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## BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES HONOR CUSTODIAN FOR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION

The EACS Board of School Trustees recognized and honored Michael Johnson for receiving the TinCaps All Star Educator Award! Mr. Johnson has worked for East Allen County Schools for twenty-four years. While working in the district, he has served in the Leo, New Haven, and Harding attendance areas as a custodian and currently serves as a head custodian at Paul Harding Junior High and East Allen University. If you ask anyone who has worked with Michael Johnson to describe him, one

phrase comes up consistently "Servant Leader." Michael is a man of faith who leads each day with how he serves others before himself. He makes the most of each day and does not take anything or anyone for granted. He is humble and always has a smile on his face. He is not one who looks for recognition because he feels what he does reflects the type of person he is each and every day. His interaction with students is priceless because you can tell that he cares about the youth of this generation. He wants all students to be the best version of themselves. He is a teacher as well as a custodian.

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## JPHS HOST 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ATHS VINTAGE TRUCK SHOW



The John Paulding Historical Society will be hosting their 19th annual ATHS Vintage Truck Show on Sunday, September 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the museum grounds across from the Paulding County fairgrounds.

The show will feature an-

tique and special interest vehicles. No Admission - No Entry fee. Donations will be accepted and are greatly appreciated.

JPHS President Kim Sutton states "We are so fortunate this year to have the General Motors Futurliner from the National Automotive &

Truck Museum return to our grounds. It was last here in 2017 and if you missed it then - don't miss it this time!"

The truck show is very fortunate to be able to show this unique and rare vehicle. Built in 1939 the Futurliner would have a new car inside  
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## BID TO BE DJ FOR A DAY FOR MY102.7

You could be the DJ for a day on Paulding County's own MY102.7 if you have the highest bid. The station is hosting an online auction for the opportunity, with all proceeds benefiting Team Terel, a cause supporting a local family in need.

Terel Arnett-Dias has stage 4 metastatic breast cancer. The mother and wife is also pregnant with her second daughter, making treatment extra difficult. Friends and family started Team Terel to help raise funds for the Arnett-Dias family and garner words of support and encouragement. After learning about the family's situation, the team at WMYW devised a way to help.

The station will accept bids for the DJ for a day auction

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## PAULDING COUNTY PARK BOARD CELEBRATION

Join the Paulding County Park Board September 14, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Five Span Park (Juc. 111 & 637) in celebrating the completion of the boat dock on the Auglaize River. Refreshments will be provided by Friends of the Paulding County Parks.

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## 1<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL DESIGNER PURSE BINGO BENEFITING THE VOLUNTEER CENTER

Get out with the girls for a night of glamour, games, and wine! September 27 marks the date for the inaugural Designer Purse Bingo event benefiting the mission and programs of the Volunteer Center in Fort Wayne, IN. Tickets include dinner, 20 games of bingo and a guaran-

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## Community Calendar

September 10

- Pickleball @ Tennis Courts, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm

September 12

- Living Free Series @ Hope Chapel, Van Wert, 5:30pm
- Senior Saints Concert @ Huber, 7pm

September 14

- Central Lutheran School Fall Fest, 4-8pm
- PC Park Board @ 5 Span Park, 11am

September 15

- Mastering Your Anger & Cecil Comm. Church, 7:15pm
- Whisnants Concert @ Butler UMC, 6:15pm

September 16

- PC Library meeting @ 5:30pm

September 17

- Pickleball @ Tennis Courts, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm

September 19

- Living Free Series @ Hope Chapel, Van Wert, 5:30pm

September 20

- Daryl Wayne Dasher Concert @ FRCFF, 7pm

September 21

- Glass City Dance Party @ Holland Gardens, OH, 8-11:30pm

September 22

- Praise in the Park, Woodburn Park, 6:30pm; 5pm Potluck @ Shelter
- Miracle Night @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm
- ATHS Vintage Truck Show @ JPHS, 9a-4p

September 23

- Emergency Training @ Huber, 6pm

September 24

- Pickleball @ Tennis Courts, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm



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## SUICIDE RATES CLIMBING, ESPECIALLY IN RURAL AMERICA



Suicide is becoming more common in America, an increase most pronounced in rural areas, new research has found.

The study, which appears online today (Sept. 6, 2019) in the journal JAMA Network Open, also highlights a cluster of factors, including lack of insurance and the prevalence of gun shops, that are associated with high suicide rates.

Researchers at The Ohio State University evaluated national suicide data from 1999 to 2016, and provided a county-by-county national picture of the suicide toll among adults. Suicide rates jumped 41 percent, from a median of 15 per 100,000 county residents in the first part of the study to 21.2 per 100,000 in the last three years of the analysis. Suicide rates were highest in less-populous counties and in areas where people have lower incomes and fewer resources. From 2014 through 2016, suicide rates were 17.6 per 100,000 in large metropolitan counties compared with 22 per 100,000 in rural counties.

In urban areas, counties with more gun shops tended to have higher suicide rates. Counties with the highest suicide rates were mostly in Western states, including Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming; in Appalachian states including Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia; and in the Ozarks, including Arkansas and Missouri.

"While our findings are disheartening, we're hopeful that they will help guide efforts to support Americans who are struggling, especially in rural areas where suicide has increased the most and the fastest," said lead researcher Danielle Steelesmith, a postdoctoral fellow at Ohio State's Wexner Medical Center.

"Suicide is so complex, and many factors contribute, but this research helps us understand the toll and some of the potential contributing influences based on geography, and that could drive better efforts to prevent these deaths."

Suicide rates are trending higher despite a national prevention effort that kicked off in 2015 with the goal of

reducing suicide rates 20 percent by 2025. Another recent analysis found that suicide rates in almost 90 percent of U.S. counties increased more than 20 percent from 2005 to 2015.

The new study included 453,577 suicides by adults 25 to 64 years old from 1996 to 2016. Suicides were most common among men and those 45 to 54 years old.

Suicide prevention can be bolstered with this new information about trends and patterns of suicide, said Cynthia Fontanella, a study co-author and associate professor of psychiatry and behavioral health at Ohio State.

"For example, all communities might benefit from strategies that enhance coping and problem-solving skills, strengthen economic support and identify and support those who are at risk for suicide," Fontanella said.

"The data showing that suicides were higher in counties with more gun shops - specifically in urban areas - highlights the potential to reduce access to methods of suicide that can increase the chances an at-risk person will die."

Another factor related to increased suicide rates, particularly in rural areas, was "deprivation," a cluster of factors including underemployment, poverty and low educational attainment.

Long-term and persistent poverty may be more entrenched and the economic opportunities for individuals more limited in rural areas, Steelesmith said, adding that many rural Americans rely on jobs in agriculture and industries including coal mining.

"In cities, you have a core of services that are much easier to get to in many cases. You may have better access to job assistance, food banks and nonprofits that might all contribute to less desperation among residents," Steelesmith said.

High social fragmentation - which factors in levels of single-person households, unmarried residents and the impermanence of residents - was associated with higher suicide rates, as was low social capital, a measure of the interconnectedness of people

in an area. Both of these were particularly pronounced in rural America.

Other factors associated with higher suicide rates included high percentages of veterans in a county and lower rates of insurance coverage.

Fontanella said that people who live in rural America might particularly benefit from strategies to promote social connections through community engagement activities that offer opportunities for residents to interact and to become familiar with supportive resources in their area.

Steelesmith said it's important to note that county-by-county geographical information on suicide doesn't tell the whole story. Some states, particularly in the West, have large counties with great variability in terms of resident life experiences, for instance. This work also excludes data on suicides by young and elderly Americans.

Ohio State researchers John Campo (now of West Virginia University), Keith Warren and Elisabeth Root also worked on the study. Jeffrey Bridge of Nationwide Children's Hospital also was a collaborator.

For help, contact the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255/TALK (or 1-888-628-9454 for Spanish speakers). To reach someone at Ohio's 24/7 Crisis Text Line, send 4HOPE to 741741.

URL: <http://news.osu.edu/suicide-rates-climbing-especially-in-rural-america/>

### STUDY: NO LINK BETWEEN "EXTREME" PERSONAL GROOMING, STDs

Women who choose to shave or wax their pubic hair might not be raising their risk of sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) after all, according to a new study that found no connection between "extreme" grooming and chlamydia or gonorrhea.

Previous research and many media reports have warned women about a connection between pubic hair removal and STDs - but researchers at The Ohio State University wondered how strong that connection was, if it existed at all.

So they devised a study that, unlike previous work in this area, relied on laboratory-confirmed diagnoses of two common STDs. The study included 214 college students, all women.

The researchers examined any possible links between "extreme" grooming - removal of all pubic hair at least weekly in the past year, or at least six times in the past month - and testing positive for chlamydia or gonorrhea. They found no connection.

Jamie Luster, the study's lead author and a former graduate student in public health at Ohio State, said she wasn't terribly surprised to find no connection in this

study - primarily because there's no clear biological reason to believe that shaving or waxing would lead to increased risk of these common STDs.

The women in the study, who visited an on-campus location at Ohio State for STD testing, completed a questionnaire that asked about their sexual and grooming behaviors. Almost all (98 percent) of the study participants said they had done some grooming, and between 18 and 54 percent were "extreme" groomers, based on the two measures used in the study.

The participants also agreed to allow the researchers to receive the results of their STD tests. About 10 percent of the women had a positive test.

Though this study was small, it's important for women to know that the research in this area is not conclusive, despite what they might see in an internet search on the topic or hear from friends, said Luster, who is now a researcher at the University of Michigan.

The new study highlights the importance of taking actions that are known to reduce the risk of STDs, said Luster and her adviser on the work, Ohio State associate professor of epidemiology Maria Gallo.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates about 2.86 million new chlamydia infections and 820,000 new gonorrhea infections occur in the U.S. each year, many in teens and young adults. The agency's prevention recommendations for sexually active people include staying in a long-term mutually monogamous relationship with an STD-free partner and using latex condoms consistently and properly.

Chlamydia and gonorrhea are caused by bacteria, infect both men and women, and can lead to reproductive tract infections that can have lasting damage. Left untreated, both infections can make it more difficult for a woman to become pregnant in the future.

Gallo said this study improves on previous research by carefully taking into account potential confounding factors that include sexual frequency, income, race and age.

"Particularly concerning is that previous work didn't adjust for sexual frequency. It could be that women who were having more sex with more people - and were therefore more likely to contract infections - were more likely to be grooming," Gallo said.

By relying on laboratory-confirmed evidence of STDs, the Ohio State study also improves on previous research, which had relied on participants' self-reports about infections, Luster said.

"Previous research asked participants if they'd ever

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it and take it to towns all over the country to show it off. GM only manufactured 12 of these vehicles. Just 9 of the 12 still exist.

Sutton states "I really want to thank John Henry and Mike Kauser for getting the Futurliner here. It was a huge crowd pleaser in 2017 and I

have no doubt it will be again this year."

Lunch will be available at the museum for a freewill donation. Come on out and enjoy! Last year there were 163 vehicles registered! This will be fun for the whole family as you reminisce about the good ole' days!

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Teach the older men to be temperate, worthy of respect, self-controlled, and sound in faith, in love and in endurance."

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had a sexually transmitted infection, but didn't measure whether they had one at the time of survey. That makes connecting any current grooming habits to STDs difficult," she said.

### REPS. LATTA, LOESACK, LONG AND MCEACHIN INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE BROADBAND DATA MAPS

Representatives Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) and Dave Luster (IA-02) introduced bipartisan legislation that would improve the accuracy of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) broadband availability maps. The "Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technological Availability (DATA) Act (HR 4229)" will improve the accuracy of FCC broadband data maps by changing the way broadband data is collected. The legislation is cosponsored by Reps. Billy Long (MO-07) and Donald McEachin (VA-04). Legislation similar to the Broadband DATA Act has been introduced in the Senate by Sens. Amy Klobuchar (MN), Roger Wicker (MS), Gary Peters (MI) and John Thune (SD).

Additionally, Reps. McEachin and Long introduced today the "Mapping Accuracy Promotes Services (MAPS) Act (HR 4227)," which will help hold broadband providers accountable by making it against the law to knowingly provide inaccurate data to the FCC. Reps. Loeb sack and Latta also cosponsored this bill.

"Rural communities like much of Ohio's 5th District often struggle with having access to fast, reliable broadband. Unfortunately, without this access it is difficult for them to do their jobs, finish their homework, and stay connected to friends and family. With this legislation, we'll be better able to pinpoint areas that are lacking coverage, and help ensure that unserved and underserved communities have better broadband availability," said Congressman Bob Latta.

"In 2019, it is unacceptable that many families, small businesses, farmers, educators and healthcare providers in rural areas don't have the necessary access to high-speed internet," said Congressman Dave Loeb sack. "In order to actually fix the problem and get high-speed broadband to rural areas, we must have the best data available. Without knowing where the high-speed broadband problem truly exists, we cannot properly invest in building out access. Folks simply can't compete in the 21st Century economy we live in

without access to high-speed broadband internet."

"It is simple: we cannot expand broadband Internet to rural and underserved communities if we do not know first where broadband service is needed," said Congressman A. Donald McEachin. "This means we need better coverage maps, which in turn requires Internet service providers to submit accurate coverage data to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Our legislation, the Mapping Accuracy Promotes Services Act, or MAPS Act, will make it unlawful for providers to knowingly, willfully, or recklessly provide inaccurate data to the FCC. The MAPS Act, together with the legislation from Congressman Loeb sack and Ranking Member Latta, will ensure that we have a more complete understanding of broadband availability—and thus help bring much-needed, high-speed Internet to our constituents."

"I'm proud to join Reps. McEachin, Loeb sack and Latta in sponsoring legislation that improves broadband maps," said Congressman Billy Long. "For rural communities, such as those in Missouri's 7th Congressional District, access to broadband is scarce. This bill would take the necessary steps to inform providers who is and is not connected."

Specifically, the Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technological Availability (DATA) Act:

Requires the FCC to collect granular service availability data from wired, fixed wireless, and satellite broadband providers.

Requires strong parameters for service availability data collected from mobile broadband providers to ensure accuracy.

Asks the FCC to consider whether to collect verified coverage data from state, local, and tribal governments, as well as from other entities.

Creates a process for consumers, state, local, and Tribal governments, and other groups to challenge FCC maps with their own data, and requires the FCC to determine how to structure the process without making it overly burdensome on challengers.

### JOIN US!

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# WOOSTER'S BIOHIO RESEARCH PARK TO BE TRANSITIONED



Pounded Hall on the Ohio State CFAES Wooster campus has been the headquarters of BioHio Research Park. (Photo by Ken Chamberlain)

A decision has been made by the BioHio Board of Directors to transition the work of the BioHio Research Park, an affiliate of The Ohio State University, in Wayne County to the auspices of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences' (CFAES) at The Ohio State University.

As an affiliate of Ohio State, BioHio was envisioned in 2010 and was created to facilitate the movement of discoveries from the college into the commercial sector. It is located on the CFAES Wooster campus.

Additional goals of BioHio were to advance, encourage, and promote the industrial, economic, commercial and civic development of the Wooster area and to serve as a research park for the benefit of The Ohio State University, the City of Wooster, and Wayne County.

"While the original goals of BioHio are still relevant and part of the CFAES mission, the separate legal entity was not providing the benefits originally envisioned," said Cathann A. Kress, vice president and dean of CFAES. "The BioHio board met on August 28th and voted to transition the work of BioHio to be under the auspices of CFAES in place of its operation as a separate affiliate. The transition will occur over the next several months."

BioHio was created with the intention that it could

attract outside funding and enter into contracts more easily than if it was part of the University. "Although there have been small amounts of external investment, most of the funding has been from CFAES since the inception of the entity," Kress said.

It was also envisioned that BioHio could enter into agreements with developers to build on the research park site, but it was later determined that this contractual obligation would still fall under Ohio State's debt ceiling and the university did not want to take on that risk. However, by moving this body of work under the college umbrella, the original intent to build on the site is more likely to be realized.

"CFAES is committed to many of the original goals of BioHio such as facilitating the advancement of research into the private sector; technology commercialization; new and improved crops, and products for Ohio producers; new and improved technologies for Ohio industry; and enhanced and protected environment and quality of life for Ohioans," Kress said. "We will continue progress toward these goals through our OARDC enterprise, as well as within OSU Extension and other college units." OARDC is the research arm of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences.

# GOOD GRADES AREN'T EVERYTHING IN SEX ED

Just because students ace their tests in health class doesn't mean they will remember and use lessons about preventing pregnancy and HIV infection when it counts, a new study suggests.

The researchers explored the effects of teaching sex-ed with a focus on making sure students master the material rather than just pass the tests and score well on assignments. They found big differences that could have life-altering repercussions, said study author Eric Anderman of The Ohio State University.

Students whose teachers worked to make sure they truly took in the material in health class, even if, for example, that meant retaking tests and repeating lessons, were more likely to grasp those lessons later, and to say they would take measures such as using condoms. The study appears online in the Journal of Educational Psychology.

"When teachers are focusing on mastery, they emphasize the importance of the lessons to the student's life and, if necessary, go over topics again and again to make sure that students understand, as opposed to a 'This is important because it's going to be on the test Friday' approach," said Anderman, a professor of educational psychology at Ohio State.

"Mastery really, really matters in health education - if you teach things in such a way that kids remember it later, you could help prevent the spread of disease and unwanted pregnancies," he said.

"What they learn in health class is going to affect them for the rest of their lives and having this information could save lives."

Anderman is interested in understanding what motivates adolescents to learn, and much of his work has focused on the concept of a mastery-focused approach to teaching and learning. While students in a mastery classroom might be taught the same material as those in a more traditional classroom, there are important variations that can make a difference in the long term, he said.

In the current study, Anderman and his colleagues examined the use of the 14-lesson "Reducing the Risk" curriculum, a sexual education plan promoted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The study included 636 high school students, mostly ninth-graders, from seven Midwest high schools. Researchers compared the students' perceptions of their teachers' classroom approach to outcomes a year later that included the students' knowledge about HIV and pregnancy prevention, and their behavioral intentions regarding safe sex (how likely it was that they would use a condom every time they had intercourse).

Those students who said their teachers focused on mastering the material were more likely to have grasped sex-ed lessons and

more likely to employ those lessons, particularly having greater intentions to use condoms. There was no such positive relationship between an education that emphasized getting good grades and either real-life knowledge or intentions to use condoms.

"Our findings demonstrate that teachers' instructional practices emphasizing effort, truly understanding class material as opposed to simply memorizing facts and improving over time, were critical to students' motivation and learning," said the study's lead author, Sungjun Won of the University of Victoria, formerly a graduate student in education at Ohio State.

"School administrators and health teachers should work together to foster learning environments where students perceive that their teachers really value their understanding, development and mastery - as opposed to just getting good test scores or grades."

The researchers took into account other factors that could influence student responses, including prior sexual experience, gender and GPA.

A focus on mastery doesn't abandon the idea of turning in assignments and taking tests for grades, Anderman said. But rather than allowing a student to score poorly and move on to new material, a mastery-focused teacher would provide opportunities such as reviewing past lessons and letting students re-take tests to reinforce the importance

of the material. "In a mastery-focused classroom a teacher would be saying things like, 'Last week we talked about refusal behaviors. Let's spend five minutes reviewing that,'" Anderman said. He said that when a teacher offers opportunities for revisiting assignments or quizzes, the message is 'You haven't mastered it; you have to understand this.'

"You also want to stay away from comparing kids. You want to emphasize that the lessons are important for everyone to learn. You want kids to think, 'I got an 80 this time, I didn't know a couple of things, what can I do better?'"

Some entire schools have adopted the approach, but it is relatively uncommon in American education, in part due to other pressures including standardized tests and school report cards, Anderman said.

The National Institute of Nursing Research supported this study.

URL: <http://news.osu.edu/good-grades-arent-everything-in-sex-ed/>

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Friday, September 20 at 6 a.m. through Friday, September 27 at noon. To bid, visit Facebook.com/my1027paulling during the auction, look for the "DJ for a day" graphic and place a bid in the comments. The person with the highest bid at noon on September 20 will win the prize.

The winning bidder can select five songs and share a special message with listen-

ers. The DJ for a day program will air on Saturday, October 5.

"Being a part of Paulding County means being here for each other. With radio, we have a platform to tell the community's stories and help where we can. We're looking forward to not only raising money for this beautiful family, but also letting our listeners know how they can get involved," said Joe Barker, WMYW station manager.

Team Terel is hosting a fundraising event on Saturday, September 28 at the American Legion in Payne. The event includes a poker run, silent auction, raffle, and more. To learn more about the event, to donate, or to find out about the group's other fundraising activities, contact Emily at 419.576.8162.

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- Help make sure you’re well-protected – If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult

children for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs.

- Help you adjust your financial strategy – Not much will stay constant in your life – and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of events – a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination – can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the factors influencing the financial markets – economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed – and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other.

While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you’ll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whom-ever you choose. Ultimately, you’ll want to pick someone who understands what’s important to you, and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you’ll want someone who will be with you in the long run – someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

A financial advisor can make a big difference in your life. So, work diligently to find the right one – and take full advantage of the help you’ll receive as you move toward your important goals.

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

### PAULDING LIBRARY BOARD TO MEET

The Paulding County Carnegie Library Board of Trustees will conduct their monthly board meeting in the library conference room on Monday, September 16 at 5:30 p.m. Any questions, please call 419-399-2032.

### LAWN CARE FOR THE HOMEOWNER

#### Fall Feeding and Care

Fall is here and I’d like to share with you a few things to help you keep your lawn in great shape this fall and to prepare it for next spring.

Fall is the best time to help your lawn develop a stron-

ger root system for a thicker, more vigorous lawn. The warm days followed by the cool nights allows bluegrass to rhizome. Rhizome means that the grass roots shoot off from one plant and develop a new plant.

Early fall fertilization will provide maximum fall color and growth. Mid to late fall fertilization will give extended fall/winter greening and early spring response.

In order to get the best-looking lawn this fall, use a winterizer fertilizer. Winterizers have higher amounts of potassium, which helps the grass have better weather tolerance (cooler weather now). It also helps protect against diseases.

Potassium is the third number on a bag of fertilizer. For example, in a 24-0-12 or a 10-0-20 formulation, the 12 and the 20 is the percentage of potassium in the fertilizer. In winterizer fertilizers, anything that has higher percentages of potassium is good for fall feeding.

When purchasing a fall fertilizer, be sure to get a slow release fertilizer that gradually feeds your lawn over a six to eight week period.

A problem that can show up in the fall is weeds. Weeds, such as dandelions, are actively growing in order to store up food for the winter. Now is a good time to hit it with a weed control so that they don’t pop up next spring.

Some winterizers have a weed control in them as well. The same rules apply to winterizers with weed controls as do spring weed & feeds. Apply the product when the grass is wet from dew or rain so that it sticks much better to the plant. Also, don’t apply this product if rain is forecasted within the next 24 to 48 hours. This will allow the weeds to absorb the weed control.

You should continue to mow your lawn until the first frost or freeze. On your last mowing, you should set the mower blades a little lower to prevent snow mold from developing this winter.

—Len Schrock,  
Jonathan Green  
Consultant,  
Grabill & Woodburn  
Hardware

### PAULDING CO. BICENTENNIAL NOTES

**By: Caroline Longardner**  
(Basic Geographical)  
Paulding County, Ohio is celebrating its bicentennial in 2020 (1820 - 2020). Being located in “The Great

Black Swamp”, it was left in the center when the swamp dried up thousands of years ago and has been designated the flattest county in the state of Ohio. (Crane Twp. is the flattest twp.). This county is all “within the Black Swamp tract” and is almost everywhere dead level. It is said that on a clear night one can stand near the depot in Defiance and see the head-light of the locomotive just after it emerges from the curve and is coming east at the west end of the straight line which is the water tank, two and a half miles west of Antwerp and 23 miles away. Paulding Co. is no longer a swampland. The county commissioners have made sure that it has been adequately measured and have dictated the ditching statutes. Thousands of acres are now drained. There is still sulfur water evident everywhere and the “Paulding Co. Clay” still sticks to your feet as it always has. The soil is also very fertile for producing farm crops.

Two big rivers run through Paulding Co.: the Maumee River and the Auglaize River. These rivers unite at Defiance, Ohio and form what is shown on ancient maps, “The Miami of the Lakes.” The Maumee River is a very crooked river and was a prehistoric buffalo wallow between Ft. Wayne and the Ohio State Line at Bull Rapids. History books also speak of the prehistoric buffalo wallow where the Auglaize River drops into the Maumee River at the location of Ft. Defiance. No doubt this was a great draw for the Native Americans to that area when they settled at that location.

In the narrow strip north of the Maumee River, south of the Defiance Co. line, the streams empty into the Maumee River. In this tract are “fountain wells” or natural springs, which by piping, rise two or three feet above the surface. South of the river are no fountains to be found.

South of the Maumee River all the streams run into the Auglaize River. The first is the “Six-Mile Creek,” which runs the entire width of Paulding Co. and is named that because it empties into the Auglaize River, six miles from its mouth. On it is the “Six-Mile Reservoir” containing four and one-third square miles for the Wabash and Erie Canal, but it is now abandoned (and empty). Six-Mile Creek runs from one to three miles from the Maumee and parallel to it. The next major stream is “Crooked Creek”, called by the Indians the Flat

## OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY STUDENTS LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF RULES



Oakwood Elementary SRO Gary Smiddy read the book “Officer Buckle and Gloria” to the first graders as a way to help them understand the importance of rules. The students are in Mrs. Caroline Arend and Mrs. Pam Holtsberry’s classes.

Rock Creek because the bed is a flat limestone for nearly a mile from its mouth. All the streams show the county to be on a plain, sloping toward the NE, the highest being the SW.

**Info from: MAUMEE RIVER by Simonis; HISTORY OF NW OHIO by Winter; Hist. by HOWE.**

### PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 8/14/19

This 14th day of August, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Tony Zartman, Mark Holtsberry and Cindy Peters, Clerk

#### ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Warrants documented as 253743 through 253840 for County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

#### TRAVEL REQUEST

• Jessica Reinhart & 4 PCBDD Board Members; 2019 Synergy Conference, Columbus, OH – Oct. 1-4, 2019

#### IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2019 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 025)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2019 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Law Library Resource Fund (Fund 025), to-wit; 025-

001-0002/Law Library Resource/Miscellaneous AMOUNT: \$ 5087.00

#### IN THE MATTER OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 079)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to make a Supplemental Appropriation in the EMA Fund (Fund 079); to-wit: FROM: Pay-in #122602 TO: 079-001-00005/EMA/Communications AMOUNT: \$740.00

#### • Jason Landers, Sheriff

Landers presented 2019 projections and monthly jail report for the month ending July 31, 2019. There were 58 male inmates serving 675 days and 18 female inmates serving 253 days in the month of July for a total of 928 days served. Total inmates held were 76. The average inmates held per day was 29.9 with 21.7 being male and 8.1 female. The average inmates stay per day was 12.2 with 11.6 being male and 14 being female. Total meals served for the month of July totaled 2518 meals. Sheriff Landers and the Commissioners also discussed health insurance costs and wages. Sheriff explained that the jail is receiving some restroom maintenance along with a need of ceiling tile replacements prior to the upcoming jail inspection. The Commissioners and Sheriff Landers also continued the discussion of the need for an additional information technology person employed through the county that will handle the needs of the Sheriff’s office/jail.

• Dave Cline, Linda Weidenhamer, Board of Elections – Mr. Cline and Ms. Weidenhamer met with the Commissioners to discuss the new voting equipment expenses.

• Steve Kahle, Paulding Putnam Electric, Guy Dasher, Lonnie Miller, Paulding County Fairboard – Mr. Dasher and Mr. Miller met with the Commissioners and Mr. Kahle to discuss the Fairgrounds Electrical System rebuild along with needed information for grant funding for that project.

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**THINGS THAT MIGHT**

**By: Stan Jordan**

Yes, these things might affect a troubled mind. Some of the rhetoric of our leader or maybe the way they understand it.

I think some of these movies that are popular today, they will just show you how to kill and it is ok. There should be a law against all of the killing and destruction, but that will never happen because the movie people will holler, "that is free speech".

Like I've said before, the training at home, but nearly all of this mayhem is committed by adults, and most of them are American citizens. Yes, jealousy, hate and no respect are present in some of these actions.

Sometimes, people let one of these build up inside of them and they just go out of control or think they are getting even. A person has to be a little whacky to carryout this killing.

See ya!

**THE KILLDEER**

**By: Stan Jordan**

We have killdeer here and nearly all of the United States, southern Canada and northern Mexico.

Basically it is a shore bird with long legs. Yes, it wades in shallow water and eats a few minnows and crawfish, but mostly eats bugs, ticks, weevils, larvae and most anything and most anything of that nature that bother the farmer. Actually he is one of the farmers' best friends. He likes the meadow prairies and flat lands, that is where a lot of his food comes from.

They don't build much of a nest, just a few small stones in a small circle on flat ground. Maybe 3-5 eggs. They are very skittish, they drop a wing like they are crippled and lead you away from their nest. The young are very cute because of their long legs.

See ya!

**LOSE 21 LBS IN 21 DAYS**

**By: Stan Jordan**

People are always talking about their diet; the carbs, the calories or any of that commercial language to influence you to buy their product and lose weight and become young again.

I have not tried this diet, but I have heard it is guaranteed to work or your money back. It is called the O'possum Diet. You send in \$21.00 to the Pleasant Ridge O'Possum Farm in Pleasant Valley, Illinois. They send you two nice young opossums and all the details on the 21 day diet and they double dog guarantee you to lose 21 lbs if you follow the rules.

On Sunday noon, you eat 6 oz of possum, roasted and basted in its own fat.

Monday morning, you don't feel very good and you eat one bite of white bread and tea. Tuesday, about the same two bites of toast. Wednesday, about the same, you eat 1/2 slice of toast. Thursday is about the same, you are better. Friday you are better, you eat a whole slice. Saturday you are up and around and eat two slices of toast with tea. This is Sunday and you have another meal of 6 ounces of baked opossum and some of its natural fat.

Now you follow directions like last week. Always remember to follow directions to the letter. So when Sunday comes, you have another nice big meal of opossum and grits. You follow directions as before in this third week. Sunday finally comes around and you stagger upon the scales... YES! You have lost 24 lbs. And eight inches around the waist. BUT...you have lost strength in your arms, lost your sight and your hearing has been affected....you wish you had those 24 lbs back.

See ya!

**THE DEATH PENALTY**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I am not one to watch this politic crap on tv., but on this morning's news cast it showed Mrs. Pelosi was against the death penalty, she is a congresswoman from California.

Well, right away I don't agree with her. I wonder if that is her own feelings or people she represents feelings.

I have said many times if a person is a killer and the evidence shows without a doubt that he killed some people, give him the death sentence. A killer has shown he doesn't care for a person's life and shows no remorse. He planned to kill as many as possible...I say hang him yet

today. He has used up his civil rights.

I am for the death penalty in one of these open and shut cases. Why wait? Do it now. See ya!



I have run this story before, but it is such a good one! Thanks to Etta Belle Stuart Winter, AHS Class of 1949

**When Pigs Fly**

Remember when farmers stored hay loose in the hay mow and the barn roof was extended on one end. A hay car ran the length of the barn and was attached to the ridge roof and giant forks were used to haul hay up and into the hay mow.

My father, Wes Stuart, was a farmer in northwest Ohio. A neighbor, Hub Conn, had asked my dad to help butcher a hog that was so big he could not handle it alone.

So dad and my brother, Owen, showed up one cold winter morning to help. Hub was ready for butchering. He had a barrel of boiling water all set up. Hogs were dipped in boiling water to loosen hair, then scraped as part of butchering.

A barrel was set up right below the hay mow window where they killed and bled the hog. The hog was trussed and attached to the hay car rope. A team of horses was ready to go at the other end of the barn. Hub's wife, Mary, was in charge of the horses.

Hub called to Mary and she said, "giddy up." The horses pulled forward, the pig was raised over the barrel, Mary backed up the team and the hog was lowered into the hot water.

My brother thought, "Wow, this is a great way to raise and lower a hog." A lot easier than struggling with a rope and tackle over a tree limb.

When the hog was ready to be pulled out of the water, Hub yelled at Mary, and Mary pulled the team forward. Problem! The hog was wedged in the barrel, so the barrel and the hog raised off the ground. What to do? So, Wes and Hub found some 2x4's and started banging on the barrel to release the hog.

Well, this was a cold winter day and the horses were jittery. The loud banging frightened the team and they took off. Run-a-way team! The hog, barrel and all flew to the top of the barn and went through the hay loft, slammed into the far wall, broke through the wall and landed on the ground. My brother, who was a teenager at the time, was rolling on the ground, laughing. But my father scolded Owen and ordered him to stop laughing. Dad saw only the catastrophe. Broken hay car, hole in the barn, run-a-way horses with broken harness, etc. Dad knew that if this story was told, all the local farmers would torment Hub about the "flying pig". My dad, who died many years ago, never told this account of butchering. My brother never told the story until many years after the death of Hub.

**USDA USING FLEXIBILITY TO ASSIST FARMERS, RANCHERS IN FLOODED AREAS**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Risk Management Agency (RMA) today announced it will defer accrual of interest for all agricultural producers' spring 2019 crop year insurance premiums to help the wide swath of farmers and ranchers affected by extreme weather in 2019. Specifically, USDA will defer the accrual of interest on spring 2019 crop year insurance premiums to the earlier of the applicable termination date or for two months, until November 30, for all policies with a premium billing date of August 15, 2019. For any premium that is not paid by one of those new deadlines, interest will accrue consistent with the terms of the policy.

"USDA recognizes that farmers and ranchers have been severely affected by the extreme weather challenges this year," said U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. "I often brag about the resiliency of farmers but after a lifetime in the business, I have to say that this year is one for the record books. To help ease the burden on these folks, we are continuing to extend flexibility for producers with today's announcement."

RMA Administrator Martin Barbre added, "This administrative flexibility is not unprecedented but is a move RMA takes seriously and only under special circumstances like we're experiencing today. Growers typically have some crop harvested and cash flow to make their billing date, but with so many late planted crops, this year will be an anomaly."

America's farmers and ranchers have been especially challenged throughout the 2019 crop year, struggling through severe flooding and excessive moisture conditions across the grain belt and in many other rural communities, with some areas also dealing with extreme heat and drought. Such weather conditions are expected to take a serious toll on acres planted, crop yields, and crop quality as harvest begins. One of the largest operating costs for producers is crop insurance premiums paid to their Approved Insurance Provider. Many spring crop insurance premiums are due to be paid before October 1.

Without the interest deferral, policies with an August 15 premium billing date would have interest attach starting October 1 if premiums were not paid by September 30. Now, under the change, policies that do not have the premium paid by November 30 will have interest attach on December 1, calculated from the date of the premium billing notice.

Earlier this summer, USDA announced a series of flexibilities to reduce stress on producers affected by weather, including: providing more time for cover crop haying and grazing by moving the start date from November 1 to September 1, 2019; allowing producers who filed prevented planting claims then planted a

**RESIDENTS ENJOY PONTOON RIDE IN OAKWOOD**



**By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD**

On August 6, there was a flurry of activity going on at Oakwood Community Park. What was this activity you ask? Why a pontoon ride down the Auglaize River of course! The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) and The Nature Conservancy (TNC) hosted the second installment of "Something to Chew On" programs with this program focused on getting residents acquainted with their water resources and the importance of keeping them healthy.

Prior to the boat ride, those who attended were introduced to water quality thanks to our EnviroScape Model on Non-Point Source Pollution where everyone could get a view of all the sources of pollution in all different parts of the landscape and how all of our activities have an impact on the quality of our water. It was then time for a boat ride down the river. Thank You goes out to the Tri-State Watershed Alliance for the use of their pontoon that took participants from the boat ramp in Oakwood to the Charloe Bridge (CR 138) and back for about an hour of fun on the water.

While on the boat, Paulding SWCD staff and farmer Brian Romeke were on hand to facilitate discussion on the many things that residents

noticed on the river. Attendees learned that watersheds are areas of land that drain to a common location and that even though we don't live directly by the stream, our water travels across the land eventually making it in the stream. Discussion also centered around ways to reduce water pollution and ensure the best water quality. Soil testing is one solution with producers taking a sample of their soil to assess the nutrient levels in their field and ensure they are adding the right amount of nutrients that both meet their crop needs but that are not too much. Another problem comes with cleaning chemicals such as car soaps. A solution to this would be to wash our cars and other vehicles on the grass instead of the driveway as the grass will trap the chemicals and filter them out of the water.

Following the boat ride, those who attended enjoyed a nice boxed lunch courtesy of the Cooper Country Store in Oakwood and some pie. It just is not a boat ride unless there is some pie! Thank you to all the residents who came out to become more aware of their water resources and enjoy a great day outdoors in Paulding County! Look for more great events from the Paulding SWCD by following out Facebook page or our website [www.pauldingswcd.org](http://www.pauldingswcd.org).

cover crop with a potential for harvest to receive a \$15 per acre Market Facilitation Program payment; holding signups in select states for producers to receive assistance in planting cover crops; and extending the crop reporting deadline

in select states. USDA also will provide producers with prevented planting acreage additional assistance, which will be announced in the coming weeks, through the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act of 2019.

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- **September 14** – Faith and Fellowship Day 1-4 pm
- **September 21** – ACC 650. Registration opens at 8am. Match begins at 9am. Centerfire rifle 3 position match
- **September 22** – .22 Pistol Fun Shoot at 1pm. Fun for all ages!

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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.

We also provide reimbursement for the cost of transportation to VA medical facilities in our area, or in the case where the veteran cannot drive himself, we will provide a driver.

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

**Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments**

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## WHEN SCIENTISTS FACE AN ANGRY COMMUNITY

### Fieldwork in Peru shows importance of respecting local politics and customs

The scientific expedition to collect glacial ice from Earth's highest tropical mountain had, so far, gone smoothly. The weather had been perfect. The machines had worked without failure. No one had gotten sick, and though avalanches had forced the team to find a new route up the mountain, they had done so relatively quickly.

It was late July 2019, and the trip, to the mountain Huascarán in the Cordillera Blanca region of rural Peru, was shaping up to be one of the most successful this team had ever attempted.

They had drilled 471 meters of glacial ice cores under clear skies. The cores, long columns of ice that had been frozen since the last Ice Age, were clear and clean, and waiting to be carried off the mountain to a freezer truck, to Lima, to an airplane that would fly them back to the United States and to their eventual home at The Ohio State University. There, they would stay, carefully cataloged in a polar-temperature freezer, until their contents could be analyzed, offering up new clues and histories of the Earth's climate.

It all changed on one afternoon.

An angry mob from the village of Musho, a small community at the western base of Huascarán, stood at the researchers' hut, shouting in a mix of Spanish and their indigenous language.

One of the scientists, a postdoctoral researcher at The Ohio State University Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center who was born in Mexico, listened carefully, then translated for the group.

"They think we are here to mine the mountain for gold," the scientist, Roxana Sierra-Hernandez, told her colleagues. "They think the government has sold the mountain to the Americans."

Lonnie Thompson, a distinguished university professor at Ohio State who has led some 80 scientific expeditions in search of glacial ice, rubbed his forehead.

It was not the first time that he would need to negotiate with a local community in order to do his research.

But he had spent the last year working with the Peruvian government in the hopes of avoiding this type

of complication. The ice cores his team had drilled would be, he believed, some of the most complete records of Earth's air quality and climate going back some 20,000 years.

The urgent need for the work was obvious: From the peak of Huascarán, 22,000 feet above sea level, his team had seen hazy smoke that seemed to be coming from the direction of the Amazon.

He knew the cores would give scientists greater insights into Earth's warming atmosphere. But first, he had to get them off the mountain.

Thompson also knew that something larger was at play, something that spoke to the relationship the people in this rural community had with the federal government, about the history of this mountain and what it had been used for and who had been given access to its resources. And though it might not have had anything to do with his team or their work, it didn't matter: In order to get the ice safely off the mountain - itself a challenge - he needed to make sure these villagers understood the researchers' purpose.

"They were upset for a number of reasons," Thompson said in an interview after the team returned to Columbus. "And in the beginning, there really was no discussion. They just wanted us off the mountain, and they wanted us off immediately."

Thompson understood why they were upset. Huascarán, the highest peak in Peru and the highest mountain in the tropics, is also part of the Huascarán Peruvian national park. It is home to the spectacled bear and the Andean condor, two species whose populations are declining. The Peruvian government had banned mining on the mountain, but illegal mining continued despite the ban, contaminating local water supplies and endangering the ecosystem. And, Thompson said, the local communities used to climb the mountain to collect ice - something the Peruvian government had also made illegal. Yet a team of foreign scientists had been granted permission to not only take ice off the mountain, but out of Peru.

To make matters worse, the president of Peru had traveled to Huascarán to see the scientists before their journey - and had not stopped in Musho to meet with the villagers.

"It was a difficult thing,

but so much of this was not about the science or about our research team," said Paolo Gabrielli, a research scientist at the Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center who was part of this team.

The team included Wilmer Sánchez Rodríguez, a Peruvian scientist who is indigenous. They hired local mountaineers to help them climb Huascarán and navigate its avalanches and crevasses. Part of the expedition's budget included money to buy a few chest freezers and a generator to keep the ice cores frozen at a hostel run by a group of Catholic priests partway up the mountain, and the team had agreed to leave that equipment behind for the priests to use. In choosing the scientists who would be a part of this fieldwork, Thompson had assessed not only physical fitness and the ability to deal with difficult weather conditions and lower oxygen levels at high altitude, but also communication skills. Sierra-Hernandez, he said, was a natural fit: In addition to being a strong scientist, she spoke fluent Spanish.

The villagers, at first, gave the researchers 12 hours to leave - an impossible deadline, if the team had any hope of bringing the ice cores and their equipment off the mountain, too.

In 2010, on an expedition to a glacier in Papua (New Guinea), Thompson and his team were confronted by four different tribes. The tribes, in the past, had fought one another. But all worshipped the mountain, and they came together to defend it against what they thought was an attack by the researchers.

"The thing to know is that, in many rural areas, be it Bolivia, Peru or Papua, glaciers are gods," Thompson says. "They are holy places. And as scientists, we need to operate with respect for those cultures."

In Papua, the tribes believed that Thompson and his team were, by removing ice from the mountaintop glacier, removing their god's brain. They had seen the ice cap growing smaller and smaller, and were fearful about what it meant for their god.

"I have always believed that the best way to navigate conflict is to have face-to-face conversations," Thompson said. "I do not in any way want to disrespect these people - their beliefs and ways of life are valid. We are simply trying to maintain a record of these ice cores, something that will be preserved after the glaciers melt. Because the glaciers will melt. In two to three years, that glacier in New Guinea will be gone."

In New Guinea, the tribes ultimately voted to allow Thompson and his team to take the ice cores back to Columbus.

"They came to believe what we told them - that, while there was no stopping the ice from melting, that we would keep these parts of the ice safe," Thompson said.

In Huascarán, the scientists tried talking with the villagers as he had talked with the tribes in New Guinea. They eventually relented - somewhat - and told the team to be off the mountain in two days.

It still wasn't enough time, but the scientists wanted to

be respectful. So, they left the ice cores and their drilling equipment on the mountain, and they headed down to a nearby city, in the hopes of working out a compromise.

"We didn't feel that we were in danger, but we were aware that tensions were high," Gabrielli said. "And we wanted the expedition to be successful, not just in getting the cores off the mountain, but in the way we interacted with the Musho people."

The mayor of Musho reached out to Thompson, and the two agreed to meet at a café in a city about an hour away from the mountain. Thompson explained that, by leaving the equipment on the mountain, they were in effect polluting it. And, he said, the goal of the expedition was to collect ice cores so that humankind might have a greater understanding of how climate change is affecting the Huascarán glacier. Leaving them behind would do nothing to educate people, in Peru and around the world, about the mountain.

The mayor agreed, and asked Thompson and the rest of the scientists to come to a public meeting in the village so that the people could ask their own questions.

At first, Thompson was hesitant - the villagers had been so angry, and he didn't want to put his team in danger. The Peruvian government had assigned Thompson and his team a military adviser, who told them he could not recommend they go to the village because of the danger.

"So we talked about it," Thompson said. "And all nine of us agreed that we should go."

It took some convincing, but the military adviser agreed. And on a Sunday morning in August, the team of scientists - a multinational group composed of people from the U.S., Mexico, Italy, Peru, France and Russia - headed to Musho to try and salvage the work.

In video from that meeting, held in Musho's public square, it is clear that the community members are angry. Many stand with crossed arms, some speak in raised voices. One villager holds up a dead fish, accusing the researchers of poisoning the water. Thompson, through Sierra-Hernandez, who translated, explains the scientists' mission, then listens as the villagers call out their concerns. Ultimately, the villagers agreed that the scientists could take the cores and their equipment. But, the villagers said, they wanted the team gone in five days.

It would have to work. The Peruvian government supplied a helicopter, which carried most of the ice cores and equipment to the base of Huascarán, where freezer trucks were waiting. The cores arrived safely in Columbus on Aug. 24, and are now stored in the Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center's frozen vault. Parts of the cores will be preserved indefinitely, for future generations of scientists to analyze. And parts will be studied in the coming months and years, with the hope of understanding more about our planet.

For Thompson and the rest of the team, it was a reminder that fieldwork is often about more than just science.

## VIRGINIA PAULUS-ILER SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED



Pictured (l-r) Ken Amstutz, PEVS superintendent, Virginia Paulus, Allison Arend and Jason Thornell, president PCAF.



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Paulding, OH: Virginia Paulus, a long-time supporter and former board of director of the Paulding County Area Foundation recently funded a new scholarship administered by Paulding County Area Foundation which is available to university/college students entering their junior year, or third year of studies at an Ohio university/college. The scholarship was designed by Paulus to help students who graduated from Paulding High School. Awarded for the 2019 year were Allison Arend, attending University of Dayton, majoring in Pre-Physical Therapy, with a minor in Law and Michael Dangler attending Bowling Green State University, majoring in Construction

Management. The scholarship recipients each received \$1,000.00 in scholarship to be used to further their education. Pictured below are Ken Amstutz, Superintendent of Paulding Exempted Village Schools, along side each awardee and Virginia Paulus, and Jason Thornell, President of Paulding County Area Foundation. To apply for the 2020 Virginia Paulus-Iler scholarship visit [www.pauldingcountypcafoundation.com](http://www.pauldingcountypcafoundation.com) to complete the scholarship application. All applications are due Friday, April 10, 2020. Applicants must be graduates of Paulding High School and entering their junior, or 3rd year of a university/college of Ohio in the Fall 2020 to be considered.

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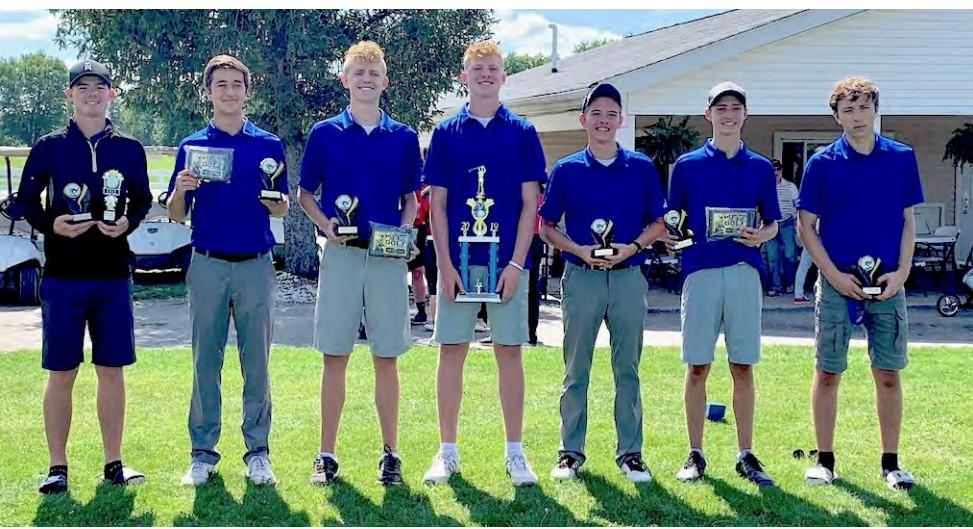
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# ANTWERP HOSTS ANTWERP GOLF INVITATIONAL



Pictured here is the Antwerp Golf team -- champions of the Antwerp Golf Invitational held at Pond-A-River Golf Course on Saturday, September 7, 2019. (l-r) Jake Eaken, Austin Lichty, Jayvin Landers, Jagger Landers, Eric Thornell, Gaige McMichael, and Chase Friend.



Hicksville's Gage Bland.

## PATRIOTS WIN ACAC GOLF TOURNEY

CELINA - Heritage captured the ACAC girls golf tournament championship on Saturday at Celina Lynx Golf Course as the Lady Patriots posted a 377 to easily get past second place Jay County's 411.

Bluffton took third at 422 followed by Southern Wells (430) in fourth and Adams Central (444) placed fifth. Woodlan took sixth at 459 and South Adams finished seventh with a 464.

Abby Sheehan paced the way for Heritage with an 87 while teammate Carley Roddenbeck posted a round of 92. Ashley Buuck added a 97 for the Lady Patriots while Shelby Schane carded a 101 and Cassidy Myers had a 103.

Southern Wells' Georgia Hanauer took tournament medalist honors with an 85.

Lauren Meyer led the way for Woodlan with a 107 while

Autumn Smith added a 113. Abby Robinson chipped in a 119 for the Lady Warriors followed by Kate Mendenhall (120) and Emma Martin (125).

Top 10 Finishers:

- 1 Jake Eaken, ANT, 77;
- 2 Jake Rickman, HV, 80;
- 3 Landon Price, LV, 82;
- 4 Austin Lichty, ANT, 82;
- 5

met on the green of Auglaize Golf Course on September 5th.

## GIRLS GOLF AT POND-A-RIVER GOLF COURSE

High school girls golf teed off at Pond-A-River Golf Course in Woodburn on September 5th.

Wayne Trace (186) - Claire Sinn 40, Kenadie Daeger 43, Addie Etzler 50, Emma Crosby 53, Alli Denny 54, Chloe Parker 55

Edgerton (227) - Briana Walkup 45, Madison Brown 59, Greta Brown 59, Charlotte Blalock 64, Breanna Reliford 75

Hicksville (228) - Kenzie Schroeder 46, Morgan Fogle 53, Leah Seitz 58, Makeegan Bailey 71, Alyssa Seitz 72, Tori Perna 73

Tinora (276) - Emma Luthi 58, Savannah Welling 69, Rylee Joost 70, Zoe Gomez 79

## BOYS GOLF AT AUGLAIZE GOLF COURSE

High School Boys Golf

Jayvin Landers, ANT, 83; 6 Rocco Green, EDG, 85; 7 Kyle Dominique, PAU, 85; 8 Kolson Egnor, PAU, 85; 9 Gaige McMichael, ANT, 86; 10 Grant Glossett, LV, 86.

In individual awards for the Archers:

- Jake Eaken - 77 (medalist); Austin Lichty - 82 (4th); Jayvin Landers - 83 (5th); Gaige McMichael - 86 (9th)

Wayne Trace (166) - Kaden Sutton 37, Dane Moore 41, Cale Crosby 43, Reid Miller 45, Evan Crosby 50, Garrett Williamson 55

Fairview (191) - J.T. Nusbbaum 45, Jasiel Laguna 48, Nathaniel Adkins 48,

Ronnie Adkins 50, Brendan Degryse 52, Wesley Joice 66

Holgate (217) - Josh Tobias 41, Joseph Kelly 48, Robbie Thacker 62, Micah Bok 66, Conner Haase 71

PAULDING - The Lady Panthers of Paulding volleyball team picked up a straight-set win over visiting Montpelier Tuesday night in non-league action.

## PANTHERS CRUISE PAST LOCOS

The maroon and white coasted to a 25-11 win in the opening set before recording a 25-21 victory in game two. Paulding then outlasted the visiting Locomotives 28-26 in game three to end the evening.

Sadie Estle had seven kills, seven digs and one block to lead the Lady Panthers, who improve to 3-2 on the season.

Leigha Egnor chipped in five aces, four kills and ten assists while Janae Pease added nine digs and an ace.

Gabbie Stallbaum aided the Panther cause with six kills and five digs with Jalynn Parrett posting four digs, two kills and two aces. Maggie Manz recorded five digs and a kill as well for Paulding.

The Lady Panther junior varsity was also victorious with wins of 25-15 and 25-13.

## GOLDEN BEARS TOO MUCH FOR PAULDING

DEFIANCE - Bryan made the trip to Auglaize Golf Course on Tuesday where the Golden Bears defeated host Paulding 154-181 in boys golf action.

Case Hartman shot a 35 and Nolan Kidston added a 36 for Bryan, which also got a 40 from Drew Dauber and a 43 by Klayton Rupp.

Colin Shirkey chipped in a 45 and Nathan Hess carded

a 45 for the Golden Bears as well.

Kolson Egnor paced Paulding with a 39 while Kyle Dominique shot a 44 and Josh Carper posted a 48.

Hailey Hartzell (50), Noah Pessefall (50) and Logan Tope (55) were the other Panther golfers.

## ARCHER JH VOLLEYBALL TAKE ON APACHES

Antwerp Jr High volleyball traveled to Fairview Tuesday, September 3rd. The 7th grade won in two sets and 8th grade lost in two.

The 7th grade was led by Jessica Thornell who was 11-12 serving with 3 aces and 8 kills. Caroline Rohrs was 10-13 with 6 aces, 2 kills and 3 assists. Maggie Trabel went 8-9 serving with 3 aces and 1 dig. Madisyn Peters contributed going 6-7 serving with 3 aces, 2 kills and 3 assists.

The 8th grade was led by Samantha Sheedy going 6-6 serving with 1 ace, 2 kills and 4 digs. Addyson Hormann was 4-4 serving with 1 kill and 1 assist. Emma Townley added to the score going 6-7 serving with 3 aces and 1 kill.

## LADY ARCHERS WIN AT EAGLE ROCK

DEFIANCE - Antwerp's girls golf team picked up a dual match win over Defiance Tuesday afternoon at Eagle Rock Golf Course as the Lady Archers posted a 230-248 victory.

Carlie Hanes shot a 43 to lead the way for Antwerp while Kendyl Miller carded a 55. McCartney Lucas shot a 65 and Breanna Fulk also had a 67 for the Lady Archers.

Kennedy Zeller paced Defiance with 15 kills followed by Aubrey Bujalski (63), Malloory Weaver (64) and Maddie Brock (64).

## WARRIORS SWEEP BY SAINTS

WOODBURN - Woodlan resumed volleyball action on Tuesday night after the Labor Day holiday with Bishop Dwenger sweeping the Warriors by scores of 25-12, 25-10 and 25-22.

Taya Dazey paced the Lady Saints with 11 kills while Eva Hudson added eight and Kristin Bobajski chipped in seven.

Hudson also served five aces for Bishop Dwenger and topped the Saints with ten digs. Kaley Lyons had 27 assists for Bishop Dwenger.

Ashton Widenhoefer topped Woodlan with seven slams and Addlan Bayman recorded four. Katie Chin, Taya Kitzmiller and Bayman all had one ace for the Lady Warriors.

Chin picked up five digs for Woodlan with Kitzmiller posting three. Bayman and Ella Smith both dished out six assists for the Warriors as well.

## PATRIOTS POWER THEIR WAY PAST RAIDERS

HAMLER - In its second road trip in as many weeks the Wayne Trace Raiders football team found themselves down early to a solid Patrick Henry team. Unable to score points in the first half the Patriots took advantage of the Raiders misfortunes and raced out to a 27-0 lead at the half. Although the red, white

# RAIDERS DROP THREE SET MATCH TO CRESTVIEW



Wayne Trace senior Miriam Sinn drops to one knee to dig the ball against the Knights. More pictures at westbendnews.net

CONVOY - Last Thursday the Lady Raiders returned to volleyball action on their home court. Stepping out of GMC play the Raiders entertained rival Crestview. The Raiders found themselves on the short end of a three set match 19-25, 11-25, 21-25. The loss moves the Lady Raiders record to 3-4 overall while the Lady Knights improve to 3-1.

Leading the Raiders with solid performances were Miriam Sinn with 15 digs, four kills and 12-12 serving while team mate Katie Stoller collected 21 assists, seven digs and 8-10 serving. Rachel Stoller added seven kills, three digs, one block and 10-11 serving.

Gracie Shepherd, just a freshman, played aggressively with six kills, three blocks and one dig. Morgan Hefner finished with four kills, one

and blue managed to score in the second half, it was all Patriots in the 48-20 non conference win.

The Raiders had to settle for yards through the air with their ground game bottled up all evening. The Raiders were a negative 44 yards on the ground but the passing game was more potent and productive. Quarterback duties were shared by Nate Gerber and Trevor Speice; both combining for 481 yards. Gerber, throwing for three touchdowns, finished the night with 290 yards on 11-19. Meanwhile, Speice collected 191 yards on 14-25.

With 4:40 remaining in the third quarter Gerber connected with Gabe Sutton for the Raiders first score, a 28 yard play to narrow the Patriot's margin to 27-6. Still in the third period Gerber found Alex Reinhart open who scooted down the field covering 75 yards of real estate for the Raiders second touchdown. The two-point attempt was good with Gerber teaming up with Speice and the Raiders trailing 34-

14. In the final period and the Patrick Henry win much at hand, Gerber had another opportunity to pick up his third touch down. This time the senior signal caller tossed a pass to Speice covering 53 yards.

Top receivers for Wayne Trace included Reinhart with 207 yards on six grabs, Gerber with seven receptions for 89 yards and Pwen Manz with five catches covering 50 yards.

For Patrick Henry quarterback T.J. Rhany rushed for 121 yards on 18 totes while passing for 255 yards on 10-19. Rhany's huge target was Kolton Holloway who finished the night with six receptions for 190 yards including touchdowns of 7, 83 and 38 yards. Patriot receiver Will Morrow also had a productive night hauling in 13 passes for 155 yards.

After being on the road for their first two games the Raiders (1-1) will be home this Friday as they welcome their neighbor the Crestview Knights who will be looking for their first win.

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# PANTHERS, ARCHERS, RAIDERS COMPETE IN SPENCERVILLE BEARCAT XC INVITE



Boys Red Division rush the starting line at Saturday's Bearcat Invite!

Saturday mornings are good for sleeping in ... or various sporting events! Many area teams converged on the campus of Spencerville High School September 7th.

In HS Boys Black division, Paulding slipped into the 9th place spot for the team. 13 teams competed in this division. Paulding runners finished as follows:



Elyse Manz of Paulding crossed the finish line at 24:15.8.

22nd R Johanns, 18:40.3; 41st C Bauer, 19:33.1; 45th N Manz, 19:43.7; 82nd P Adams, 21:58.5; 87th C Thompson, 22:08.9; 93rd L Zartman, 22:21.0

In HS Boys Red division, Antwerp and Wayne Trace competed well. Antwerp took 16th and Wayne Trace finished 10th out of 14 teams.

Top WT and Antwerp finishers were as follows:

34th G Laney, ANT, 19:24.6; 35th J Geyer, ANT, 19:29.7; 45th T Homier, WT, 19:48.2; 46th A Johnson, ANT, 19:50.6; 59th J Timbrook, ANT, 20:13.8; 72nd E Reinhardt, ANT, 20:51.0; 77th J Vining, WT, 21:03.4; 80th A Keysor, WT, 21:12.1; 88th Z Lockhart, ANT, 21:39.1; 98th E Moore, WT, 22:03.6; 107th H Grant, ANT, 22:39.4; 132nd A Lyons, WT, 24:16.3; 133rd C Rupp, WT, 24:26.1; 137th N Shisler, WT, 24:41.6; 155th E Clem, ANT, 29:13.9;

In HS Girls Black division, Paulding finished in 12th place out of 12 teams in this division. Paulding finishers are as follows: 48th E Manz, 24:15.8; 72nd S Kohart, 26:34.3; 79th C Maller, 27:27.2; 84th W Martin, 28:19.7; 106th E Dobbelaere, 34:28.0; 107th C Singer, 35:06.5; 111st S Fisher, 36:09.2; 112nd G Lemieux, 40:39.3

In HS Girls Red division, Antwerp and Wayne Trace competed against 8 other team for a 10 team total for this division. Antwerp took

the 5th place spot and Wayne Trace did not qualify for a team finish. Wayne Trace's Kassidy Campbell took the 7th place finish in the race cross the line at 21:37.5. Antwerp's Ariel Snyder came in a



Kassidy Campbell of Wayne Trace finishes her race at 21:37.5 in 7th place.

little over 30 seconds later in the 11th place spot at 22:19.0. Other finishers included: 16th K Bahena, WT, 22:42.4; 19th K Farr, ANT, 22:50.0; 39th S Octaviano, ANT, 24:47.0; 43rd I Graham, ANT, 24:56.7; 47th M Smith, ANT, 25:16.2; 50th E Litzenberg, ANT, 25:25.8; 58th K Trabel, ANT, 26:17.3; 59th J Steiner, 26:18.9; 66th A Cline, ANT, 26:50.7; 69th S Miller, ANT, 27:10.2; 72nd S Garrett, ANT, 27:24.5; 73rd F Meraz, WT, 27:29.6; 76th M Boesch, ANT, 27:34.4; 78th M Elliott, WT, 27:52.8; 86th M O'Donnell, ANT, 29:11.6

In JH Boys division, Antwerp did not qualify as a team, but Paulding took 9th as a team and Wayne Trace stepped into 14th place, all out of 21 teams. Finishers for these schools are as follows: 6th B Laukhuf, WT, 11:34.4; 18th T Manz, PAU, 12:11.3; 26th A Zijlstra, ANT, 12:23.5; 53rd C Agler, PAU, 13:01.2; 72nd D Ankney, PAU, 13:27.8; 78th E Jones, PAU, 13:37.3; 81st P Schnepf, WT, 13:39.8; 103rd C Kimmel, WT, 13:54.9; 104th T Gerber, WT, 13:55.1; 115th K Johnson, ANT, 14:09.9; 146th K Jones, PAU, 14:58.1; 152nd A Lero, PAU, 15:04.9; 157th P Manz, PAU, 15:13.0; 162nd A Lee, WT, 15:16.8; 203rd C Thompson, PAU, 16:48.9; 208th W Ludwig, PAU, 16:54.4; 209th T Reno, PAU, 16:59.2; 211 G McClure, PAU, 17:09.6; 217th C Tumblin, WT, 17:29.0; 220th K Ross, WT, 17:41.6; 226th J Lemieux, PAU, 18:19.9; 228th D Eaken, ANT, 18:24.6; 243rd J Jewell, WT, 21:24.9; 244th B Schroeder, PAU, 21:25.2

In JH Girls division, only Wayne Trace qualified for a team place and they took the 12th place spot out of 13 team finishes. Finishers for Paulding, Antwerp and Wayne Trace were the following: 68th B Thomas, WT, 15:31.9; 72nd C Miller, PAU, 15:42.7; 81st C Thomas, WT, 15:54.3; 93rd A Meraz, WT, 16:28.2; 108th L Meraz, WT, 16:59.5; 109th E Saul, ANT, 16:59.9; 139th C Goings, WT, 18:47.1; 141st M Elliott, WT, 18:54.4

## XC TRI-MEET @ EDON

On August 27th, Antwerp and Edgerton traveled to Bomber land to compete at Walz Park in a Cross Country Tri-Meet.

In HS Girls, Edgerton finished first as a team with 24, and Antwerp trailed in 2nd with 33, Edon did not have a team finish.

Top six runners for the HS girls are the following:

1 S Thiel, EDG, 22:40; 2 A Snyder, ANT, 23:06; 3 K Farr, ANT, 24:08; 4 K Park, EDG, 24:37; 5 A Hug, EDG, 25:24; 6 Kellogg, EDG, 25:40

In HS Boys, Edgerton topped the race with 17, followed by Antwerp with 42, and Edon in 3rd with 81.

Top six runners for the HS boys are the following:

1 H Burke, EDG, 19:05; 2 J Apt, EDG, 19:06; 3 C Thiel, EDG, 20:04; 4 E Roth, EDG, 20:23; 5 G Laney, ANT, 20:38; 6 A Johnson, ANT, 20:39

In the JH race, the boys and girls ran together. Antwerp's Alex Zijlstra finished in 1st place at 13:27; in 2nd was Nathaniel from Edgerton at 14:45; 3rd, Kamren Johnson at 15:13. The first place girl to cross the finish line was Edgerton's Anna Vermillion at 16:37, followed by Heidi M. of Edgerton, 16:41; and Edgerton's Alexis V at 17:24.

## WAYNE TRACE CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL

On August 27, Welcome Park in Grover Hill was teeming with runners for the annual Wayne Trace Cross Country Invitational. Eight schools competed in this race.

BOYS TEAM SCORES: 1 Holgate (H) 30; 2 Tinora (TI) 61; 3 Ottoville (OV) 92; 4 Ayersville (AY) 99; 5 Paulding (PA) 136; 6 Allen East (AE) 141; 7 Wayne Trace 158; St. John's (no team score)

BOYS TOP FINISHERS: 1 N Fisher, AY, 15:55; 2 H Hartman, HO, 17:30; 3 N German, OV, 17:40; 4 L Zachrich, HO, 17:45; 5 A Casillas, HO, 17:54; 6 J Cramer, TI, 18:06

OTHER FINISHERS: 8 Reid Johanns, PA, 18:23; 28 Nick Manz, PA, 20:42; 32 Alan Keysor, WT, 21:07; 35 Jace Vining, WT, 21:31; 38 Luke Zartman, PA, 22:10; 39 Caleb Thompson, PA, 22:12; 47 Ethen Moore, WT, 24:08; 48 Peyton Adams, PA, 24:25; 49 Carson Rupp, WT, 24:45; 50 Austin Lyons, WT, 24:45; 57 Alex Tresler, PA, 28:41; 61 Ean Seibert, PA, 30:15;

62 Isaac Reeb, PA, 31:07; 63 Noah Schisler, WT, 32:51

GIRLS TEAM SCORES: 1 St. John's 32; 2 Ayersville 61; 3 Holgate 69; 4 Paulding 88; 5 Tinora 90; Ottoville; Wayne Trace

GIRLS TOP FINISHERS: 1 R Willett, HO, 19:57; 2 T Bour, AY, 20:37; 3 K Rohr, SJ, 21:37; 4 E Willett, HO, 21:49; 5 J Freewalt, SJ, 22:04; 6 P Hoersten, OV, 22:37

OTHER FINISHERS: 8 K Campbell, WT, 22:53; 9 K Bahena, WT, 23:09; 15 E Manz, PA, 25:17; 20 F Meraz, WT, 27:47; 21 M Cuen-Martinez, PA, 28:04; 24 M Elliott, WT, 28:52; 26 C Weller, PA, 29:47; 29 S Kohart, PA, 30:43; 34 E Dobbelaere, PA, 37:09; 35 C Singer, PA, 37:10

BOYS JH TEAM SCORES: 1 Lincolnview 39; 2 Van Wert 83; 3 Ayersville 101; 4 Paulding 112; 5 St. John's 117; 6 Holgate 136; 7 Ottoville 150; 8 Wayne Trace 162; Allen East; Tinora

BOYS JH TOP FINISHERS: 1 K Tow, LV, 11:43; 2 L Miller, HO, 11:45; 3 P Westrick, TI, 12:01; 4 B Laukhuf, WT, 12:03; 5 R Tressler, AY, 12:24; 6 C Baldauf, LV, 12:25

OTHER FINISHERS: 7 T Manz, PA, 12:26; 14 T Schlatter, PA, 13:07;

26 C Agler, PA, 13:57; 28 P Schnepf, WT, 14:02; 31 E Jones, PA, 14:09; 45 D Ankney, PA, 14:56; 47 C Kimmel, WT, 14:56; 52 A Lee, WT, 15:14; 54 P Manz, PA, 15:24; 55 K Jones, PA, 15:26; 56 T Geber, WT, 15:34; 64 G McClure, PA, 16:19; 66 A Lero, PA, 16:34; 68 C Thompson, PA, 16:45; 76 W Ludwig, PA, 17:29; 77 T Reno, PA, 17:32; 81 J Lemieux, PA, 18:29; 82 C Tumblin, WT, 18:38; 83 K Ross, WT, 18:38; 87 B Schroeder, PA, 20:56; 90 J Jewell, WT, 21:49

GIRLS JH TEAM SCORES: 1 Van Wert 35; 2 St. John's 49; 3 Holgate 85; 4 Ottoville 86; 5 Lincolnview 126; 6 Wayne Trace 144; Ayersville; Paulding; Tinora

GIRLS JH TOP FINISHERS: 1 B Burk, SJ, 13:12; 2 K Ashbaugh, HO, 13:29; 3 M Johnson, VW, 13:44; 4 H Swamy, HO, 13:50; 5 A Lee, TI, 14:17; 6 L Sattler, TI, 14:23

OTHER FINISHERS: 26 C Thomas, WT, 15:53; 27 B Thomas, WT, 15:56; 28 C Miller, PA, 16:14; 36 L Meraz, WT, 17:05; 48 A Meraz, WT, 17:56; 52 A Cruz, WT, 18:11; 62 C Goings, WT, 20:30; 64 M Silance, WT, 20:51; 66 M Elliott, WT, 21:00

CROSS COUNTRY AT WELCOME PARK

Wayne Trace Cross Country hosted Edgerton on Thursday, September 5th at Welcome Park in Grover Hill.

Varsity Boys - Edgerton 15, Wayne Trace 48

Top Ten - Hunter Burke (Edgerton) 18:31, Connor Thiel (Edgerton) 19:08, Elliott Roth (Edgerton) 19:25,

Hayden Herman (Edgerton) 19:32, Max Woenker (Edgerton) 19:34, Tyce Homier (Wayne Trace) 19:49, Josh Apt (Edgerton) 19:56, Nate Swank (Edgerton) 20:02, Jace Vining (Wayne Trace) 20:24, Kale Merillat (Edgerton) 20:56

Varsity Girls - Edgerton 15, Wayne Trace (no full team)

Top Ten - Cassidy Campbell (Wayne Trace) 21:26, Stefanie Thiel (Edgerton) 21:58, Kiara Bahena (Wayne Trace) 22:50, Ashlee Hug (Edgerton) 23:27, Nadaly Kellogg (Edgerton) 23:48, Kenzie Purk (Edgerton) 24:52, Cheri Hulbert (Edgerton) 24:53, Elysa Bowen (Edgerton) 25:27, Holly Stark (Edgerton) 25:37, Makenna Warner (Edgerton) 25:44

ARCHERS ROLL PAST CADETS

WOODBURN - The Antwerp boys golf team hosted Hilltop Tuesday night at Pond-A-River Golf Course where the Archers rolled to a 162-216 win over the visiting Cadets.

Jake Eaken claimed medalist honors for the match with a 35 while teammate Austin Lichty was second with a 40.

Eric Thornell chipped in a 43 and Jayvin Landers posted a 44 for the Archers, who also got a 48 from Gaige McMichael and a 53 by Chase Friend.

Ethan Siebenaler paced Hilltop with a 47 and Kasin Deck recorded a 52.

Other Cadet golfers included Dominik Schmitt (55), Elijah Kuszmaul (62), Caleb Gillespie (68) and Evan Felsche (73).



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Ball carrier Riley Lucas, senior at Fairview, is brought down by Paulding's Caleb Manz, JB Rickels, and Riley Coil tackle. More pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING - Fairview scored 19 second quarter points to break the game open and never looked back in a 32-0 Apache win over Paulding at Keysor Field in non-conference high school football action.

The Apaches led 6-0 at the end of one quarter, getting a 43-yard touchdown pass from Cade Polter to Doug Rakes for the lone points.

However, the black and gold broke the game open in the second stanza.

Polter found Rakes for the second score of the night, this time a ten-yard strike, to wid-

en the Fairview advantage to 12-0.

Luke Timbrook broke free on a 78-yard scamper to extend the Apache margin to 18-0 midway through the second quarter before Polter hooked up with Caleb Frank on a 25-yard touchdown pass late in the period for a 25-0 Fairview halftime lead.

The black and gold wrapped up the game's scoring in the third quarter as Polter hooked up with Frank on a 12-yard touchdown pass.

Polter finished the night 19 of 36 through the air for 251 yards to lead the Apaches.

Luke Timbrook added 94 yards receiving and 92 rushing yards for Fairview.

Fernando Garcia paced the Paulding offense with 140 rushing yards on 26 carries.

Paulding will look for its first victory of the season on Friday night as the Panthers travel to county rival Antwerp.

The Archers won last year's meeting between the two schools, 14-7, while Paulding took the 2017 contest by doubling up the Archers 46-23.

Paulding's 38-20 win in 2015 was the last time the home team won in the series.

**COLUMBUS GROVE CROSS COUNTRY INVITATIONAL**

August ended with the annual Columbus Grove Cross Country Invitational on August 31st at the Columbus Grove High School campus. Hicksville, Paulding, New Haven and Antwerp all participated in this yearly event.

**BOYS RED DIVISION TEAM SCORES:**

1 New Haven 62; 2 Findlay 112; 3 Anna 125; 4 St. Francis 130; 5 Liberty-Benton 168; 6 Ottawa-Glandorf 184; 7 Wauseon 193; 8 Tinora 201; 9 St. Marys Memorial 220; 10 Fairview 272; 11 Bryan 281; 12 Van Wert 283; 13 Woodmore 287; 14 Van Buren 362; 15 Bluffton 451; 16 Paulding 498; 17 LCC 510; 18 Bath 525; 19 Fostoria 582; 20 Lake 587

**RED DIVISION AREA SCHOOL FINISHERS:**

1 L Saldana, NH, 16:21.549; 10 L Cassell, NH, 16:51.781; 12 A Arnos, NH, 17:00.993; 16 J Rhodes, NH, 17:15.465; 2 C Grunden, NH, 17:26.576; 28 I Belcher, NH, 17:39.806; 53 R Johnsons, P, 18:19.038; 62 J Rhodes, NH, 18:38.861; 98 C Bauer, P, 19:37.990; 108 L Zartman, P, 20:21.772; 121 P Adams, P, 21:45.497; 122 C Thompson, P, 21:52.838; 136 I Reeb, P, 27:00.830; 137 A Tresler, P, 27:18.867

**BOYS GRAY DIVISION TEAM SCORES:**

1 Columbus Grove (CG) 76; 2 Botkins (B) 97; 3 Minster (M) 98; 4 Hopewell-Louden (HL) 107; 5 Lincolnview (LV) 145; 6 Fayette (F) 195; 7 Edgerton (EDG) 223; 8 Crestview (CV) 269; 9 Patrick Henry (PH) 280; 10 Ottoville (O) 292; 11 Ayersville (AY) 317; 12 Mapleton (MA) 345; 13 Kalida (K) 358; 14 Antwerp (A) 378; 15 Elmwood (E) 384; 16 Riverdale (RV) 401; 17 Hicksville (HV) 401; 18 Carey (C) 420; 19 McComb (MC) 490; 20 Ada (ADA) 571

**BOYS GRAY DIVISION TOP SCORERS:**

1 N Fisher, AY, 15:20.384; 2 A Albers, M, 16:31.604; 3 J Foster, HL, 16:36.421; 4 C Stechschulte, CG, 16:37.325; 5 L Barga, M, 16:46.165; 6 N German, O, 16:47.564

**AREA SCHOOL FINISHERS:**

57 G Laney, A, 18:44.343; 59 J Myers, HV, 18:47.091; 60 N Sullivan, HV, 18:48.293; 70 J Geyer, A, 19:04.285; 74 J Timbrook, A, 19:13.100; 90 R Shliesser, HV, 19:42.678; 95 J Ankner, HV, 19:50.907; 96 A Johnson, A, 19:56.452; 104 E Reinhart, A, 20:36.459; 118 H Grant, A, 21:40.633; 122 M Villena, HV, 22:13.707; 130 E Rogers, HV, 23:17.081; 132 G Partin, A, 23:36.437

**JV AREA FINISHERS:**

16 R Felger, NH, 18:53.291; 19 T Hiatt, NH, 18:55.525; 79 J Harris, NH, 20:55.413; 107 L Turnwald, NH, 21:34.080;

168 K DeFreese, HV, 24:03.439; 191 C Lichty, HV, 26:32.063; 196 Z Bell, HV, 27:42.712; 204 E Clem, ANT, 37:12.980

**GIRLS RED DIVISION TEAM SCORES:**

1 Minster 37; 2 Findlay 76; 3 Van Wert 143; 4 Wauseon 164; 5 Van Buren 192; 6 St. Marys Memorial 197; 7 Liberty-Benton 202; 8 Woodmore 212; 9 New Haven 233; 10 Fairview 249; 11 Bryan 254; 12 Anna 266; 13 Bath 287; 14 Ottawa-Glandorf 326; 15 Paulding 421; 16 Tinora 449; 17 Lake 450

**RED DIVISION AREA SCHOOL FINISHERS:**

17 A Kline, NH, 20:19.697; 41 M Coomer, NH, 21:36.763; 49 E Manz, P, 22:06.263; 58 M Hammond, NH, 22:30.824; 64 M Bostic, NH, 22:48.854; 71 M Goodwin, NH, 23:01.513; 77 S Police, NH, 23:19.226; 90 R McCagg, NH, 24:11.851; 100 S Shepherd, P, 24:44.068; 111 B Gresham, NH, 25:34.399; 112 S Kohart, P, 25:42.163; 117 M Martinez, P, 26:23.919; 125 C Weller, P, 26:46.634; 137 A Kaiser, NH, 28:04.479; 140 H Johnston, NH, 28:46.481; 151 E Dobbelaere, P, 31:48.434; 153 C Singer, P, 31:51.831; 158 S Fisher, P, 38:39.000

**GIRLS GRAY DIVISION TEAM SCORES:**

1 COLUMBUS GROVE 49; 2 CAREY 92; 3 HOPEWELL-LOUDON 128; 4 PATRICK HENRY 132; 5 CRESTVIEW 153; 6 BOTKINS 175; 7 EDGERTON 179; 8 LINCOLNVIEW 183; 9 ANTWERP 207; 10 ELMWOOD 207; 11 MAPLETON 215; 12 LEIPSIC 308

**GIRLS GRAY DIVISION TOP SCORERS:**

1 A Ellerbrock, CG, 18:31.718; 2 S Reinhart, C, 19:36.748; 3 M Langdon, LV, 19:40.518; 4 T Young, M, 19:51.152; 5 T Bour, AY, 19:53.918; 6 E Koenig, B,

20:07.111

**GIRLS RED DIVISION AREA SCHOOL FINISHERS:**

16 A Snyder, ANT, 21:37.640; 22 T Metz, HV, 22:04.886; 26 K Farr, ANT, 22:18.515; 70 S Octaviano, ANT, 24:28.326; 72 I Graham, ANT, 24:31.614; 87 E Litzenberg, ANT, 25:21.659; 88 K Trabel, ANT, 25:29.400; 91 J Steiner, ANT, 25:37.688; 100 A Cline, ANT, 26:12.500; 104 M Boesch, ANT, 26:40.016; 108 S Garrett, ANT, 27:38.248; 117 M O'Donnell, ANT, 28:38.885

**BOYS JH TEAM SCORES:**

1 Botkins 38; 2 Lincolnview 126; 3 Minster 142; 4 Fairview 188; 5 St. Marys 190; 6 Van Wert 214; 7 Findlay Glenwood 215; 8 Paulding 276; 9 Ayersville 339; 10 Columbus Grove 351; 11 Lake 356; 12 Ottoville 382; 13 Liberty-Benton 382; 14 Fayette 401; 15 Bath 407; 16 Hopewell-Louden 425; 17 N Central 431; 18 New Haven 481; 19 Bryan 483; 20 Wauseon 483; 21 Edgerton 510; 22 Anna 533; 23 Carey 537; 24 Crestview 547; 25 Patrick Henry 557;

**BOYS JH TOP FINISHERS:**

1 C Heitmeyer, K, 11:15.688; 2 G Flora, B, 11:24.280; 3 P Schnippel, B, 11:29.784; 4 K Tow, LV, 11:35.683; 5 C Doseck, B, 11:39.618; 6 J Gtieshop, M, 11:42.239

**BOYS JH AREA FINISHERS:**

19 K Pranger, NH, 12:12.069; 23 T Manz, P, 12:21.616; 34 A Zijlstra, ANT, 12:40.193; 57 T Schlatter, P, 13:08.152; 59 C Agler, P, 13:10.557; 91 A Noble, NH, 13:46.476; 92 E Jones, P, 13:47.811; 96 A Sanders, HV, 13:49.490; 103 D Ankney, P, 13:53.748; 122 K Johnson, ANT, 14:18.231; 145 L Eicher, NH, 14:49.012; 149 K Jones, P, 14:50.948; 172 A Lero, P, 15:13.791; 174 G McClure, P, 15:15.668;

**GIRLS JH TEAM SCORES:**

1 Minster 37; 2 Botkins 65; 3 Kalida 94; 4 Bryan 99; 5 Van Wert 133; 6 Patrick Henry 158; 7 Ottoville 227; 8 Findlay Glenwood 260; 9 Bluffton 267; 10 Lincolnview 278; 11 Hopewell-Louden 290; 12 Columbus Grove 332; 13 Edgerton 344; 14 St. Marys 375; 15 Liberty-Benton 382; 16 Wauseon 411; 17 Lake 472

**GIRLS JH AREA FINISHERS:**

56 C Miller, P, 15:09.004; 64 E Nichols, NH, 15:17.998; 130 E Saul, ANT, 17:21.770; 158 H Johnson, NH, 18:31.208; 177 A Albright, NH, 20:43.052; 180 A Nichols, NH, 21:04.375

**APACHES GET PAST ARCHERS IN GMC OPENER**



Antwerp's Grace Schuette bumps the ball back to Junior Apache Anna Ankney in the first set at the Antwerp hosted match. More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - In the Green Meadows Conference opener for both schools, it was the visiting Fairview Apaches who recorded a four-set win over Antwerp Tuesday night at the home of the Archers.

The black and gold took game one 25-21 and followed that up with a 25-23 win in game two. After Antwerp posted a 25-22 victory in the third set, the Lady Apaches completed the match by defeating the Archers 25-17 in game four.

Karsyn Brumett dished out 24 assists while adding 31 digs, three aces and three kills for Antwerp, which falls

to 2-4 overall and 0-1 in the conference.

Astianna Coppes chipped in 20 digs, 15 kills and three blocks while Alyssa Fuller added 18 digs and six kills. Alyvia DeVore also had ten digs and three aces for Antwerp.

Madison Boesch posted 14 digs for the blue and white and Grace Schuette finished with one block and four kills. Heather Oberlin also had a block for Antwerp.

The Apache junior varsity squad also was victorious, defeating the Lady Archers by the scores of 25-15 and 25-23.

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# PORTMAN TOURS VANTAGE CAREER CENTER, HIGHLIGHTS EFFORTS TO BOOST SKILLS TRAINING



**VAN WERT, OH** - U.S. Senator Rob Portman (R-OH) toured Vantage Career Center. During the tour, Portman met with the Center's leadership and students to discuss Career and Technical Education and how his bipartisan JOBS Act legislation will help more Ohioans get the skills and training they need to find in-demand jobs.

"I enjoyed my visit at Vantage Career Center and had a productive discussion with the students and leadership team about how best to ensure today's workers get the skills training they need to succeed," said Portman. "Strengthening Career and Technical Education by passing the JOBS Act will help ensure we make skills training more accessible and affordable. I will continue my work on the federal level to make sure that Washington is an effective

partner with local communities in providing Ohioans with the skills training they need to succeed.

"We appreciate Senator Portman taking time out of his busy schedule to visit Vantage Career Center to see firsthand our efforts to train a skilled workforce. Senator Portman has initiated and supported critical workforce development legislation that greatly facilitates our efforts to train people for the jobs our local companies need. The Jobs Act legislation Senator Portman initiated provides essential funding for our short term, high demand training programs, thereby creating opportunities for our students and a skilled workforce for our companies," said Superintendent Rick Turner

Portman has taken the lead to address this skills gap by authoring the JOBS

Act, bipartisan legislation make high-quality and rigorous short-term job training programs more affordable by expanding access to Pell Grants for low-income students. President Trump included the JOBS Act in his FY 2020 budget request and Portman is working to include this measure in broader legislation to reauthorize the Higher Education Act this year.

As part of his JOBS Act and Workforce Tour, Portman has visited Warren Fabricating and Machining in Trumbull County, Stark State's Akron Campus in Summit County, Delaware Career Center in Delaware County, Staub Manufacturing and a graduation ceremony at Sinclair Community College, Rhinestahl Advanced Manufacturing in Warren County, a Department of Justice Reentry Conference and Human Service Chamber roundtable in Franklin County, a Drug Addiction and Workforce Roundtable and a Ohio Labor's Training Facility in Knox County, an EODA Annual meeting in Holmes County, Venture Products in Wayne County, an Investiture Ceremony at Central Ohio Technical College in Licking County, a Workforce Roundtable hosted by United Way of Cincinnati, and a graduation ceremony at Marion Technical College in Marion County, a roundtable at Southern State Community College in Highland County, a roundtable at The Point in Lawrence County, a roundtable at Hocking College in Logan County, and a roundtable at Morgal Machine tool in Clark County.

Pilots.

## JH ARCHER VOLLEYBALL TOP PANTHERS

Antwerp hosted Paulding Thursday night, September 5th. Both 7th and 8th grades won in two sets.

7th grade was 25-11 and 25-10. Caroline Rohrs led the team going 15-18 serving with 7 aces, 1 kill, 2 assists and 1 dig. Jessica Thornell went 14-17 with 5 aces and 3 kills.

8th grade was 26-24 and 25-21. Emma Townley led the team going 18-18 with 4 aces and 4 digs. Caydence Shull went 8-9 with 1 ace, 1 kill and 3 digs. Addyson Hormann was 9-9 with 1 ace, 2 kills and 2 assists. Lucy Wales was 8-8 serving.

## CADETS PULL AWAY FROM ARCHERS

**WEST UNITY** - Dan Shilling ran for 165 yards while Hayden Brown rumbled for 164 yards to lead the Hilltop Cadets to a 50-20 win over visiting Antwerp Friday night in non-league football action in Williams County.

The Cadets jumped out to a 13-0 lead after one quarter as Connor Schlosser plunged four yards for a score while Brown followed with a 58-yard run for a score to put Hilltop in front by two scores.

Antwerp worked its way back into the contest in the second quarter.

Blake Schuette found Hunter Sproles for an eight-yard touchdown pass that pulled the Archers within 13-6 before a two-yard run by Schuette cut the blue and white deficit to 13-12 in the second quarter.

Shilling followed with a 69-yard scamper that extended the Hilltop lead to 20-12 at the intermission.

Hilltop then outscored Antwerp 30-8 in the second half.

Schlosser connected with Griffin McEwen for a 19-yard scoring strike that made it 28-12 Cadets before an Antwerp safety pulled the Archers within 28-14.

Shilling then broke loose on a 60-yard run for a score to push Hilltop in front 36-12 and break the game open.

The Cadets added a

## LADY PANTHERS PICK UP FOURTH WIN

**DEFIANCE** - The Paulding Lady Panthers hit the road on Thursday night to Ayersville where the maroon and white came home with a four-set non-league volleyball win over the Pilots.

The Lady Panthers took game one 25-22 before outlasting the Pilots for a 26-24 victory in the set. Following a 25-16 win by Ayersville in game three, Paulding wrapped up the match by taking game four 25-16.

Leigha Egnor led the way for the maroon and white with 14 assists, 11 digs and 14 kills while Sadie Estle posted 15 kills, 13 digs and one ace.

Janae Pease also added 15 digs for Paulding, which improved to 4-3 on the season. Claire Schweller dished out 18 assists and recorded an ace while Jalyann Parrett finished with ten kills, one ace and 15 digs.

Paulding's junior varsity was also victorious over the

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# SYNERGY BACK IN SESSION!



SYNERGY Learning Center is back in full swing this school year. Shown is 1st year Elementary Teacher; Miss Haley Linder working with Ethan Kremer (Antwerp).

37-yard run for a score by Brown and Alex Swaney-Richmond rumbled 82-yards to wrap up the Hilltop scoring.

Hunter Sproles scored on a four-yard run for Antwerp to complete the Archer touchdowns.

Schuette finished the contest 15 of 31 passing for 182 yards for Antwerp.

The Archers wrap up the non-conference portion of their schedule on Friday when they host county rival Paulding.

## TINORA TOO STRONG IN GMC OPENER

**HAVILAND** - It was opening night for the volleyball season in the Green Meadows Conference last Tuesday. The Wayne Trace Raiders were home to start their chase for the conference title. Unfortunately for the Lady Raiders the Tinora Rams were too strong on opening night and came away with a convincing three set win 25-6, 25-9, 25-17.

Leading the Lady Raiders statistically: Serving - Katie Stoller 5-6; Kylie Pfeiffer 5-6; Katrina Stoller 7-8; Miriam Sinn 7-9; Rachel Stoller 5-5. Kills - Gracie Shepherd six; Miriam Sinn four; Rachel Stoller three. Digs - Katie Stoller 11; Miriam Sinn six; Natalie Schultz five; Morgan

Hefner three; Kaitlin Vest three. Assists - Katie Stoller 13.

The Raiders even their season mark at 3-3 and 0-1 in GMC play while the Rams improve their mark at 5-1 overall and 1-0 in league play.

In the junior varsity match it was the Lady Rams turning back Wayne Trace 25-10, 25-11.

## PATRIOTS WIN ACAC TOURNEY

Heritage won the ACAC volleyball meet on Saturday by posting straight-set victories over Jay County, Southern Wells and Woodlan.

The Patriots defeated Jay County 25-15 and 25-15 while rolling past Southern Wells 25-12 and 25-7. Heritage then wrapped up the day by defeating rival Woodlan 25-21 and 25-8.

Woodlan previously recorded victories over South Adams and Bluffton.

The Lady Warriors got past the Starfires 15-25, 25-17 and 15-13 while cruising past Bluffton 25-15 and 25-12.

In other matches, South Adams slipped past Bluffton by identical victories of 27-25 in game one and game two while defeating Jay County 25-17 and 25-23.

Adams Central also picked up a win, defeating Bluffton 23-25, 25-19 and 15-8.

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**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

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**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

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# PAULDING RESIDENTS JOIN "SAVED BY THE BELT" CLUB



Paulding - Paulding residents Holly M. Manz and Brynley E. Manz joined Ohio's "Saved by the Belt" Club after their safety belts saved them from being seriously injured or killed in a crash. The incident occurred on US127 in Benton Township in Paulding County on July 9, 2019.

On September 4, 2019, Lt. Jonathon Gray, Van Wert Post commander, presented

them with "Saved by the Belt" certificates signed by Ohio Department of Public Safety Director Thomas J. Stickrath and Colonel Richard S. Fambro, Patrol superintendent.

"Holly and Brynley are living testimony to the effectiveness of safety belts," Lt. Gray said. "Everyone needs to buckle up, every trip, every time."

In 2018, 419 people were killed in traffic crashes where

a safety belt was available but not in use.

The "Saved by the Belt" Club is a joint effort by the Ohio Department of Public Safety and more than 400 Ohio law enforcement agencies. This club is designed to recognize people who have benefited from their decision to wear safety belts.

Holly Manz also received a "Saved by the Belt" license plate bracket.

**Robert M. Hemsoth**, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jonathan J. Sinn**, Haviland, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**James L. Kleman**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

**CARRYALL TWP**  
9/3/19 Malfait Jeremy to Graber Joe F & Graber Rosa; Rd 204; 17.388 acres; Nw 1/4 Nw1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 21

9/4/19 Arend James B to Arend James B Le; 119 Maple Dr; 0.1389 acres; Lot 18 Marilyn-Doris Add Antwerp Vill

**EMERALD TWP**  
9/3/19 Ganger Linda A to Bergman Steven; 14749 Rd 133 Paulding Oh 45879; 3 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Emerald Twp S-28

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9/3/19 Mumma Jeffrey John & Baumle Anna Marie to Fogarty Nicholas J & Fogarty Olivia M; 416 N Main St; 0.1667 acres; Lot 3 Birkhold Add Paulding Vill

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## UNIVERSITY SEES SUSTAINABILITY IMPROVEMENTS FROM ENERGY PARTNERSHIP

Two years into a 50-year partnership, The Ohio State University continues to see improvement in its energy management and sustainability through tangible initiatives such as smart metering and lighting upgrades. Future improvements, including a Combined Heat and Power plant, promise to make an even bigger impact.

On July 6, 2017, Ohio State transferred operation of utility systems that deliver heating, cooling and electricity to the Columbus campus to ENGIE Buckeye Operations on behalf of Ohio State Energy Partners.

The partnership included a \$1.015 billion upfront payment to the university and a \$150 million commitment to support academic priorities.

To date, Ohio State Energy Partners has made tangible progress, including:

- Converting a total of 107,000 indoor light fixtures and 1,700 outdoor light fixtures to energy-efficient LED technology over the past two years.
- Installing more than 375 smart meters to link to an ENGIE Digital Platform. This system will allow ENGIE to monitor the utility system infrastructure throughout campus.
- Making infrastructure improvements to support utility systems for facilities around the Oval, within the Arts District and for health sciences facilities.
- Beginning to upgrade the energy systems in 14 buildings with a goal to improve their energy efficiency by more than 26% on average.
- Heading into year three of the groundbreaking agreement, Ohio State Energy Partners is seeking Board of Trustees approval on a \$393 million capital plan for the 2020 fiscal year.

## SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:**  
**WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, Plaintiff,**  
**vs.**  
**JASON L. FRIEND, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 19 095.

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 26th day of September, 2019 at 10:10 a.m., the real estate located at:

**526 West River Street, Antwerp, Ohio 45813**  
**Parcel Number: 12-36S-007-00**

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

Said premises appraised at Ninety Thousand and No/100 (\$90,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

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

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

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

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**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.

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Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
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David T. Brady, Attorney for Plaintiff

## PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

### Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Edward Brown**, Montpelier, OH; Endanger child; Guilty; Defendant to apy all fines and cost; Maintain general good behavior; Placed on standard probation; No unsupervised contact with victim; Submit to a mental health evaluation; Take a parenting class; Thinking For a Change; Risk assessment

**Zachary D. Dinning**, Leo, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Kevin R. Robbins**, Williamsburg, KY; Traffic device/signal; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Amber D. Sisley**, Oakwood, OH; Traffic device/signal; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Theodore McCoy**, Montpelier, OH; Traffic device/signal; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Theodore C. King**, Haviland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jan T. Fair**, Ada, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**James A. Reitzel Jr.**, Bryan, OH; Traffic device/signal; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Elizabeth A. Bancroft**,

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

**David Emrick**, Bethany, IL; Failure to yield to emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Daniel Tiul Coc**, Sidney, OH; OVI/under influence; Upon motion of the state Count A dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived; Defendant was taken into custody for deportation proceedings

**Daniel Tiul Coc**, Sidney, OH; No operator license; Upon motion of the state Count B shall be dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived; Defendant was taken into custody for deportation

**Daniel Tiul Coc**, Sidney, OH; Hit skip; Upon motion of the state Count C shall be dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived; Defendant taken into custody for deportation

**Daniel Tiul Coc**, Sidney, OH; Failure to control; Upon motion of the state Count D shall be dismissed without prejudice; Costs waived; Defendant taken into custody for deportation

**Joshua C. Harshman**, Payne, OH; No operator license; Guilty; Pay or collection 12/18/20; Shall pay \$10.00 per month commencing 9/27/19

**Ethan A. Vance**, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty;

Case was waived by defendant

**Christopher Cook**, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**James Smith**, Sherwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Daniel E. Martinez**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Harold J. Wheeler**, Charlotte, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**James A. Nelson**, Jackson, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Colette M. Lee**, Bryan, OH; Failure to yield to emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Bette A. Rini**, Beachwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Donald E. Hammons IV**, Van Wert, OH; Driving under suspension (OVI); Guilty; Pay or collections 9/27/19; Shall reimburse the costs of the appointed counsel fees; Warrant and warrant block recalled; 87 jail days reserved

**Ean Landwear**, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**David E. Henry**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Shane W. Hill**, Cloverdale, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Ricardo Hernandez Cruz**, Paulding, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**David C. Grindstaff**, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

The plan will help advance Ohio State and OSEP sustainability goals, which include improving energy efficiency by at least 25% within 10 years and achieving carbon neutrality by 2050.

In a major next step, the university is planning for a Combined Heat and Power plant, which would provide heating and cooling to parts of the campus core and to the proposed West Campus innovation district. The CHP plant is expected to:

- Cut the university's Columbus campus carbon emissions by up to 35% in the first full year of plant operation.
- Create efficiencies to support hot water and chilled water systems.
- Add to the university's overall resiliency by generating electricity.
- Reduce energy costs.
- "The CHP facility generates electricity with combustion turbines and then utilizes the exhaust heat to make steam and heat water, which Ohio State uses to heat campus buildings," said Serdar Tufekci, OSEP CEO. "The CHP facility will also include a central chiller plant, which will be the first one west of the Olentangy River to provide cooling in midwest campus and West Campus buildings. This combined capacity is both financially and environmentally responsible."

The proposed CHP plant will reduce the amount of electric power the university must purchase from the electricity markets. Additionally, producing electricity on campus using highly efficient natural-gas fired generators will reduce the total carbon dioxide emissions associated with the campus.

Ohio State's Board of Trustees approved \$10 million for professional services in May and will now consider construction approval.

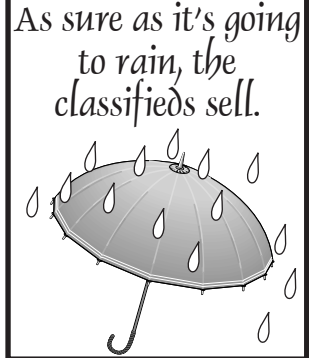
The total project cost, which includes the district heating and cooling loop infrastructure and a new pedestrian bridge across the Olentangy River, is expected to be \$278 million with upfront capital costs provided by OSEP. The project has a target completion date of fall 2021.

Additional approval from the Ohio Power and Siting Board is required.

Beyond the sustainability benefits of the comprehensive energy management partnership, Ohio State has invested more than \$800 million of the proceeds in endowments that provide ongoing support for student scholarships, faculty excellence and other priorities.

These endowments provide funding for the Buckeye Opportunity Program, which ensures that financial aid covers the cost of tuition and mandatory fees for all Ohio students who receive Pell grants. They also provide funding for the Teaching Support Program, offered through the University Institute for Teaching and Learning, for faculty members.

In addition, academic collaboration between Ohio State and OSEP supports endowed faculty positions, internships, other student scholarships and the energy advancement and innovation center, a hub for technology commercialization that will be developed as part of the West Campus innovation district.



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**ANTWERP POLICE  
ANNOUNCE AUGUST  
REPORTS**



There were 111 total calls for the month of August.

On August 19, a resident reported concerns with coyotes running around in the village. He was traveling near the Antwerp School on Harrmann Road and saw two coyotes walking north on the road. He said he saw them again that evening near Riverside Park. He said he was concerned with the safety of small children with the coyotes being around. He also contacted the DNR about the matter. Interaction with any wild animal is not recommended as they will try and defend themselves even if you are not aggressive.

On August 19, a resident received a phone call claiming to be from the Social Security Administration, requesting personal information. The caller stated a vehicle with blood and cocaine was found in Texas, and then was told to get the money from her bank account and send to them. They gave their name and number. She said she gave the last four digits of her SSN to the caller. The victim had already called her bank and made them aware of the situation. The phone call was a scam. The police remind you to be aware of the scams that are going on now.

On August 19, a resident reported that their teenage daughter was missing. It was thought she had a ride from the Vantage Career Center with her boyfriend to the school. She had not been seen at the school. The officer contacted the Antwerp School and drove to the school and attempted to locate the missing juvenile's vehicle. The mother then called back and reported the daughter was now home.

On August 18, a resident called and reported that she locked herself in her mobile home. An officer responded and assisted the person with unlocking her trailer.

On August 20, while patrolling through the Riverside Veteran's Memorial Park there were two teenage boys standing on top of the picnic tables in the pavilion. The officer stopped and requested they not stand on the picnic tables.

On August 21, a report of a motor vehicle accident at South Main and Daggett Streets. The Officer investigated and one of the drivers were cited for Failure to Control.

On August 21, a vehicle was stopped at River St. near Shaffer Rd. And the driver was charged with having a suspended operator's license. On August 21, a report was received of domestic violence on Daggett St. The case was investigated and a suspect was arrested and transported to the Paulding County jail and charged with domestic violence.

On August 25, a mother reported that her teenage son had been assaulted at the Antwerp Ball Park by an Adult male earlier in the day. The victim did not know the suspect's name. The case is under investigation.

On August 26, the police stopped a vehicle at River St. and Archer Drive. The driver was cited for operating a motor vehicle without a valid Operator's license.

On August 26, School Resource Officer Miller requested the police go to a residence because a teenager had not reported to school and no one had called in. The officer went to the residence and talked to the mother and was insistent that the student was not there and had gone to school earlier. After leaving, the officer left the residence, the mother called and reported that she found the teenager asleep in the home.

On August 27, SRO Miller requested that an officer go to the same residence. This time for a different student who did not attend that day, and no parent or guardian called in. The student was located at the home. The mother said she forgot to call in and he had an appointment.

On August 28, a resident

from the previous day called the school and said their student would be late for school and please not to send the police.

On August 28, a resident of North Garden Apartments said that another resident threatened her with a hammer. The case was investigated and the report was sent to the Paulding County Prosecutor's Office.

On August 28, a resident reported that she received a voice mail telling her that there was a warrant for her if she did not return the phone call. The officer determined that this was a scam and told the person not to return the phone call.

On August 28, a trespasser was found at Leinard Trailer Park fishing on the property. The person was located and the issue was dealt with.

On August 29, a resident was arrested on a warrant request and transported to the Paulding County Jail.

On August 29, a resident requested a daily check of their residence as they went on vacation. The Police Department takes care of this service for residents if requested.

On August 30, a funeral escort was provided for Dooley Funeral Home.

On September 2, a driver was stopped near Main and River Streets. The driver was cited for speeding and driving under suspension.

On September 2, a resident of the county called and said his dog was missing. A 60-80lb Pitbull brown with white on chest and face was the description. The dog had a black harness. If a person sees a dog of this description should contact the Antwerp PD.

On September 2, it was reported that a suspicious person was trying to give young people candy from a vehicle that had two other young people in the back seat. The vehicle was a small silver car, possibly a Volkswagen. The vehicle with these people could not be located.

If you would like to report any suspicious activity or if you have any questions, please contact the Antwerp Police Department, 419-258-2627, as they are always ready to serve the residents of the village!

Many farmers in Ohio might be trying to grow and feed their animals different grasses this year, as supplies for hay and traditional forage grasses are exceptionally low. Ohio's hay supply is the lowest since the 2012 drought, and the fourth lowest in 70 years. This past spring was persistently wet, which hindered the growth and cutting of hay and other forage grasses.

"Nobody can control the weather, but we can somewhat control what we're growing on the farm," said Christine Gelley, an Ohio State University Extension educator in Noble County. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

"If we can become more flexible in terms of what we grow and how we move our animals around, that can increase our options for feeding them," she said.

Gelley is hosting a talk on how to do that: "Forages for the Extremes—Drought and Flood Tolerant Options" on Sept. 18 and Sept. 19 at the 2019 Farm Science Review near London, Ohio. FSR is sponsored by CFAES.

Typically, Ohio farmers grow cool-season grasses for their cows, sheep, and other livestock, including orchardgrass and Kentucky bluegrass, Gelley said. The problem is that those grasses can't always withstand an abundance of rain, which has become increasingly common in recent years. Ohio experienced its wettest yearlong period on record from June 1, 2018, to May 31, 2019, which left soils persistently saturated.

Unlike cool-season grasses, prairie grasses have extensive root systems that help them survive in flooded conditions and even drought, Gelley said. The downside is that prairie grasses can take three years to get established.

"It's not something we could plant this fall and expect to sustain our animals next spring. But once they're established, they can last for decades," Gelley said.

Reed canarygrass, a cool-season grass not commonly used for grazing, can be a good source of food for

**THE WEST BEND NEWS  
Sudoku Puzzle**

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

animals and is very tolerant of chronically wet soils, Gelley said. Anyone who plants reed canarygrass should be aware that it's an invasive species and can easily take over a field unless animals get in there to graze it often, she said.

Tall fescue, the most common grass in Ohio, also can withstand soggy soil, but certain varieties of the grass can limit weight gain in livestock that eat it. Tall fescue contains a fungus that makes the plant more resistant to drought but also can limit weight gain. However, some varieties, while still containing the fungus, do not have that effect on animals' weight, Gelley said.

With many of the alternative grasses, there are tradeoffs to consider before planting them.

"But which would you rather have during extreme weather events: nothing for your animals to eat or something with issues that we know we can work around?" Gelley said.

**PAULDING COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
MINUTES 8/12/19**

This 12th day of August, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Tony Zartman, Mark Holtsberry and Cindy Peters, Clerk  
**ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS**  
Warrants documented as 253657 through 253742 for County Bills were

approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

**TRAVEL REQUEST**

• Andrea Pease, Case Manager Networking, Bowling Green, OH - August 21, 2019

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2019 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 045)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2019 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the CDBG Fund (Fund 045):

045-001-00001/CDBG/Expenses AMOUNT: \$151,237.01

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2019 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 230)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2019 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Local Government Safety Grant Fund (Fund 230):

230-001-00001/Local Govt Safety Grant/Contract Services AMOUNT: \$6879.68

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2019 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 125)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2019 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Tax Incentive EZ/CRA Fund (Fund 125):

125-001-00001/Tax Incentive EZ-CRA/Expenses AMOUNT: \$500.00

**IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2019 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 162)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2019 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds:

FROM: 162-001-20126/Victim's Assistance/Other

TO: 162-001-20129/Victim's Assistance/Printing AMOUNT: \$234.00

**MEETING MINUTES OF APPOINTMENTS**

• Becky Suvar, WMEA Program Manager - Ms. Suvar met with the Commissioners to discuss her position as Program Manager that will be coming available upon her retirement at the end of the year. An advertisement in the West Bend News (paper of general circulation) will be forthcoming.

• Carol Temple, Recorder - Ms. Temple informed the Commissioners of her intent to purchase a new copier.

**LEGAL NOTICE  
NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY  
VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the Village Fiscal Officer, 118 North Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio, until noon on October 7, 2019, for the purchase of real property owned by the Village of Antwerp. The Village of Antwerp is selling real estate pursuant to Ohio Revised Code § 721.03. There is one parcel of real property being sold, which is located at 106½ Archer Drive, Antwerp, Ohio, more legally described as Lot 17 PT Block B Antwerp Village, City of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio; Parcel #12-03S-002-00. Bids will be opened at noon on October 7, 2019, at the office of the Village Fiscal Officer. The real property and any structures located thereon are being sold AS IS and without any warranty or representation whatsoever as to the condition thereof. A minimum bid has been set at \$25,000.00.

In the event the Village of Antwerp is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract for sale of the property with a chosen bidder, the Village of Antwerp may terminate negotiations with that bidder and enter into negotiations with the next highest and best bidder.

The Village of Antwerp accepts no responsibility for expenses incurred by responding bidders in the preparation or submittal of a bid and reserves the right not to enter into any contract with any bidder, to waive any irregularities, informalities, or inconsistencies in the bids, and to reject any and all bids received.

Ten percent (10%) of the purchase price to be deposited with the bid in cash or by certified check and the balance to be paid at closing to be held within fifteen (15) days after the acceptance of the bid by the village. All real estate closing costs to be paid by the purchaser.

Please contact Sara Keeran, Village Administrator, at 419-258-2371 to inspect the real property.

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# PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE LAUNCHES YOUTH POWER & HOPE CONTEST



Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is looking for Indiana students in grades 5-8 who are community service super heroes to apply for the Youth Power and Hope Awards Contest. The contest is in partnership with Indiana Electric Cooperatives and is run across the state through the month of September.

The best part? Winners will receive \$500, be featured in the co-op magazine, attend the Indiana Electric Cooperatives' Annual Meeting in December, and get a free night's stay in Indianapolis. Enter by Friday, Oct. 4 at <https://www.indianaconnection.org/for-youth/youth-power-and-hope/> or click here for an entry form.

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is proud to serve more than 12,900 members in Paulding, Putnam, Defiance, Van Wert, and Allen counties in Ohio, and Adams and Allen counties in Indiana. Since 1935, our not-for-profit model has allowed us to provide affordable, reliable, and safe power to rural areas with pride.

## ATTRACTING MORE FARMERS TO PARTICIPATE IN WATER QUALITY EFFORTS

Skepticism, more than anything else, is keeping farmers from changing how they apply fertilizer to their fields, according to a behavioral scientist at The Ohio

State University. Many farmers question whether the conservation measures they are being asked to do, such as applying fertilizer underground rather than on the surfaces of fields, will actually improve water quality in Lake Erie, said Robyn Wilson, a professor in the College of Food,

Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). And they also question whether they can carry out those measures on their farms, particularly small farms that typically have less equipment and fewer workers and financial resources than larger farms have, Wilson said.

So, offering farmers more evidence about the link between fertilizer runoff and the degraded water quality in Lake Erie—or even offering them funding to help pay for conservation measures—doesn't necessarily inspire more farmers to change their ways, Wilson said.

"We've been spending a lot of time and money educating people about what the problems are, but where's the evidence that it's working?" Wilson said. "The thinking has been that if we all just better understand what problems we're having and what strategies might help those problems, then magically everyone will see the light and suddenly say, 'Oh, I should be doing this instead.'"

Experts say the harmful algal blooms plaguing Lake Erie are largely caused by phosphorus runoff from farm fields. Phosphorus, a nutrient needed by crop plants to grow, is present in fertilizers and manure.

The severity of the lake's algal bloom this year is expected to be more than double last year's bloom, but slightly less than the bloom in 2017, according to a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration report. Persistent rain this past spring is believed to be a major cause for the predicted size of this year's bloom.

Among the farmers Wilson has surveyed, 60% to 80% report that they would be willing to adopt new measures to try to reduce fertilizer runoff, but less than half of those surveyed actually do, Wilson said. Wilson studies why that's happening, in her efforts to change the approach that's been taken to convince more farmers to participate in sustainable measures.

"I think we have motivated people who can't act

on their motivation," Wilson said. "There's a group of farmers who would be willing to do it, but they're facing challenges."

Those challenges include not only the added expense and effort of adopting conservation measures, but also, lately, the weather.

More rainfall and more intense rain events in Ohio and across the United States increase the risk of fertilizer running off of a field, into a nearby waterway, and eventually into Lake Erie. Also, rain has delayed the planting and harvesting of Ohio's cash crops, corn and soybeans. So, farmers report that they run out of time in the growing season to plant cover crops, which are typically sown after harvesting cash crops, Wilson said.

Similarly, the method of placing fertilizer underground rather than onto the surface of a field, which can significantly reduce fertilizer runoff, comes with challenges as well. The method requires expensive machinery or an attachment to a standard tractor, but that machinery or attachment is not easily available to most small farmers, Wilson said. It also takes twice as long to apply fertilizer underground than at the surface, and farmers might not have the time to do that.

The most effective way to help farmers overcome these barriers is to work one-on-one with each farmer, going out to the farm, asking which practices they're using, and suggesting conservation measures tailored to their particular farm operation, Wilson said.

"This isn't about a bunch of lazy people who don't care. They care. They just haven't found a feasible way to do things," Wilson said.

Also, starting co-ops to rent out machinery for the subsurface placement of fertilizer could trigger more farmers to be willing to try out the method, she said.

Seeing results is also critical to convincing farmers that the extra time, effort, and expense to put conservation methods in place is worth it. Farmers need to know that any practice they adopt will actually reduce nutrients flowing from their fields into waterways, Wilson said.

"We don't give them any feedback. Is your soil health getting better? Is the local water quality getting better? We can't say. We can just say, 'Go do this thing.'"

Results that show farmers that their efforts are actually reducing runoff from their farms would go a long way toward motivating them to continue, Wilson said. The situation is akin to a person who is trying to lose weight by eating better and exercising more, she said. He or she is more likely to stay on the new regimen if he or she can get on a scale regularly and see the pounds dwindle.

One way to offer such proof of results is to launch small, localized efforts to clean up the nutrients in a stream or lake, generate local support and participation in that effort, and share the results, Wilson said.

"People want to know, 'I did X, and Y happened,'" she said. "They have to see that there's a direct benefit."

# WILLIAMS COUNTY D.A.R.E RECEIVES \$2,000 FROM NORTH WESTERN ELECTRIC MEMBERS



NWEC CEO Darin Thorp (right) presents a \$2,000 check to Deputy Kyle Miller for Williams County DARE. The co-op's Operation Round Up program funded the grant with donations from participating members.

Small coins make a big difference when North Western Electric Cooperative members join together to fund change in their communities. A \$2,000 grant was awarded to the Williams County D.A.R.E (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program through the co-op's Operation Round Up program. The funds will be used for D.A.R.E camps.

Participating members "round up" their monthly electric bills to the next dollar, with the extra pennies being used to help fund community charities and local people in need. The average contribution of each member is 51 cents per month.

Since Operation Round Up's inception in 2001, NWEC has distributed nearly \$450,000 to hundreds of local causes, including when fires destroy homes or un-

foreseen tragedies strike. Funds have also built new playgrounds and helped police departments purchase equipment, animal shelters cover kennel costs, special needs facilities buy wheelchairs, food pantries nourish the hungry, and crime stoppers implement school programs.

Every cent collected by Operation Round Up is placed in a special trust fund to be used only for helping individuals, groups, or organizations with specific needs. A board of directors, composed of co-op members and separate from the NWEC board, oversees the application process. Apply for Operation Round Up assistance by contacting NWEC at 800-647-6932 or visiting <https://nwec.com/content/operation-round-up> for an application form.

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**NEW HAVEN VOLLEYBALL RESULTS**

On Tuesday, September 3rd following a long holiday weekend, New Haven girls volleyball hit the court at Canterbury High School. The Lady Bulldogs took down the Lady Cavaliers in three sets: 25-20, 25-18, 25-8. New Haven Stat Leaders: Aces – Saalfrank 4; Digs – Doster 7; Assists – Creed 26; Kills – Cordray 15; Blocks – Creed, Jordan, Jackson 1

In JV action, New Haven took the top spot also in two sets: 25-4, 25-6. Blackhawk Christian hosted the New Haven Lady Bulldogs on Thursday, September 5, 2019. Both teams battled for the victory of the night, taking it to 5 sets. Ultimately, Blackhawk kept the win of the night on the home court. 18-25 BC, 25-17 NH, 25-18 NH, 19-25 BC, 12-15 BC

New Haven Stat Leaders: Aces – Saalfrank 4; Digs – Doster 13; Assists – Creed 28; Kills – Cordray 12; Blocks – Jackson 6

In JV action, New Haven lost in 2 sets: 25-14, 25-19

**LADY BULLDOGS DOMINATE GARRETT INVITATIONAL**

New Haven Volleyball participated in the Garrett Volleyball Invitational on Saturday, September 7th. New Haven dominated this Invite winning all matches of the day.

NH vs. BHC — NH won in 3 sets: 18-25, 25-18, 19-17.

Stat Leaders – Aces: Doster, Jackson 4; Digs: Doster 8; Assists: Creed 16; Kills: Cordray 13; Blocks: Jordan, Jackson 2

NH vs. Eastside — NH won in 2 sets: 25-15, 25-13

Stat Leaders – Aces: Doster, Cordray 2; Digs: Cordray 10; Assists: Creed 27; Kills: Cordray 15; Blocks: Nard 2

NH vs. Garrett — NH won in 3 sets: 23-25, 25-19, 15-10

Stat Leaders – Aces: Doster 2; Digs: Doster 15; Assists: Creed 31; Kills: Cor-

dray, Jackson 10; Blocks: Jackson 3

NH vs. Whitko — NH won in 2 sets: 25-18, 25-13

Stat Leaders – Aces: Cordray 5; Digs: Cordray 7; Assists: Creed 19; Kills: Cordray 8; Blocks: Jackson 3.

**GARRETT INVITATIONAL CHAMPIONS.**

**QUICK STARTS PROPELS WARRIORS TO FIRST WIN**

**MONROEVILLE** – Woodlan scored twice in the game's first eight minutes and never looked back in posting a 20-6 win over Heritage in high school football action Friday night.

The victory puts the Warriors at 1-2 on the season and 1-0 in the ACAC while Heritage drops to 0-3 in all games and 0-1 in the league.

Dan Herschberger opened the scoring for Woodlan with a 33-yard touchdown reception of a Benjamin Reidy pass that put the Warriors on top 7-0 with 9:17 left in the opening stanza.

Woodlan added to the lead 4:35 mark of the first quarter when Reidy found Trevor Wallace on a 30-yard scoring strike, extending the Warrior advantage to 14-0.

The two teams went scoreless through the second and third quarter before Heritage closed within one score early in the final period.

Parker Tracey hooked up with Chase Luginbill on a 64-yard touchdown pass that cut the Patriot deficit to 14-6 at the 9:12 mark of the fourth quarter.

However, Woodlan then sealed the win with 3:29 remaining when Keegan Jones scored on a two-yard plunge to wrap up the game's scoring.

The Warriors dominated the time of possession as Woodlan held the ball for 28:03 of the contest compared to 19:57 for Heritage. Woodlan also ran 60 plays in the game while Heritage had 43 and doubled up the Patriots with a dozen first downs with Heritage having six.

Reidy finished the contest 7 of 12 passing for 200 yards while Wallace ran for 117 yards on 23 carries. Jones also posted 61 yards on a dozen attempts rushing.

Tracey threw for 112 yards, completing 6 of 19 passes for Heritage.

Woodlan's defense limited the Patriots to negative 20 yards rushing in the contest.

Heritage will hit the road to South Adams for an ACAC battle on Friday while Woodlan welcomes in Bluffton.

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**USDA DETAILS TRADE DAMAGE ESTIMATE CALCULATIONS**

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced that the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Office of the Chief Economist has published a detailed accounting of how estimated damage from trade disruptions was calculated for its support package for farmers announced on July 25, 2019. USDA's Office of the Chief Economist developed an estimate of gross trade damages for commodities with assessed retaliatory tariffs by China, India, the European Union, and Turkey to set commodity payment rates and purchase levels. USDA employed the same approach often used in adjudicating World Trade Organization trade dispute cases.

"Just as we did before, we want to be transparent about this process and how our economists arrived at the numbers they did. Our farmers and ranchers work hard to feed the United States and the world, and they need to know USDA was thorough, methodical, and as accurate as possible in making these estimates. We listened to feedback from farmers on last year's programs and incorporated many of those suggestions into today's programs. While no formula can be perfect in addressing concerns from all commodities, we did everything we could to accommodate everyone," Secretary Perdue said. "For a long time, China and other nations have not pro-

**Sudoku solution from page 13**

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

vided free, fair, and reciprocal access to U.S. farmers and ranchers and President Trump is the first President to stand up to them and send a clear message that the United States will no longer tolerate unfair trade practices. Our support package ensures farmers will not stand alone in facing unjustified retaliatory tariffs while President Trump continues working to solidify better and stronger trade deals around the globe."

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# THE NEW ENTRANCE



By: Stan Jordan

This photo was taken by the boss's drone on Friday, August 28th.

I was about shell shocked when the boss showed me the video of our sports complex. All of the old and then the new entrance and the lights and the new bleachers. Our Antwerp High School sports complex is second to no one.

I am going to settle down a little bit and tell you what history has done for football here at Antwerp High School. Yes, some ups and downs and hills and valleys. Back in the 1920's we played our football games in a field east on Stone Street. Then sometime in the early 1930's we moved the football field north of Woodcox Street where now the little league and other leagues play ball.

The games were at 4:00 p.m. and we changed clothes downstairs in the music room. If we won we were allowed to ring the school bell. That bell only rang at 8:55

a.m. and 12:55 p.m. In the 1911 building, of course no showers or lockers. If it was an away game, we went by automobile as there was no extra school buses. Mr. Deemer had a 1937 Pontiac, Mr. Bell had a 1929 Model A Ford, Manuel Shuherk drove his dad's '37 Ford and one of the other seniors drove a load. I don't remember where we changed clothes at in the other school.

In the fall of 1938 we had the un-scored on team. Most of those boys were seniors, so football went downhill and in a year or so, football was dropped. No money, we needed new uniforms, the war came and no more using cars for school buses.

I guess during WWII some of the boys played eight man football, but there was no more football for a few years. In the middle of 1960's, the school board bought the track of land that we call the school complex from Max Smith. That 34 acre field that

is the Antwerp school's is full of history.

Where the Water Plant Road leaves East Canal Street and turns south, that was where Gay's Bucket Factory was in 1882, one of the largest bucket factories in the state. They made wooden buckets from trees in the area. The canal ran just south of Canal Street. An oar factory was across the street to the north. That north end of that north field and east of Water Plant Road, had a number of houses on it. About where Pudge Kennedy lives was an old timer called Chauncey Godfrey, he had a boy named Wright that I remember, I think he was a veteran.

Then east was Nick Harrmann, that house is gone. His son, Otha, lived on the corner of East Canal and Harrmann Road and they started the tile mill which closed up in 1929.

To be continued next week.  
See ya!

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# OPEN HOUSE AT EMERALD DAIRY FARM



Shown are Troy and Ashley Wilhelm's three sons who enjoyed looking at the equipment on the farm. The boys are Everett, Wyatt, and Garrett. They are shown enjoying the view on the big green combine.

Emerald Dairy Farm in Paulding County, owned and operated by Dennis and Laurie Schlatter and family, held an Open House on Saturday, Sept. 7th, inviting neighbors and friends to visit their new dairy barn. The previous barn

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