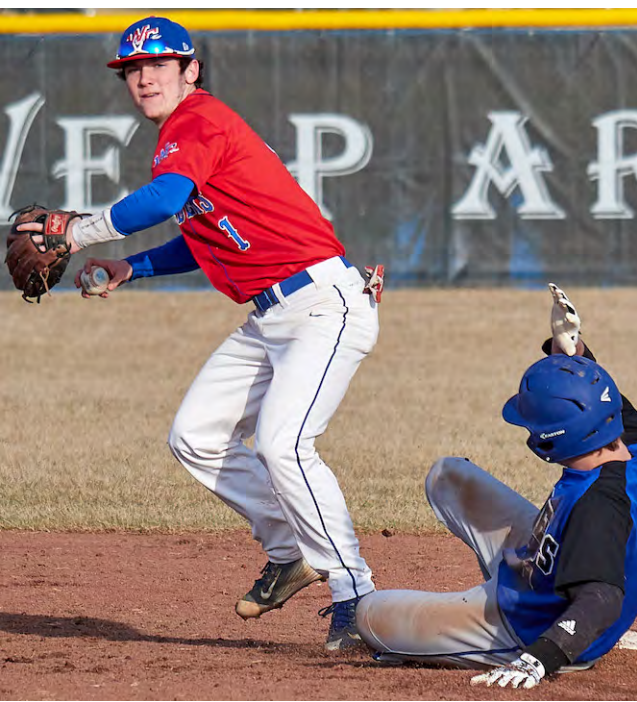


RAIDERS BASE RUNNING HELP WT DEFEAT ARCHERS BY A RUN



Antwerp Junior Jacob Savina slides in to 2nd with Wayne Trace Senior Korbin Slade getting the out. More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

ANTWERP - Last Monday the Wayne Trace Raiders baseball squad traveled to Antwerp for a non-league contest. The game was originally scheduled as a Raider

home game but due to field conditions the game was moved to Antwerp. The Raiders prevailed 6-5 to move their record to 2-1 while the Archers even their mark at 2-2.

Both teams were scoreless after the first inning of play followed by each team scoring a run in the second frame. With the score knotted heading into the third inning, the Archers took the lead 2-1. However, the Raider's bats came alive in their half of the third inning - scoring four times. Senior Haydn Gillett singled and senior Caleb Yenser came up with a double to drive in two runs each on

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INDOT TRASH BASH! USHERS IN SPRING CLEAN-UP

The Indiana Department of Transportation announced that the agency's annual Trash Bash! will take place April 15 through April 30. Trash Bash! brings INDOT crews together with volunteers to beautify the state's roadside areas by cleaning trash and debris.

INDOT urges individuals, organizations, businesses and active Adopt-a-Highway groups to join maintenance staff on two-lane roads with lower traffic volume anytime between Monday, April 15, and Tuesday, April 30, in an effort to beautify our roadside areas. During the first day, INDOT maintenance staff across the state will take a day away from their everyday tasks of maintaining the roads, bridges and roadsides to focus on litter collection.

In 2018, Trash Bash! took place April 13-15. That weekend, hundreds of INDOT employees joined forces with active Adopt-a-Highway groups and other organizations and individuals to collect 3,457 bags of trash, or the equivalent of 874 cubic yards.

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COOPER FARMS OPENS NEW TRUCK SANITIZATION LOCATION



Cooper Farms has announced the opening of their new biosecurity truck wash location in Ashley, Indiana, to assist in maintaining the highest health standards for their hogs.

The biosecurity center will clean and sanitize semi-trucks and trailers after delivering hogs to the Clemens Food Group plant in Coldwater, Michigan.

"We are very thorough with our biosecurity measures here at Cooper Farms," said John Grindstaff, manager of the biosecurity center. "We want to do this to prevent anything our animals or trucks may come in contact with from getting back into our herds."

Currently, the biosecurity center is set to clean 20 trailers. (Continued on Page 3)

8th ANNUAL SPRING FLING CHARITY EVENT

The Town of Grabill, Indiana, kicks off another year of outstanding community activities on Saturday, April 13, when it welcomes the 8th Annual Spring Fling Charity Event to the downtown area. The event will be held all along First Street at the Fud-

ergong Community Building and the adjoining First Merchants Bank parking area from 10:00am to 9:30pm, with the goal of helping raise support for two very special community charity organizations.

The event shifts into gear at 10:00 with the Spring Fling Classic Car, Truck, & Bike Show. Unique vehicles from area car collectors and local clubs will be on display in the First Merchants Bank parking lot throughout the morning. Adults and kids alike will enjoy looking under the

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April 9

- Tuesday Night Jammers @ Edgerton, 6-8pm
- NSCC Job & Career Fair, 10:30a-2p

April 10

- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm
- NH Health Fair @ NH Comm. Ctr., 8a-3p

April 11

- VWHS presents Seussical the Musical @ Niswonger, 7pm (also 4/12-13)

April 11-12

- Kindergarten Screening @ Payne Elem.

April 12

- Payne KofC Fish Fry @ Payne Divine Mercy, 5-7p
- The Providers @ NSCC Atrium, 6-8:30pm
- Friends of the Paulding Chamber Wine Tasting @ Masonic Lodge, 7-9pm
- Coffee w/Craig @ Biggby Coffee, Defiance, 9-11am
- Woodburn Lutheran School Fish and Chicken strip dinner 4:30-8pm

April 13

- Town Forum on Addiction @ NSCC, 1-2:30pm
- The Polka Band @ Huber, 7pm
- Arts Festival @ AHS
- Antwerp Cons. Club Easter Egg Hunt @ 1pm

April 12-14

- The Savannah Sipping Society @ Vantage,

April 14

- Living Last Supper @ Woodburn Missionary Church, 2pm Matinee

April 15

- Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia @ Cooper Comm. Library, 6pm

April 16-18

- Living Last Supper @ W Missionary Church, 7pm

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



INDIANAPOLIS, IN

Ronald Van Atta, Jr. 52 of Indianapolis passed away Saturday, April 6, 2019, at Eskanazi Health.

Ron was born in Indianapolis on March 26, 1967.

He leaves behind his son, Austin Van Atta; father & step-mother, Ronald, Sr & Mary Van Atta; siblings, Denise Reeb, Brad Lucas, Amanda Perkins, Lisa Bragg, Andy Nelms and AJ Krick.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Evelyn (O'Neill) Nelms & sister, Susan Bernard.

Ron will be laid to rest privately.

Fond memories may be shared at www.dooleyfuneralhome.com

FOUR WAYS TO REMAIN MENTALLY SHARP IN RETIREMENT

(NAPSI)—Many retirees share a fear of gradually losing their ability to think as clearly as they used to or remember simple information such as other people's names. And while everyone has the occasional "senior moment," medical research indicates that aging by itself is generally not a cause of cognitive decline.

"Studies have shown that you can help prevent cognitive decline and reduce the risk of dementia with some basic good health habits," according to Harvard Medical School's Healthbeat newsletter.

Here are four simple steps to keep your mind sharp at any age:

1. Exercise: It's important to stay physically active. Simple routines such as taking exercise classes at your health club or taking walks in your neighborhood every day can do wonders for your mental health. Just get moving. "The cognitive benefits of exercise have been understood for so long," notes the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

2. Serve: Research published by the American Psychological Association found that volunteering in later life "is associated with significant psychosocial, physical, cognitive and functional benefits for healthy older adults." Science is now confirming what many have learned by experi-

ence: People often feel better after they have served others and enjoyed the time spent helping someone else.

3. Learn: Experts think that ongoing education and learning new things may help keep you mentally sharp simply by getting you in the habit of staying mentally active. Take a class from a senior center or community college, make it a habit to visit the library and pick up a new book each week. "Challenging your brain with mental exercise is believed to activate processes that help maintain individual brain cells and stimulate communication among them," according to Harvard Medical School.

LUTHERAN HEALTH PHYSICIANS WELCOMES 8 NEW PROVIDERS

FORT WAYNE, Ind. (April. 2, 2019) – Eight providers specializing in the areas of general surgery, family medicine, pediatric care, electrophysiology, surgical oncology, infectious disease, cardiology, and cardiovascular surgery are the most recent to join the Lutheran Health Physicians team.



Bleza, Robert MD

Robert Bleza, MD, joined Lutheran Health Physicians after serving over 20 years as a general and laparoscopic surgeon throughout northwestern Indiana. Dr. Bleza operated a solo, general surgery practice in Crown Point for 14 years, before joining Woodlawn Hospital in Rochester in 2018.

Dr. Bleza earned his medical degree at Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis in 1991 and later completed a general surgery residency at Memorial Health University Medical Center in Savannah, Georgia.

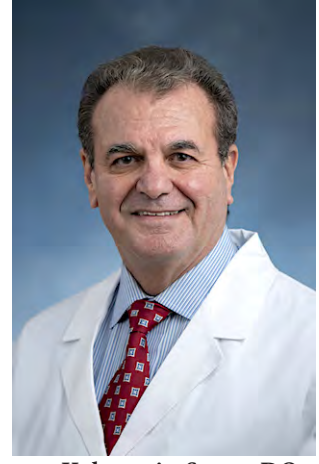
Board certified by the American Board of Surgery

4. Finances: A study published by The Journals of Gerontology found that "financial strain was a strong and robust predictor of worsening mental health" among older adults, including anxiety and depression symptoms. Another way to help keep yourself mentally healthy in retirement is to make sure you have ample cash on hand to help pay off unexpected health care bills or fund any renovations that might need to be made to your home. Many seniors are surprised to learn that one potential asset for generating immediate cash is a life insurance policy.

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and the National Board of Medical Examiners, Dr. Bleza is fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a diplomat of the American Board of Medical Specialties.

Dr. Bleza's office is located on the fourth floor of Bluffton Regional Medical Center, 303 S. Main St.



Kalesperis, Steven DO

Primary care physician G. Steven Kalesperis, DO, brings to Lutheran Health Physicians more than 30 years of experience providing preventive and chronic care for men, women and adolescents, as well as geriatric rehabilitative care.

Dr. Kalesperis earned a master's degree from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb with a concentration on microbiology and epidemiology, before obtaining his doctorate of osteopathic medicine from the Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Dr. Kalesperis began his career managing acute medical/surgical and ICU/ACU patient needs in the Chicago-land area. He also served a two-year stint as a flight surgeon with the United States Navy where he earned the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Prior to joining LHP, Dr. Kalesperis served patients in Texas as the medical director of Veterans Affairs health care centers in El Paso, Dallas and Houston.

Board certified in family medicine and osteopathic manipulative treatment by the American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians, Dr. Kalesperis is a member of the American Osteopathic Association, the American College of Rehabilitative Medicine, the American Osteopathic College of Family Practice and the American Osteopathic College of Occupational & Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Kalesperis is located at the LHP location in Georgetown North, 6511 E. State Blvd., Fort Wayne.

Zachary Madson, DO, is a hospital-based physician who treats children from birth to age 18 requiring hospitaliza-

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Madson, Zachary DO

tion due to infectious, respiratory or chronic illnesses.

Board certified in pediatrics, Dr. Madson completed a pediatric residency at Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas. Prior to joining Lutheran Health Physicians, he served at UCLA Mattel Children's Hospital in Los Angeles, completing a pediatric hospital medicine fellowship in June 2018. He has participated in a wide array of research and quality improvement initiatives.

Dr. Madson earned a master of bioethics and doctor of osteopathic medicine from the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences in Kansas City, Missouri.

His office is located in Suite 210 of Lutheran Children's Hospital, 7950 W. Jefferson Blvd.



Vivian, Stephan MD

Stephan Vivian, MD, joined the Lutheran Health Physicians cardiac electrophysiology team in 2019, specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of patients with heart rhythm disorders caused by problems with the heart's electrical system.

Prior to joining LHP, he served for more than a decade as the cardiac electrophysiologist at LewisGale Medical Center in Salem. While at LewisGale, he supervised construction of the new cardiac electrophysiology laboratory and established the program for treating complex heart rhythm disorders with a procedure known as catheter ablation. Dr. Vivian was

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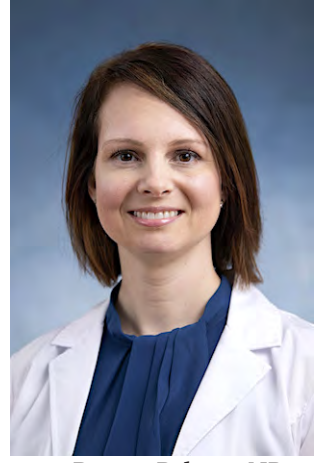
"For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!"

—Romans 5:10

the first physician in southwestern Virginia to use this technique to treat atrial fibrillation.

Dr. Vivian graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. In 1984, he received his medical degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. Dr. Vivian completed his internal medicine residency at SUNY Health Sciences Center in Syracuse, New York, where he also served as chief medical resident. He completed his fellowship in cardiovascular diseases and pacing and cardiac electrophysiology at the Ohio State University Hospitals and Clinics in Columbus.

Dr. Vivian is board certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in medicine and cardiovascular diseases. His office is located at 7916 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the Lutheran Hospital campus.



Brown, Rebecca NP

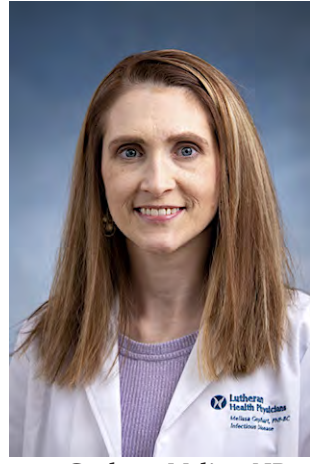
Rebecca Brown, NP, joined the surgical oncology team at Lutheran Health Physicians in February 2019. Prior to that, she dedicated more than 10 years of service to Lutheran Health Network hospitals, including three years at The Orthopedic Hospital in the preoperative, postoperative and postanesthesia care units, and four years at Dupont Hospital as a registered nurse in the medical/surgical unit and laboratory.

Brown earned associate degrees in chemical methods and nursing in 2000 and 2010, respectively, from Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne. She also obtained multiple bachelor's degrees in biology and medical laboratory science from Ball State University in Muncie. She was later inducted into Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, the Golden Key International Honor Society and The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

Board certified by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, Brown

also serves as a volunteer for the Junior League of Fort Wayne.

Her office is located in Suite 112 of Medical Office Building Two, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the campus of Lutheran Hospital.



Gephart, Melissa NP

Melissa Gephart, NP, a member of the Lutheran Health Physicians infectious disease team, serves patients who have contracted illnesses, including those caused by bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites. Infectious disease specialists are also trained in immunology, epidemiology and infection control.

Gephart is a graduate of the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, where she obtained both an associate degree and a master's degree in nursing. Prior to joining LHP in 2019, she served Lutheran Hospital as a nurse practitioner in various areas including emergency services and hospital medicine, which focused on primary, consultative and collaborative clinical management of hospitalized patients.

Gephart is a board-certified family nurse practitioner and a member of the Coalition of Advanced Practice Nurses of Indiana, the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and the American Association of Nurse Practitioners.

Her office is based in Suite 304 of Medical Office Building One, 7900 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the Lutheran Hospital campus.



Shaw, Erin NP

Erin Shaw, NP, is a nurse practitioner at the Lutheran Health Physicians Couma-

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KIRK SLUSHER APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR ODOT



Kirk Slusher

A change in leadership is occurring at the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) both in Columbus and at the local District 1 headquarters in Lima.

Kirk Slusher of Lima has accepted the position as Assistant Director of Field Operations for ODOT in Columbus. As an assistant director, Slusher will oversee the district deputy directors in each of the state's 12 transportation districts, and will oversee the central office divisions of operations, information technology, facilities and equipment management.

Slusher has served as deputy director for ODOT District 1 since 2011. His new appointment becomes effective April 15.

He will serve under ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks, Ph.D., and alongside assistant directors Lloyd



Chris Hughes

Macadam and Pamela Vest-Boratyn.

"I've been honored over the past eight years to lead a group of employees that is so dedicated to serving the citizens of our eight-county region," said Slusher. "I'm ready to take what I've learned over my 33 years and lead at the statewide level."

Replacing Slusher as deputy director at the Lima office is Chris Hughes of Van Wert. He will officially assume the role on April 15.

As deputy director, Hughes will direct all aspects of the district which is responsible for the maintenance of 3,300 lane miles of state and federal highways and over 800 bridges. The district encompasses an eight-county region in northwest Ohio with 320 full-time employees, a \$39 million annual operating budget and a \$40 million capital program budget.

ODOT District 1 serves the northwest Ohio counties of Allen, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert and Wyandot.

"This is an exciting and challenging time for ODOT and I look forward to facing those challenges and being part of the solution. I will give my best to the position, our employees and to the public we serve," said Hughes.

Slusher, who is originally from Antwerp, graduated from Ohio Northern University in 1986 with a bachelor of science in civil engineering. Immediately following graduation, Slusher began working for ODOT in District 1 as a design engineer. He worked in design, planning and construction and served as planning administrator prior to being named deputy director.

As deputy director, Slusher created and executed a plan which consolidated several district work units at the Lima district headquarters into one campus setting. The result was greater efficiency, improved facilities and increased convenience for employees and equipment access.

He expanded a job shadowing program which allows employees to experience other careers within ODOT. The program provides a good basis for opportunity and succession planning as employees leave the agency.

The diversity of the workforce was increased in the

district during Slusher's tenure. He established an apprenticeship program, designed to reach an audience which otherwise may not have considered highway work as a career. Since 2014, more than 60 individuals have been hired into the program and of those, over 20 became full-time employees.

He currently serves as co-chair of funding council, a statewide body which guides major funding decisions for the agency, and served as a founding member of technology council, a statewide body which receives and prioritizes technology projects.

Hughes graduated from The Ohio State University in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and began working for ODOT the same year as an engineer in training. He then worked as a field engineer in construction overseeing a portion of the Fort to Port projects, which realigned and expanded U.S. 24 between Fort Wayne, Ind., and Toledo, Ohio. More recently, he served as project engineer during the first year of the current \$114 million widening and reconstruction project on Interstate 75 through Hancock County and the city of Findlay.

Prior to being appointed deputy director, Hughes served as the district's capital programs administrator overseeing a program of approximately \$40 million and a staff of 64 employees in the construction, and planning and engineering areas.

OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY STUDENTS PLAY BEETHOVEN HOPSCOTCH



Students Abby Elkins and Addy Hunt are shown here playing "Beethoven Hopscotch" an active game created by Layla Kremer, Makena Keller, and Hailey Starr.

The fifth and sixth grade students in Mrs. Wehrkamp's music classes at Oakwood Elementary have been studying

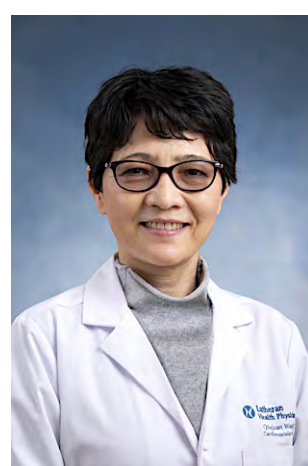
the life and music of Ludwig Van Beethoven, creating games and puzzles about this famous composer.

clinician, where she assists patients who are prescribed anticoagulant or other blood-thinning medications.

Shaw brings over 20 years of experience as a nurse practitioner to LHP, having served in both Fort Wayne and Wabash. As a nurse practitioner, she has managed chronic disease processes and provided care for long-term, home health and hospice patients.

As a graduate of Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne, Shaw earned her bachelor's degree in health sciences/nursing before obtaining a master's degree in nursing from the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne.

Shaw is located at 3534 Brooklyn Ave., Fort Wayne.



Wang, Qiujuan PA-C

Qiujuan Wang, PA-C, joined Lutheran Health Physicians after working as a physician assistant specializing in cardiovascular and cardiothoracic surgery at St. Anthony Medical Center in

Rockford, Illinois.

Wang obtained a bachelor of medicine degree from Ningxia Medical University in Yinchuan, China. She earned her first master's degree in OB/GYN, maternal-fetal medicine from Peking Union Medical College and the Chinese Academy of Medical Science in Beijing, and later obtained an additional master's degree in physician assistant study from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Wang completed OB/GYN residencies at the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis and The General Hospital of Ningxia Medical University in Yinchuan. She also completed a maternal-fetal medicine, OB/GYN fellowship at PUMC Hospital in Beijing.

Wang has contributed to multiple publications covering topics including cardiovascular, pediatric and OB/GYN care.

Her office is located in Suite 102 of Medical Office Building Two, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd., on the campus of Lutheran Hospital.

the grass' roots, which enables them to grow more deeply, producing a more vigorous lawn. In tests, grass roots have been shown to proliferate around the holes. Aerating will also improve soil compaction and reduce the likelihood of thatch becoming an issue. Some signs that your lawn may need to be aerated are poor drainage, a failure for the lawn to turn green after fertilizing, and a presence of many worn areas. Intensively maintained lawns (those that receive regular fertilizer feedings) should be aerated about once a year; those receiving moderate maintenance (not much fertilizer) need aerating every two years or so.

In this area, aeration can be done in the spring or the fall of the year.

To aerate a lawn, use a specialized tool to poke holes or remove cores from the soil. Run the aerator over the lawn several times to make enough holes.

Make sure the soil is moist during aeration, neither too wet nor too dry, so the aerating device can penetrate it fully. You may have to water it first.

An aerated lawn will recover faster if fertilized and watered adequately. Apply fertilizer as soon as possible, and water whenever rainfall fails to supply about one inch of moisture per week. If the lawn is thin, overseeding with a high quality grass seed is recommended.

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Aeration consists of perforating the soil (and any thatch above it) with small holes that opens up the soil, thatch and grass. This allows water, air and fertilizer to get closer to

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ers a day starting at 1:30 a.m. until all trucks have come through.

The biosecurity center will provide six jobs and will typically run five days during the week, except during holiday

weeks.

For those interested, there will be an open house held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The biosecurity center can be found at 1002 H.L. Thompson Jr. Drive, Ashley, Indiana 46705.

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If your lawn is very uneven, you can roll the lawn first thing in the spring when the soil is still moist. The next best time to do this is in the fall. The key is to use a light roller. Heavy rolling on wet, heavy clay soils can cause harmful soil compaction. It is not generally recommended to roll a new seedbed, since the new seedlings will take root easier in loose soil. Simply use a garden rake to level the soil. Please remember that rolling is only necessary if the soil is uneven.

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FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY BAND TO PERFORM MAY 10th

Fort Wayne Area Community Band will present its concert Tuesday, May 10 at the John & Ruth Rhinehart Music Center on the Purdue Fort Wayne campus. Downbeat is 7:30 p.m. Free parking is available in the garage across from the Music Center. Conductors Dr. Scott Humphries and David Blackwell have chosen a variety of music that includes Bohemian Rhapsody, Jurassic Park Soundtrack Highlights, Irish Tune from County Derry, Atlantic Fanfare, Shepherd's Hey English Morris Dance and more.

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St John Lutheran Church, 812 East High Street, Hicksville, announces their upcoming schedule. We will celebrate Passion/Palm Sunday on April 14 at 10 am. The service will include Palm Processional and the reading of the Passion History. Holy Week will start on Thursday April 18 at 7:35pm with

Maundy Thursday Service including Holy Communion. April 19 at 7:35pm will be our Good Friday Tenebrae Service. The Resurrection of Our Lord will be celebrated on Easter Sunday, April 21. The day will begin with breakfast at 9am in Luther Hall, worship service will begin at 10 am with Holy Communion and Special Music followed by an egg hunt for the children. If you have any questions contact the church office, 419-542-6269. COME SEE THE EMPTY TOMB... ALL ARE WELCOME!

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10. Going through Samaria, Jesus stopped at: a) an inn; b) a tree; c) a well.

11. Jesus asked the woman for: a) directions; b) food; c) water.

12. The woman questioned why he would make such a request because: a) he was a man and she was a woman; b) because it was not a hot day; c) he was a Jew and she was a Samaritan.

John's statement at the end of verse 9 explains why she asked this. "For the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans." The Samaritans were a mixed race and the Jews had a strong prejudice against them. Likewise the Samaritans disliked the Jews. But Jesus cared for all people, and

ANTWERP STUDENTS CREATE ELEPHANT MASTERPIECES



Art I, Art II, and fifth grade GATE (gifted) students at Antwerp Local School recently created their own elephant masterpieces, inspired by Purdue Fort Wayne's mastodon decorating contest. Staff and faculty judged the students' work.

Results were:
Best Use of a Theme: Skyler McCabe (hula dancer);

2nd place tie: Hannah Rettig (blue hat) and Halie Davis (purple braid with flowers)

Most Creative: Jaidis Getrost (artist); 2nd place tie: Ilse Zijlstra (Phantom of the Opera) and Skyler McCabe (hula)

I'd Take Home as a Pet: Maddie Ruen (ballet); 2nd place: Hannah Rettig (blue hat)

Most Original: Jaidis Getrost (artist); 2nd place: Caleb Wilson (lumberjack)

Could Most Easily Escape From the Zoo: Ilse Zijlstra (Phantom of the Opera); 2nd place: Hannah Rettig (blue hat)

Best Paint Job: Autumn Sanders (sunflower paintings); 2nd place: Aleyah Cline (blue and white designs)

this section is a good example of his willingness to teach the truth to anyone who would listen.

13. Jesus told her that he could give her: a) money; b) living water; c) bread. She ridiculed this by saying: a) that he had nothing with which to draw water out of the deep well; b) that she had no money; c) that men do not give water to women.

14. She also asked him if he was greater than the one who had first dug the well, who was: a) Jacob; b) Moses; c) Abraham.

15. Jesus told her that if she drinks the water he gives, she would: a) feel refreshed; b) never thirst again; c) find that it tastes sweet.

16. T/F. Jesus was speaking of spiritual water, his power to satisfy the thirst of the soul.

The woman still misunderstood and asked for the water he could give, thinking she would never have to come back to the well (verse 15). At this point Jesus changed the subject in order to bring her attention to her spiritual needs. He did this by simply telling her to go call her husband. He knew her marriage situation Her conscience would be pricked and she would realize that she was not talking to an ordinary man.

17. The woman told Jesus that: a) her husband was dead; b) she had never married; c) that she had no husband.

18. Jesus knew she: a) had had five husbands; b) had never married; c) was a pure woman.

19. He also told her that the man she was with now: a) was her sixth husband; b) was not her husband; c) was her proper husband.

20. Her reaction was to recognize: a) that Jesus was a priest; b) that Jesus was a prophet; c) that her marriages were none of his business.

21. Realizing that he was a prophet, she asked him about: a) worship; b) sin; c) heaven.

ANSWERS: 10. C; 11. C; 12. C; 13. B; 14. A; 15. B; 16. T; 17. C; 18. A; 19. B; 20. B; 21. A
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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

*Dear Parson,
I am upset with some things taught and not taught to my child in the public school. I express my concerns, but nothing changes. What can I do?*

Many parents have turned to Christian education or homeschooling. Public schools are not controlled by the public as much as by the state and federal government. Separation of church and state was intended to keep the state from controlling our education. Now that the state owns the schools they use the sepa-

ration to keep the church out.

The kind of education God wants for your children is centered around Jesus Christ, Who is the way, the truth and the life (John 14:6). When He is kept out, what do you have left? In Christ are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge (Colossians 2:3). All things were created by Him and for Him (Colossians 1:16). Thus you can't accurately teach about anything that doesn't find its source and purpose in Christ.

Education without Christ is like handing a child new pieces (facts) of a large puzzle every day, but never giving any connecting pieces. The more they get, the more confused they become. Sometimes public education offers pieces that don't really fit, but they try to cram them in anyway.

Christian education is Christian curriculum taught by Christian teachers to Christian students for the purpose of understanding, following and serving Christ better in whatever vocation He leads them.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

BLESSED SPRING

By: Doris Applegate
Refreshing days of spring are here

Cold days of winter are gone

We see the robins hopping

And hear the songbirds' song

Tulips raise their pretty heads

And crocus "pop" from earthly beds

Fresh new leaves on trees appear

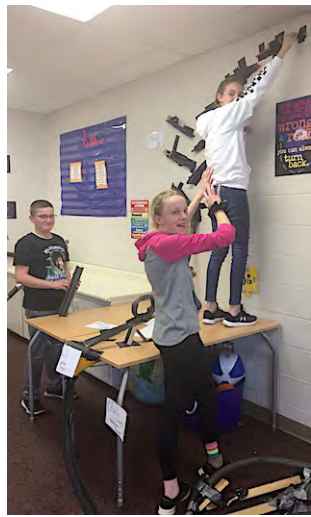
Proving spring is really here.

What a wonder springtime is! It is our signal to "stir" ourselves to new life and joy. The book of Solomon tells of the yearning for spring: "Lo, the winter is past, the flowers now appear and the birds are singing" (Chapter 2: 11-12). It is a time of renewal and new energy for all of God's creations, we humans included.

The sky is a shade bluer, the grass greener, the air fresher and the earth "friendlier". Maybe we also sing a "happy" tune. It just seems that everything "wakes up" and is blessed. This is a time for the house cleaning and "sprucing" up our habitations. We must not forget our spiritual house, where the Holy Spirit dwells in us.

If sin (dirt) has entered we must quickly clean out our temple (house). Confessing

LEARNING IS AN ART NIGHT AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Jack Woods, Allison Carnahan and Brooke Kilgore putting the finishing touches on their roller coaster designs. The 6th graders' roller coasters will be on display during the Learning Is An Art open house on Thursday, April 11th from 6:30 - 8:00.

Oakwood Elementary is celebrating the wonderful successes happening in our building on Thursday, April 11th, from 6:30 to 8:00. We invite all of our family, friends, neighbors, and community supporters to join us for our "Learning Is An Art" open house. This special evening is an opportunity for us to showcase some really great things going on at Oakwood Elementary. We invite you to come tour our building and to enjoy special events taking place in the classrooms and hallways. You can walk through a science fair, see some student engineering, watch a musical performance or two, take a look at several different art projects, and much more. Please stop in for a visit on April 11th!

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For more information or to pre-register for the upcoming series starting on Saturday April 13th at 4:30 pm, please contact Pastor Paul Hamrick at 419-771-9378.

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WNZR'S LIFELINE 2019 SURPASSES GOAL



WNZR 90.9 FM, a broadcast ministry of Mount Vernon Nazarene University, is celebrating the success of Lifeline 2019, the radio station's annual fundraiser. Lifeline 2019 was held in late March with a goal of \$64,000. This year's effort brought in \$72,032, and the total continues to rise. Blessed with over 232 ministry partners, the WNZR staff was greatly encouraged and extremely thankful for the community's support.

"God is so faithful," said WNZR Station Manager Marcy Rinehart. "We are so honored to be part of a ministry that is growing and reaching our community for Christ. Thank you to everyone who pledged their support and became partners in our radio ministry. You are making a difference and helping us tell the story of how God Is On The Move."

The theme of Lifeline 2019 was God Is On The Move, based on the song from 7venth Time Down. This theme challenged the WNZR staff and listeners to focus their attention on God's blessings and answers to prayer. This theme also reminded us to stay focused on unity within the body of Christ. During Lifeline 2019, WNZR was able to share the stories of unity among the Christian community and how God has blessed many churches and organizations. The theme verses for Lifeline 2019 were Isaiah 43:18-19 which instruct believers to forget the past and focus on the new things that God is doing, because God is on the move.

Lifeline 2019 began March

20 with a day of Prayer and Praise. Throughout the day, WNZR's focus was on praising God, sharing prayer requests and testimonies and intentionally praying for the community. Listeners called in to share their personal stories about God's work in their lives.

Official fundraising days were March 21-25. Numerous special events were held including the Lifeline Choice Challenge which offered gift certificates to those pledging \$150 or more. Friday brought Matching Challenge Day and listeners' pledges were matched by several generous donors in the community.

On Saturday, March 23, WNZR held its second annual Lifeline 5K. That morning, 37 participants came to Mount Vernon Nazarene University to run, walk, or bike for Lifeline 2019. Saturday afternoon, the Big Blue crew went on the road to provide community service for two local ministries providing food assistance to Knox County residents. WNZR Staff Members were joined by several members of the MVNU Men's Basketball Team to serve at the Church on the Rise Food Pantry and feedtheVERN.

The MVNU students helped to pack 945 bags of food at feedtheVERN. These food bags will be delivered to Mount Vernon elementary children (K-5). This food will help sustain students that need food over the weekends when they are not at school. The crew at Church on the Rise helped to clean and organize the food pantry. This pantry provides monthly distribution of food to the needy

in the community every third Saturday; plus emergency food distributions throughout each month. They serve 800-850 individuals monthly.

At 8 p.m., March 23, the total stood at \$50,330. WNZR returned to fundraising on Monday morning, March 25, with the Lifeline 2019 Wrap-Up Day. A little after 4 p.m. the station received the call that pushed the total over the goal of \$64,000.

"Lifeline 2019 has been another example of how meaningful the partnership is between our listeners and our team of student broadcasters," said MVNU Director of Broadcasting Joe Rinehart. "I'm so grateful to the entire WNZR family for continuing to support our radio ministry. The growth of WNZR over the last 32 years has been amazing, and I'm excited to see what God will do next."

There were 46 first-time donors, 185 continued supporters, and 3 increased pledges, demonstrating that God is continually reaching new people and families through WNZR.

"Your support of this radio ministry goes right back into the community and directly impacts the lives of the students in this program," said sophomore journalism and media production/theatre major from Cincinnati, Ellie Parker. "I appreciate the opportunity to learn and grow as a broadcaster and professional and for welcoming me into your community. Our ministry would not be possible without you!"

"We greatly appreciate you! Your financial support of our radio ministry allows us to share the message of hope to those who are lost and searching. Your financial gifts and prayers are equipping us to spread the message of Jesus to this world," said Rachel Rinehart, junior journalism and media production/theatre major from Mount Vernon. "I pray that, as a community, we continue to see God on the move here in Knox County. Thank you for helping us spread the love of Christ to others."

Pictures and videos from Lifeline 2019 can be found at wnzr.fm and on WNZR's Facebook and Twitter pages.

WNZR 90.9 FM is celebrating 32 years as Knox County's hometown Christian radio

station. WNZR broadcasts contemporary Christian music, family-oriented programs, sports, news and weather 24 hours a day. All who wish to support Lifeline 2019 or who would like more information, visit wnzr.fm or call WNZR at 740-392-9090.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University is a private, four-year, intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students, and working adults. With a 327-acre main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, and several convenient Graduate and Professional Studies locations throughout the state, MVNU emphasizes academic excellence, spiritual growth, and service to community and church. MVNU offers an affordable education to more than 2,200 students from 31 states and 22 countries/U.S. territories.

THE SAVANNAH SIPPING SOCIETY



Reviewed by John Vining

The trio of Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten have made quite a name for themselves by writing plays that are especially applicable for production by community theater and dinner theater troupes. Off Stage Productions has presented several "Jones, Hope, Wooten" plays in past years, and does so again this spring with their rendition of The Savannah Sipping Society. Most of the JHW plays are laugh-a-minute romps, and Savannah delivers its share of lively humor. However, this one is something special, as the funny exchanges are punctuated by an underlying but unmistakable touch of poignance as well.

The play begins with three southern belles converging on Savannah, Georgia; each carrying additional baggage to that clutched in their hands. The ladies are approaching the north side of middle age, and at this point in their lives should be planning for and looking forward to a pleasant and comfortable retirement. Instead, all are faced with life-changing crises that each come to Savannah with hopes of alleviating or forgetting. Of course, as the title of the play implies, each seeks the assistance of liquid refreshment to assist with this task.

Randa Covington (Mary Yackey) is a business woman who has devoted her whole life to her career. She has had that career, and her heart and soul as well, torn from her by being fired from her job in her late-fifties. Randa comes to Savannah with an uncertain career future and uncertain finances. She plans to either

create a new start for her career or drown her bitterness in cocktails. Yackey plays "Randa" with a deft touch of strength and vulnerability that not only brings laughs, but also empathy from the audience, as her fear that she will have to face a terrifying life crisis all alone is evident.

Dot Haigler (Pat Howard) is recovering from the loss of her life-long companion: her husband, Ross. Just emerging from a respectful period of mourning, Dot is anxious to pursue new experiences - with regard for her husband's memory, but with gusto as well. Dot has led a life of relative abstinence, but in the quaint Southern atmosphere of Savannah, she is game to imbibe - to facilitate healing as well as her pursuit of new adventures. Howard's "Dot" gives life to that fear that most married couples harbor: 'How will I go on if I am faced with the loss of my spouse? I must live, but I must do so with propriety...Can I do this?' Howard's fine acting skill is evident as she walks that fine line with both laughter and a few tears in the corner of her eyes.

Marlafaye Mosley (Terri Stevens) is a rambunctious soul who has endured another of the relatively common marital woes: her husband has run off with a younger woman. By turns angry and wistful, Marlafaye appears to seethe with a burning desire for revenge. But as the play unfolds, we see that she has a disguised but deeply-held desire for rapprochement and reunion. Of course, she will pursue these unreconcilable ends with the assistance of various types of liquor, both dainty and strong. Stevens' portrayal of "Marlafaye" embodies that inevitable passion of conflicted goals as one faces the devastation of deep hurt inflicted by the one a person loves. Stevens embodies that conflict, as her Marlafaye dips her toes into Savannah society while figuratively casting angry glances back over her shoulder at her unfaithful husband.

Given their circumstanc-

es, the ladies determine to hire a life coach to assist with their varied goals. Into their life bursts Jinx Jenkins (Christa Manning), a boisterous, seemingly free spirit who agrees to assist the three ladies with healing and a new start. But as time unfolds, we see that life is not a bed of roses for Jinx, either. She has her own crosses to bear. In the end, we find she needs her three "clients" to navigate life's pitfalls as badly as they need her. Manning's portrayal of "Jinx" is a hilarious roller-coaster ride of emotions, as the seemingly confident life-guide's turmoil in her inner being is gradually revealed through her "assistance" to her new friends. Manning is perfectly cast as the irrepressible Jinx, and she reminds us again to be kind to those we meet, as they are probably going through trials we cannot imagine.

Off Stage Productions veteran Kelly Smith has a short but memorable cameo as "Grandma." Grandma provides an unintended, unwanted, but badly needed boost to one of the struggling ladies. You will "fall" for Smith's "Grandma!"

Please play particular attention to a rarely-used but very effective (in this case) stage play: the "monologue." Each of the cast delivers several monologues throughout the play. These give added depth and understanding to both the characters and the play overall. Resist the urge to take a drink or check the phone during the monologues: they are important parts of the gem that is The Savannah Sipping Society!

Off Stage Productions' The Savannah Sipping Society will be presented at Vantage Career Center, 818 N. Franklin St., Van Wert, Ohio 45891, Friday, April 12th (Popcorn Night: Gate 7:00; Play 7:30); Saturday, April 13th (Gate 6:30; Dinner 7:00); and Sunday, April 14th (Gate 12:30; Dinner 1:00). For reservations or additional information call 419-605-6708 (10AM-6PM daily).

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THE USE OF THE LETTER "X"

By: Stan Jordan

The letter "X" is the 24th letter of the English alphabet. You don't use that letter in your daily conversation very much, but it is used by us Americans in many different ways.

Like "X" marks the spot.

My "X" denotes one of a divorced pair.

"X" is used for Express, a logo like

"X" is used for a worn out object

"X" is used in place of an unknown amount

"X" is used for the location or address

"X" is used for a lady's age

"X" is used for a name = like spy work

"X" is the spot for you to shoot at

"X" is used for a signature

"X" is used in clothes sizing, like 2X

Now I understand that in some states, when you apply for your driver license that you're not male or female, you just mark "X"

See ya!

JUST TALK

By: Stan Jordan

I have been asked a number of times how I got started writing for the West Bend News. I have told this before, but I will tell you again.

In August of 2005 I was drinking coffee with Steve Knapp down at the bowling alley. At that time, Steve was part owner of the paper and we discussed some home town news and I guess we talked a lot about Antwerp history.

He said, "Why don't you write a column for the paper about what you remember of Antwerp when you was a boy?"

Well I done that for the West Bend News second edition back in 2005 and I have written every week since.

At first it was about old Antwerp and its people and history but after hundreds of columns of history, by golly, it ran out! So when I ran out of

history and every day doings, I guess I turned to writing fiction, something I wasn't too crazy about.

But I wrote a column for a year call "Billy Metzger's Journal" about a young boy from Ohio going out west with his family. It covered four years. The boss here at West Bend News printed that into a book. After that, I wrote a column every week called "Sam Rivers, Indian Agent". Both of these were fiction about the old west.

Then I wrote about me being a rear gunner in a fighter plane with Snoopy being the pilot. Then I wrote for a little over a year, a story I called "The Lobo Tank Busters". This was also fiction, but I used real names of towns in Europe when I could. In the last chapter of that story I told when I was in that P-51D airplane, I was Alva Ames from Bad Axe, Michigan. Lots of readers thought that was my history, but no, that was all fiction. I was in a tank outfit over in Europe in WWII.

A young lady asked me how I come up with something to write about each week, well, by golly, it isn't always easy. I try to stick to the history and the truth, but it isn't always done that way.

See ya!

A ROCKY FUTURE

By: Stan Jordan

Someone told me that love makes the world go around, but I think it's cash, or any other form of exchange.

Down through the ages, this love stuff has been right up there in the front though.

Ever since Maid Marian in the Sherwood Forest with Robin Hood, or even Madam Pompedor in Paris with my friend Ben Franklin. There has been all types and kinds of romance and love affairs. If this makes the world go around, the timid male has a long, hard road to follow.

The first trial that bafales a young man is Valentine's Day. The business people advertise for weeks that you should buy flowers, chocolate candy and even diamonds. That puts a young fellow behind the eight ball if he don't abide by some of this.

Then there is Easter, oh boy, all the new bonnets, clothes and even new white shoes.

There is just no end to this type of society and this man must adhere and go along or he will lose out.

Then there is Decoration Day and there must be new clothes and accessories for the

H & H CLEANERS



By: Stan Jordan

When I was a little lad this was a vacant lot. At the turn of the century that was a big grocery store. There was a store here called Berdan Co. of Toledo. I don't know what happened to it, but it was gone by 1930.

In the 1930's and 1940's there was a grandstand on that lot backed up against Busby's Barber Shop. That is

parade. Then there is the 4th of July, all types of parades, cook outs, the beach and ball games. The young man must participate in some of these or he is a stick in the mud.

Then there is Labor Day and this young fellow, again, has to join in the festivities, he has to show up. All this joining and meeting the family and friends is a sort of test or examination of the young fellow before it can go any further and that is great, that is worked out in every state in the union every day and year and that emphasizes the under standing that Love Makes the World Go Around.

See ya!



Two blondes were fishing in a northern lake and a game warden stopped and looked their equipment over. He noticed they had magnets on instead of a fish hook and thanked them for dragging that magnet over the lake bottom and picking up beer cans and other debris. One blonde was a little upset and said, "Don't he know there are steelhead trout in this lake?"

An old timer down in Florida has a nice pond in the back and he lets people swim and have fun in his pond for a few pennies, but sometimes people just walked in without paying. He picked up his bucket and went out to the pond and there was a number of ladies enjoying the pond. One said, "We're just having a good time Mr. Farmer."

He said, "Oh that's ok. I just came to feed my gator."

A guy stuck his head into a barbershop and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around the shop full of customers and said, "About 2 hours." The guy left. A few days later, the same guy stuck his head in the door and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around at the shop and said, "About 3 hours." The guy left.

A week later, the same guy

where, on Thursday nights, the Chamber would hold free, local entertainment and the stores would be open. Later that affair moved across the street to the railroad lot.

The H & H Cleaners was built there in about 1950 by some people named Rife from Paulding. It was a growing business for years, with a number of operators.

See ya!

stuck his head in the shop and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around the shop and said, "About an hour and a half." The guy left. The barber turned to his friend and said, "Hey, Bob, do me a favor, follow him and see where he goes. He keeps asking how long he has to wait for a haircut, but he never comes back." A little while later, Bob returned to the shop, laughing hysterically. The barber asked, "So, where does he go when he leaves here?" Bob looked up, wiped the tears from his eyes and said, "Your house!"

See ya!

THE LOVE LIFE OF A WREN

By: Stan Jordan

It is common belief of most bird lovers, that many, if not most birds mate for life.

But A.J. Baldwin observation says that is not true. As he has studied a number of banded wren, he proved that not only do these birds change their mates at different seasons, but the female wren may divorce her mate that she raised a brood with in the spring and rear another brood in the fall with a different mate. When this happens, that mate consoles himself with another female and he raises another brood in that season. At other times, the male is the unfaithful one and departs with a new mate.

These observations are based on the return of the banded birds.

See ya!

IMPACT OF INTIMACY ANOREXIA ON MARRIAGES EXAMINED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

A glimpse into marriages suffering from Intimacy Anorexia will be shown at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, April 10 from 6:30-7:30pm.

The program, titled "Intimacy Anorexia: The Dark Secret That's Killing Marriages," features a filmed interview with Dr. Douglas Weiss, a licensed psychologist and an expert in the field of Intimacy Anorexia.

Weiss explains Intimacy Anorexia is the intentional withholding of emotional, spiritual, and sexual intimacy from one's spouse and is a condition that affects both men and women.

"A common symptom is

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL RAISE FUNDS FOR AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION



Recently, the students at Paulding Middle School raised \$305.00 for the American Heart Association by participating in "Dodgeball for Heart". The winner of each days' dodgeball contest was (from left to right): Carla Manz, Larkin Yates, Greyson Harder, Tyler Schlatter and Kurtis Bauer.

being married to someone, but feeling like you have a roommate more than a spouse," he says. "If you feel married and alone, you're probably married to someone with intimacy anorexia."

Lifetree participants will learn the common symptoms of Intimacy Anorexia as well as practical treatment options.

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

FIRST UM CHURCH ANNOUNCES LENTEN AND EASTER SERVICES

First United Methodist Church, located at 113 W. Central Avenue in Van Wert, Ohio is planning their upcoming Lenten and Easter services.

Palm Sunday, April 14 will feature children and choir processing with palm leaves at the 8:15 and 10:45am services. Pastor Chris Farmer will give the sermon: "Blessed...in making peace" based on the scripture from Matthew 5:9. The 8:15am early service features a blended style of worship, while the 10:45am service features traditional liturgy and music.

Maudy Thursday, April 18 will feature a service in Krout Memorial at 7:00pm. Communion will be offered at this service.

First Church will host the traditional community Good Friday service on April 19 beginning at 12:05pm. The service will begin with a procession of the cross beginning at 11:50am from the corner of Cherry and E Main Streets, in front of the YWCA. After processing down Main Street to First Church, the service will begin with a special offering being taken for 'Haven of Hope.' This is an initiative to address homelessness in Van Wert County. Special music will also be incorpo-

rated in this community service. The service is organized by the Van Wert Ministerial Association. The greater Van Wert community is invited to attend and worship together.

Easter Sunday, April 21, will be celebrated in all its glory and splendor at the 10:45am service. Brass instruments will join the congregation and Chancel Choir in a regal service celebrating the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Pastor Chris Farmer will be delivering the sermon: "Blessed...when you are afraid" from the scripture of Matthew 28:1-10. The pipe organ and grand piano will provide special music and join the choir and brass instruments with fresh arrangements of traditional Easter hymns. The blended service with more contemporary songs, led by Wayne Wells and a praise band will lead the 8:15am service on Easter morning.

If you are looking for a church home or haven't been to church in a while, the loving congregation of First United Methodist and Pastor Chris Farmer invite you to celebrate this blessed season with them.

CROWN HIM KING AT CONVOY UMC

The Convoy United Methodist Church Adult Choir will be presenting "Crown Him King" an Easter Choral Celebration, on Sunday April 14, 2019 at 9:30am in the church sanctuary. "Crown Him King" was created by David Guthrie, arranged by Camp Kirkland, Tom Fettke, Robert Sterling, Gary Rhoades & Don Hart.

You are invited to this choral celebration of Easter reminding us of Christ's victorious dominion over death. The majestic music of this season exalts our glorified Lord. But His kingdom could not be established without experiencing the agony of Gethsemane and becoming the Lamb of God at Calvary. What a victory we celebrate! Praise to the King, We Cry Hosanna Lord, Thy Will with soloist Josh Thomas, And God Cried, soloist Robert Hall, Easter Song, For this Purpose with descant Sarah Thomas, Crown Him will be performed during worship.

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

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- 2 – Claims Assistance – Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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ANTWERP MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE STUDENTS MAKE MRES

The presentation will be directed by Keith Bowers, accompanied by Linda Holden. The public is invited to attend and share in the spirit of Easter as well as the Easter Week Services will be Maundy Thursday Service 7pm, Good Friday Service 7pm, Easter Sunrise 7am, Breakfast, Church School Fun at 8:30am, Easter worship at 9:30am. The church is located at the corner of North Main & Sycamore Streets in Convoy. Visit us on Facebook.



Allie Ratliff and Jessica Thornell

After studying chemical heat, sixth grade students in Mr. Kurt Tempel's science class at Antwerp Middle School recently prepared MREs (Meals Ready to Eat) using flameless ration heaters. Students then tasted the meals. This yearly lesson is made possible by the Antwerp VFW Post #5087 and GI Joe's Army Surplus in Fort Wayne.



Kamren Johnson



Graden Smith and Noah Bradbury



Jonah Keyes and Braylen Moreno

ANTWERP CHAMBER WILL ONCE AGAIN BE HOLDING GRAB YOUR NEIGHBOR EVENTS

The Chamber will once again be having the Grab your neighbor events this summer. The dates will be the 2nd Monday of the month, May-September. 5:30-7:30. If your business would like to be included, we will find a way to include you. You do not have to be a main street business to participate. This is for any Antwerp Chamber business.

The purpose of these evenings is to encourage people to come downtown and interact with business owners. It give businesses a chance to showcase what they have to offer, a new item or a raffle or taste a new menu item.

2018 started out slow but momentum built and by September we had a wonderful turnout.

Please think about how your business can enjoy these wonderful summer nights downtown. We would love to have you.

JPHS TO HOST 7th ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF ARTS AND ARTIST

John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting their 7th annual Celebration of Arts and Artists at the museum located across from the fairgrounds in Paulding. This year's theme is "Something Old, Something New" and will feature quilts. Paulding County artists or their family members are invited to bring their pieces to the John Paulding Historical Society Museum, 600 Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio on any Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to be displayed in the quilt show. To submit your quilt or your great grandmother's quilt, a Registration form must be completed. Registration forms may be picked up at the JPHS museum or at

FULK WINS HONORABLE MENTION WINNER IN ART COMPETITION



Pictured: Mackenzie Myers, Shayla Wieland, (absent) Elyse Steury, Carlie Hanes and Brett Fulk.

Senior Brett Fulk at Antwerp High School was recently named an Honorable Mention winner for the 2019 Congressional Art Competition for Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. His artwork will be displayed in the district office in Defiance. All five Advanced Art

employees that work on residential remodeling, new construction, and various repair projects. We will still be operating out of the same location at 300 W. Jefferson St. Paulding, Ohio. Likewise, our phone number will also remain the same at 419-399-4941. We look forward to serving you and all your construction needs.

Students had their work displayed at Owens Community College in Perrysburg.

any Paulding County Carnegie Library branch. Registration begins April 16 through April 30. For more information please call the museum at 419-399-8218 or 419-399-3667. The quilt show will be open to the public beginning

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online and at the event. You do not need to be present to win an item. All funds raised at the event will help Friends of the Chamber and CoRP (Community Revitalizing Paulding) plan community events and help with the downtown revitalization efforts.

ALMOST JUST A MEMORY: ONLY TWO SPANS REMAIN ON CLINTON STREET BRIDGE

As of April 3, 2019 the following is an update regarding the progress of the Clinton Street bridge project, downtown Defiance. The \$8.3 million project will completely replace the bridge which carries state Routes 15, 18 and 66 over the Maumee River. The bridge closed Feb. 25, 2019 for approximately nine months. The project is scheduled for completion July 2020.

What's happening now and in coming days:

You likely know this, but the river rules when it comes to working in and around it. The Maumee River level was up by about seven feet from the weekend's rains which temporarily halted construction of the causeway. The causeway extending into the river from the north side is complete. The south side is still under construction. The causeway creates an access point from the river for crews and their equipment.

Crews have removed all but two spans of the bridge, but because of the river level, demolition work has stopped until the water recedes.

What lies beneath? You never know, and we didn't.

An original sandstone footer from an even earlier version of the Clinton Street bridge, estimated to have been constructed in the 1880s, was discovered beneath the north side of the bridge and has created the need to redesign the new bridge's footer. Much of the sandstone footer has been removed but the redesign of the new one will work around that which remains. The run-in with history is not expected to result in a delay in the project.

The reinforcing steel cages for the concrete drilled shafts are being constructed. Work on drilling the shafts began today on the north side. The shafts will become the foundation for the new bridge abutments.

Next week, the plan is to remove the foundations of the former piers beneath the water line and to begin drilling the shafts for the new piers.

Demolition of the remaining section of the bridge is expected to resume next week.

SPRING PARTY AT THE LIBRARY

The Children's Department of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will be hosting a Spring Party on April 9, 5:30-6:30 pm.

The library will have games, a craft, snacks and an egg hunt. A spring visitor is also planning to stop by the Children's Room.

Library hours: Monday-Thursday 9-8; Fri 9-6 and Sat 9-1. For more information about this event contact the Children's Room at the Main Library in Paulding at 419-399-2032.

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Beyond volunteer and INDOT maintenance efforts, the agency is increasing investment in annual roadside maintenance from \$19 million to \$57 million to put more resources to cleaning and mowing along the state's highways.

To be part of Trash Bash!, contact INDOT customer service at 1-855-463-6848 or by email at indot@indot.in.gov. Volunteers will be connected with an INDOT Trash Bash! coordinator to receive:

- An assigned cleanup location
- A briefing on roadside safety
- Safety vests to be worn at all times
- And trash bags

All trash bagged by volunteers will be collected and disposed of by INDOT crews.

While Trash Bash! is an annual, two-week event, INDOT offers opportunities for Hoosiers to help keep roadside areas clean year-round. The Adopt-a-Highway and Sponsor-a-Highway programs are great opportunities for volunteering, community service projects, and offer a highly visible option for showcasing your business or non-profit group.

Motorists are reminded to look out for work crews and volunteers along Indiana highways. When drivers encounter a work crew, they should slow down, be alert for changing traffic patterns, and always avoid distractions such as cell phones while driving.

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With a proud presence in this community for many years, we are unfortunately faced with a difficult but necessary decision. Due to our inability to offer competitive pricing we feel it is necessary to shift our focus to solely being a general contractor. With this change we will be eliminating the retail side of our company and liquidating our merchandise. The last day to purchase any retail items will be April 30, 2019.

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FRIENDS OF THE CHAMBER WINE TASTING

Friends of the Chamber/CoRP wine tasting Friday April 12th from 7:00 - 9:00 PM at the Masonic Lodge in downtown Paulding! There will be over 15 wines to taste from local wineries, live music, and great silent auction items including a year membership to Eagle Rock and Auglaize Golf Club, tickets to see Alan Jackson live, a chance to ride in a race car, and much more.

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A centerfield fly ball is caught by Antwerp Senior Cole Seslar! More pictures at westbendnews.net

back-to-back hits. With the Raiders on top 5-2 the Archers would answer with three runs of their own thanks to three Wayne Trace errors. After four innings of play the score was again even at five a piece. The bottom of the fifth gave the Raiders the upper hand with what would end up being the winning run. A combination of heads-up base running coupled by untimely Archer errors would give the Raiders the one-run win. In the crucial fifth inning the red, white, and blue opened with Drew Forrer reaching first base due to an Antwerp error. Head Coach Ryan Jerome made a base running change with Dane Moore pinch running for Forrer. The change paid huge

dividends as Moore managed to steal second. With Korbin Slade at the plate, the senior shot a grounder to the short stop allowing Moore to advance to third when the Archer short stop threw to first. Up next at the plate for the Raiders was Gillett who answered with a grounder back to the short stop. Moore, at third base, wasted little time as he darted to home for what would be the winning run. "Once Dane (Moore) saw the short stop make the throw to first base he knew what to do. He gave us the go-ahead run which is what we were looking for. The Antwerp throw actually went wild and ended up as an error," said Coach Jerome. The Archer's out hit the victorious Raiders 7-5 with

sophomore Austin Lichty hammering out two singles and one RBI. Jacob Savina added a single along with an RBI. Also with singles were Keaton Altimus and Dylan Hines who also added an RBI. Leading the Archer offense was freshman Luke Krouse with a double, single and one RBI.

For the winning Raiders, their five hits came from Gillett with two singles and two RBIs. Yenser collected a double along with two RBIs. Gillett and Reid Miller each added a single.

The winning pitcher was Grant Bauble with Zuber picking up the loss for the Archers.

QUICK START PROPELS PANTHERS OVER LOCOS

MONTPELIER - The Paulding Lady Panthers made the trip to Williams County Friday night for a non-league battle against Montpelier.

Paulding scored all the runs it needed in the first, sending two runners across the plate, and cruised to a 6-1 win over the Locomotives.

The maroon and white added three more runs in the top of the fifth to make it 5-0 before each team scored a single run in the seventh.

Haylee Dominique had a home run and a single while driving in three runs for Paulding with Gabby Stallbaum posting a single, double and two runs batted in. Jalynn Parrett added two singles and scored three times for the Lady Panthers.

Leigha Egnor and Ashlynn Rice each recorded a single as well for Paulding.

Halie Rose hit two singles

to lead the Montpelier offense. Keiylee Bentley, Rhanna Stoy, Tory Steffes and Sarah Higbie each finished with a single for the Locomotives.

Haylee Dominique posted the win on the mound for Paulding, pitching the seven inning contest giving up six hits and one walk while striking out eight.

Higbie suffered the loss for Montpelier, surrendering eight hits, six runs (four earned) and one walk while fanning three.

ARCHERS BLANK BULLDOGS IN GMC PLAY

EDGERTON - Jacob Savina drove in a pair of runs and Luke Krouse picked up the other run batted in as Antwerp shut out Edgerton 3-0 in Green Meadows Conference baseball action Thursday evening.

Dylan Hines had two singles to lead the Antwerp offense while Austin Lichty posted a double. Cole Seslar, Savina, Keaton Altimus, Brett Fulk and Jason Geyer also had hits for the Archers.

Braydon Cape and Nolan Swank each had singles for the Bulldogs.

Lichty got the win for the blue and white, tossing 5-2/3 innings allowing two hits and four walks while striking out eight. Krouse pitched the final 1-1/3 innings to record the save for the Archers, fanning four in the final 1-1/3 innings.

ARCHERS TOO MUCH FOR BULLDOGS

EDGERTON - Antwerp posted a 4-1 win over Edgerton to open the Green

Meadows Conference softball season Thursday night in Williams County.

The night belonged again to Archer junior hurler Charlie Hanes.

Hanes pitched the complete-game win, striking out ten Edgerton batters while giving up only three hits and a walk.

At the plate, Hanes paced Antwerp with a single and a double as well.

Tiera Gomez, Karsyn Brummett and Alyvia posted singles for the Archers.

Ashlynn Slesman, Paige Canales and Emma Siebenaler finished with one single apiece for Edgerton.

Slesman also suffered the loss for Edgerton, striking out three Antwerp hitters in six innings of work while limiting Antwerp to five hits and four walks.

EGNOR TOSSES NO-HITTER FOR PANTHERS

SPENCERVILLE - Kolson Egnor threw a no-hitter and struck out 13 Spencerville hitters as Paulding shut out the Bearcats 5-0 in Northwest Conference boys basketball action.

Egnor allowed only two walks in the contest, throwing 63 of 91 pitches for strikes in the game. He faced only 22 batters.

Paulding scored two runs each in the fourth and fifth innings to grab a 4-0 lead before adding a single run in the seventh to set the final margin at 5-0.

Jaret Miller, Evan Edwards and Westan Phlipot all had two hits for the maroon and white, with Edwards also scoring twice and driving in two runs.

Hunter Kauser and Trenton Winkle picked up a double each while Egnor, Carson Shull and Cory Adams added a single apiece.

LADY PANTHERS ROLL PAST TITANS

PAULDING - The Lady Panthers of Paulding scored eight runs each in the second and third innings in pulling away from Ottawa Glandorf for a 20-5 win Saturday in high school softball action.

Leigha Egnor had a big day at the plate for the maroon and white, posting four singles while driving in six runs and scoring twice.

Asia Arellano added two singles and a double while scoring three times and adding two runs batted in. Jalynn Parrett posted two singles and two runs batted in as well for Paulding.

After Ottawa Glandorf scored one run in the top of the first, the Lady Panthers quickly answered with three runs in the home half of the inning.

Paulding then scored eight times in the bottom of the second for an 11-1 advantage before the Titans picked up four runs in the visitors half of the third.

After the Lady Panthers plated eight more runs in the bottom of the third to make it 19-5, the maroon and white finished out the game with one more run in the home portion of the fourth.

Kaela Lucas, Morgan Iler, Gabbie Stallbaum, Haylee Dominique and Kaeli Bustos also had singles for Paulding.

Dominique got the win on the mound for Paulding, tossing five innings while giving up 11 hits and four earned runs. The Panther hurler struck out four Ottawa Glandorf hitters as well.

KAUSER TOSSES THREE-HITTER TO LEAD PANTHERS PAST BOMBERS

PAULDING - Hunter Kauser threw a complete-game three hitter to lead the Paulding Panthers to a 5-1

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victory over Edon in Saturday non-league baseball action at the home of the Panthers.

Kauser scattered three Bomber hits and a walk while striking out seven, throwing 57 of 79 pitches on the day for strikes. He also led the Panther hitting attack on the day with a pair of singles.

After Edon scored in the top of the fourth for a 1-0 advantage, the maroon and white answered with four runs in the home half of the inning to go on top 4-1.

Paulding then added a single run in the fifth to wrap up the 5-1 victory.

Jaret Miller, Sam Woods, Blake McGarvey and Westan Phlipot picked up singles as well for the maroon and white. Kolson Egnor scored one run and drove in two more for Paulding.

ANTWERP JR. HIGH TRACK SEASON OPENER

The Antwerp Jr. High track teams competed in their 1st meet of the season at Holgate against the Tigers and Tinora on April 1st. The Rams were victorious on both sides with Holgate 2nd the Archers were 3rd. Athletes having solid nights during the cold meet were MaKenna Smith placing 2nd in shot and

4th in the discus, Caydence Shull winning the 100 hurdles and placing 2nd in the 200 hurdles and Samantha Sheedy winning the 400 meters. Aerial Snyder placed 2nd in the high jump and 3rd in the 100. On the boys side Ross Lee finished 2nd and 3rd in the shot and disc, while Aiden Provines was 2nd in the 200 & 400 meter runs and Landon Brewer won the 100 & 200 hurdles and placed 2nd in the high jump.

BRUCE'S WALK-OFF GIVES ANTWERP ARCHERS JV VICTORY OVER WAYNE TRACE

A walk-off double led Antwerp Archers JV past Wayne Trace 14-12 on Tuesday. The game was tied at 12 with Antwerp Archers JV batting in the bottom of the seventh when Heaven Brucedoubled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring two runs.

Antwerp Archers JV collected nine hits and Wayne Trace had nine in the high-scoring affair.

Wayne Trace opened up an early lead in the second inning when T Sinn singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run.

After Wayne Trace scored

three runs in the top of the fourth, Antwerp Archers JV answered with three of their own. Wayne Trace scored when A Alejo singled on a 2-1 count, scoring one run and Wayne Trace scored two runs on a stolen base. Antwerp Archers JV then answered when Maddie Smith drew a walk, scoring one run, an error scored one run for Antwerp Archers JV, and Antwerp Archers JV scored one run on a stolen base.

Wayne Trace scored five runs in the second inning. The offensive firepower by Wayne Trace was led by Sinn, A Miller, K Lewis, and C Mead, all knocking in runs in the inning.

Emerson Litzenberg pitched Antwerp Archers JV to victory. She surrendered 12 runs on nine hits over seven innings, striking out three and walking zero.

Sinn took the loss for Wayne Trace. She went six and two-thirds innings, allowing 14 runs on nine hits and striking out ten.

Antwerp Archers JV racked up nine hits. Bruce, Molly Reinhart, and Litzenberg all managed multiple hits for Antwerp Archers JV. Litzenberg, Reinhart, and Bruce each collected two hits to lead Antwerp Archers JV. Antwerp Archers JV stole 17 bases during the game as four players stole more than one. Litzenberg led the way with four.

Wayne Trace racked up nine hits on the day. Sinn and T Tigner all had multiple hits for Wayne Trace.

COPPES, HANES LEAD ARCHERS PAST DJ

DELPHOS - Astianna Coppes hit two home runs and added a double to lead the Antwerp Lady Archers to a 16-0 win over host Delphos Jefferson Tuesday night in non-league high school softball action.

Coppes led a five home-run attack for the blue and white who improve to 6-0 on the season.

Carlie Hanes also had an impressive night for Antwerp, hitting two home runs while adding a single and a double. Hanes threw a no-hitter on the mound as well for the Lady Archers, striking out 11 while walking two in the five-inning

complete game. Karsyn Brumett picked up the other home run for Antwerp while Lauren Schuller chipped in three singles.

Tiera Gomez, Samantha Rigsby and Alyvia Devore each added two singles for the Lady Archers.

Antwerp finished the contest with 19 hits.

Aly Lindeman took the loss for the Wildcats, striking out one and walking one in five innings of work.

"So proud of these ladies.. each and every game they come out and just play our game! Our bats were on fire tonight! Five homeruns was unbelievable! Way to go ladies!"

ABA MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL PITCH HIT & RUN COMPETITION

The Antwerp Ball Association will host a free Major League Baseball Pitch Hit & Run competition for area youth on April 13. Registration is from 10 AM - 11 AM and competition begins at 11 AM. This is for any child, boy or girl, born between July 18, 2004 and July 17, 2012. There are 4 divisions: 7/8, 9/10, 11/12, 13/14.

The Antwerp Ball Association will host a free Major League Baseball Jr. Home Run Derby Competition for area youth on April 13. Registration is from 10 AM - 11 AM. The Home Run Derby will be after the Pitch Hit & Run event. There are 2 divisions: 12U (born on or after July 18, 2006), 14U (born between July 18, 2004 and July 17, 2006).

LADY CAVALIERS PUT DOWN RAIDERS



Wayne Trace's Emma Crosby slides into second and called out in the 5th inning! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Raider nation girls softball played host to the Lady Cavaliers of Coldwater on April 2nd. Coldwater busted through the opening gates and took a lead that Wayne Trace just couldn't catch up

to — although attempts were made. This was a tight game nevertheless, with 12 hits for the Cavaliers and 10 for Wayne Trace. Both pitchers worked 7 innings. Final score 7-6 Cavaliers.

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RAMS CRUISE TO WIN OVER PANTHERS



Paulding sophomore Blake McGarvey drives the hard hit ball past second base to center field, allowing Senior Jaret Miller slides in to home and score! More pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING - Tinora scored ten times over the first three innings and the Rams went on to post a 12-3 win over host Paulding in high school baseball action Friday evening.

The Rams scored twice in the opening frame before breaking the game open with a six run second, widening the margin to 8-0. Tinora then added two more runs in the third to put the lead at 10-0.

Paulding scored three

times in the fourth to get within 10-3 before Tinora closed out the game's scoring with a two-run sixth.

Jonah Jimenez and Spencer Giesige each had three hits for the Rams, who finished with 15 hits as a team.

Nolan Schaefer, Collin Derrow and Marcus Grube all had two hits each for Tinora. The green and white picked up one hit each by Andrew Imthurn, Tye Norden and Alex Henry.

Evan Edwards picked up

two hits to lead the Panthers while Carson Shull, Blake McGarvey and Cory Adams added one hit each.

Giesige picked up the win for Tinora on the mound, throwing a complete-game giving up five hits and three unearned runs while striking out ten.

Carson Shull pitched the first two innings for Paulding and took the loss. Blake McGarvey and Cory Adams also saw action on the mound for the Panthers.

APACHES SWEEP TIGERS, ARCHERS

Fairview picked up wins in both boys and girls track on Tuesday as the Apaches got past Antwerp and Holgate.

The Lady Apaches totaled 79 points while Antwerp was second at 52 and Holgate took third with 42.

Leslie Pollock took first in the discus (94-4-1/2) while Heather Oberlin captured the shot put with a toss of 35-0. Kiera Reyes picked up the pole vault win after a leap of 6-6 and Chloe Saul took the 3200 run in 14:59.00.

Madyson Bauer (second, pole vault), Kennadi Recker (second, 100 and 200 dash), Siera Octaviano (second, 3200 run), Lydia Brewer (third, discus and fourth, shot put), Pollock (third, shot put), Mia Altimus (third, long jump and fourth, 200 dash), Kathryn Oberlin (third, 100 dash and fourth, 400 dash), Saul (third, 1600 run), Sydney Miller (third, 3200 run), Kaitlyn Hamman (fourth, 100 dash) and Alicia Maag (fourth, discus) also placed for the blue and white.

In the boys meet, the Apaches nipped the Archers 73-65 with the Tigers third at 37.

Jagger Landers (shot put, 39-2), Luke Brewer (pole vault, 10-0), Gaige McMichael (110 hurdles, 17.25), Jake Ryan (1600 run, 4:48.00) and Divyne East (300 hurdles, 45.73) all claimed first place finishes for the blue and white.

Also scoring points for the Archers were Brewer

(second, 200 dash and long jump), McMichael (second, 300 hurdles), Kaden Recker (second, pole vault), Stephon Walker (second, high jump and third, pole vault), Peyton Lang (second, discus), Landers (third, discus), Tim Taylor (third, long jump), Chet Clevinger (third, high jump), East (third, 110 hurdles), Kaden Phares (third, 400 dash), Ashton Barnhouse (third, 200 dash), Ryan (third, 3200 run) and Jordan Buerkle (fourth, 100 dash).

NWC HONORS WINTER SPORTS SCHOLAR ATHLETES

The Northwest Conference released the list of Winter Sports Scholar Athletes recently with several Paulding athletes included.

Panther cheerleaders included Leah Nusbaum, Selena Yates, Marissa Dobbelaere, Kaylyn Cox, Haley Burtin, Hailey McDaniel, Gracie Burtch, Victoria Vally and Adriana Gonzales.

Players on the basketball team earning gold recognition were Blake McGarvey, Carson Shull, Bailey Manz, Evan Edwards, Hunter Kauser, Tristan Kinder, Jacob Eblin, Hunter Kesler, Jaret Miller, Luke Dunakin, Fletcher Cook and Payton Beckman.

Girls basketball squad members picking up gold honors are Sydney McCullough, Janae Pease, Chelsi Giesige, Leigha Egnor, Audrey Giesige, Jalynn Parrett, Asia Arellano, Briana Townley and Sadie Estle.

Jordan Mudel, Brody Fisher and Cole Mabis were the wrestlers earning gold honors from Paulding.

Ethan Letso also received silver honors as a member of the boys basketball team while wrestler Adrian Simonin was recognized at the silver level as well.

COUGARS SWEEP QUAD MEET

VAN WERT - Host Van Wert claimed a quadrangular meet on both the boys and girls side as the Cougars defeated Defiance, Kalida and Paulding in high school track action Tuesday night.

The Cougar boys amassed 104 points with Defiance second at 74 and Kalida third with 39. Paulding finished in fourth place with 37 points.

Brian Manz picked up a first place finish for the Panthers, winning the long jump with a leap of 17-8-1/2.

Riley Coil (fourth, shot put and discus), Owen Carnahan (second, 110 and 300 hurdles), Bailey Manz (fifth, 1600 run and 800 run; second, high jump), Hunter Kesler (second, 200 dash and tied for second, pole vault) and Alex Reithman (third, high jump) all placed as well for the maroon and white.

The Panther 400 relay squad of Jacob Deisler, Alex Reithman, Brian Manz and Hunter Kesler finished third.

On the girls side, Van Wert totaled 98 points and was followed by Defiance (67), Kalida (59) and Paulding (26).

Paulding's 400 relay team of Claire Schweller, Maggie Manz, Janae Pease and Jessica Weller claimed first with a time of 56.16 seconds. Schweller also claimed first individually in the pole vault with a leap of 8-0.

Scoring points for the Lady Panthers were Maggie Manz (fifth, 100 dash and third, 200 dash), Janae Pease (fifth, 400 dash), Jessica Weller (fifth, 300 hurdles), Mary Cate Panico (fifth, 800 run), Elyse Manz (fifth, 3200 run), Kristen Razo (second, high jump) and Vanessa Krueger (fifth,

long jump).

The Lady Panther quartet of Weller, Schweller, Pease and Panico took third in the 1600 relay.

PANTHERS ROUT BEARCATS 18-0

SPENCERVILLE - Paulding scored in each of the first five innings and the Lady Panthers rolled to an 18-0 win over Spencerville at the home of the Bearcats Thursday night in Northwest Conference action.

The maroon and white plated two runs each in the first of the two innings and added another in the third for a 5-0 advantage. Paulding then scored four times in the fourth and picked up nine more in the fifth to wrap up the 18-0 win.

Ashlynn Rice had a double and three singles while scoring three times and driving in two runs to lead the maroon and white offense.

Jalynn Parrett, Haylee Dominique and Gabbie Stallbaum all posted three hits for Paulding with Kaela Lucas, Morgan Iler and Asia Arellano posting two hits apiece.

Jen Stahl and Leigha Egnor also had one hit each for the Lady Panthers, who improve to 3-2 overall and 1-0 in the league.

Lucas had four runs batted in to lead Paulding with Egnor and Iler scoring three runs each.

Haylee Dominique posted the win for the maroon and white, tossing the five-inning complete game allowing two hits and two walks while striking out seven.

PANTHERS TAKE SEVENTH AT BATH INVITE

LIMA - The Paulding boys and girls track teams took part in the Ehresman Invitational at Lima Bath High School on Friday where the boys came home with a seventh place finish.

Van Wert won the meet with 123 points while Elida (89) was second and Lima Shawnee (71) took third.

St. Marys (56) finished fourth followed by Bluffton (51), Kalida (42), Paulding (40), Ottawa Glandorf (38), Lima Central Catholic (11) and Lima Bath (6).

Individually, Bailey Manz placed in three events for the Panthers, taking third in the 1600 run (4:55.58) and 800 run (2:08.61) while posting a fourth place finish in the high jump (5-10).

Owen Carnahan picked up a fifth place finish in the 110 hurdles with a time of 17.27 and placed fourth in the 300 hurdles in 43.99 seconds. Hunter Kesler placed fifth in the 200 dash at 23.66 and fourth in the pole vault at 11-0. Riley Coil recorded a toss of 115-10 in the discus to grab fifth place in that event as well.

Paulding captured the title in the 1600 relay with a time of 3:39.67.

On the girls side, Kalida won the team title with 85-1/2 points to get past Elida (80) and Lima Shawnee (73-5/6).

The remaining team

DELICIOUS MELODIES



The second grade students in Mrs. Wehrkamp's music classes at Oakwood Elementary have been learning how to write, sing, and play sol, mi, and la on the staff. Instead of using pencils the students created "delicious melodies" using M & Ms and Skittles as their notes!

scores included Van Wert (71-1/3), Lima Bath (66), St. Marys (57), Ottawa Glandorf (54), Bluffton (20-1/3), Lima Central Catholic (17) and Allen East (1).

ACES DOMINATE IN QUAD MEET

The Hicksville Aces' track & field hosted a Quad Meet on April 2nd with Wayne Trace (WT), Hilltop (H) and Styker (S). Hicksville (HV) saved a home win for both teams on the day.

GIRLS:

Team Results - 1 Hicksville 112; 2 Wayne Trace 103; 3 Stryker 34; 4 Hilltop 5

Individual Event Results:

100M Dash - 1 R Stoller, WT, 13.34; 2 H Shuman, HV, 13.55; 3 B Breier, S, 14.05; 4 K Roth, H, 14.22; 5 K Myers, S, 14.30; 6 A Michael, HV, 14.31
200M Dash - 1 R Stoller, WT, 28.05; 2 E Shuman, HV, 29.80; 3 K Roth, H, 30.23; 4 K Myers, S, 30.34; 5 M Elston, WT, 31.21; 6 A Michael, HV, 31.46
400M Dash - 1 R Stoller, WT, 1:03.69; 2 T Woolace, S, 1:14.30; 3 A Grice, S, 1:15.77; 4 A Campbell, WT, 1:15.77; 5 A Betz, HV, 1:18.35; 6 J Kesinger, H, 1:31.42
800M Run - 1 T Chiapetta, HV, 2:33.74; 2 M Sullivan, HV, 2:41.71; 3 K Campbell, WT, 2:42.65; 4 T Woolace, S, 2:54.05; 5 S Sinn, WT, 2:57.65; 6 A Etzler, WT, 2:58.22
1600M Run - 1 M Sullivan, HV, 5:49.94; 2 T Woolace, S, 5:57.64; 3 K Campbell, WT, 5:58.77; 4 T Chiapetta, HV, 6:00.46; 5 G Laukhuf, WT, 6:36.95; 6 T Metz, HV, 6:46.55
3200M Run - 1 M Sullivan, HV, 12:18.90; 2 T Chiapetta, HV, 13:13.67; 3 G Laukhuf, WT, 13:56.15; 4 T Metz, HV, 14:38.35; 5 E Delagrangre, HV, 17:00.00
100M Hurdles - 1 N Nuttle, HV, 18.80; 2 K Stoller, WT, 19.28; 3 K Markley, WT, 19.58; 4 A Grice, S, 21.49; 5 J

Stoller, HV, 21.73

300M Hurdles - 1 K Shepherd, WT, 56.80; 2 K Stoller, WT, 58.41; 3 E Breier, S, 1:02.75; 4 K Markley, WT, 1:02.85; 5 J Sigman, HV, 1:10.46

4x100M Relay - 1 Hicksville 'A' 57.16; 2 Stryker 'A' 59.74; 3 Wayne Trace 'A' 1:00.70; 4 Hilltop 'A' 1:01.39

4x200M Relay - 1 Hicksville 'A' 2:04.67; 2 Stryker 'A' 2:08.17; 3 Wayne Trace 'A' 2:11.13

4x400M Relay - 1 Wayne Trace 'A' 4:55.66; 2 Hicksville 'A' 5:32.83

4x800M Relay - 1 Wayne Trace 'A' 11:30.30; 2 Hicksville 'A' 11:34.46

High Jump - 1 R Stoller, WT, J4-06.00; 1 R Figgins, HV, J4-06.00; 3 C Thompson, WT, J4-04.00; 3 K Shepherd, WT, J4-04.00; 3 M Wittwer, WT, J4-04.00; 3 N Nuttle, HV, J4-04.00

Pole Vault - 1 T Cooper, WT, J7-06.00; 1 N Nuttle, HV, J7-06.00; 3 H Sanderson, WT, J7-00.00; 3 A Johnsonbaugh, HV, J7-00.00; 3 E Shuman, HV, J7-00.00; 6 E Taylor, HV, 6-00.00

Long Jump - 1 H Shuman, HV, 16-03.00; 2 R Figgins, HV, 14-11.75; 3 K Vest, WT, 14-03.75; 4 B Breier, S, 13-08.00; 5 C Graham, WT, 12-09.00; 6 A Michael, HV, 12-04.75

Shot Put - 1 MG Siebenaler, HV, 26-10.00; 2 M Shephard, WT, 26-09.00; 3 K Stoller, WT, 25-10.00; 4 B Miller, WT, 24-06.00; 5 H Sanderson, WT, 23-03.00; 6 A Stoller, WT, 22-04.00

Discus - 1 E Avalos, HV, 86-10; 2 E Payne, HV, 83-07; 3 MG Siebenaler, HV, 79-11; 4 M Shephard, WT, 66-04; 5 H Sanderson, WT, 63-03; 6 K Stoller, WT, 62-08

BOYS:

Team Results - 1 Hicksville 105.50; 2 Wayne Trace 88; 3 Stryker 31.50; 4 Hilltop 25

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DESK VIEW



By: Katie Oberlin

From athletics to academics to music and more, Antwerp students are exhibiting remarkable decorum in this fresh and bustling time of the year.

During school, anatomy students dissected lamb hearts, band students marched outside in prepara-

tion for Disney, and much of the junior class have arranged job-shadowing opportunities for themselves. Gourmet foods students have recently begun to bake muffins during their eighth period class. These muffins are then sold on Wednesday mornings before school for one dollar, this Wednesday following suit.

The planes have landed, curtains have closed, and suitcases have been unzipped for seniors returning from their class trip. Twelfth graders are back in Antwerp and have reentered the standard high school cycle of staying up too late, procrastinating, and engaging in casual school day conversations.

Congratulations to the town's varsity softball team, which continues to go undefeated in this spring season. The home athletic events

during the upcoming week include a softball game April 8 with Kalida at 5:00, a baseball game April 8 with Parkway at 5:00, and a junior high track meet April 8 with Woodlan and Heritage at 5:00. The grind is not stopping for Antwerp's spring athletes.

Countywide, students taking livestock to the Jr. Fair this summer have completed their required Quality Assurance training. On April 6, the exhibitors showing cattle, swine, sheep, and goats attended Livestock Tagging with their animals in preparation for fair, which is right around the corner.

Springtime, fourth quarter, and April have all set in, getting the student body involved as ever in opportunities full of growth and experience. The school year's ending is only a blink of an eye away.

K9 JANO VISITS OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Deputy Deitrick and Jano visited the third graders at Oakwood Elementary on Monday, April 1st to learn more about the work they do together.

100M Dash - 1 M Dreher, HV, 11.73; 2 K Wertman, HV, 11.95; 3 I Head, WT, 12.21; 4 H Brown, H, 12.29; 5 K Schooley, HV, 12.75; 6 A Richmond, H, 12.77

200M Dash - 1 I Head, WT, 25.11; 2 O Allen, HV, 25.33; 3 E Moore, WT, 26.10; 3 H Brown, H, 26.10; 5 A Gilbert, HV, 26.71; 6 A Richmond, H, 27.50

400M Dash - 1 H Brown, H, 58.15; 2 O Allen, HV, 59.22; 3 J Trace, S, 1:00.01; 4 R Dunno, WT, 1:01.40; 5 H Meyer, S, 1:04.68; 6 J Molitor, WT, 1:05.07

800 M Run - 1 A Reed, WT, 2:18.70; 2 G Villanueva, S, 2:19.19; 3 O Manz, WT, 2:22.72; 4 B Repp, H, 2:32.97;

5 H Meyer, S, 2:37.56; 5 K Schooley, HV, 2:37.56

1600M Run - 1 E Villanueva, S, 5:07.61; 2 A Reed, WT, 5:08.46; 3 E Delagrange, HV, 5:40.00; 4 J Myers, HV, 5:46.70; 5 N Sullivan, HV, 5:49.19; 6 B Repp, H, 5:50.94

3200M Run - 1 T Sinn, WT, 12:17.57; 2 E Delagrange, HV, 12:37.99; 3 J Myers, HV, 12:39.34; 4 A Keyser, WT, 15:18.75

110M Hurdles - 1 J Swift, HV, 17.73; 2 K Baird, HV, 18.22; 3 I Ridgeway, HV, 20.80

300 Meter Hurdles - 1 J Swift, HV, 46.56; 2 J Figgins, HV, 47.82; 3 K Baird, HV, 49.68; 4 G Tinlin, WT, 50.99; 5 I Ridgeway, HV, 53.95; 6 A Sinn, WT, 54.50

4x100M Relay - 1 Hicks-ville 'A' 47.60 ; 2 Stryker 'A' 51.00; 3 Wayne Trace 'A' 51.30

4x200M Relay - 1 Hicks-ville 'A' 1:44.03; 2 Stryker 'A' 1:47.31; 3 Wayne Trace 'A' 1:50.14

4x400M Relay - 1 Stryker 'A' 3:57.83; 2 Wayne Trace 'A' 3:59.39; 3 Hicksville 'A' 4:19.27

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hood and checking out accessories you just don't see anymore. It will be a party atmosphere with pizza available from Marco's Pizza and '50's & '60's pop music provided by Dan Surface of Fort Wayne DJ's. Fox & Fox Total Car Care is once again sponsoring the show, and winners in several categories will be announced when the show concludes at 2:30pm. All area car, truck, and bike collectors are welcome to this drive-in show and will be eligible for numerous giveaways.

If that isn't enough excitement, just slip inside the Fudergong Community Building next door as the popular Spring Fling Benefit Auction gets rolling at Noon. Hundreds of brand new and unique items for all ages will be up for bidding during this fast-paced sale and will continue until the last item is gone around 3:00. Many of the auction items have been donated by area businesses and residents to help support the Spring Fling charity organizations. Register throughout the afternoon to place a bid and to be eligible for valuable door prizes. Andy Miller of Century 21/Bradley Auctions returns as the main auctioneer, assisted by some exciting auctioneers from the Grabill Amish community. Based on past experience, this auction will be lots of fun for both children and adults! You will definitely not be disappointed if you make

4x800M Relay - 1 Wayne Trace 'A' 9:45.65; 2 Hicksville 'A' 10:04.80

High Jump - 1 T Homier, WT, J5-04.00; 1 C Crosby, WT, J5-04.00; 3 M Myers, HV, J5-02.00; 3 J Figgins, HV, J5-02.00; 3 G McEwen, H, J5-02.00; 6 A Richmond, H, 5-00.00

Pole Vault - 1 M Dreher, HV, 11-06.00; 2 E Mohr,

WT, 11-00.00; 3 I Ridgeway, HV, 8-06.00; 4 A McNeal, H, 8-00.00; 4 J Hornish, WT, 8-00.00; 6 J Fugate, H, 7-06.00

Long Jump - 1 M Dreher, HV, 18-05.50; 2 K Baird, HV, 18-01.75; 3 T Homier, WT, 17-05.25; 4 K Wertman, HV, 17-00.75; 5 E Moore, WT, 16-08.00; 6 A Gilbert, HV, 15-11.00

Shot Put - 1 E Mohr, WT,

42-02.00; 2 C Malhman, H, 40-04.00; 3 N Hasch, WT, 40-01.00; 4 S Shindledecker, S, J36-08.00; 5 I Greutman, HV, J36-08.00; 6 J White, HV, 36-05.00

Discus - 1 E Mohr, WT, 135-09; 2 C Malhman, H, 113-07; 3 N Showalter, WT, 113-04; 4 J Carns, HV, 111-04; 5 S Shindledecker, S, 109-04; 6 D Huffine, WT, 99-04

plans to attend the Hog Roast Dinner & Stage Show following the auction. An old-fashioned hog roast is served 4:30-6:30 and features locally raised pork provided by area farmers, with processing donated by Gustin Custom Meats. The dinner menu includes homemade side dishes, drinks, and dessert - we guarantee you won't go home hungry! After your delicious supper, you can sit back and enjoy some great entertainment, along with a chance to win several fun door prizes. The evening stage show opens with a brand new act this year - Creole Candy Dixieland Jazz Band -- and finishes with a full length high energy production from Terry Lee & his Million Dollar Band. Terry Lee, originally from London, England, will have you on your feet with his 50's rock & roll music and lightning fast piano playing. Tickets for the Hog Roast & Stage Show are \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for students (16 & under), and can be purchased at Harlan Christian Youth

Center and the Historic Olde Church Shoppes in Leo.

Proceeds from the Spring Fling Charity Event will help support two highly regarded local organizations: Christian Community Health Care and Harlan Christian Youth Center. Christian Community Health Care offers free medical services through weekly walk-in clinics at their facility in Grabill, Indiana. Harlan Christian Youth Center provides area kids and teens with free after-school activities at their center in downtown Harlan, Indiana. The Spring Fling is proud to support both of

these community outreach ministries and encourages you to participate in this community effort.

For more information about the Spring Fling Charity Event, Car Show, or to donate to the Benefit Auction, please contact event manager Dennis Bennett (260-433-2159, dennisabennett1@peoplepc.com) or visit ChristianCommunityHealthCare.org/Special_Events. Dinner and/or Stage Show tickets may be available at the door, depending on pre-event sales. We hope to see you and your family on April 13 in downtown Grabill!

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

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

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

Cecil: Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

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

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

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

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

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

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

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Ney: Maramart

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

Paulding: Paulding Co. Carnegie Library, Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Holly Wood and Vine, Paulding County Senior Center, Rite Aid, Ace Hard-

ware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. OSU Extension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Past Time Cafe, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital

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

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

Scott: Scott Post Office

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

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

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

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

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Rebecca L. Verfaillie, Paulding, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Ronald L. Blankenbeckler, Auburn, IN; Trespassing; Pled no contest, found guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond; Shall have no contact with victim or their residence; Jury trial vacated; Shall follow support order 20104069; Shall maintain general good behavior

Ronald Blankenbeckler, Auburn, IN; Telephone harassment; Pled no contest, found guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond; Shall have no contact with victims or their residence; Jury trial vacated; Follow support order 20104069; Shall maintain general good behavior

Rebecca L. Verfaillie, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Hill; Pled guilty; 6 days, 3 days hard time and 3 days DIP - complete by end of 2019; Report to jail 4/6/19 at 2:00 p.m.; 1 year suspended operator license; Place on probation supervision; Evaluation at Westwood; TFC; 40 hours community service

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH YOUR TAX REFUND?



Bryan Post, Edward Jones Financial Advisor

We're getting close to the tax-filing deadline. For many of us, this means it's that time of year when we get our biggest financial windfall - a tax refund. If you have recently received a refund, or are expecting to get one in the next few weeks, what should you do with it?

Of course, you could just spend the money on something you want, but if you'd like to maximize the financial benefits from your refund, you might want to consider other options, including the following:

Invest the money. In 2018, the average tax refund was about \$2,700. For this year, it might be somewhat lower,

Rebecca L. Verfaillie, Paulding, OH; Distracted driving; Defendant appeared with counsel, Mr. Hill; Case dismissed per agreement

Dennis R. Green, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive;

due to changes in the tax laws and the failure of taxpayers to adjust their withholdings in response. However, if you were to receive in the neighborhood of \$2,700, you'd be almost halfway to the annual IRA contribution limit, which, in 2019, is \$6,000. (If you're 50 or older, you can put in up to \$7,000). If you have already "maxed out" on your IRA, you could use your refund to fill in gaps you may have in other parts of your investment portfolio.

Pay insurance premiums. Let's face it - nobody really likes paying insurance premiums. Yet, if you have anyone depending on you, you will certainly need life insurance, and possibly disability insurance as well. And if you want to help protect your financial resources later in life from threats such as an extended - and hugely expensive - stay in a nursing home, you also may want to consider long-term care insurance. Your tax refund could help pay for some of these premiums, boosting your cash flow during the months you would normally be making these payments.

Contribute to a college fund. It's never too soon to begin saving for college, which has grown increasingly expensive over the last several years. So, if you have young children, you may want to think about investing some or all of your refund into a college-savings account, such

as a tax-advantaged 529 plan. Pay off debts. You might be able to use your refund to pay down some debts - or perhaps even pay off some of your smaller ones. The lower your monthly debt load, the more money you will have available to invest for the future. Keep in mind, though, that you might not want to look at all debts in the same way. For example, putting extra money toward your mortgage might help you pay it off faster, but you'll also be funding an asset - namely, your house - that might not provide you with the same liquidity as you can get from investments such as stocks and bonds.

Help build an emergency fund. By building an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, you can help yourself avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for large, unplanned-for bills, such as a major car repair or an expensive dental procedure. Your tax refund could help build such a fund, with the money ideally being placed in low-risk, liquid vehicles.

Clearly, you can help yourself make progress toward a number of your financial goals with your tax refund - so put it to good use.

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Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gianna I. Gessman, Adrian, MI; No operator license; Preliminary waived; Count A bound over to track with felony case

Thomas R. Stahl, Scott, OH; Dump ref prohib; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Thomas R. Stahl, Scott, OH; Perm unclean ha; Count B dismissed per state

Koven O. Vanover, Willshire, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Maggie E. Groh, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all

fines and costs; Complete 25 hours of community service within 6 months; Write a letter of apology to the arresting officer and shall be turned into the Paulding County Court

Maggie E. Groh, Oakwood, OH; Resisting arrest; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Daniel E. Ordway, Oakwood, OH; Felonious assault; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing in open court; Case shall be bound over to the Paulding Common Pleas Court

Daniel E. Ordway, Oakwood, OH; Criminal damaging; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing in open court; Case shall be bound over to the Paulding County Common Pleas Court

Koven D. Vanover, Willshire, OH; OVI/under influence; Defendant appeared in

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
 General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26
 THE STATE OF OHIO,
 PAULDING COUNTY:
FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,
 vs.
COREY A. CARNAHAN, ET AL., Defendants,
 Case No. CI 18 0132

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 25th day of April, 2019 at 10:20, the real estate located at:

7133 Road 165, Paulding, Ohio 45879
Parcel Number: 08-31S-022-01

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

Said premises appraised at Thirty-six Thousand and No/100 (\$36,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 2nd day of May, 2019 at 10:20. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
 Paulding County, Ohio
 www.pauldingohsheriff.com
 Jacqueline M. Wirtz, Attorney for Plaintiff

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Lou Ann Wannemacher, Plaintiffs,
 VS.
 Sherri Miller, et al.
 Defendants,

Judge Tiffany Reighter-Beckman
 Case No. CI 19 038

TO: Sherri Miller, Unknown heirs, administrators, executors or assigns of Sherri Miller; Unknown Spouse of Sherri Miller, Unknown heirs, administrators, executors or assigns of Unknown Spouse of Sherri Miller

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown

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, administrators, 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 real estate taxes owed by you.

iron pipe found; thence South 00°34'20" East, fifty-nine and 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 highways, zoning regulations and restrictions of record. All bearings, used herein are to an assumed meridian and are used to denote angles only. The subject premises was surveyed by Travis R. McGarvey, Registered Surveyor No. 8257, dated March 11, 2004 and filed in Volume 501, Page 717, Official Records, Paulding County Recorder's Office.

Parcel ID No. 12-07S-012-00
 Property Address: 616 S. Erie Street, Antwerp, Ohio

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

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

By: *Ann Pease*
 Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Burkard
 Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)
 Paulding County, Ohio
 Prosecuting Attorney
 120 S. Walnut Street
 Paulding, Ohio 45879
 419-399-8270

COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879
 Jimmy A. Stephey, II
 Plaintiff,

vs.
 Rhonda J. Stephey
 lka: 208 S. Broadway
 Trotwood, OH 45426
 Defendant

Case No. DIV 19 009

To: Rhonda J. Stephey
 You are hereby notified that you have been named a Defendant in a Complaint for Divorce filed in Paulding County Common Pleas Court entitled Jimmy A. Stephey, II, Plaintiff -vs- Rhonda J. Stephey, Defendant.

As a tax-advantaged 529 plan. Pay off debts. You might be able to use your refund to pay down some debts - or perhaps even pay off some of your smaller ones. The lower your monthly debt load, the more money you will have available to invest for the future. Keep in mind, though, that you might not want to look at all debts in the same way. For example, putting extra money toward your mortgage might help you pay it off faster, but you'll also be funding an asset - namely, your house - that might not provide you with the same liquidity as you can get from investments such as stocks and bonds.

Help build an emergency fund. By building an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, you can help yourself avoid dipping into your long-term investments to pay for large, unplanned-for bills, such as a major car repair or an expensive dental procedure. Your tax refund could help build such a fund, with the money ideally being placed in low-risk, liquid vehicles.

Clearly, you can help yourself make progress toward a number of your financial goals with your tax refund - so put it to good use.

The object of the Complaint is for the Plaintiff to be granted an absolute divorce, an equitable division of property and debts, costs of this suit, and for such other and

further relief as the Court may find just and equitable under the circumstances.

You are required to answer the complaint within 28 days after the last date of publication of this Notice, which will be published once a week for six (6) successive weeks, the date of the last publication will be on April, 9, 2019, and the 28 days for answer will commence on that date.

If you fail to answer or otherwise respond within the time stated, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

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

open court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; 3 days jail or DIP; Operator license suspended 1 year beginning 4/5/19; 2 year probation; Secure operator license; 40 hour community service; TFC; Obtain GED or high school diploma; 3rd millennium marijuana course

Koven O. Vanover, Willshire, OH; Seat belt/drive; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled no contest; Pay fine by 4/26/19

Jason A. Dodson, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dakota Bradford, Grover Hill, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Abdirahman M. Omar, Greeley, OH; Failure to control; Defendant pled no contest to a written change of plea; Pay waiver of \$165.00

Ronald Bidlack, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Scott A. Shull, Paulding,

OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brandon Lee Barkman, Hicksville, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Defendant appeared on warrant and warrant block without counsel; Pled guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond

Shawn A. Carnahan, Payne, OH; Obstructing; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Complete DIP program by 6/28/19; Maintain general good behavior

Shawn A. Carnahan, Payne, OH; Hit skip; Count A dismissed per state agreement

Shawn A. Carnahan, Payne, OH; Failure to control; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Bates; Pled no contest; Pay or collections 6/28/19

Shawn A. Carnahan, Payne, OH; Seatbelt; Defendant appeared in open court with Mr. Bates; Pled no contest; Pay or collections

LEGAL NOTICE

BID NOTICE
 Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Paulding County Commissioners, Paulding County, Ohio, for the following improvements:

Reconstruction of MELODY ACRES DITCH in Paulding County
 Until **11:00 a.m. (Ohio Time) May 7, 2019** and then at the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud at the May 8th board meeting. BIDS may be hand delivered or mailed to the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District, 900B Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio 45879 and must be received prior to the date and time of Bid Opening.

The Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Project Manual with Specifications, are on file at the office of the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District, 900B Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio 45879. A set may be obtained at a cost of \$10.00 from the Paulding SWCD. Checks shall be made payable to: Paulding SWCD. This payment for Drawings and Project Manual is non-refundable. Additional copies (in excess of one) of the Drawings and Project Manual may be purchased at a cost of \$5.00 for Drawings and \$5.00 for Project Manual. No refund will be allowed for the return of any additional copies.

Each BID must be submitted in a sealed envelope. Each sealed envelope containing a BID must bear on the outside the name of the BIDDER, his address, his license number, if applicable, and the name of the project for which the BID is submitted. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the BID must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District, 900B Fairground Drive, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

BIDDERS shall use the printed forms provided by the ENGINEER, as none other will be received. The entire bid booklet shall be submitted as one complete unit.

Each bid shall contain the full name and correct address of every person, firm, or company interested in same, and shall be accompanied by a certified check or cashier's check upon a solvent bank in the amount of 10% of the bid or a bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in Ohio, for a sum equal to the amount of the bid submitted, as a guarantee that if the bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. The Paulding County Commissioners do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or the provision of services. The BIDDER (Proposer) must supply all the information required by the bid or proposal form.

The County Commissioners of Paulding reserve the right to reject any or all bids.
 Cindy Peters Clerk,
 Paulding County Commissioners

PAULDING ELEMENTARY MARCH STUDENT OF THE MONTH



March 2019 Student of the Month for Paulding Elementary left to right: Front Row: Savannah Barnes, Michael Hastings, Jorge Flores-Ruiz, Kole Jones, Melissa Ramirez-Cortes, Tucker Stoller, Alia Floss. Middle Row: Madalyn Dierksheide, Leah Manz, Skilerr Good, Kenna Jackson, Carly Font, Blake Santo, Logan Winke. Back Row: Camron Wolford, Ross Myers, Landen Danberry, Xenia Casiano, Camdyn Manz, Gracie Leal, Tory Singer, Mr. Puthuff. Missing from picture: Charlie Lero, Remington Boroff

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

AUGLAIZE TWP

4/1/19 Grunden Kenneth E To Grunden Brittany; 18500 Rd 1027 Defiance Oh 43512; 0.4152 Acres; Lot 78 Auglaize Hills Dev#2 Auglaize Twp S-19

4/2/19 New Adventure Properties Llc To Rison Scott Earl Rison Misty Dawn; 19826 Sr 111 Defiance Oh 43512; 0.2583 Acres; Lot 10 Auglaize Country Club Rsauglaize Twp S-19

4/2/19 New Adventure Properties Llc To Rison Scott Earl Rison Misty Dawn; Sr 111; 0.2583 Acres; Lot 9 Auglaize Country Club Rsauglaize Twp S-19

4/2/19 New Adventure Properties Llc To Rison Scott Earl Rison Misty Dawn; Sr 111; 0.2583 Acres; Lot 9 Auglaize Country Club Rsauglaize Twp S-19

BENTON TWP

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 52; 40 Acres; E1/2 E1/2 Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-13

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 52; 40 Acres; W1/2 E1/2 Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-13 Easement Ref V586 P1133

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; 6680 Rd 52 Payne Oh 45880; 80 Acres; W1/2 Se1/4 Benton Twp S-13

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; Sr 49; 23.58 Acres; Pt E S E1/2 Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-15 Easement Ref V 586 P 1133

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trust-

ee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 52; 81.458 Acres; W1/2 Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-15 Easement Ref V 586 P 1133

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee To Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 33; 38.936 Acres; Sw1/4 Sw1/4 Benton Twp S-27

4/1/19 Gordon Thomas J & Gordon Diane M To Gordon Diane M; Rd 24; 31.031 Acres; Pt Sw1/4 Se1/4 S-27 Benton Twp

4/1/19 Gordon Thomas J & Gordon Diane M To Gordon Diane M; 1957 Sr 49 Payne Oh 45880; 0.559 Acres; Pt Ne1/4 Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-34

4/1/19 Gordon Thomas J & Gordon Diane M To Gordon Diane M; 4976 Rd 24 Payne Oh 45880; 0.918 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-34

4/1/19 Gordon Thomas J & Gordon Diane M to Gordon Diane M; Rd 24; 1.473 acres; Pt Ne1/4Ne1/4 Benton Twp S-34

4/1/19 Gordon Thomas J & Gordon Diane M to Gordon Diane M; Rd 24; 45.344 acres; Pt Ne1/4 S-34Benton Twp

BLUE CREEK TWP

4/4/19 Apostolic Christian Church Trustees to Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Ohio Inc; Rd 82; 1.05 acres; Ne Cor Ne1/4Ne1/4 Cem Blue Creek Twp S-1 05-006896-00-00

4/4/19 Apostolic Christian Church Trustees to Apostolic Christian Church Of

Latty Ohio Inc; Rd 82; 1 acres; Pt N1/2Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-1

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee to Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 67; 80 acres; W1/2 Se1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-7

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee to Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 48; 78.442 acres; E1/2 Sw1/4 Less 1.558A Blue Creek Twp S-18

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee to Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 59; 33 acres; Nwfr1/4Sw1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-18

BROWN TWP

4/3/19 Zimmerman Charles E Trustee to Zimmerman Randy J; Rd 263; 8.507 acres; N1/2 Se1/4 Less 1.493 A 08-011080-00-00

4/4/19 Carnahan George A Carnahan Sue A to Denney Devan Ray Lewis; 314 N First St; 0.1303 acres; Lot 16 Grove Addition Oakwood Vill

4/4/19 Carnahan George A Carnahan Sue A to Denney Devan Ray Lewis; First St; 0.0636 acres; Lot 15 Less 45 Ft N S Grove Add Oakwood Vill

CARRYALL TWP

4/1/19 Octaviano Arturo W to Barnard Wesley M; 104 Archer Dr; 0.2576 acres; Lot 18 85X132 Block B Antwerp Vill

4/4/19 Bok Anita S to Bok Robert J Bok Anita S; 612 N Main St; 5 acres; Pt Nwfr1/4 Outlots S-27 Antwerp Vill

4/2/19 Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation to Rohrs Brooks M; 508 N Main St; 0.485 acres; Pt Nwfr1/4 Outlots S-27 Antwerp Vill

CRANE TWP

4/1/19 Koenn Jason T to Smalley Derek; 16756 Rd 87 Cecil Oh 45821; 0.539 acres; Lot 7 Sw Pt Nw1/4 Nw1/4 Noneman Crane Acres Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 15

4/1/19 Koenn Jason T to Smalley Derek; Rd 87; 0.216 acres; Pt Sw1/4 Nw1/4 Nw1/4 Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 15

HARRISON TWP

4/4/19 Brenneke Ruth A to Brenneke Ruth A Le; 2752 Rd 144 Antwerp Oh 45813; 1.74 acres; Pt N1/2 Ne1/4 Harrison-Antwerp Sec 8

JACKSON TWP

4/4/19 Hemenway Philip D Hemenway Bonnie J to Hemenway Bonnie J; Rd 118; 5.421 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Sw1/4 Jackson Twp S-23

4/4/19 Hemenway Philip D Hemenway Bonnie J to Hemenway Bonnie J; 17419 Rd 118; 6 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Sw1/4 Jackson Twp Sec 23

4/4/19 Dunakin Harley Clyde Dunakin Jacqueline Mae to Dunakin Jacqueline Mae; 837 Johnson Rd; 0.2583 Acres; Lot 84 Noneman Em acres Allot#1 Paulding Village

4/2/19 Bell Brandon L to Kipfer Morris T Kipfer Chelsea L; 623 Airport Rd; 0.459 acres; Outlot 6008 Pt Nw1/4 Paulding Vill

PAULDING TWP

4/4/19 Rager Roy J Trustee Rager Eric D Trustee to Rager Roy J Trustee; Rd 71; 80 acres; N1/2 Se1/4 S-18 Pldg Twp

4/2/19 Kipfer Morris & Kipfer Chelsea to Little Roland L; Rd 90; 0.431 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Sw1/4 S-29 Pldg Twp

4/2/19 Kipfer Morris & Kipfer Chelsea to Little Roland L; 8258 Rd 90 Paulding Oh 45879; 0.707 acres; Pt Ne1/4Sw1/4 S-29 Pldg T Paulding Twp Sec 29

4/4/19 Apostolic Christian

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

Church Of Latty Trs to Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Ohio Inc; Rd 82; 3.36 acres; Pts1/2Se1/4 S-36 Pldg Wt

4/4/19 Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Trs to Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Ohio Inc; 12867 Rd 82; 3.43 acres; Pt S1/2 Se1/4 S-36 Pld Wt

4/4/19 Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Trs to Apostolic Christian Church Of Latty Ohio Inc; Rd 82; 2.16 acres; Pt Se Cor Se1/4 Se1/4 S-36 Pldg Twp Wt

4.2/19 Manz Brandon J to Mccabe Terri J; 760 N Walnut St; 0.1653 acres; Lot 19 Noneman Subdiv Paulding Vill

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Lou Ann Wannemacher, Plaintiff, vs. Devin C. White, et.al. Defendant

Case No. CI 19 036

To: Devin C. White, Unknown Spouse of Devin C. White and Beneficial Ohio, Inc.

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Devin C. White- 11516 Rd. 169, Oakwood, Ohio; Beneficial Ohio, Inc. --121 W. Washington Street, Napoleon, Ohio

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 Devin C. White to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you; Beneficial Ohio, Inc. is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed a mortgage recorded in Volume 515 Page 102 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 Township of Brown, County of Paulding and State of Ohio, and known as: A parcel of land being part of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 2 North, Range 4 East, Brown Township, Paulding County, Ohio, and being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron pin found, at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9; Thence North 00°01'48" West, on the West line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, for a distance of 274.34 feet to a point; Thence North 89°55'26" East on a line being parallel with the South line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9 for a distance of 20.00 feet to a 5/8" x 30" iron pin and reference cap set; thence

South 00°01'48" East, on a line being parallel with the west line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9 for a distance of 274.34 feet to a 5/8" iron pin found, on the South line of the Northwest Quarter of Section 9, for a distance of 297.56 feet, to a 5/8" iron pin found; thence continuing South 89°55'26" West, for a distance of 20.00 feet, to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING of the parcel herein described, containing 2.000 acres of land, more or less, excepting therefrom all legal easements, zoning restrictions and legal highways of record. The bearings used herein are for the purpose of describing angles only and are not referenced to true or magnetic North. This legal description and survey of this parcel was prepared by Chester A. Miller, Registered Surveyor No. 669 on September 22, 1998.

Parcel ID No. 08-09S-005-01
Property Address: 11516 Rd. 169, Oakwood, Ohio

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

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

LEGAL NOTICE

2019 Joint Township Chip Seal Project

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding, Ohio, at its office in the Court House, 115 N. Williams Street, Rm. B-1, Paulding, Ohio, until 9:00 A.M., D.S.T. on April 15, 2019

PROPOSAL: Chip sealing various Township roads within Paulding County, Ohio.
Engineer's Estimate = \$301,230.79

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed as listed above.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employ-

ment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

All contractors shall follow all applicable Federal and State OSHA regulations. The contractor shall also hold the County Engineer harmless for any violations or fines received while engaged in this project.

All contractors must provide current Certificate of Liability Insurance Coverage for \$1,000,000 along with a current Certificate of Worker's Compensation Coverage, before they can be hired to perform any type of work for the Paulding County.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County, Ohio as determined by the Ohio Department of Industrial Relations.

All materials shall conform to the 2013 revision of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.

"DOMESTIC STEEL USE REQUIREMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE APPLY TO THIS PROJECT. COPIES OF SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY OF THE OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES."

Prevailing Wage. Recipient shall comply, and shall require that all Contractors and subcontractors working on the Project comply, with the prevailing wage requirements contained in Sections 4115.03 to 4115.16 of the Revised Code.

Sealed bids shall be in writing and in accordance with specifications furnished by Paulding County and on file in the Offices of the Paulding County Engineer and Commissioners.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, and bids on the above named items to be marked: PROPOSAL: "2019 JOINT TOWNSHIP CHIP SEAL PROJECT"

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
CYNTHIA PETERS CLERK, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ARCHERS, TIGERS SPLIT PAIR



Antwerp's Luke Krouse tags the ball between center and right fielders, picking up an RBI and a double! More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - Liberty Center traveled to Antwerp on Saturday for a baseball doubleheader that saw the Tigers and Archers each take a win on a beautiful spring day.

A four-run Archer fourth inning proved to be the difference in the opener as Antwerp doubled up the Tigers 8-4.

In game two, the squads were tied at 7-7 entering the top of the ninth before Liberty Center exploded for seven runs in a 14-7 victory.

Austin Lichty and Jason Geyer both had two hits for the Archers while Hunter Sproles, Blake Schuette, Jacob

Savina and Luke Krouse all picked up one.

Krouse, Schuette and Sproles each drove in two runs as well for the blue and white.

In the opener, Savina had a pair of singles while Lichty, Dylan Hines, Krouse, Sproles and Geyer all added hits in the Antwerp victory.

Sproles, Savina and Lichty each scored twice for the Archers, who are now 4-3 on the season.

Schuette, Savina and Krouse combined to limit the Tigers to six hits while striking out six and walking six on the mound.

RAIDERS TAKE A BIG HIT FROM LANCERS



In the first game of the double header against Lincolnview, Wayne Trace Junior Drew Forrer hits the ground ball to the shortstop. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Saturday, April 6th was picture perfect for High School baseball. A double header converged on the Raider field. Lancers took control of Game 1 with a low

scoring game; final score: 4-1 Lancers. Game 2 proved to be too much for Raider defense as Lincolnview shut out Wayne Trace 9-0.

PANTHERS FALL TO BULLDOGS

DEFIANCE - Host Defiance held off a late rally by Paulding for a 3-2 win over the Panthers in varsity baseball action last week.

The Bulldogs scored twice in the fourth to grab a 2-0 lead before the Panthers sliced the lead in half with a run in the top of the fifth.

After Defiance answered with a run in the home half of the fifth to make it 3-1, the maroon and white got one run back in the top of the

sixth but couldn't score again as the Bulldogs held on for the win.

Jaret Miller had two singles to top the Panther offense with Evan Edwards, Carson Shull and Kolson Egnor all picking up a single as well.

Defiance received singles from Cam McDonald, Brandon Shafer, Adalberto Vega and James Seele.

Jacob Howard tossed six innings to get the win for the Bulldogs, surrendering five hits, two unearned runs and three walks. Howard also struck out six Panther batters.

Westan Phlipot took the loss for the Panthers, allowing four hits, three runs (one earned) and three walks while striking out six in six innings of work.

OHIO WILDLIFE SPOTLIGHT: THE BARRED OWL



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

Whoooooo wants to learn about more Ohio wildlife? Whooooo has heard this animal sounding its call in the middle of the night? You may already be able to guess the species that we have chosen for this week's news article. More specifically, this week's news article will look at one member of this species that is found around Ohio, the Barred Owl. Where does this animal live? What do they eat? What are some unique characteristics about them? Learn along with us as we look at another amazing Ohio wildlife resident.

Unlike other owl species, the Barred Owl does not have "horns" or large ear tufts, which are long feathers on the tops of their heads that look like horns. This species is identified by its brownish-gray feathers with white patches on their back, and white streaks that run laterally along their stomach. According to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), the Barred Owl has white bars that appear on their neck and breast that run slanting across these areas and to which this animal gets its name. Additionally, it is important to point out that this species is unlike most of its other owl relatives in that their eyes are brown in color rather than the yellow we traditionally see with owls. On average, the Barred Owl will be around 18-22 inches with about a four-foot wingspan.

According to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the Barred Owls will take up residence during the day high in the forest trees while coming out at night to do their hunting for prey, often those of the rodent kind. This is a nocturnal behavior which means they are active at night and typically inactive during the daytime hours. The owl will make a home in an area that offers a mix of deciduous and evergreen trees with their home specifically being in the cavities of the tree. Homes are often located near sources of water. ODNR points out recent research that points to the fact that Barred Owls have shown a preference towards damp sites because these areas have a lesser likelihood to be disturbed by timber harvests that take away the mature trees they use for their nesting areas, which is a critical part of their habitat. Should hunting prove to be less productive in a certain area, this species of owl

CHLOE ENJOYS STORY TIME AT PAYNE ELEMENTARY



Mrs. Moran's class at Payne Elementary had a recent visit from our four legged friend Chloe. Our monthly story time with Chloe is a fun way to enjoy books about animals and friendship.

will move to a different area, otherwise they do not travel large distances.

Previously, it was mentioned that rodents are a favorite of the Barred Owl, although this is not the only thing that they will eat. Other prey of this owl includes: reptiles, fish, snails, slugs, bats, chickens, crows, crayfish, and rabbits to name a few. ODNR writes that Barred Owls that live in Ohio will commonly dine on meadow voles, short-tailed shrews, and white footed mouse. Again, the owl does its hunting at night and it is extremely rare to see them doing any hunting during the daytime hours.

It is common for members of the owl species that they will not go to the trouble of building their own nests. As was previously mentioned, they commonly will use hollowed out tree cavities or maybe an old squirrel's nest. Typically, the incubation time for the egg of the Barred Owl is about a month with the average two to three eggs hatching between the middle of March and the middle of April as spring sets in. ODNR writes that within a week of hatching the eyes of the young owls, known as owlets, will open and leaving the nest a month following that. It is not until the owlets are around nine weeks old that they will gain the ability to fly.

The Audubon Society notes that the Barred Owl is currently "widespread and common" but has possibly seen a population decrease in areas of the south with a loss of swampy habitat. It is also noted that this species has moved into the northwestern areas of the United States only to find itself competing with another owl species already living in the area known as the Spotted Owl.

Have you seen a Barred Owl spotted in your neighborhood? Let us know, we would love to see your photos and hear your stories! If you do take a photo, why not submit it as part of our ongoing photo contest? Send us your photos and be entered to win a cash prize from the Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District! Check our website for complete details or call the office and we will be happy to assist! Now you know a little more about yet another resident of our great state of Ohio, stay tuned for additional installments of our Ohio Wildlife Series.

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY BY GOING GREEN YOUR WAY

There are lots of articles out there that tell you how you can celebrate Earth Day. With the day approaching April 22nd, here are some small things that can make a big difference.

Spring Clean

FREE: Wipe up with old T-shirts and dishcloths instead of buying sponges or using paper products that will end up in a landfill.

CHEAP: Make your own cleaning products with baking soda, vinegar, lemon juice and olive oil (recipes at spryliving.com)

ECO-INVESTMENT: Purchase cleaning products made with toxin-free and biodegradable ingredients.

Getting Groomed

FREE: Make a list of grooming must-haves - and stick to it. Buy only the essentials reduces the amount of packaging you throw away (not to mention cabinet clutter).

CHEAP: Cook up self-care concoctions using natural ingredients.

ECO-INVESTMENT: Buy only products that do not contain problematic ingredients such as parabens, phthalates, synthetic fragrances and petroleum derivatives.

Powering Up:

FREE: Unplug electronics when they are not in use to save "phantom energy" that can add up to 5% to your electric bill each year.

CHEAP: Contact your power company to find out whether you can purchase solar and wind power.

ECO-INVESTMENT: Get an energy audit of your home to find out where you are wasting energy.

Getting Around:

FREE: Drive the speed limit to save gas.

CHEAP: As often as possible, carpool with friends and colleagues to work and other group gathering places.

ECO-INVESTMENT: Purchase a vehicle that gets at least 30 miles per gallon on the highway.

In the Bathroom:

FREE: Conserve 10 or more gallons of water each day by reducing the amount used by placing pebbles into a plastic bottle, fill with water and place into the tank.

CHEAP: Install a low-flow showerhead to save 3 to 4 gallons of water per minute while you shower.

ECO-INVESTMENT: Get a low-flow toilet that uses no more than 1.6 gallons per flush.

Doing Laundry:

FREE: Switch to "cold" for every load to make a huge impact: about 90 % of the energy required to wash clothing is used to heat the water.

CHEAP: To protect waterways, choose laundry detergents free of chemicals phosphates, bleach and synthetic fragrances.

So, just by doing small things in your own home, can make "going green" easy.

PAULDING & VAN WERT COUNTIES PARTNER IN SUPPLY DRIVE FOR NEBRASKA FLOOD VICTIMS

By: Sarah Noggle, OSU Extension Agriculture and Natural Resources, Paulding County and Heather Gottke, OSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Van Wert County

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ty-three counties in Nebraska are currently experiencing a state of emergency declaration with historic flooding and catastrophic losses of over \$600 million dollars from one of the most devastating disasters in recent history. As many as one million calves (and counting) have been lost due to the flooding as well as millions of bushels of wheat, corn, and soybeans destroyed with no foreseen ability to plant crops for 2019.

Last week farmers left from many Northwest Ohio counties to help get the much needed supplies to those farms and families in need. After Abram Klopfenstein and his father headed to Nebraska over the weekend, they were in contact with other farmers in Northwest Ohio. Additionally, some farmers wanted to followed suit and continue the drive into Van Wert and Paulding Counties. Tristin Miller contacted his Uncle Tony and wanted to work to continue the efforts. Over the weekend, they continued contact with local farmers, county extension offices, agribusiness, local 4-H and FFA Chapters and the county Farm Bureaus to increase the drive of items needed.

“Everyone is working together to give in this effort. There is a lot of planning when the end result is doing what farmers do best, working together in times of need. Tristin started a Facebook page and Tony started lining up drop off locations and transportation.” Stated Noggle.

Noggle and Gottke of the Paulding and Van Wert Extension offices used their resources in creating flyers and

press releases as well as working on the places to make financial donations.

“Coordination is key in the process. We don’t want to be sending items that the places can’t use which is hard when you are thinking about donations. We have been in contact with Abram Klopfenstein after they dropped off supplies in the area of Pleasanton, Nebraska. Additionally, I went with the boots on the ground approach by contacting the local Agricultural Education instructors and County Extension staff as well as the Nebraska Department of Ag to make sure we are working on their needs.”

In an effort to support farmers in need, Van Wert and Paulding Counties are working together to collect items to take out to Nebraska to help those in need. The group is planning to travel to Nebraska leaving April 12. They need your help to collect as many items as possible to help! There are many ways to donate your time, treasures and talents.

Specific details include:

1. Donate any items from the list below and drop off at the donation area. Deadline for physical donations is Tuesday, April 9, 2019. Drop off locations are the Paulding County or Van Wert County Fairgrounds.

2. If one cannot donate from the supplies list, we are asking for monetary donations. The cost of fuel, meals and rooming per vehicle will be around \$2000 as an estimate per vehicle in the caravan.

a. Any monetary donations can be made out to the Paulding County Area Foundation with memo “Nebraska Relief Fund”.

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ka Relief Fund”. Those not wishing to travel to Paulding can drop off the checks to the Van Wert County Extension Office on the Fairgrounds (Monday- Friday 8:00am-4:30pm and Tuesday and Thursday 5:00-7:00pm) or the Paulding County Extension Office (Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm). Those donations will be delivered to the Paulding County Area Foundation.

b. Monetary donations can be collected at any time or mailed to the Paulding County Area Foundation c/o Nebraska Relief Fund, 101 East Perry Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879.

c. Additionally, farmers wanting to donate an in-kind grain donation can transfer or drop off grain at area elevators in the name of the Paulding County Area Foundation.

d. Please contact Lisa McClure for additional information on the grain or monetary donations. Her number is (419)399-8296.

e. Extra money raised after the travel costs will be donated to the Nebraska State

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b. Priority #2 (Hay): Large Round or Square Bales

c. Priority #3 (Livestock Feed): Mineral Blocks or Salt Licks, Bagged Calf Starter Feed, Cow Feed, Milk Replacer, Horse Feed

d. Priority #4 (Other): Livestock Bedding- Straw Bales or Corn Cob (No Shavings), Bagged Ag Lime, Contractor Trash Bags, Large Round Trash Cans with Lids

As much as the thought is appreciated, Nebraska is overwhelmed with donations of water, cleaning supplies, baby items, clothes, and food. Please consider a monetary donation if those items are the only things you would consider donating to those in need.

Supply donations need to be done and collected no later than Tuesday, April 9, 2019 in the evening. There will be an organized collection drive from 8:30am-12:30pm on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the Jr. Fair Dairy barn located on the south end of the fairgrounds in Van Wert County. Those wishing to donate should come to the east doors (facing Washington Street) to unload. Those with larger trailers should enter at Gate 4 for ease of maneuvering. On Saturday, April 6 from 9:00am-11:00 am at the Paulding County Fairgrounds will be an additional live drive. Please enter at the Main Gate near the Extension Building. There will be help to unload at both locations.

If you are unable to come during those times and have a large donation to unload, please contact Heather Gottke at the Van Wert Extension Office at (419) 238-1214 to make arrangements or Tony Miller in Paulding

County at (419)203-1673. If you are interested in getting more involved you can check out the Facebook page, Van Wert to Nebraska #farmershelpingfarmers for more information.

AUCTION TO BE HELD AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY

The Oakwood Homecoming and Oakwood Arbor are co-hosting a quarter auction on Saturday, April 13th at Oakwood Elementary. Doors open at 6:00 with the auction beginning at 7:00. Paddles will be available. Hot dogs, chips, desserts, and drinks will be available. Proceeds will go towards the Homecoming’s 100th anniversary celebration.

LATTA STANDS UP FOR LIFE AT E&C LEGISLATIVE MARK-UP

At a House Energy and Commerce Committee legislative mark-up, Congressman Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) introduced a pro-life amendment to ensure that consumers have transparency when purchasing health insurance. The amendment requires Obamacare Navigators to disclose whether a health insurance policy covers abortion – and what the monthly surcharge is for that coverage. The amendment to H.R. 1386 would apply to newly established exchanges. It was defeated on a party line vote.

“This amendment was about ensuring that consumers had access to information that could inform

Sudoku solution from page 13

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

their decision when purchasing insurance,” said Latta. “Americans have a right to know if their premiums are going to a practice that they find abhorrent. The fact that this amendment was blocked shows once again how extreme the abortion agenda has become. Along with Democratic leadership continuing to block the Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, this vote shows we need to continue to stand firmly for life. I won’t stop in my efforts to pass policies that protect the unborn.”

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Job Responsibilities
The Community Development Planner will be primarily responsible for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program processes for the five-county region. The Community Development Planner will also perform a variety of professional activities in support of the organization’s planning services and will work under the supervision of the Executive Director. The responsibilities of the Community Development Planner include, but are not limited to:
• Meeting with local governments, county organizations, and the public
• Writing and administering grants
• Developing planning documents for grant funding
• Preparing environmental review records
• Record keeping and grant compliance
• Coordinating and implementing various Federal and State programs
• Preparing reports and presentations for community groups and public officials
Frequently works in a team setting and coordinates work with that of other departments and public agencies.

Perform other duties, as assigned, to assist in attaining and/or completing projects and programs that MVPO administers.
Qualifications
At minimum, the position requires a bachelor’s degree in Planning, Public Administration, Construction Science, Economics, Geography, or related field. Successful candidate must possess strong written and verbal communication skills and be self-motivated with the desire to work in a hectic yet professional business environment. Applicant must be highly organized, have excellent written and verbal communication skills, be personable and have the desire and ability to work as a team member. Experience with Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) is desired and preference will be given to candidates possessing CDBG experience. The successful candidate must maintain a valid driver’s license. Two years of professional planning experience preferred.
Method of Application and Deadline
All interested applicants must submit a resume and three professional references, along with a cover letter. Samples of previous work are required.
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Or e-mail to: **mvpo@mvpo.org**
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THIS WEEK AT KIWANIS



Pictured on the left is Suzanne Rister and on the right is Tiffany Beckman.

Kiwanis member Tiffany Beckman introduced Judge Suzanne Rister as the guest speaker to talk more about the Paulding County Court. A task of the court is to collect money from tickets. Money from traffic tickets are usually dispersed in 3 ways. The state of Ohio receives money from each ticket and that money then goes to the general fund, to aid crime victims, as well as drug and alcohol treatment programs. Municipalities and the county receive another portion of the ticket monies. "If you get a speeding ticket in Oakwood, Oakwood would receive a portion of that ticket money," says Judge Rister. Lastly some money from a ticket is retained by the court to be used for things like software updates and other updates that allow them to more efficiently run their office. In 2018 there were over \$1,000,000 in receipts

and \$12,000 was worked off through community services in lieu of payment; and house arrests monitored through the court saved \$40,000 in jail costs in 2018.

The money paid by those who received tickets was also used to provide a new DNR officer in Paulding County. The money also helped fund a special project to provide all Sheriff's Deputies the ability to use e-citations which takes place of handwritten tickets. E-citations are neatly printed tickets that require the deputy or officer to enter in the offender's information rather than writing out the entire ticket. This technology is currently used by the State Highway Patrol.

Judge Rister mentioned the new distracted driving law which is a secondary offense and can be given on top of a speeding ticket, seat belt ticket, etc. Different from the no

texting while driving law, the new law encompasses all types of distractions that can result in accident or injury including messing with the radio or checking your phone. This can result in an extra \$100 ticket. "On the plus side you can take an online course to waive that \$100 ticket, which some people have chosen to do," says Judge Rister. Kiwanis thanks Judge Rister for her service to our community. Members will meet next Thursday over lunch.

PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC & MIDWEST ELECTRIC CO-OPS CONSIDER CONSOLIDATION

The boards of Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op (PPEC) and Midwest Electric have voted to conduct a comprehensive study of consolidating the two organizations. If the study results are positive and both boards agree to proceed with a consolidation, the decision would go before the membership of both cooperatives for a final vote.

An initial study by National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation (CFC) estimates \$11 million - \$13 million in savings over a 10-year period. Currently, the two electric co-ops have a shared service program where they share a communications coordinator and an energy auditor. "It has been very beneficial in terms of cost savings and provides a glimpse of what could be possible with a full consolidation," stated Midwest Electric CEO Matt Berry.

"A full study will be more comprehensive than the initial CFC study and will help answer specific questions such as where the savings would come from. Ultimately, the primary reason is meaningful, long-lasting financial savings for our members," said Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op CEO George Carter.

The new study will be conducted this spring by the National Rural Electric Coopera-

tive Association and will take 8 weeks to complete. Throughout the coming months and after the study, both co-ops will communicate results with their members and employees at meetings and through a variety of communication channels. Berry and Carter said feedback, questions, and concerns will be solicited throughout the entire process.

At the end of the study process and after seeking member input, each board will determine whether to proceed with a recommendation to consolidate. If both boards recommend consolidation, the members of both cooperatives will vote on a proposal.

"Midwest Electric and Paulding Putnam Electric are small electric cooperatives, smaller than average," said Berry. "That poses unique economic challenges yet opens the door for us to consider alternative operational models. Because the delivery of cost-effective value is a priority for both organizations, we believe it's in our members' best interest that we thoroughly investigate whether a consolidation can deliver beneficial results to our members."

"A decision to proceed with a full study is absolutely the right decision for both boards," stated Carter. "They're being very measured and thoughtful, and not rushing into anything. They're taking a considerable amount of time to ponder this. This is the most important decision the board will ever make. They're in a position where whatever decision they make, whether go or no-go, has a huge impact on the cooperative, its members and employees."

Midwest Electric serves 10,772 members in West Central Ohio, while Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative serves 13,063 in Northwest Ohio and Northeast Indiana. The two co-ops service territories meet at Van Wert and Putnam counties. To learn more about this study and potential joint venture, visit www.midwestrec.com or www.PPEC.coop.

IDEA FRIENDLY COMING TO TOWN



Deb Brown, co-founder of SaveYourTown will be in Paulding County for an Embedded Community Experience (ECE). The focus of this project, made possible by the Great Lakes Rural Community Assistance Program (GLRCAP), is to provide our community with an Idea Friendly way to move forward and continue to create a thriving town. The Idea Friendly platform is simple: Gather Your Crowd, Build Connections and Take Small Steps.

"It's not about me; it's about your town! I don't propose to know what you might need or want. I know every town is different and we do share some similarities. We will get to the bottom of what you want and how to go about it," says Brown.

Brown will meet with groups and organizations throughout the five days, tour the community, and visit with business owners and townspeople. The ECE is a customized approach and not some speaker coming in with a template telling the community what to do. Community Revitalizing Paulding (CoRP) and (GLRCAP) want to have more conversations in the community about what they can do in OUR town.

"We are excited and look-

ing forward to Deb Brown's visit to the Paulding area. We have been using a number of her ideas in attracting new business startups and promoting community events and activities," said Jerry Zielke Paulding County Economic Development Director. "CoRP and Deb will be hosting an Open Public Meeting on Monday April 15th at the Branch Christian Church (the former ONG building) at 109 N Main St in Paulding at 6:30 pm for anyone interested in improving our community".

There is a final report prepared after the ECE. This is often used in reports by the community, in grant funding requests, and by showing the town what could be possible, what could be expanded, and what is working now. You'll hear success stories from other communities, and ideas that have worked. The people who participate are recharged, learn new tools to use going forward and are able to share what they have learned with other town members. You can find more information about Deb at www.buildingpossibility.com or www.saveyour.town

For more information and to find out how you can participate, contact Jerry Zielke at the PCED office at 419-399-8282

Deb Brown Bio:

Deb grew up on a farm outside of Geneva, Iowa, population 141. Her first entrepreneurial venture was raising a hog. You'd find her either with her nose in a history book or out exploring abandoned houses and buildings. Funny, things haven't changed much; she's still working on filling empty buildings in small towns.

She has the ability to listen, find the truths in what is working and what isn't, and share your ideas for the future along with other town's examples. Deb is a relentless optimist and knows how to build possibility in your small town. Better yet, she inspires you to take small steps towards a brighter future for your community.

Her programs on small business, what to do with empty buildings, customer service, marketing and economic development have been received by chambers, economic developers, tourism specialists, museum experts, business groups, and small town conferences. Deb has keynoted at Colorado Hospital Association Rural Health and Hospitals Conference, Women's Business Conference in Kearney, NE, Building Communities Tourism Conference in Clear Lake, Iowa, Reviving Rural Downtowns in Adams County, Washington, Rural X Summit in Aberdeen, SD, R2R in Portland, OR, Michigan Rural Economic Development Conference, and Roscommon County Michigan. She did a TEDx presentation about empty buildings in Brookings, SD and has traveled the United States embedding herself in small towns for a week on Embedded Community Experiences.

You can find more information about Deb at www.buildingpossibility.com or www.saveyour.town

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Sunday, April 21, 2019

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