East, 7202 E. 21st St. Indiana, IN Awards Day Luncheon, Sunday, May 19. (10 delegates are needed to

Continental Congress June 26-30 - 128th Continental Congress at Washington D.C. (five delegates and 2 alternatives are need-

Executive Board Meeting April 3 at 5:00 pm. at bus/ tech room/lib.

The next Chapter meeting is Sat. April 13 at 1:00 pm. at the History Center -Shields Room, 302 E. Berry St. Ft. Wayne. This will be the Annual Business Meeting, Election of Officers/ MEMBERS ONLY.

Any members that are interested in attending either the state or national congress, please contact the Chapter Regent ASPA. Thank you.

The program for this DAR chapter on Feb. 9 at the History Center - Ft. Wayne, Indiana was by Jim Pickett "The Bones of Kekionga". For those not able to attend , info on any publications may be picked up at that lo-

For more information on membership, DAR objects and promotions, please contact: Http://www.rootsweb. com/~inmpwcd/ or bharris432@comcast.net

Respectfully submitted, -Caroline Wells Zimmerman, Public Relations

LATTA STATEMENT ON THE MUELLER REPORT

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) released the following statement after Attorney General William Barr submitted a letter to Congress summarizing the findings of the Mueller in-

vestigation. "After two years, 19 lawyers, approximately 40 FBI agents, 2,800 subpoenas, 500 search warrants executed, 500 witness interviews, and \$25 million, the Mueller investigation has at long last reached its conclusion. After an exhaustive investigation, it's now abundantly clear that there was no collusion between the Russian government and the Trump Campaign. It's also clear that there was no obstruction of justice and that the Special Counsel was allowed to do its work unimpeded.

'From the beginning, I've stated that we should let the investigation take its course. While it took much longer than many anticipated, we now have clarity that there was no collusion during the 2016 election.

'I know that many of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle may not like the findings of the Mueller investigation, but I ask that they respect them. The time, energy, and resources spent in Congress trying to contest the results of the last election take away from the efforts we could be making to tackle the real issues that Americans are facing. It's now time to move on for the good of

REP. JIM BANKS REACTS TO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S TOPLINE FINDINGS OF MUELLER REPORT

Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) issued the following statement regarding Attorney General William Barr's topline findings of Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation. Said Rep. Banks, "Muel-

ler's report proved what the President has said all along, but every American should be more outraged than ever before by the findings in the Mueller report that show without a shadow of a doubt Russia sought to meddle and disrupt our election process. President Trump has been exonerated from the witch hunt over collusion, but now I hope he will swiftly turn his sights to show leadership in holding Russia accountable for attacking our American institutions. Congress as well should shift away from bogus investigations and instead turn toward passing tough measures to address Russia's activities and taking action to make the lives of every Hoosier and American better."

USDA ANNOUNCES 1890 NATIONAL SCHOLARS PRO-**GRAM FUNDING OPPOR-TUNITY**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced the opening of the 2019 scholarship application cycle for the USDA/1890 National Scholars Program. The program aims to increase the number of minority students studying agriculture, food, natural resource sciences, and agriculture-related disciplines. The program is available through the USDA Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement (OPPE).

The USDA/1890 National Scholars Program is a partnership between USDA and the 1890 historically black land-grant colleges and universities (PDF, 1.2 MB). The program provides full tuition, fees, books, room and board to students pursuing degrees in agriculture, food, natural resource sciences, related academic disciplines. When the student has completed the academic and summer work requirements of the scholarship, USDA may at its discretion convert the student to a permanent employee without further competition. Since 2014, USDA has provided opportunities for nearly 140 scholars.

'The Scholars Program is a multifaceted approach to strengthen the pipeline of talented agriculture professionals while strengthening our relationship with US-DA-supported institutions," said Mike Beatty, Acting Director of the Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement.

This program is among several USDA efforts to

PAGE 7 - WEST BEND NEWS - MARCH 26, 2019 **REP. JIM BANKS COMPLETES FOURTH TOWN** HALL MEETING OF NEW CONGRESS



Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) completed his fourth town hall meeting since the beginning of the 116th Congress in January. This Town Hall Meeting took place in Huntington, which offered residents the chance to ask questions and have an open discussion about developments in Washington and their impact on northeast Indiana. On March 21, 2019, Congressman Banks held a similar Town Hall Meeting in

can find photos from both Town Hall Meetings below.

Said Rep. Banks, "Representing the people of northeast Indiana is the honor of a lifetime. Hearing directly from my constituents about the many issues we face as a nation helps me be a better member of Congress. I thank those who have joined us at these four Town Hall Meetings, and I hope to hold more, soon."

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build the capacity of historically black land-grant universities. Since the passage of the Second Morrill Act of 1890, USDA has supported scholarships, research, education, extension activities. and grants for facilities and equipment at these institu-The USDA/1890 National

Scholars Program is available to high school seniors entering their freshman year of college, and rising college sophomores and juniors. General requirements include U.S. citizenship, a cumulative year-end GPA of 3.0 or higher, and have been renewable each year and is contingent on satisfactory academic performance and normal progress toward the bachelor's degree. Additional requirements are listed in the application package. All application materials must be postmarked by Tuesday, April 30, 2019. See the 2019 high school application (PDF, 1.8 MB) and

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the competition kicked off with the build season, which ran January 5 through February 19. The Buckeye Regional Competition will be held March 28-30 in Cleveland. The 'Cyborgs' team includes 22 area high school student participants plus adult mentors. Northwest State also has an additional 35 junior high school students on affiliated teams in Bryan, Napoleon, Edgerton and Stryker.

ABOUT DESTINATION: DEEP SPACE

According to the Glenn Research Center, "the FIRST Robotics Competition engages high school students in the fun and challenge of building a robot of a specific size, weight (Under 125 pounds) and cost (Under \$5,500) in as little as six weeks. The objective of each game is different each year and is revealed at the kickoff. This year, the FIRST robotics competition commemorates the 50th anniversary of the first manned landing on the moon with a space-themed robotics challenge named Destination: Deep Space." Additional information on the FIRST Robotics Competition Buckeye Regional is available online at https://www1.grc.nasa.gov/

the 2019 college application

(PDF, 956 KB) for details.

TURNING AN INTER-EST IN TO AN EDUCA-TION AND CAREER PATH

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Students with a passion for STEM-related classes and projects are encouraged to continue pursuing those interests as they approach graduation. Northwest State offers numerous short-term certificate and two-year degree programs that provide a direct path to good-paying career opportunities, as well as transfer opportunities for students interested in a bachelor's degree. According to OhioMeansJobs.com, there are currently 1,165 openings for mechanical engineers in Ohio, with a median yearly salary of \$62,720 (in-state.)

For more information on the Cryptic Cyborgs, please contact Jim Drewes, Executive Director of Workforce Development at Custom Training Solutions / NSCC at 419.267.1439 or jdrewes@ NorthwestState.edu.



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ANTWERP WINTER ATHLETIC AWARDS NIGHT



Pictured are the award recipients from the Antwerp Winter Athletic Awards Night: (front, l-r) Aidan McAlexander, Luke Brewer, Cole Seslar, Jacob Savina, Randall Mills, Jayvin Landers, and Austin Lichty; (back, l-r) Chloe Saul, Chelsea Johanns, Astianna Coppes, Heather Oberlin, Karsyn Brumett, and Hannah Rettig.

The Antwerp Athletic Department held its Winters Athletic Awards on Tuesday March 19th. Basketball, Cheer-leading and Wrestling coaches each took a turn to boast of their teams' accomplishments and their athletes achievements.

Scholar Athletes were announced:

Seniors – Keaton Altimus, Ashton Barnhouse, Kendall Billman, Luke Brewer, Austin Chirgwin, Brett Fulk, Nathan Lee, Aidan McAlexander, Jake Ryan, and Brayton Stuckey.

By: Katie Oberlin, student

The third quarter has

rounded off for Antwerp

students and entering their

final grading period of the school year, they begin to

see the light at the end of the

tunnel that is summer. As an

Antwerp student, last week

brought closures and also

new starts. Sadly to hear for

many students, the yearbook

staff sold out of the majority

of their fundraiser chocolate

bars, which gave students

a reason to willingly emp-

ty their wallets during the

school day. Wednesday of-

fered students a break from

their normal school day with

the Hoops For Heart basket-

ball tournament as a fund-

raiser for the American Heart

Association. This is a day the

student body looks forward

to, including the Vantage stu-

dents from Antwerp who are

able to participate. This event

has been a fun tradition for as

DESK VIEW

writer

Juniors – Alyvia De-Vore, Alyssa Fuller, Heather Oberlin, Chloe Saul, Blake Schuette

Archer Arrow Recipients:
Seniors – Keaton Altimus, Ashton Barnhouse, Kendall Billman, Luke Brewer, Austin Chirgwin, Chloe Franklin, Brett Fulk, Chelsea Johanns, Nathan Lee, Tim Major, Jake Ryan, Cole Seslar, Brayton Stuckey, Tanner Wentland

Juniors - Karsyn Brumett, Carlie Hanes, Jayvin Landers, Kendyl Miller, Chloe Saul, and Blake Schuette

Recognition was given to several outstanding athletes of the season. Aidan McAlexander wrestled a fantastic year and earned GMC champion, Sectional champion and 5th place at District. Randall Mills wrestled to Sectional champion and District qualifier. Tanner Wentland wrestled all the way to a District qualifier. In basketball, the JV boys team went Undefeated for the season and were the Route 49 champions. The Cheer-leading Squad earned 2019 State Runner-Up.

Antwerp can remember, and it gives the middle school, high school, and staff an opportunity to be involved in something bigger.

Winter sports came to a

final close with sports awards on Tuesday night, acting as a segue into the next athletic season. Kicking off the spring sports season, the track, baseball, and softball teams had sports photos Wednesday after school. This week the sporting teams are in full swing and their home events include a softball game with Hicksville on March 26 at 5:00, a track meet on March 28 with Tinora and Wayne Trace at 5:00, and a home softball game on March 29 with Paulding at 5:00.

On the musical end of the spectrum, the cast of Antwerp's The Wizard of Oz gave their all for their three performances over the weekend. They performed a preview to the school on Wednesday afternoon and have worked to promote their production by wearing their t-shirts and

having the leading roles speak on the school announcements. The music program is also preparing to head to Florida next month for performances and travel experience at Walt Disney World. Students involved in band, choir, and show choir are also working hard to prepare for their spring concert, the Arts Festival, on April 13.

This week, our town's teen's top tunes include tracks by Ariana Grande, Post Malone, and the Jonas Brothers, a reunited group from childhood. Students are talking about the upcoming event of prom, which is approaching quicker than ever. Academically, freshmen are beginning to conquer the infamous poetry packet, sophomores are starting to seriously think about their futures with the career project, juniors are continuing the grind of their ever-persistent high school education, and seniors are tackling their long-awaited senior projects.

Community-wide, dents flocked to Dairy Queen on the first day of spring last Wednesday to take advantage of the Free Cone Day. On the topic of ice cream, the Root Beer Stand opens March 27, putting many individuals back to work and allowing others to enjoy the long missed coney dogs, root beer, and ice cream. Throughout the county, students are beginning to invest more of their time in 4-H related events also, such as Jr. Fairboard, Junior Leaders, 4-H Camp counseling, and the start of their 4-H projects, including raising livestock. The busyness of spring is blossoming around Antwerp and students are involved, invested, and awaiting the approach of summer.

MERCY HEALTH ANNOUNCES OFFICIAL HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIP WITH OHSAA

Mercy Health, a Catholic health ministry serving Ohio and Kentucky (part of Bon Secours Mercy Health), announces that it will serve as the exclusive Official Health Care Partner of the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) for three years. OHSAA promotes the values of participation in interscholastic athletics as an integral part of a student's educational experience. As OHSAA's Official

Health Care Partner, Mercy Health will have a presence at state championships and tournament events. It will serve as a thought leader and education provider of orthopedic, sports medicine and general health information for administrators, coaches, athletic trainers, student athletes and parents. Available educational resources include content that coaches, parents and students can use to:

Prevent the most common injuries

Recognize and treat concussion
Understand the role that

proper stretching, hydration and nutrition play in keeping student athletes healthy Determine when a stu-

dent has fully recovered and is safe to return to play

In addition, Mercy Health is collaborating with the Governor's office and OHSAA to develop an initiative that will offer school engagement programs addressing youth addiction prevention as well as resiliency.

"Mercy Health is pleased to partner with the Ohio High School Athletic Association to share the expertise we've developed as the state's leading sports and general medicine partner to 85 schools and counting," said Don Kline, President, Great Lakes Group, Mercy Health. "Our goal is to keep kids safe on and off the field and we're excited to partner with Governor DeWine's office and OHSAA to provide proven resources that address addiction with kids, families, communities and schools that need support."

"This new partnership between Mercy Health and the Ohio High School Athletic Association is focused on ensuring our students are healthy," said Ohio Governor Mike DeWine. "We know that many who battle substance use disorder become addicted to opioids after taking prescription medication following an injury. Raising awareness about alternative injury treatments, injury prevention and responsible recovery from an injury can help prevent addiction."

At OHSAA, we believe that participation in interscholastic athletics programs complements a student's school experience and teaches lifelong lessons of hard work, teamwork and self-discipline, in addition to promoting citizenship and sporting behavior, instilling a sense of community and fostering a lifetime appreciation for sports and healthy lifestyles," said Jerry Snodgrass, Executive Director, Ohio High School Athletic Association. "We're adding to the resources available to our more than 1,600 member schools by partnering with Mercy Health to provide vital health information and develop and make available proven addiction prevention resources across the state."

Mercy Health, OHSAA and the Governor's office will work collectively to identify and deploy science-based

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S DOMINIQUE LEADS PANTHERS PAST PIRATES

Lucas 1c

PAULDING - Haylee Dominique limited visiting Continental to a pair of hits and lead the Paulding Lady Panthers to a 4-0 win in the high school softball season opener for both schools. Dominique struck out

a dozen Pirate hitters in recording the victory and didn't allow a walk. Paulding struck first

with a pair of runs in the second inning to go on top 2-0 but the maroon and white wasn't done.

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picked up two more in the bottom of the sixth to wrap up a 4-0 victory. Leigha Egnor and Kaela

The

Lady Panthers

Lucas each had two singles for the maroon and white while Jessica Stauffer posted a double for Continental. Tygre Troyer suffered the

loss for Continental, giving up seven hits and seven walks with one strikeout in six innings of work.

of connecting students, parents, faculty and administration to much needed addiction prevention and resilience resources.

Marky, Health is part of

Mercy Health is part of Bon Secours Mercy Health (BSMHealth.org,) one of the top 20 health systems in the United States and part of the top performing quartile of Catholic health systems for lowest cost per case for patient care. Mercy Health is the largest health system in Ohio and among the top five employers in the state, with more than 33,500 employees serving communities throughout Ohio and in Kentucky. Mercy Health provided care for patients more than 6.8 million times in 2017. The system includes assets of \$6.8 billion and nearly 500 care facilities including 23 hospitals and 26 postacute care facilities including senior living communities, hospice programs and home health agencies. Its clinically integrated network of more than 2,700 health care providers coordinates more effective and efficient care for more than 350,000 patients, saving money for taxpayers through the Medicare Shared Savings Program. As part of

the ministry provides nearly \$2 million per day in community benefit. ANTWERP WRESTLING

Bon Secours Mercy Health,

CLUB COMPETES IN WT SPRING TOURNAMENT

The Antwerp Wrestling Club recently competed in the Wayne Trace Spring Tournament on March 23, 2019. Of the 10 wrestlers competing, 6 of them were able to place in the top 3 of their respective weight classes. Finishing 3rd on the day were Brody Smith, Dominic Bennett, and Ethan Thomas Van-Kirk. Earning 1st place finishes with undefeated records at the tournament were Dominic Moreno, Logan Parisot, and Aidan Mc-Alexander. This tournament also marks the 1st individual tournament championship for both Logan Parisot and Dominic Moreno. Congratulations to all of the club wrestlers for their hard work over the weekend. We want to wish all of the club wrestlers the best of luck this coming weekend when they wrestle in the Archer Open at Antwerp High School. Good luck and GO AR-CHERS!







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ANTWERP BLANKS EDON IN E

ANTWERP - Edon made the trip to Paulding County Saturday to open up the high school softball season at Antwerp in a game that was dominated by the Lady Archers.

The Bombers picked up five walks but did not manage a hit as Antwerp cruised to a 17-1 victory to start the year.

Junior hurler Carlie Hanes struck out ten and benefited from an Archer offensive attack that totaled nine hits.

Samantha Rigsby picked up a pair of singles for the Lady Archers with Hanes recording two doubles.

Karsyn Brumett led the way for Antwerp, hitting two triples and a double. Alyssa Fuller added a double as well for Antwerp.

Edon pitcher Alea Brandt suffered the loss, allowing the nine hits while fanning three and walking two.

STUCKEY, FEASBY GARNER ACADEMIC HONORS

Woodlan's Jack Stuckey and Heritage's Nevaeh Feasby each picked up Academic All-State Honorable Mention honors.

Stuckey was the only Warrior honored while Adams Central's Kevin Brown received first team honors.

On the girls side, Feasby picked up honorable mention as well with Bluffton's Alyssa Burchett getting honorable mention.

BULLDOGS WIN OPENER OVER PANTHERS

NEW HAVEN - Emily Cordray had a double and two singles while Kirsten Braun had a single, double and three runs batted in to lead the New Haven Bulldogs to a 10-0 win over Prairie Heights in high school softball action last week.

The Lady Bulldogs broke the game open with a seven run third inning and finished off the game by scoring three more times in the bottom of

Ally Saalfrank recorded the victory on the mound for New Haven, tossing the five-inning shutout while striking out six and walking three. Saalfrank scattered two hits as well for the Lady Bulldogs.

Aariyana Trimm scored twice for the Bulldogs and Savannah Weekly picked up a pair of singles. Trystan Casey added a tri-

ple for New Haven while Saalfrank, Faith Kahlenbeck and Makayla Topp all had a single and a run batted in. Morgan Hammond picked

Morgan Hammond picked up a single as well for the Lady Bulldogs.

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL 3rd NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2018-19

GRADE 6

ALL A'S: Hannah Arnold, Alexander Baughman, Lucas Beckman, Gavin Coil, Natalee Garza, Grace Goyings, Aeylah Hitzeman, Emily Keezer, Jalyn Klopfenstein, Peyton Manz, Claire Miller, Marley Parrett, Emma Porter, Samantha Reineck, Tobias Reno

ALL A'S AND B'S: Kiara Adams, Brooklynn Bakle, Brianna Bermejo, Conner Couts, Skylar Daniels, David Dulaney, Makenna Dunham, Brennan Egnor, Michael Geiger, Greyson Harder, Madison Harpel, Kane Jones, Zavian Lafountain, Mason Lane, Alex Leal, Chistiana Martinez, David Oregon, Hopeful Rose, Alexis Ryan, Aniyah Sajuan, Brandon Schroeder, David Slawson, Halcyon Smith, Dominic Stahl, Ameriona Stiltner, Hayleigh Stultz, Cully Thompson

GRADE 7

ALL A'S: Casey Agler, Elli Barton, Emma Dotterer, Jamy Hunt, Sammie Jones, Maci Kauser, Sarah Lewis, Carla Manz, Malia Manz, Aiden Miller, Jocelynn Parrett, Lathan Schneider, Riley Stork, Emma Townley, Sarah Wong

ALL A'S AND B'S: Drake Ankney, Conner Axson, Chloe Boyd, Cyrah Bradford, Harley Collins, Hunter Couts, Abbigail Cutlip, Marlee Eastman, Devan Egnor, Landrey FitzGerald, Ava Foltz, Kobe Foor, Adrieannah Garms, Ronald Goodwin, Ella Gorrell, Aiden Herman, Mattie Hirschy, Matthew Hull, Lillyann Lane, Kiya Larry, Tytus Manz, Allyson Merriman, Kelcie Pack, Ashlyn Paisley-Eaton, Esther Rocha, Trinity Salazar, Tyler Schlatter, Jesse Shaffer, Dillon Shough, Christopher Smith, Charity Switzer, Morgan

Szurminski, Bethany Zehner GRADE 8

ALL A'S: Katelyn Beckman, Ashleigh Densmore, Ethan Foltz, Shelby Ford, Miranda Iler, Carlea Kuckuck, Jacob Lipps, Ashton Manz, Emma McClure, Carmen Reno, Caydence Rue, Charity Schnepp, Cassandra Weller, Larkin Yates

ALL A'S AND B'S: Peyton Adams, Eternity Bassler, Mason Doster, Joseph Estle, Karli Gamble, Bridget Gribble, Hannah Leaman, Gage Lloyd, Carter Manz, Haley Manz, Nicholas Manz, Jacob Martinez, Sheridan Matty, Hayden Mullen, Olivia Porter, Mason Schlatter, Ean Seibert, Ariana Sheaks, Sydney Trahin, Cameron Wilhelm, Bryanna Winke

2019-20 KINDERGARTEN CAMP & REGISTRATION/ SCREENING DATES AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY

Oakwood Elementary is hosting Kindergarten Camp and Kindergarten Screening for children who will be coming to kindergarten in 2019-2020. Kindergarten Camp will be on Tuesday, April 9, from 6:00 to 7:00.

There will be an introduction to kindergarten and "camping" activities for children to help familiarize them with faces and places before kindergarten screening. While children are enjoying special activities, parents will take a tour of the kindergarten classrooms and make an appointment for Kindergarten Screening. Kindergarten Registration/Screening Oakwood Elementary will be on Friday, May 3. During screening, your child will be working one-on-one with

school staff members. To enroll your child in school, you will need to bring the following items either to kindergarten camp or to your screening appointment: certificate of live birth; child's social security card; current immunization record; and custody papers, if applicable. (If you are unable to attend kindergarten camp, please call the Oakwood Elementary Office after April 9th to set up a screening appointment - 419-594-3346.) Please note: Children must be 5 years old before August 1, 2019 in order to be attend kindergarten in

2019-2020.

ANTWERP STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN HOOPS FOR HEART



Junior Nicholas McCreery passes to teammate Karsyn Brumett as senior Ty Rebber guards him.

On Wednesday, March 20th, Antwerp Local School held its annual Hoops for Heart event. Students collected a new record of \$6,433 for the American Heart Association. Antwerp's total donations from Hoops for Heart over the years is now \$84,508.82. Leading

the way in student donations were seventh grader Caleb Laker with a record junior high amount of \$700 and Chelsea Johanns with a record high school amount of \$680.

The 3-point JH winner was Aewyn McMichael and 3-point HS winner was Jag-

ger Landers. Free throw winners were the following: JH – Eli Reinhart and HS – Jake Eaken.

3 on 3 JH winners were Isaac Reeb, Landon Brewer and Eli Reinhart. 3 on 3 HS Winners were Luke Krouse, Jagger Landers, and Nathan Dunstan.





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MARCH MADNESS AT ANTWERP ELEMENTARY



This year the first graders at Antwerp Elementary School had their own version of March Madness... but with read aloud books. Students filled out brackets, listened to

ed on their favorites. Bentley Taylor filled out the winning bracket and received the winning book Shhh, We Have a *Plan* as his prize.

PAULDING LIBRARY **LAUNCHES YOUTH CARD**

During a 2017 Strategic Planning Session, the Paulding County Carnegie Library Board of Trustees identified: Create, Retain and Encourage Young Readers: Emerging, Early, and Sustaining Literacy as the library's number one service response.

Children from birth to age five will have programs and services designed to introduce them to books and the library and ensure that they will enter school ready to learn to read, write and listen. Children in elementary through high school will have programs and materials available to them to nurture and further develop a love of reading and life-long learn-

Youth in Paulding County (enrolled and homeschooled) in grades K-12 (ages 5-17) will be entitled to a new youth library card. This card, known as the F.Y.I. For Your Imagination Youth Library Card, will open up a world of information to youth who may not be able to bring a parent to the library to sign up for a library card.

"We believe this FYI: For Your Information, youth library card, will be instrumental in connecting children with books, shares Susan Pieper, Library Director. "This card will let them borrow seven books at a time, enriching their lives by read-

The card will allow the youth to borrow seven (7) books, and will only be allowed seven books out at a

Youth will also be able

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If you have any questions, or to find out how a child may obtain a FYI Youth Library Card, contact visit your favorite branch location or call the main library at 419-399-

REPRESENTATIVE CRAIG S. RIEDEL INTRODUCES **REGULATORY REFORM COMPANION BILL IN THE OHIO HOUSE (HOUSE BILL**

Representatives Craig S. Riedel (R-Defiance) and Bill Roemer (R-Richfield) recently introduced House Bill 115 in the Ohio House of Representatives. House Bill 115 is companion legislation to Senate Bill 1 sponsored by Senators Kristina Roegner and Robert McColley.

This legislation will require Ohio's state agencies to reduce regulatory restrictions by 30% by 2022. If a state agency is not able to meet this goal, then for every new regulation they propose to add, two must be removed. The legislation will affect 31 departments, agencies, offices and commissions. A few examples include the State Lottery Commission, Public Utilities Commission, Commerce, Agriculture, Health and statewide offices of the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Auditor and Trea-"Looking at this from a

pro-business standpoint, it is extremely important for Ohio to create a less restrictive environment so that businesses can continue to grow without being hindered by unnecessary standards that the state agencies have collected over time." Rep. Riedel commented. "Compliance costs often become most burdensome on independent business owners, especially in rural areas of Northwest, Ohio with small and family owned operations, where they do not have the resources and staff to assist them."

House Bill 115 also directs the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) to gather information from state agencies into an annual comprehensive progress report for the General Assembly. JCARR will be able to recommend statutory changes to the General Assembly in order to work with an agency that is unable to meet their reduction goal.

'It is important to have JCARR oversee the changes that will be taking place." Rep. Riedel stated. "It is my belief that this practical legislation reaches the main issue of eliminating excessive regulations while still protecting the public safety and well-being of all Ohioans."

HB 115 has been assigned to the State and Local Government Committee.

MIAMI COUNTY JOINS OHIOCHECKBOOK.COM

Ohio Treasurer Robert Sprague announced that Miami County's online checkbook has been added to Ohio-Checkbook.com.

Treasurer Sprague recognizes the value in continuing the legacy of the Ohio Checkbook, viewing it as a great resource in the quest for greater transparency in government.

"Ohio taxpayers deserve to know how their hard-earned dollars are being spent in local and state government, and that is exactly what the Ohio Checkbook allows them to see," said Treasurer Sprague. "We are excited to have Miami County join us as a partner in moving towards a more transparent future."

Miami County is the 43rd county in Ohio to join OhioCheckbook.com. county's online checkbook includes over 38,000 individual transactions that represent more than \$452 million in spending from 2017 through 2018.

"Miami County is proud to partner with the State of

of Miami County. "This electronic government expenditure platform is a great tool to further increase transparency and availability of Miami County's expenditure of taxpayer dollars on an annual

Launched in 2014, Ohio-Checkbook.com became the first resource aiming to make all state spending information available online. For three years running, Ohio has been recognized by the U.S. Public Interest Research Group with the number one government transparency ranking in the country. Since its launch, Ohio-

Checkbook.com has garnered the interest of those hoping to learn more about how Ohio's tax dollars are spent. As of March 2019, there have been more than 1,070,000 searches on the site, and the Treasurer's office continues working with local governments and constituents to leverage the site's capabilities.

For more information or to view your local government website, visit the Local Government option on Ohio-Checkbook.com or click on MiamiCounty.OhioCheckbook.com.

ANTWERP SCHOOL BOARD MEETING NOTES

Treasurers' Report:

Income: 666,226.24; Expenses: 721',468.06; Interest: 17,532.96

Harold Gottke gave his report. \$55000 to get Fiber Optic out at the football field. The Kiosk in the Rotunda has been a popular item that was added. Solar power for the Water Heater should be installed before June. The Innovation Center, which will be located in the current courtyard, held a Robotics demonstration. Gottke stated this will go well with programming. The demonstration showed how to program a robot that could sort blocks and put them away by color. Dr. Miller told how a local company would like kids coming out of high school who know how to program robots.

Ms. Hammer presented the STEM program. She told how this is not just about testing, but also changing how teachers work in the classroom. They use different SPS (Spotlight on Strategies) for student engagement. Goal 1: Accelerating academic achievement and student engagement. Goal 2: Transforming a culture of teaching and learning. Goal 3: Igniting a consistent, sustainable, inquiry-based and trans-disciplinary approach to STEM. Ms. Hammer showed off many students who were working hard with different elements these might understand such as social media and treats! Learning to breakdown problems into smaller elements to solve the problem, whether math, engineering, science and more helps the young minds to expand upon what they have already learned.

Officer Miller is looking into grant opportunities to help fund his program according to Dr. Miller. He is also thinking of expanding DARE to other grades.

Dr. Miller stated that, so far, April 18 and April 22 will be the make up day without having to extend the school

Kindergarten enrollment will be September 30.

Phone: 419-258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net **VAN WERT ELKS CONTEST**



son Noggle, both 6th-grade students at Payne Elementary, recently placed in the top three of the Van Wert Elks essay contest. The Van Wert Elks Lodge sponsors this contest every year for students in grades 5-8. Students from Mrs. Wilder's 5th-grade and Mr. Wilhelm's 6th-grade classes were given the opportunity to participate in this

This years topic was "Why are you proud of America?" Luke Stouffer placed first in the 5th and 6th-grade category, while Allison Noggle placed third. Their essays will be sent to a committee at the district level where they will compete against other local lodge winners. Both Luke and Alli will be recognized later this spring at a brunch where they will receive their awards.

Dr. Miller will be a speaker at the DALI conference and he will talk about practical ways to help with school

LATTA SPEAKS TO THE OHIO ASSOCIATION OF SENIOR CENTERS ABOUT MOBILITY, DATA PRIVACY

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) addressed the Ohio Association of Senior Centers (OASC) this morning in Columbus to discuss his efforts to improve mobility for seniors. Latta spoke about his legislation from last Congress, the SELF DRIVE Act, which would provide a Federal framework to help advance self-driving car technology. That bill was approved on a voice vote by the U.S. House of Representatives but was not acted on by the U.S. Senate before the end of the 115th Congress. Latta is currently working with his colleagues to introduce legislation in this Congress.

In addition to the discussions about improving mobility, Latta also discussed the provisions in the SELF DRIVE Act that would address cybersecurity and data privacy in autonomous vehi-

"Self-driving cars provide great promise for our nation's seniors," said Latta. "I experienced what a lack of mobility means for seniors with my mom. She didn't drive later in

life and was reliant on others to help her get around. Autonomous vehicles can help increase independence and quality of life for countless Americans who are no longer able to drive. I appreciated the opportunity to address the Ohio Association of Senior Centers this morning and discuss this important aspect of self-driving technology." "The Ohio Association of

Senior Centers supports the men and women working directly with our senior population every day," said Connie Huntsman, President-Elect of OASC. "Learning about Congressman Latta's work on self-driving vehicles is extremely helpful for us because we can communicate directly with seniors about what this technology can mean for mobility opportunities. We are glad he could join us today to talk about the hard work in Washington to ensure that this technology is developed safely, with the end users in mind."

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Ohio and the State Treasurer's office in joining the Ohio Checkbook website," said Matthew Gearhardt, Auditor



Spring is here – and for many of us, that means it's time for some spring cleaning. This year, in addition to tidying up your home, why not try brightening your financial environment? Some of the same moves you make to clean your surroundings may apply to your finances. Consider these suggestions:

Get rid of clutter. When you go through your closets, attic, basement or other areas, you may find many items you no longer need. You might be able to sell some of these things or find other ways of disposing of them. And as you review your portfolio, you might also encounter "clutter" in the form of investments that may be redundant to others you own. If so, you might consider selling these investments and using the proceeds to purchase new ones, which may help you broaden your portfolio.

Protect yourself from

hazards. As you go about your spring cleaning, you may well encounter hazardous substances, such as cleaning agents, paints, batteries, pesticides and so on, which you don't need anymore and which may pose potential health risks. You can reduce the possible danger from these materials by recycling or disposing of them in an environmentally safe way. Your overall financial situation has hazards, too, in the form of illness or injury preventing you from working, or, in your later years, the need for some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home. To protect yourself, you may need appropriate insurance, including disability and long-term

Find new uses for existing possessions. When you are sprucing up your home, you may rediscover uses for things you already have. Who knows - perhaps that treadmill that's been gathering dust in your garage could actually be employed again as part of your rededicated exercise regimen. And you might be able to get more mileage out of some of your existing investments, too. Suppose, for instance, that some of your stocks are paying you dividends, which you take as cash. If you don't really need this income to support your lifestyle, you might consider reinvesting the dividends so that you can own more shares of the dividend-paying stocks. Over the long run, increased share ownership is a key to helping build your portfolio.

Establish new habits. Spring cleaning doesn't have to be just about physical activities - it can also involve a new set of habits on your part. For example, instead of placing your unread magazines in an ever-expanding pile, try to read and recycle them quickly. You can also develop some positive habits as an investor, such as "paying yourself first" by regularly putting some money in an investment account each month, even before paying all your bills. You can also avoid some bad habits, such as overreacting to market downturns by selling investments to "cut your losses," even though those same investments may still have strong growth potential and may still be suitable for your needs.

Doing some spring cleaning can make you feel better about your living space today. And applying some of these techniques to your financial situation can help you gain a more positive outlook for tomorrow.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

LATTA DISCUSSES TELE-HEALTH, PRECISION AG, BROADBAND ON TOUR OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WITH FCC COMMISSIONER

Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) joined Federal Communications Commissioner Brendan Carr on tours and discussions at multiple stops in Ohio's 5th Congressional District.

"I appreciate that Commissioner Carr is willing to leave Washington and head out on the road to see the opportunities and challenges that Americans are facing," said Latta. "Yesterday, he was able to see three counties in Ohio's 5th Congressional District and talk to health care providers, law enforcement, farmers, Wireless Internet Service Providers, and broadcasters in our region. Commissioner Carr and I both believe that closing the digital divide is of utmost importance, and his experience in the region will help inform his efforts at the FCC. I'll continue my efforts as the Republican Leader on the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Communications and Technology to expand access to broadband and lower barriers to cut-

ting-edge technology.' The day began at Pro-Medica in Toledo where

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Rep. Latta and Commissioner Carr were able to see how the health care provider is using telehealth to diagnose and treat stroke patients when time is of the essence. After that, Latta and Carr

headed to Wood County where they met with two customers of Amplex Internet, a Wireless Internet Service Provider in the region. The first was Luckey Farmers where they learned about how they are using technology to improve agricultural operations. Commissioner Carr took a trip up to the top of a grain elevator that hosts the antenna which enables the farm to access broadband. They then took a tour of the Wood County Sheriff's Office dispatch center with Sheriff Mark Wasylyshyn. The 911 dispatch center receives more than 50,000 calls a year and are utilizing the new technology to answer calls in the quickest way possible and keep the community safe. Congressman Latta and

Commissioner Carr then met with WBGU-TV, public broadcasters in Bowling Green, where they learned about changes at the station with the recent "repacking' process at the FCC. "The repack" is a result of the FCC's first-ever incentive auction designed to repurpose underutilized broadcast airwaves for new uses, such as 5G - the next generation of wireless technology while not disrupting local TV viewership.

The last stop of the day was in Henry County at New Vision Farms, one of the largest producers of popcorn in the country. Latta and Carr learned how Internet-connected precision agriculture technology, like drones and satellite imagery, help make the farm more efficient. Last year, legislation authored by Latta, the Precision Agriculture Connectivity Act, was signed into law as part of the Farm Bill. That bill will help improve broadband access in rural communities so more farms can utilize the latest cutting-edge technology.

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How do I know if I have food poisoning?

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

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

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

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

(staph), symptoms could appear as soon as 30 minutes

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

Norovirus, symptoms could appear as soon as 12

Salmonella, symptoms could appear as soon as 12 to 72 hours later.

(botulism), symptoms could appear as soon as 18 to 36

Vibrio vulnificus, symptoms could appear as soon as one to four days later.

as two to five days later.

E. coli, symptoms could appear three to four days

CHOW LINE: UNDERSTAND-

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Cyclospora, symptoms

Listeria monocytogenes,

Some people may experi-

could appear one week later.

symptoms could appear one

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said Sanja Ilic, the state food

safety specialist for Ohio State University Extension.

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people with underlining

conditions that weaken

their immune system may

experience severe outcomes

that require them to be hos-

you should see a doctor for

your symptoms? The CDC

advises people to seek med-

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Frequent vomiting that

Signs of dehydration,

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down liquids, as this can

which can be marked by a

decrease in urination, a very

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Blood in your stool.

So how do you know if

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"While most people ex-

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It's important to note

The time it takes for

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For the month of February there were 97 calls for service and 15 citations.



Department was contacted in reference to a fight that had occurred earlier in the day at Antwerp Local School. The case was investigated and the

IN THE COMMON PLEAS further COURT OF PAULDING relief as COUNTY, OHIO the Court

115 N. Williams St., Pauld-

Jimmy A. Stephey, II

Rhonda J. Stephey

Ika: 208 S. Broadway

Trotwood, OH 45426

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 Pauld-

ing County Common Pleas

Court entitled Jimmy A. Stephey, II, Plaintiff -vs-Rhonda J. Stephey, Defen-

The object of the Com-

plaint is for the Plaintiff to be

granted an absolute divorce,

an equitable division of prop-

erty and debts, costs of this

suit, and for such other and

TO: Sherri Miller, Unknown

heirs, administrators, execu-

ors or assigns of Sherri Miller;

Unknown Spouse of Sherri

Miller, Unknown heirs, admin-

istrators, executors or assigns

of Unknown Spouse of Sherri

Please take notice that a

complaint has been filed in the

above-captioned action against

you seeking a foreclosure of tax

liens and a public sale of real

property owned by Sherri Miller,

Unknown heirs, administra-

tors, executors or assigns of

Sherri Miller; Unknown Spouse

of Sherri Miller, Unknown heirs,

administrators, executors or

assigns of Unknown Spouse

of Sherri Miller to pay delinquent

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Thirty-four (34) Town 3 North,

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Block F of the Village of Ant-

werp, Paulding County, Ohio,

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as follows: Commencing at a

point found at the intersec-

tion of the centerline of State

Route 49 and the South line

of the Northeast Quarter (1/4)

of said Section; thence North 00°34'20" West, seven hundred

twenty-five and 67/100 (725.67)

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ing the true point of beginning

for the parcel bounded and described as follows: Thence

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three and 00/100 (33.00) feet

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KNOWN ADDRESS:

COUNTY, OHIO

Lou Ann Wannemacher,

Sherri Miller, et.al.

Plaintiffs,

Defendants.

Miller

LAST

Unknown

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VS.

ing, OH 45879

Plaintiff,

Defendant

report was prepared. On March 7, the Antwerp PD assisted the United States

Marshall's Office in locating

a resident. The Marshall's of-

fice had a federal grand jury

indictment warrant for traf-

reported that they believed

that someone stole their Ohio

temporary registration from

ident reported a juvenile

daughter had taken their car.

The car was located at the

Love's Gas Station in Wood-

burn. The daughter and the

vehicle were brought home

and the officer completed the

PD arrested a resident on a

On March 12, the Antwerp

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Common Pleas Court of Paulding

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Ann E. Pease, Clerk

County, Ohio

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING

If you fail to answer or oth-

Also on March 10, a res-

On March 10, a resident

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COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

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to the Paulding County Jail. Also on March 12, the officer located juveniles out after curfew. The juveniles were taken home.

warrant from Allen County,

IN. The defendant was taken

On March 14, an officer, while doing security checks, noticed a vehicle parked at the Antwerp Bowling Alley. The officer investigated and found the vehicle was not sus-On March 15, the Ant-

werp PD was notified of a bank alarm at the Antwerp Exchange Bank. An officer responded and found to be okay. On March 16, a resident

reported receiving unwanted phone calls. The person making the calls was located and instructed to cease making Also on March 16, the

Police Department assisted a Paulding County Sheriff's Deputy in finding an address for papers to be served.

On March 17, a resident of the village called in saying she was awakened by someone who she thought was entering her home. When she investigated she found that gift cards and cash had been taken from her kitchen counter. The case is under investigation.

On March 19, a resident reported receiving a bill from St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont, TX for Emergency Room Transport. After investigation it was found to be a prisoner that had been transferred to Beaumont County Jail who had given the wrong SSN and date of birth. It was resolved for the Antwerp res-

If you would like to report any suspicious activity or if you have any questions, please contact the Antwerp Police Department as they are always ready to serve the residents of the village!

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposi-

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

Garmel A. Norfleet, Fort Wayne, IN; Failure to control; Defendant appeared in open court; Case dismissed

Sandipkumar Patel, Canton, MI; Failure to control; Case was waived by defen-Dravon C. Potts, Oak-

wood, OH; Obstructing; Case dismissed per the state agree-Laurie B. Laporta, Ga-

hanna, OH; Driving under FRA suspension; Count A dismissed per agreement per the state Jennifer P. Gardner, Phil-

adelphia, PA; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Defendant appeared in open court; Pled guilty; Pay today Jennifer P. Gardner, Phil-

adelphia, PA; Possession of marijuana; Defendant appeared in open court; Pled no contest without counsel; Pay Troy McCall, Canton, MI;

Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Lisa L. Hornish, Oak-

wood, OH; Driving/texting; Guilty; Case was waived by the defendant

Spencer M. Strickler, Monroeville, IN; Seat belt/ drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Trinidad S. Hernandez, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat

belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Josi E. Hopkins, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defen-Donald C. Foukal, Jack-

defendant

Austin T. Eickholt, Clo-

verdale, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by

sonville, FL; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by Kaleb R. Becker, Kalida, OH; Failure to control;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Anthony D. Shelton Jr., Fort Wayne, IN; Marked Guilty; Case was lanes;

waived by defendant

Anthony D. Shelton Jr., Fort Wayne, IN; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Charles L. Bernard, De-

Guilty; Case was waived by William T. Hege, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive;

fiance, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant XLOCAL X12.45

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

AUGLAIZE TWP

3/20/19 Cortez Jeronimo Cortez Mary S to Quintero Vicky M; 19242 Rd 1040 Oakwood Oh 45873; 0.5177 acres; Lot 26 Hartzog Auglaize Allot#2 Auglaize Twp 3/18/19 Sterling Stacy to

Manns Robert; 20965 Rd 178 Oakwood Oh 45873; 0.42 acres; Se Cor Se1/4Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-29

3/18/19 Sterling Stacy to Manns Robert; Rd 169; 1.7 acres; Pt Se1/4Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-29

BENTON TWP

3/18/19 Lichty Alan R to Perez Tello Shelly A Perez Tello Rigoberto; 4818 Whippoorwill Ln Payne Oh 45880; 0.3214 acres; Lot 48 Mooney Meadows Benton Twp S-3

3/19/19 Laukhuf Rodney A Et Al to Laukhuf Rodney A Et Al; Rd 48; 80 acres; W1/2Nw1/4 Benton Twp

BLUE CREEK TWP

3/20/19 Danberry Colton D to Danberry Colton D Trustee; 9466 Rd 82 Paulding Oh 45879; 1.52 acres; Pt E1/2 Nw1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-4

3/19/19 Laukhuf Rodney A Et Al to Laukhuf Rodney A Et Al; Rd 75; 40 acres; Sw1/4Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp

3/19/19 Bowers Richard C Bowers Laura B to Bowers Richard C; N Mckinley St; 0.1377 acres; Lot 146 N 50Ft J.p. Haviland Vill

3/19/19 Bowers Richard C Bowers Laura B to B o w e r s Richard C; 302 N Mckinley St; 0.1928 acres; Lot 145 & 146 S 10 Ft O.p. Haviland Vill **BROWN TWP**

3/20/19 Creative Home

Buying Solutions Inc to Grubb Phillip Grubb Kaitlyn; 104 E Superior St; 0.2 acres; Lot 1 Keck Add Oakwood Vill **CARRYALL TWP**

3/18/19 Coleman Randall

Trustee & Koziatek Helen J Trustee to Manella Albert A Iii Manella Kimberly; 622 Erie St; 1.2431 acres; Lot 14 Block F Antwerp Vill

3/21/19 Gordon Richard W to Gordon Richard W Et Al; 404 Wentworth Rd; 0.6302 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Canal Bed 283.72X97 Outlots S-34

Antwerp

CRANE TWP 3/20/19 Danberry Colton

D to Danberry Colton D Trustee; 15142 Rd 105 Paulding Oh 45879; 1.64 acres; Pt Se1/4 Crane Twp Sec 23 **HARRISON TWP**

3/19/18 Goeltzenleuchter

Chad E & Goeltzenleuchter Lisa M Etal to Lanc Farm Properties Llc; 6918 Sr 613 Payne Oh 45880; 77 acres; Pt E1/2Ne1/4 Harrison Twp 3/18/19 Brenneke Richard

L & Brenneke Candace F to Brenneke Richard L & Brenneke Candace F Trustee; Rd 21; 39.709 acres; Pt Se1/4 Sel/4Harrison Twp S-5 **JACKSON TWP**

3/20/19 Beckman Jerry

Beckman Paulette to Beckman Jerry Beckman Paulette; Rd 138; 90.239 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Jackson Twp S-13 LATTY TWP 3/19/19 Eddy Kent E Trust-

ee Eddy Pamela S Trustee to Eddy Kent E Trustee Eddy Pamela S Trustee; Rd131; 170.688 acres; Pt S1/2Nw1/4 & N1/2 Sw1/4& Ptse1/4Sw1/4 S-27 Latty 3/19/19 Eddy Kent E

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Sinn Annette K Trustee; Second St; 0.072 acres; Lot 35 & Lot 34 Less 24' O P Latty Vill 3/18/19 Sinn Annette K to

Sinn Annette K Trustee; Second St; 0.0669 acres; Lot 36 O P Latty Vill 3/18/19 Sinn Annette K to

Sinn Annette K Trustee; Second St; 0.0669 acres; Lot 37 O P Latty Vill 3/18/19 Sinn Annette K to

Sinn Annette K Trustee; 425 Second St; 0.0669 acres; Lot

38 O P Latty Vill 3/18/19 Sinn Annette K to

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Sinn Annette K Trustee; 511 Alexander St; 0.2 acres; Lot 53 O.p. Latty Vill 3/18/19 Sinn Annette K to Sinn Annette K Trustee;

Third St; 0.2 acres; Lot 54 O P Latty Vill

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Shisler Darlene L to Shisler Nick R & Shisler Darlene L; 504 N Cherry St; 0.2121 acres; Lot 42 Less 4 Ft S S & S1/2 Alley O.p. Paulding 3/19/19 Kipfer Ephraim Kipfer Marilyn to Kipfer

Ephraim J; 707 E Perry St; 0.27 acres; Lot 23 Pt 112X105 Outlots Paulding Vill 3/19/19 Kipfer Ephraim Kipfer Marilyn to Kipfer Ephraim J; 713 E Perry St; 0.385 acres; Lot23ptnel/4Nel/4112X150 Outlots

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D to Danberry Colton D Trustee; Wayne Rear St; 0.53 acres; Pt Lot 4 & N 264 Ft Of Aban Rr R/O/W Outlots Paulding Vill 3/20/19 Danberry Colton

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IN THE COMMON PLEAS ing Coun-COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Lou Ann Wannemacher, Plaintiff,

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

Paulding, County, Ohio By: Kallellitz Deputy

Court of Common Pleas

ing, Ohio 45879.

Ann Pease, Clerk

Respectively submitted.

oh R. Burkard, (#0059106) Paulding County, Ohio 120 S. Walnut Street

Prosecuting Attorney Dix's First Addition to the Paulding, Ohio 45879 Village of Paulding, Pauld-419-399-8270

the village of Antwerp County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio and more fully described Street, Antwerp, Ohio You are required to answer in A parcel of land in the South-

liams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879. Ann Pease, Clerk

By: Yeah Com Hait

Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106) Paul ling County, Ohio Prosecuting Attorney 120 S. Walnut Street

Case No. CI 19 038 iron pipe found; thence South 00°34'20" East, fifty-nine and

Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckmar

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89/100 (59.89) feet to an iron pin set this survey; thence South 89'18'52" West, three hundred thirty and 00/100 (330.00) feet to an iron pipe found; thence continuing South 89°18'52" West, thirty-three and 00/100 (33.00) feet to a point on the centerline of State Route 49; thence North 00°34'20" West, fifty-nine and 89/100 (59.89) feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel containing 0.499 acres, more or less, and is subject to all rights of way, easements, legal high ways, zoning regulations and restrictions of record. All bear ings, used herein are to an assumed meridian and are used to denote angles only. The subiect premises was surveyed by Travis R. McGarvey, Registered Surveyor No. 8257, dated March 11, 2004 and filed in Volume 501, Page 717, Official Records,

The real property in question is Office. Parcel ID No. 12-07S-012-00 Property Address: 616 S. Erie

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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. Wil-

Court of Common Pleas Paulding, County, Ohio

Respectively submitted,

Paulding, Ohio 45879 419-399-8270

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.

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: 10759 Road 169, Oakwood

Parcel Number: 08-17S-003-00

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

Said premises appraised at One Hundred Forty-four Thousand and (\$144,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale

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 10:00 a.m.. 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 examina-

tion 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.

Paulding County, Ohio www.pauldingohsheriff.com John M. Liming, Attorney for Plaintiff

deer and checked the animal

as a landowner harvest, but

did not meet the definition

of landowner or landown-

er's child. These individ-

uals were educated on the

landowner's regulations. In

several of these interviews,

secondary violations were

discovered, and charges are

pending in Madison County

Northwest Ohio - Wild-

During Labor Day week-

end, State Wildlife Inves-

tigators Kevin Good and

Brian Bury, assigned to the

Lake Erie Unit, were work-

ing on Lake Erie and saw a

single man trolling more

than two rods from his

boat. The officers contacted

the man and Investigator

Good recognized him as

an individual that had been

charged multiple times for

being over the limit of wall-

eye. When the investigators

looked in the man's cooler,

they could see that there

were more than six walleye.

Investigator Good found

that the man was in posses-

sion of nine whole walleye

and an additional five wall-

eye caught that day that the

man had already filleted, for

a total of 14 walleye, eight

over the daily bag limit. The

man also admitted to litter-

ing, disposing of the filleted

walleye carcasses in Lake

Erie. The man was charged

with being over the daily

bag limit of walleye, trolling

more than two rods, posses-

sion of fillets on Lake Erie,

and littering. The man's fish,

boat, and fishing tackle were

all seized. He was found

guilty of all charges and

paid significant fines and

restitution. All the items

seized were ordered forfeit-

ed to the ODNR Division of

gun season, State Wildlife

Officer Eric VonAlmen, as-

signed to Wood County, re-

sponded to a hunting with-

out permission complaint. When Officer VonAlmen

arrived at the location, two

hunters were waiting for

him. One of the hunters ex-

plained that he had shot and

During the 2018 deer

Wildlife.

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life District Two

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Field reports from ODNR Division of Wildlife Offi-

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One After the deer season,

State Wildlife Officer Matt Teders, assigned to Madison County, was examining Madison County landowner harvest records in the harvest database. Officer Teders was able to identify several individuals who had harvested deer and game checked animals as landowner harvest but were not listed as property owners within the county. Officer Teders conducted multiple interviews, and it was determined that several of the individuals interviewed during the course of the investigation had harvested

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.

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.

Representatives from

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

Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY: FIRST FEDERAL BANK OF THE MIDWEST, Plaintiff,

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 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 Ninety Thousand and No/100 (\$90,000.00) 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

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injured a deer on property he had permission to hunt, but the deer had run onto an adjacent property. The second hunter, who was the other hunter's grandfather, knew the property owner and believed he had permission to hunt there. The hunters had entered the property to retrieve the injured deer. After hearing the hunter's story, Officer VonAlmen spoke with the landowner who stated he did know the grandfather but did not want anyone hunting on his property. The landowner did not want to press charges and allowed the hunters to take the deer. After Officer VonAlmen departed, he checked the deer harvest database for that morning and noticed the grandfather had checked in a buck. Officer VonAlmen contacted the grandfather, who admitted to checking in the buck for his grandson so he could continue to hunt. The buck was seized and forfeited to the state. The grandson was issued a summons for providing false information during a game check and paid \$190 in fines and court

Northeast Ohio - Wild-

life District Three While following up on a tip, State Wildlife Officer Nick Turner, assigned to Harrison County, had heard about a large 26-point buck that had been killed by a man in Holmes County. Officer Turner knew that the buck had lived near the Coshocton/Tuscarawas county line because he had seen several trail camera photographs of the unique animal. Based on photographs of the animal posted online, Officer Turner and State Wildlife Officer Michael Budd, assigned to Knox County, were able to determine where the individual had taken the 26-point deer to be mounted. They arrived at the taxidermist's shop and obtained the deer harvest confirmation number. Using the ODNR Division

of Wildlife's deer harvest

database, they discovered

that the deer was checked in as an 8-point buck. Later that day, they met with the suspect. The results of the investigation revealed that the man had harvested an 8-point buck in the morning and then killed the 26-point buck later that afternoon. The man then used the confirmation number for the 8-point to attach to the 26-point to make it appear legal. A few days later, the man checked in a "phantom" doe to obtain a confirmation number to attach to the 8-point deer. With the help of additional information gathered by State Wildlife Officer Jerrod Allison, assigned to Coshocton County, the man was issued several summonses and ordered to appear in court. He was convicted and paid \$837 in fines and court costs, as well as \$27,904.46 in restitution for the 26-point buck that scored 228 7/8". In addition, the man's hunting privileges were revoked for one year.

During the deer gun season, State Wildlife Officer Scott Denamen, assigned to Geauga County, received information involving misuse of a deer permit. Officer Denamen arrived at the suspect's residence and discovered a button buck that had been game checked by an individual who had not killed it. The man was issued a summons and the deer was seized as evidence. The man appeared in court, was convicted, and ordered to pay \$230 in fines and court costs. The deer was forfeited to the state and donated to a charitable organization. Southeast Ohio - Wild-

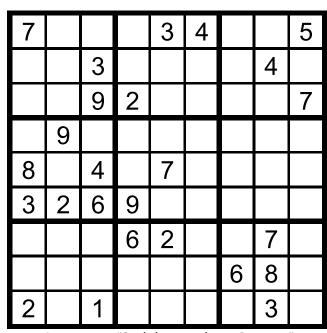
life District Four In November 2018, State

Wildlife Officer Darin Abbott, assigned to Lawrence County, received a tip that a suspect from North Carolina had taken two deer with a rifle. Officer Abbott received an address in Scottown and was informed that the suspect already had the deer quartered and in 60-quart coolers in the back of his truck. Officer Abbott

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Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

responded to the address and interviewed the suspect. After speaking with the suspect, Officer Abbott seized two deer carcasses that had not been properly tagged or game checked and issued the suspect two summonses for possession of untagged deer. The defendant paid \$530 in fines and court costs, and the deer meat was forfeited to the ODNR Division of Wildlife.

During the 2018-2019 deer gun season, State Wildlife Officer Ryan Donnelly, assigned to Washington County, noticed an individual driving an ATV down the side of a road in Wayne National Forrest. The hunter was wearing a hunter orange coat and had a rifle on a sling on his shoulder. Officer Donnelly watched the hunter from a distance as it appeared he was scanning the hillside as he drove down the road. When the hunter realized Officer Donnelly was behind him, he quickly attempted to unload the gun. The hunter was issued a summons for hunting with the aid of a motor vehicle. He was found guilty and paid \$250 in fines

and court costs. After receiving information from the Turn In a Poacher (TIP) hotline about a father and son who were hunting without licenses and not checking in deer they were harvesting, State Wildlife Officer Gus Kiebel, assigned to Clermont County, and Investigator Joel Buddelmeyer, assigned to southwest Ohio, located the hunters. One of the individuals did not have a deer permit. After further questioning, it was discovered that the pair had taken multiple deer over several years and neither hunter had game checked a single deer. The officers went to the suspects' residence and seized all the untagged deer meat and antlers as evidence. The suspects pleaded guilty to hunting without a deer permit, possession of untagged deer parts, and failure to game check a deer. The deer parts were forfeited to the ODNR Division of Wildlife and the suspects were ordered to pay \$400 in fines and court costs. One of the men lost his hunting

privileges for a year.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03 on March 18, 2019, entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A GRANT WRITING SERVICES AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP EMS DEPARTMENT WITH OHIO FIRST RESPONDER GRANTS, LLC, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to enter into the Grant Writing Application Agreement with Ohio First Responder Grants, LLC for the completion and submission of a grant application to procure cardiac monitors and CPR devices on behalf of the Village EMS

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed RESOLUTION NO. 2019-04 on March 18, 2019, entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP AND THE PAULDING COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS TO PURCHASE MARCS PORTABLE AND MOBILE RADIO UNITS TO BE UTILIZED BY VARIOUS AGENCIES IN PAULDING COUNTY, INCLUDING THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Paulding County Sheriff's Office to accept 6 portable radios and 3 mobile radios to be utilized by the Village Police Department with the understanding the Village will provide all maintenance and pay the monthly user fee for each radio, and in ten years, the ownership of such radios will transfer to the Village.

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

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STUDENTS GET THE SCOOP ON COMPOSTING



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

Recently, students at Antwerp Elementary turned to the worms and learned all about vermicomposting and got to see how it all works. The first question that you like many of the students had was what vermicomposting even means. How does it work? Is there a lot of work involved? Why would anyone want to do it? These questions and many more were answered for the students as part of this program

The term vermicomposting comes from "vermin" which is the Latin name for worms and then it is combined with composting to

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get vermicomposting. Vermicomposting is the art of allowing worms to take organic material (fruits, vegetables, leaves, grass, etc.) and turn it into a nutrient rich natural fertilizer that we all can use in our home gardens. The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District has two worm bins that can be brought in for presentations. Vermicomposting uses worms to help break down these organic materials recycle the nutrients from them to create a valuable fertilizer than can be used on our plants and in your gardens. This practice involves the use of red worms as they are the most productive when it comes to compost production.

Students then learned about some of the characteristics of red worms which are the type of worms used in the compost bin. Red worms thrive best in the first several inches of the topsoil directly beneath decaying organic material. The first question that students were asked was if worms can breathe in and out like we do to get their oxygen. Worms take in oxygen through their skin by soaking up water through the soil! Do worms have

eyes? Worms also do not have eyes but utilize sensors on the side of their heads that allow them to detect between light and dark. That was a hotly debated question with the students with a 50/50 split of those saying yes and those saying no. Red worms do not like light and have an instinct to dig into the soil to get away from the light.

A big focus of the 1st

grade level is the four essential needs of living organism. Students were questioned on the four essential things which all living things need to survive which are: food, water, shelter, and space. Red worms used in composting are rather picky eaters on what they like. Worms are also living organisms and require the same needs, but organisms will differ based on how they get those needs and how they are provided. Students learned that worms in the compost bin like to eat vegetable waste such as carrots, lettuce, beans or peas along with non-citrus fruits such as apples, grapes, bananas, plums, peaches, and pumpkin.

Composting worms also like to eat crushed egg shells, coffee grounds, tree leaves, and grass clippings. This was a big shock to many of the students as they never would have given it a thought that worms would eat such items! They all like to eat eggs for breakfast and their parents drink coffee, creating plenty of food to provide for the worms! Among the items that composting worms are unable to digest include citrus fruit, meat, dairy, and cooking oil because these materials have chemicals on them call preservatives that give off an odor that the worms do not

Once worms digest their food, they need to get rid of their waste and release castings or their poop which is the compost that is received from the worms. It is very high in nutrients and very beneficial for gardens and plants. Students also learned that worms need to stay moist in order to take in oxygen but that too much water in their environment can drown them. Red worms also like to live in colonies and will often congregate around a food source. There can be as many as 1,000 worms in a pound!

Students then received instruction on how they too can have a worm composting bin. All that is needed is two storage totes (12-15 gallon), 4 wooden blocks (4 inches high), soil, shredded paper for bedding, and of course some red worms. Then everyone learned the song "Nobody Likes Me, Guess I'll Go Eat Worms" song and watched a video called "Herman the Worm" to review everything covered about the worms. After learning about vermicomposting, students had the chance to observe and handle red worms that are actively turning our food waste into fertilizer.

Each student received their very own worm to handle and were given the task of writing a "Worm Biography" where they gave their worm a name, its color, length, and a few things that their worm likes to eat

as mentioned in the pre-

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sentation. The creativity of the students was quite impressive! Everyone had the chance to share their story in front of the class and show what they learned about their worm friend! After the biographies were written, students embarked on a "Worm Relay" where they became birds and were given the task of transporting as many worms (pipe cleaners) into their bird nests (2-liter bottle) using their beaks (clothes pin) in one minute as they possibly could. Two students competed at a time to see who could get the most worms in their nest. Does this program sound

like something that would interest your school group, nature enthusiast group, or other public group? If you would like the "Vermicomposting" presentation for your classroom, group, or organization, contact Patrick Troyer at the Paulding SWCD at 419-399-4771 or patrick.troyer@pauldingswcd.org! We would love to come and share this great information with your group!

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 3rd NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2018-19

SENIORS

4.0: Fletcher Cook, Haylee Dominique, Jacob Eblin, Katelyn Estle, Sierra Halter, Hailey Harris, Katelyn Hartzell, Eugene Hemenway, Hunter Kesler, Tristan Kinder, Courtney Luderman, Heather Manz, Hailey McDaniel, Jaret Miller, Leah Nusbaum, Sydney Price, Joseph Reineck, Brandon Scott, Carson Shull, Mallory Taylor, Megan Tope, Jessica Weller, Addison Wesley

3.5-3.99: Cory Adams, Asia Arellano, Maleke Bowman, Garrett Breininger, Charles Clapsaddle, Justin Couto, Luke Dunakin, Adriana Gonzales, Emma Horstman, Grace Hurley, Abigail Leaman, Drew Lumpkins, Bailey Manz, Ethan Matty, Ty Plotts, Kristen Razo, Lonna Saylor, Dylan Shawver, Jennifer Stahl, Haleigh Stallbaum, Briana Townley, Victoria Valle, Dylan Vogel

3.0-3.49: Harmony Burtin, Morgan Edgar, Cole Heller, Erin Karlstadt, Adrian Simonin

JUNIORS

4.0: Sidney Kohart, Sydney McCullough, Julia Mc-Master, Savannah Shepherd, Katelyn Strayer, Mackenzie

3.5-3.99: Mason Dailey, Jacob Deisler, Seth Dysinger, Evan Edwards, Kolson Egnor, Maria Garcia, Chelsi Giesige, Kiarra Hawn, McCailey Johanns, Grace Le-Mieux, Kaela Lucas, Cole Mabis, Montserrat Martinez, Claire McClure, Jordyn Merriman, Damien Moore, Jordan Mudel, Riley Noffsinger, Noah Pessefall, Matthew Schroeder, Alexandria Smith, Olivia Stallard

3.0-3.49: Gracie Burtch, Shannon Hale, Brandon Jackson, Tyler Snipes

SOPHÓMORÉS

4.0: Molly Adams, Donnique Carter-Dickey, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Megan Harpel, Caleb Manz, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Luke McCullough, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Lynelle Schneider, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Rebec-

ca Starner, Jasmine Wong, Selena Yates

3.5-3.99: Payton Beckman, Haley Burtin, Kaeli Bustos, Kaylyn Cox, Marissa Dobbelaere-Rosalez, Adelae Foltz, Fernando Garcia, Quintin Gonzales, Chastity Gribble, Hailey Hartzell, Isabelle Heitman, Hailee Huner, Cynthia Jones-Schlegel, Hunter Kauser, Robert Keeterle, Kayla Lane, Mackenzie Lehman, Adrian Manz, Baylee March, Blake McGarvey, Morgan Mobley, Jalynn Parrett, Juan Perez, Gunner Phlipot, Sydney Reineck, Faith Rose, Kaitlyn Shaffer, Isaac Smalley, Courtney Smith, Hailey Weidenhamer, Anjulene Yonge 3.0-3.49: Chelsea

Bullinger, Zach Coppes, Hunter Dobbelaere, Sadie Estle, Morgan Iler, Nolan Johanns, Ben Weible, Raine Winkler

FRESHMEN

4.0: Alivya Bakle, Elizabeth Box, Gabriella Casper, Ella Cook, Erika Dobbelaere, Taelyln Etzler, Brody Fisher, Audrey Giesige, Zach Gor-

rell, Kaylena Gray, Ember Helms-Keezer, Paige Jones, Jaylyn McCloud, Lily Roehrig, Kennedy Salinas, Claire Schweller, Cierra Singer, Caleb Thompson, Logan Tope, Grady Vogel, Leanne Warnimont, Samuel Woods

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3.5-3.99: Sam Adams, Alexandria Ade, Brookelyn Ankney, Wyatt Beckman, Sophia Fisher, Kalyn Goshia, Ethan Herman, Reid Johanns, Ryleigh Johanns, Alexis Kashner, Kyle Kelly, Kellsey Kupfersmith, Julia Leatherman, Janae Pease, Alivia Perl, Carsen Perl, Karli Phlipot, Samantha Proxmire, Alex Tressler, Zoraya Valle

3.0-3.49: Audrey Cordova, Kylie Greathouse, Alexander Heck, Jade Hoghe, Austen Joseph, Vanessa Krueger, Dylan Kuckuck, Stephanie Ladd, Jocelyn LaFountain, Colin Lambert, Brianna Minck, Myla Mitchell, Boston Pease, Austin Pessefall, Kaden Rhonehouse, Riley Rue, Conner Smith, Serenity Trammell

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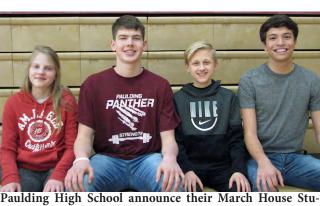
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a raffle of quilts and 'quilty' things. Vendors will be on hand with "mini" quilt shops so you can stock up and start your next project! See old and new quilts, large and small quilts, and then vote for your favorite. Watch demonstrations of Casey Drudge's amazing 3D quilting. You can also bring your tired, old, worn-out quilt and Lois will perform an "autopsy" and tell you how it might be repaired or revitalized!

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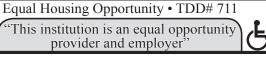
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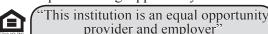
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BECOME A HUNTER EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR

A training academy for individuals interested in becoming hunter education instructors will be offered in Findlay June 8 and 9, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. Training will be held at

the Division of Wildlife District Two office located at 952 Lima Ave, Findlay 45840. Classes will be held on Saturday, June 9 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday, June 9 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is no cost to participate in the hunter education instructor academy, but all participants are required to complete a background check prior to the start of the academy so registration must be submitted at least two weeks in advance. Registration questions can be directed to Jaron Beck at 419-429-8324.

Participants must attend

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both days of training, be at least 18 years of age and have successfully completed the online hunter education course. The online hunter education course can be completed at https://www. hunter-ed.com/ohio/. Participants should allot at least six hours to take the course. Ohio currently has 1,700 volunteer instructors who train thousands of hunters each year to be safe and responsible in the field.

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PAGE 16 – WEST BEND NEWS – MARCH 26, 2019 PATRICK TROYER VISITS DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL



Last week Patrick Troyer from the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation office visited Mrs. Baldauf's kindergarten classroom. He talked about seasons, weather tools and different types of weather. They did an experiment of making a thunderstorm in a cup.

They used shaving cream, water, and blue food coloring. The thunder came from the kindergartners who made the thunder by hitting the table. They watched as the rain (blue food coloring) came down through the clouds (shaving cream) in the water.

PAULDING ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

Paulding Elementary Kindergarten Screening is set for May 8th and May 9th for children that will be 5 years old before August 1, 2019. To set up an appointment, please call the Paulding Elementary office at 419-399-4656 ext. 1312 as soon as possible.

MEMORIAL SPAGHETTI DINNER SET FOR SATURDAY

Annual Tammy Meggitt Gibson Memorial Spaghetti dinner. Saturday March 30th at the Scott Fire Department from 4pm-7pm. Dinner includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, dessert and a drink. We will have bake sale items and basket raffles as well.

All proceeds go to the Paulding County Area Foun-

LAKE ERIE & LOCAL RESIDENTS FILE COURT MOTIONS TO DEFEND RIGHTS OF LAKE

Lake Erie filed a motion to intervene in federal court to defend its legal rights under a law adopted by the people of Toledo, Ohio, on February 26.

Lake Erie filed a Motion to Intervene in the lawsuit Drewes Farm Partnership v. City of Toledo. The lawsuit, seeking to overturn the legal rights of Lake Erie, was filed by a large corporate law firm in Columbus less than 24 hours after the Lake Erie Bill of Rights was adopted.

The Motion to Intervene, if granted, would permit Lake Erie to become a party to the lawsuit and directly defend its own rights, now recognized in the Tole-do City Charter, to "exist, thrive, and naturally evolve."

Toledoans for Safe Wa-

group that proposed the law, joined Lake Erie in filing the motion to become an intervening party. They also filed a motion to dismiss the lawsuit. The Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund (CELDF) assisted TSW in drafting the Lake Erie Bill of Rights and is representing Lake Erie and TSW in the

In securing legal rights of Lake Erie, the people of Toledo join the growing "rights of nature" movement. Today, there are more than three dozen communities across the U.S. that have enacted rights-based laws that include provisions for rights of nature. As well, rights of nature laws and court decisions are in place in Ecuador, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, India, with tribal nations, and elsewhere. The Lake Erie Bill of Rights is the first rights of nature law in the United States that specifically recognizes the rights of a distinct ecosystem to exist, flourish, and evolve.

"The people of Toledo proposed and passed the law, following years of inaction by government and industry to take meaningful steps to restore and protect Lake Erie. We recognized the need to elevate the protection of Lake Erie by securing its legal rights, moving beyond conventional environmental laws that permit pollution of the lake and deny the people any ability to protect it," stated Crystal Jankowski of TSW.

"We proudly join with Lake Erie, and the people of Toledo, to defend the lake's rights against efforts to undermine them," stated Terry Lodge, the attorney who filed the intervention documents.

Explained Markie Miller of TSW, "If you're going to court to try to overturn the legal rights of the lake, that means either you don't support Lake Erie's right to exist and thrive, or you want to conduct environmentally harmful activities that will violate those rights."

About CELDF — Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund

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threats to their local environment, local agriculture, local economy, and quality of life. Its mission is to build sustainable communities by assisting people to assert their right to local self-government and the rights of nature. About Toledoans for

Safe Water

Toledoans for Safe Water is a grassroots organization in the Toledo area Working to establish a Bill of Rights to protect Lake Erie and the communities that rely on its health and viability.

2019 PAULDING COUNTY CAREER OPPORTUNITY SHOWCASE

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County Career Opportunity Showcase will be held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at the OSÚ Extension Center, 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio, hosted by the Paulding County Economic Development office. This event will showcase the Paulding County Businesses and Industry by bringing awareness to the current and future workforce of the great career opportunities available here in Paulding County. High School sophomores, juniors and seniors from the three county schools will have the opportunity to talk face to face with manufacturers and businesses.

PERI CHAPTER 10 MEETING

NOTICE!! All 96 state members: PERI Paulding County Chapter 10 will hold its meeting at the Paulding County Senior Center, 410 E. Jackson St. at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 3, 2019.

Speaker will be Jessica Vanderbrock from Van Wert Farm Bureau.

PAULDING CHAMBER IS LOOKING FOR LEADERSHIP IN ACTION PARTICIPANTS

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PAYNE ELEMENTARY BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS

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Payne Elementary held their school-wide competition for Battle of the Books on March 18. Winning teams members are: L to R - Clay Stoller, Brooklyn Miller, Luke Stouffer, Emma Stouffer. Absent is Ryan Parker. This team will compete in the County Battle of the Books on April 3 at 12 noon at the Youth Leadership Building at the Fairgrounds.

non-members' organization, but also includes a one year individual membership for the participant. This price covers all program fees, all materials and meals. This year the class will dive into Strength Finders 2.0 by Tom Rath. This book comes with an assessment that will reveal each participants' top 5 strengths that can be used throughout the entire program. Previous sessions included team building at Camp Clay in Van Wert, Know Yourself, Know Your Team at Cooper Farms, including a tour of the Hatchery, Focused Intensity at Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative, Ethics Panel at the Paulding County Sheriff's Office including a tour of the jail and Paulding County Courthouse, Building Communication Skills followed by tours of Alex Products and HE Orr, and What is Real Leadership? at Antwerp Exchange Bank followed by a tour of Taylor Made Glass. Every Leadership In Action class is given a project to execute. Time is set aside during the class sessions for planning, but some out of class time will be required. This is an important part of the LIA process. It gives a hands-on experience of how leadership skills are used and defined.

Once the class is formed the project will be presented and announced. Some previous projects have included the Herb Monroe Community Park, a public safety study for ODOT, and many others. If you, or someone you know would be interested in joining this opportunity, please contact the Chamber at 419-399-5215 or email us at pauldingchamber@gmail.

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