

WOODLAN RECOGNIZES SENIOR



Jack Stuckey is a senior Woodlan who was recognized at the last game against Leo. Stuckey plans on attending Purdue next fall to major in business management. Before he graduates, Jack is intending on his last high school sport to be track and field in the spring.

CIVIC THEATRE HOLDING AUDITIONS FOR "LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS"

Van Wert Civic Theatre will be holding auditions for the final show of their season, Little Shop of Horrors. Director Chad Kraner and Music Director Dee Fisher are seeking singers and non-singers to audition on Sunday, February 24 and Monday, February 25 at 7 p.m. at the theatre located at 118 S. Race Street in Van Wert. There literally is a role of anyone high school age and up. Those auditioning for singing roles should pre-

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DR. SEUSS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Oakwood - The Cooper Community Library, a Branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system, will be hosting a Silly Seuss Storytime Birthday Party on Friday, March 1, 2019, at 11:30 a.m. for toddlers and preschoolers. Share a story with The Cat & The Hat, followed by cookies, cupcakes, and crafts. This is a free event and registration is not needed.

For more information about the branch library or activities call 419-594-3337

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PAULDING CHAMBER GOING OFF THE CLOCK WITH LOCAL BOOKSTORE

The Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will be hosting the March "Off the Clock" event for the Paulding Chamber of Commerce on March 6th from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the "Buy the Book" Bookstore located next to the main historic Carnegie library in Paulding. The name is a play on words because the books are not priced; shoppers can donate a free-will offering for their choices. Situated in the rear of the old "Doc Pritchard" building, the Friend's used bookstore is stocked with fiction, mysteries, non-fiction, children's titles, romance, educational titles, and more.

The Friends of the Paulding County Library is one of the newest members of the Chamber and was first established in 1988. By shopping at "Buy the Book", the public is allowing the Library to receive extra funds for miscellaneous things it possibly wouldn't otherwise enjoy. While closed for a few weeks recently for painting and a new floor, "Buy the Book" is now again open. A "ribbon-cutting" for the new remodeled bookstore will take place during the "Off the Clock" event. "We're excited to welcome Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library to the Chamber crew, and we're even more excited to celebrate their new and improved bookstore," says Chamber director Mikayla Pieper.

Regular hours for Buy the Book Used Bookstore are Wednesdays from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and on Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until noon. For more information on becoming a Friends of the Library member, visit the bookstore or call the Carnegie library at 419-399-2032.

RAIDERS WIN SECTIONAL TO ADVANCE TO DIV. IV DISTRICTS



Wayne Trace Ladies Win Sectionals! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

PAULDING - It was a rematch of a game that took place back on February 11, however, this time the implications would be bigger, the winner advancing to the next state tournament game and the loser calling it a season. On Saturday night, the Wayne Trace Lady Raiders and the Crestview Lady Knights laced them up for their second match-up in the past two weeks. Wayne Trace would repeat as the winner just like previous game. The Raiders trailed only once in the first quarter and gutted out a hard fought tournament win 52-43 to captured a Division IV sectional title.

With the win the Raiders (20-3) will advance to the Van Wert District where the number three seed Raiders will play number two seed Kalida on Thursday at 8:00 p.m. In the first semi final game top seed Ottoville will play fourth seed Lincolnview. The two winners will return on Saturday to settle the district championship with a 7:00 p.m. tip-off. For Crestview, the Knights finish the season at 15-7.

The Raiders defeated the Knights a couple of weeks ago on the Knight's home court 51-46 and coming back

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Community Calendar

February 26

- "How to Speak So People Will Listen" Workshop @ 1st Pres. Church, Paulding, 8am

February 27

- Senior Luncheon @ The Gardens of Paulding, 11:30a-1p
- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm

March 1

- Hicksville K of C Fish Fry @ St. Michaels Church, Hicksville, 4:30-7pm
- St. Patrick's Glass City Dance Party @ Holland Gardens, Holland, MI, 8-11:30pm
- Silly Seuss Bday Party @ Cooper Comm. Library, 11:30am

March 2

- Trivia Night @ Oasis Bar & Grill, Antwerp, 8pm
- Training Garrison @ Old Fort Wayne, 10a-5p

March 6

- Indoor Pickleball @ MAC gym, Antwerp, 6-8pm

March 7

- Revival @ Freedom Church, Paulding, 6pm (also 3/8-10)

March 8

- Coffee w/Craig Riedel @ Truly Divine, Van Wert, 9-10:30am

March 9

- Regional Spelling Bee @ Purdue FW Rhinehart Recital Hall, 10am
- Cabin Fever Thirty One Bag Bingo @ Edgewood Park Bldg., Convoy, 10am
- Old Fort Reenactment, FW, 10a-5p

March 12

- Chocolate Extravaganza @ Oakwood Library "The Great Gatsby"

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OBITUARIES

HICKSVILLE, OHIO

Barbara M. Hubbell, 79, went to be with her Heavenly Father on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at Hickory Creek at Hicksville.

Barbara was born on October 9, 1939, the daughter of the late Darwin and Beatrice Hammond.

She was united in marriage to Ned A. Hubbell Sr. on January 12, 1958 and he preceded her in death on March 5, 2012.

Barbara had a passion for teaching Sunday school and children's church. She also volunteered in the school cafeteria while her children were in school. She was a homemaker, and in her spare time, she enjoyed crafting, spending time with her family and studying the word of God.

Barb is survived by her children, Allen (Mary Jane) Hubbell, Rebecca Hubbell, Linda (John) Sprinkle, Susan (Thomas) Luderman; nine grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren; two brothers, Bill (Beth) Hammond and Dennis (Wendy) Hammond.

Funeral services for Barb were Friday at 10:00 a.m. at Smith & Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville with Pastors Dan Grant and Steve Eyers officiating. Visitation was Thursday from 2:00 to 7:00 at the funeral home.

Burial was in Scipio Cemetery, Harlan, Indiana.

Memorials may be made to Woodburn Christian Children's Home.

Online condolences may be shared at www.smith-brownfuneralhome.com.

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

2/27 - Drumming 9:00 a.m.; Crafts at 12:30 p.m.; Grocery shopping 1:30 p.m.; Buckeye Bingo after lunch

2/28 - Bingo w/Gardens 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 p.m.

DEFIANCE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

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

2/28 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Stretch Band 10:00 a.m.; Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Bingo All Carer 12:30 p.m.; Shop at Meijer 12:30 p.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.

3/1 - Cards 9:30 a.m.; Tai Chi 10:00 a.m.; Crafts 10:30 a.m.; Birthday lunch 11:30 a.m.

3/4 - Zumba 10:00 a.m.; Yoga 3:00 p.m.

3/5 - Shop at Aldi's 9:45 a.m.; Bible study - reflection room 10:00 a.m.; Tai Chi - auditorium 10:00 a.m.; Yoga 4:00 p.m.

HICKSVILLE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY CENTER

2/27 - Phase 10 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.; CSFP Food Commodities Distribution 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

2/28 - Bingo 10:00; Grocery shop 12:00 p.m.

3/1 - INSPIRE ME to put a spring in my step 10:00 a.m.; March birthday celebration 11:45 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:30 p.m.

3/4 - Aggravation or Skipbo 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.

3/5 - Chair exercises 10:00 a.m.; Euchre 12:15 - 2:15 p.m.; Bingo 12:30 p.m.

DEFIANCE COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU

2/27 - Chicken & dumpling soup, cole slaw, 3-bean salad, mixed fruit, cookie or SF cookie

2/28 - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, apple crisp, garlic bread, orange juice

3/1 - Pork chop, scalloped potatoes, brussel sprouts, applesauce, dinner roll, birthday cake

3/4 - Sloppy Joe, peas, whipped sweet potatoes, banana, string cheese

3/5 - FAT TUESDAY; Stuffed cabbage roll; Alt: Chicken breast, carrot coins, carnival cottage cheese, pineapple tidbits, bread pudding

LUTHERAN HOSPITAL EARNS ACCREDITATIONS FROM THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY

The American College of Cardiology has recognized Lutheran Hospital for its demonstrated expertise and commitment in treating patients who come to its cardiac cath lab for care, including diagnostic catheterizations and percutaneous coronary interventions.

Lutheran has achieved Cardiac Cath Lab Accreditation with PCI based on rigorous onsite evaluation of the staff's ability to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients in this setting. Lutheran is the second Lutheran Health Network facility to earn this distinction. St. Joseph Hospital was the first in Indiana to achieve the accreditation in January 2018.

The ACC has also recognized Lutheran with its Heart Failure Accreditation. Lutheran's team was assessed on its ability to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients with heart failure through pre-hospital care, early stabilization, acute care, transitional care, clinical quality measures and more.

Facilities that achieve an ACC accreditation meet or exceed an array of stringent

70th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schmidt will be celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on February 26. Richard Schmidt and Joan Ames were married in Payne, OH on February 26, 1949. They are the parents of four children:

Jill (Tedd) Porter, Jim (Terese) Schmidt, Jay (Jodie) Schmidt and Stephen, deceased. They have 6 grandchildren: Kierin Porter, Andrew, Anna, Sophia and Joe Schmidt and Emma (Anthony) Stoller.

criteria and have organized a team of doctors, nurses, clinicians, and other administrative staff that earnestly support the efforts leading to better patient education, improved patient outcomes, and more effective and efficient disease control.

Accreditations of this type helped Lutheran become in September one of the first seven hospitals in the U.S. to achieve the HeartCARE Center National Distinction of Excellence, the ACC's highest recognition.

HICKSVILLE VILLAGE PLAYERS ANNUAL MEETING

The Hicksville Village Players held their Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet at St. Michael's Catholic Church on Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019. There was a wonderful turnout to share a mouth-watering potluck dinner provided by the Village Players and all the members who attended.

After the dinner, the members voted on awards for the 2018 season. The Village Players did four productions this last year: "The Hobbit", "The Monster Within", "Thicker Than Blood", and "A Christmas Story". Following is a list of the winners for 2018:

Best Lead Actor—(Tie) Keith Robinson (Monster Within) & Deano Smalley (Thicker Than Blood)

Best Lead Actress—(Tie) Joda Freese (The Hobbit) & Mercedes Moncivais (Thicker Than Blood)

Best Supporting Actor—Richard Hall (The Hobbit)

Best Supporting Actress—Anna Smalley (Monster Within)

Best Male Cameo—James Greer (The Hobbit)

Best Female Cameo—Ava Fleehearty (Monster Within)

Best Newcomer—Merrick Beckler (The Hobbit)

Best Male Crew—(Tie) Keith Robinson (The Hobbit) & James Greer (Monster

Within)

Best Female Crew—Ava Fleehearty (The Hobbit)

Best Mascot—Smaug the Dragon (The Hobbit)

Best Set—The Hobbit

Best Costuming—The Hobbit

Best Tech—The Hobbit

Best Show—The Hobbit

Best Producer—Grant/Deano Smalley (The Hobbit)

Best Director—Deano/Grant Smalley (The Hobbit)

Thespian Award (for those who have gone above and beyond)—(Tie) Richard Hall & Dawn Patterson

After the awards were announced, the group elected three new members to the Board. The new members are: Jamy Shaffer, James Greer, and Cole Patterson. We would like to especially thank Melody Stevenson, who is leaving the Board, for her service to the Board. The Board then elected, from its members, officers for 2018. The new Board is as follows:

President—Mercedes Moncivais

Vice-President—Peter Greer

Secretary—Brandy Patterson

Treasurer—awn Patterson

Members-at-large—Carol Clark, Dick Hall, Keith Robinson, Jamy Shaffer, James Greer, Cole Patterson

The Board and members of the Village Players want to recognize everyone for the support they received in 2018 and are looking forward to seeing everyone at our productions for 2019. There will be four productions this year: "Harvey", directed by Peter Greer, in March; "Murder on the Orient Express", directed by Dawn/Brandy Patterson, in June; "The Foreigner", directed by Keith Robinson, in September; and "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever", directed by Mercedes Moncivais, in December. Please check out our Facebook page under "Hicksville Village Players" or this newspaper

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it:

'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

—Matthew 22:37-39

KIWANIS TALKS HEALTHCARE AND HOSPITAL



Pictured is Naomi Nicely and Ron Goedde.

Paulding, OH: Kiwanis member Naomi Nicely introduced Paulding County Hospital's new CEO Ron Goedde. Goedde grew up in Leipsic and later moved to Toledo where we met his wife. He spent 30 years in Toledo and received a degree in nursing from the University of Toledo. Working in the healthcare field he has worked for Mercy Health, and the University of Toledo Medical Center. He has a great interest in working for independent hospitals and his dream has been to manage a hospital in a community close knit like Paulding. "You know the people you care for in a small-town hospital, and that's what I love," says Goedde.

The hospital had 5,300 emergency room visits, and 20,000 clinic visits in 2018. Goedde said, "Paulding County Hospital is a lot more than a band aid station." 99% of patients that come to PCH are treated there and can find the same level of care as a bigger hospital. Many people

receive cancer treatment and other treatments at the hospital. In fact, the hospital is utilizing 'smart drugs' that are specialized to the person and their treatment needs. Bloodwork taken at PCH can be sent away to be tested. The results are sent back to PCH and the hospital can administer the specialized 'smart drug' to the patient. A change to the PCH services is the closing of home healthcare. "We're being outdone by other companies," says Goedde. "We'll step back and let them do what they do well." The money saved by cutting home healthcare will keep the hospital alive longer.

Goedde is focused on working with all health care around us and is dedicated to making Paulding County Hospital a place for excellent treatment and comforting care. Kiwanis thanks his for his willingness to serve the Paulding county community. Kiwanis members will meet next Thursday over lunch.

for updates on our upcoming productions. Come join the fun!!!

FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Now through April 10, free federal and Indiana income tax preparation for families with incomes under \$54,000 is available through the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) Tax program, a partnership of Volunteer Center and United Way of Allen County. The

program assists over 2,000 families every year, generating over two million dollars in tax refunds and back into the pockets of hard working families.

Trained IRS certified volunteers serve at two locations:

- American Red Cross, 1212 California Rd., Saturdays 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

- St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1101 S. Lafayette St., on Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 2 - 8 p.m.

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ANTWERP STUDENT HEADED TO GERMANY



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The application process is quite involved and requires a significant amount of effort from the student. All applicants must write an essay, submit academic and immunization records, a physical, and letters of recommendation from educators and community members, as well as proof of the ability to obtain a passport. This had to be done by November 30th.

Many people have the misconception that youth exchange is just a vacation for students. While students have many opportunities to visit places often frequented by tourists, exchange is not the equivalent of a trip to Disneyland. Students attend school and complete school work in a foreign language, that many do not speak at all prior to entering the program.

The Rotary District held an orientation meeting on February 9th for students and family members at the

Volunteer Center's Executive Director Ani Etter states "This is a successful program that assists low to moderate income working Allen County families with income tax preparation, saving them hundreds of dollars in tax preparation fees and ensuring they receive the maxi-

mum tax credits and refunds they are entitled to. These are funds families can utilize for car repairs, utility bills, and other critical expenses."

Additional information can be found at www.volunteerfortwayne.org or by calling United Way 2-1-1 service.

Lorain County Community College. Outbound American students had the opportunity to meet and interact with students from their destination country. Parents met with Rotary officials to prepare for living without their child for a year. Additional orientation meetings are planned for the coming months.

Families interested in the Rotary foreign exchange program should their inquiries to far6car@frontier.com for more information.

REP. JIM BANKS ENCOURAGES PRESIDENT TRUMP TO ACT AGAINST CHINESE TELECOM

Congressman Banks (IN-03) released the following statement regarding a recent report that the Trump Administration is preparing Executive Orders that would ban Chinese telecom equipment from U.S. wireless networks.

Said Rep. Banks, "I hope these reports are true, and President Trump follows through on banning Chinese telecom equipment in the United States. As a matter of national security, America cannot sleep on the threats posed by companies such as Huawei and ZTE, which are nothing more than fronts for the Chinese politburo's espionage activities and intellectual property theft. Allowing them to develop a foothold in U.S. wireless infrastructure would be tantamount to letting the fox guard the hen house. President Trump can display true leadership with a strong Executive Order, and I expect his team will produce just that in short order."

ANTWERP ROTARY'S ANNUAL STEAK DINNER COMING MARCH 16th



Join Twila, Jennifer and all of the Antwerp Rotarians at the Paulding Eagles on Saturday, March 16th for their annual steak fry. Funds raised at this event will be used on their Riverside Park Beautification Project. Please support the Antwerp Rotary Club by purchasing a ticket for the dinner. Steak dinner tickets can be purchased from any local Rotarian. Dinner is served from 5-7.

We hope to see you for a fun evening!

an NHEG radio host will be chosen to read the comics and take calls from students. NHEG has partnered with teen line, a non-profit organization that will field student calls when the radio show is offline or anytime a student needs to talk. They can reach Teen Line at 310-855-4673, 6pm-10pm PST, text "TEEN" to 839863 between 6pm-9pm PST, or email them through www.teenlineonline.org.

For more information about our organization or for any question you may have, please visit our website www.NewHeightsEducation.org and www.School.NewHeightsEducation.org - or at NewHeightsEducation@yahoo.com and at 419-786-0247. TEEN LINE, which was established in 1980, is a nonprofit, community-based organization helping troubled teenagers address their problems. It is their mission to provide personal teen-to-teen education and support before a problem become a crisis, using a national hotline, current technologies and community outreach. Teen Line is a free and anonymous teen-to-teen hotline. Their teen listeners are specially trained to take calls on any topic- no problem is too big or small for them to help you with. They won't judge you or give advice-- their job is to listen to your feelings, explore options available and help you make positive decisions that best fit your personal situation.

KOENIG VOTED "POY" IN NWC GIRLS HOOPS

Bluffton senior guard Alivia Koenig was selected as the 2018-19 NWC Player of the Year in voting by Northwest Conference girls basketball coaches. Koenig edged out teammate Avery Rumer, Rylee Sybert (CG) and Lexi Gregory (CV) in a close vote.

Koenig averaged 13 points and 3 assists per game in leading the Pirates to a 17-5 regular season record. Entering tournament play, Koenig had amassed a career total of 1303 points and was a second-team all-NW Ohio selection as a junior.

Joining Koenig, Rumer, Sybert and Gregory on the NWC First Team were sophomore Emma Leis (CG) and

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL SOM



Pictured is Wayne Trace Jr/Sr High school Student of the month: Right to left: Kailyn Dienstberger, Tatum Tigner, Jake Downing, Ethan Farmer, Madilyn Brigner, and Alexis Gibson. As part of their award each student received a "Raiders Pride - Pay Forward" T-Shirt. Congratulations Raiders!

freshman Makenzie King (CG). Koenig was named a first team selection all four years of her career while Rumer and Gregory were repeat selections.

Eric Garmatter, who led Bluffton (7-1) to a co-championship with Columbus Grove for the NWC girls basketball title was selected as the NWC Coach of the Year.

The team breakdowns are as follows:

FIRST TEAM: Alivia Koenig (BL) 12; Avery Rumer (BL) 12; Rylee Sybert (CG) 12; Lexi Gregory (CV) 11; Emma Leis (SV) 10; Makenzie King (CG) 9

SECOND TEAM: Nelaya Burden (SV) 11; Aly Lindeman (DJ) 9; Tori Newland (AE) 11; Bailey Gregory (CV) 10; Olivia Cunningham (CV) 10

HONORABLE MENTION: Briana Townley (PL) 12; Chelsie Geisige (PL) 11; Lakin Brant (LV) 12; Kate Newland (AE) 12; Alex Carter (SV) 12; Katie Prater (BL)

12; Abigail Gladwell (CG) 11; Ally Richardson (AE) 12; Lauren Criblez (AE) 12; Libby Schadt (BL) 11

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS:

Bluffton 7-1; Columbus Grove 7-1; Spencerville 6-2; Crestview 6-2; Allen East 4-4; Paulding 3-5; Delphos Jefferson 2-6; Lincolnview 1-7; Ada 0-8

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NHEG ANNOUNCES NEW COMIC BOOK

NHEG announces a very special project coming to fruition, a comic book, titled "EASYToons (Educational Anecdotes for Struggling Youth). Pamela Clark, Executive Director, explains, "After years of planning and finding the perfect group of talented graphic designers, with many skills and great work ethics, we are launching a comic book for students in need of guidance for real-life issues that they are facing." The title of the comic book was the inspiration of our very talented cartoonist, Rachel Jean Fay, of West Chester, Ohio. Tyler Maxey-Billings is the lead on the project and is creating the template and layout of the comic book. Pamela Clark, Executive Director and Jeff Ermoian, the AVDD of Graphic Design, will work together to keep the project on track. NHEG has partnered with Kelly Bear Press (Teacher & Counselor articles to help children's development) to promote their website and create scripts from their articles for the comics.

Debuting on May 1, 2019, the comic book will implement a "Mr. Rogers mentality" by reaching students with great kindness and understanding. NHEG's team of graphic designers will create the cartoons; educational writers, Madhumitha (Madhu) Prabhakaran and Noemi Vallone will create scripts for the comics, and

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WNZR'S LIFELINE 2019: 'GOD IS ON THE MOVE'

WNZR 90.9 FM, a broadcast ministry of Mount Vernon Nazarene University, is preparing for Lifeline 2019. This annual fundraising effort, March 20-25, is an opportunity for listeners to pledge their support to WNZR.

This year's goal is \$64,000, and the theme is "God Is On The Move," based on the song from 7venth Time Down. The theme verses for Lifeline 2019 are Isaiah 43:18-19. Over these last few months, the WNZR staff has been moved and challenged by this song and this verse.

"This theme has come to life for the WNZR staff as we have had the privilege to share story after story of God's faithfulness in our community," said Marcy Rinehart, WNZR Station Manager and co-host of 'The Morning Thing.' "God is moving. He is answering prayers. He is saving souls. He is building up servants. He is giving strength to those that are facing temptations or troubles. He is bringing light to the darkness. And most importantly, God is opening doors for His message to be told and shared like never before in Knox County!"

"Our desire for WNZR's broadcast ministry is to extend a vision that began 32 years ago," said Joe Rinehart, MVNU's Director of Broadcasting and co-host of WNZR's Afternoon Drive. "We focus on broadcasting an uplifting message that encourages listeners and families on a daily basis. Your gift allows us to continue that effort. Your partnership is also an investment in our students to develop their communication skills and discover purpose in their lives."

"WNZR has had a huge impact on my education and my life," said Todd McKinley, sophomore journalism and media production major from Fredericktown, Ohio. "WNZR gives me a focal point for my skills and gifts to serve God in a highly effective way. The hands-on learning in this program has strengthened my skills while allowing me to serve others."

"'God Is On The Move' is a proclamation," said Rachel Rinehart, a junior theatre/journalism and media production major from Mount Vernon, Ohio. "It's saying that God is moving in our world and in our community. As a station, we have seen so many amazing things happen as a result of God working and moving in our lives. When we feel like our lives are not what they are supposed to be, we are reminded that 'God is on the Move.' He is here with us."

Jehane Hoagland, a senior journalism and media production major from Grover Hill, Ohio, adds, "When I think of God being on the

WOMEN MAY NEED TO MAKE EXTRA FINANCIAL MOVES



Bryan Post, Edward Jones Financial Advisor

International Women's Day will be observed on March 8. Around the world, special events will celebrate the cultural, social, political and economic achievements of women. However, this last

move, I think about God working through transitions in life. A lot of people see change as a bad thing, but I see it as God making things happen. Even in painful situations, God is there. He is on the move during the worst of times. Sometimes we don't understand why change and transition happens, but it is often God on the move bringing about His Kingdom."

Wednesday, March 20, is WNZR's annual "Day of Prayer and Praise." From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., the staff will focus on how God has provided for WNZR over the past 32 years. Listeners are encouraged to call the station at 740-392-9090 throughout the day to share personal testimonies, prayer requests and praise reports.

Lifeline 2019 appreciation gifts will be given for donations at designated levels. Everyone making a donation will receive a Lifeline 2019 refrigerator magnet.

Many challenges and special events will be held during Lifeline 2019:

The Lifeline Choice Challenge, is Thursday, March 21, from 4-7 p.m. Papa John's Pizza, Southside Diner and Tim Horton's have partnered with the station to offer gift certificates to donors.

Matching Challenge Day, is Friday, March 22. From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., listeners will have a chance to have their pledge money doubled

Lifeline On The Road is Saturday, March 23, from 3-6 p.m. The Lifeline crew will be working for two food outreach initiatives in the community - feedtheVERN and Church on the Rise Food Pantry. feedtheVERN provides food every week throughout the school year to elementary school children in Mount Vernon who are in need. The goal for the Big Blue Crew is to pack 1,000-1,200 bags of food. The Church on the Rise Food Pantry provides

area - economic progress - is one that still causes concern, and rightfully so, because women still face gender-related challenges. How can you deal with them?

To begin with, you need to recognize the nature of these challenges. While many factors are actually responsible for women facing more economic pressure than men, two stand out in particular:

Gender wage gap - It's still around, despite some progress toward equality. The U.S. Census Bureau has found that full-time, year-round working women earn about 80% of what their male counterparts earn. Other studies show a slightly smaller gap.

Caregiving responsibilities - Women typically take more time away from the workforce than men, both to raise children and then, later in life, to take care of aging parents. These absences can result in lost wages, lower Social Security benefits and

monthly distribution of food to over 800 individuals in the community every third Saturday; plus emergency food distributions throughout each month. The Big Blue Crew will help in cleaning and organizing the food pantry.

More details on these challenges and events can be found on the station's website, www.wnzs.fm.

WNZR 90.9 FM is celebrating 32 years as Knox County's hometown Christian radio station. WNZR broadcasts contemporary Christian music, family-oriented programs, sports, news and weather 24 hours a day. All who wish to support Lifeline 2019 or who would like more information, please visit www.wnzs.fm, or call WNZR at 740-392-9090 during the March 20-25 fundraiser.

Mount Vernon Nazarene University is a private, four-year, intentionally Christian teaching university for traditional age students, graduate students and working adults. With a 327-acre main campus in Mount Vernon, Ohio, and several convenient Graduate and Professional Studies locations throughout the state, MVNU emphasizes academic excellence, spiritual growth and service to community and church. MVNU offers an affordable education to more than 2,100 students from 28 states and 16 countries/U.S. territories.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: **Dr. James Bachman**

*Dear Parson,
Moses lost his temper because of the people's constant complaining. He struck the rock instead of speaking to it. Thus God did not let him go to the Promised Land. Will he still be in heaven?*

Before Christ's atonement on the cross people were saved by looking forward to the promised Messiah; afterwards salvation comes by looking back to what He did. (John 14:6) God promises everlasting life to whosoever believes on Christ. John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Everlasting life that does not last forever is not everlasting. John 10:28 - "And I give unto

fewer contributions to 401(k) and similar retirement plans.

So, given these realities, what can you do to improve your own financial outlook? Here are a few suggestions:

Increase your contributions to your retirement plan. Every time your salary goes up, increase the amount you contribute to your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. At a minimum, put in enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered. These plans offer potential tax-deferred earnings, and since your contributions are typically made with pre-tax dollars, the more you put in, the lower your taxable income.

Invest for growth. Some studies show that men may invest more aggressively than women - though not necessarily more successfully. However, while you do need to invest wisely, you can't ignore the need for growth. Consequently, you should consider including

a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments in your retirement and other investment accounts, with the precise amount depending on your individual goals, risk tolerance and time horizon.

Look for income even while serving as caregiver. Of course, you may never become the primary caregiver for your elderly parents - but even if you do, it doesn't necessarily follow that you must forego all earned income. If it's possible, you could seek to go part-time at your current job, or request some type of telecommuting arrangement. As long as you have some earned income, from somewhere, you can still contribute to an IRA.

Manage retirement plan withdrawals carefully. Once you're retired, possibly to become a full-time caregiver, you can take penalty-free - though still taxable - withdrawals from your 401(k)

as early as age 55, provided you meet certain conditions. Once you're 59-1/2, you can take penalty-free withdrawals from a traditional IRA, though the money will be taxable. While you can withdraw contributions you made to a Roth IRA at any time, tax- and penalty-free, you'll have to wait until 59-1/2 to take out your earnings free of taxes and penalties. And you'll need to find a sustainable withdrawal rate so you can reduce the risk of depleting these accounts too early.

As a society, we are still working toward equality for all people - including economic equality. As a woman, however, you can't afford to wait until that day arrives, so you need to be proactive in seeking and maintaining your financial security.

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DIVINE MERCY STUDENTS "VISIT" COOPER FARMS



Cooper Farms came to Divine Mercy for a virtual tour of the turkey farm! There was a resounding approval from kindergarten through fourth grade. We loved learning all about the facilities, animals, and workers. The most popular part seemed to be watching the turkey be caught!

them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

Yes, Moses is in heaven. Salvation is not earned by works, but is a free gift. Ephesians 2:8-9 - For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." God is not someone who goes back on His Word. Though all Christians sin - I John 1:8 - "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us;" the total debt for all sins, past, present and future, was paid in full by Christ (Romans 5:11). A saved person cannot sin his way out of salvation.

Further evidence that Moses went to heaven is seen in his being listed with the faithful saints in Hebrews 11. We also see his appearance on the Mount of Transfiguration with Elijah and Christ. (Matthew 17:3-4)

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

2,000th PROGRAM SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Lutheran Ministries Media commemorated 2,000 programs on the Sunday, February 24, broadcast of Worship Anew. It was on October 5, 1980 the ministry began airing the weekly program (then known as Worship for Shut-Ins). The ministry invited the community to the Wolf Chapel Studio and Elsie Rossman Media Center for an Open House.

The story of the minis-

try began in 1965 with Rev. Oswald Bertram, who had a vision to reach people with God's Word through media. The program was filmed at the WSPD television station in Toledo, Ohio, and broadcast until the Lord called Pastor Bertram to his eternal home in May of 1979. Production then ceased, leaving a great void.

Soon, Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana, seeing the needs of their congregation and the surrounding area, took up the challenge of restarting the television ministry. And in the fall of 1980, Fort Wayne's WPTA began broadcasting Worship for Shut-Ins for the first time under the new flagship of Lutheran Ministries Media,

Incorporated. With the Lord's blessing, the ministry grew, and facilities and technology advanced. We moved from our long-time home at Holy Cross Lutheran Church and opened the Wolf Chapel and Elsie Rossman Media Center on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary in 2010. We transitioned from standard to high definition in 2014, and eventually became known as Worship Anew in 2017.

Throughout 2,000 programs, and multiple generations, Lutheran Ministries Media has reached many with God's Word. Worship Anew is now in several television markets throughout the country, reaching thousands every week, and has

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seen viewership more than double over the past five years. Matthew Leighty, Lutheran Ministries Media Executive Director shares, "We still hold close to where the program began - ministering to the aging, the hurting, and those who are facing life's most difficult circumstances. According to the Lord's will, we look to forward to the next 2,000 programs, and many more years of sharing Christ's love through Worship Anew."

Produced by Lutheran Ministries Media and centered on the mission of "sharing Christ's love through ministry and media," Worship Anew is a weekly televised 30-minute program that is broadcast in the United States and around the world. Its traditional format includes scripture readings, a pastor's message, prayers, and favorite church hymns. In the greater Fort Wayne area, it can be seen weekly five times. Stations, times, and sermon topics can be found at WorshipAnew.org.

PERSONAL TRAGEDIES EXPLORED AT LIFETREE CAFÉ

The search for answers regarding personal tragedies will be probed at Lifetree Café on Wednesday, February 27 from 6:30-7:30pm.

The Lifetree event, titled "Why, God? When Personal Tragedy Doesn't Make Sense," features an original film depicting the true story of Thomas Vander Woude, who found his son struggling for his life after a backyard accident.

According to Lifetree Café representative Craig Cable, "When tragedy strikes, many people question how God could allow such suffering. This Lifetree program addresses this question head-on."

Admission to the 60-minute event is free. Lifetree Café is located at the Bachwell Center, 116 N. Washington Street, Van

Wert, OH. Please enter on Court Street and park behind the Courthouse.

Lifetree Café is a place where people gather for conversation about life and faith in a casual, comfortable setting. Questions about Lifetree may be directed to First United Methodist Church at 419/238-0631 or first-church@wcoil.com

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS

Presented by the Oakwood Church of Christ

By What Authority? Read Matthew 21:23-27.

16. The ones who demanded to know the authority behind his preaching were: a) Roman officers; b) the chief priests and elders; e) his disciples.

17. Jesus agreed to tell them if: a) they would answer a question he would ask them; b) they would leave him alone; c) give something to his disciples.

18. What did he ask them about the baptism preached by John? a) Was it water baptism? b) Was it from heaven or of men? c) Was it practiced in the temple?

19. T/F. This question ("from heaven or of men") referred to the authority behind it.

20. They would not say it was from heaven because: a) they had not believed John; b) they did not know; c) the people thought John was an imposter.

21. On the other hand, they would not say it was from men (without God's approval) because they feared the reaction of the people: a) who hated John; b) who held that John was a prophet; c) who did not understand the question.

22. T/F. Because they did not answer his question, Jesus refused to tell them by what authority he preached.

23. Things practiced in religion should always be by the authority of: a) the government; b) councils and conventions; e) heaven.

They had asked a legitimate question, but Jesus

did not answer it because he knew they had the wrong motive. By putting them to silence he prevented their criticism and interference with his work. We know, of course, that Jesus preached by the authority of his Father in heaven. It is important that we remember that the only things that are acceptable in religion are things authorized by God. The correct authority in religion is God's word, the Bible. A modern example of disregard for the Lord's teaching on baptism is the practice of infant baptism. The Bible authorizes the baptism of believers (Mark 16:16). However, there is no authority for the baptism of infants, who are too young to believe. Long ago the prophet Isaiah said: "If they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isaiah 8:20). Peter wrote: "If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles (words) of God" (1 Peter 4:11).

ANSWERS: 16. B; 17. A; 18. B; 19. T; 20. A; 21. B; 22. T; 23. C.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The new Ohio governor has come out swinging and wanting to raise the gas tax by \$.18 a gallon! Our local state Mis-rep. Craig Reidel is undecided whether he'll support a costly tax on those who can least afford it! While we're here, what the hell have they done with the taxes already collected?

The roads in Crane and Carryall are in horrible shape! The trucks that run down them have broken many down so far that the trustees simply fill in the holes with stones! All the fuel these trucks burn is collected, and either spent on big city repairs on their roads, or handed back to the rich in tax cuts!

Another Issue I will raise is how the republicans always blame the democrats for high taxes. This obviously is a lie, as the republicans have owned the statehouse and most of the offices in Ohio since 1990! The old lie of tax and spend liberals hasn't raised any taxes in Ohio, this is a wholly owned republican policy! They raised the sin

PAULDING CHAMBER RECOGNIZES BUSINESSES AT COMEDY NIGHT ANNUAL BANQUET



Milestone Awards – First Federal Bank - 20 yrs. wealth management; Northwest State Community College - 50 yrs (not pictured); Cooper Farms - 80 yrs; John Kauser Trucking - 85 yrs

The Paulding Chamber had a great time laughing the night away, eating great food, and awarding very deserving Chamber members at our Comedy Night/Annual Banquet last Thursday, February 21st.

Sponsors for the evening included Avangrid Renewables, Cooper Farms, Straley Realty, Baughman Tile Co., Natural Design and Graphics, State Bank, Northwest State Community College, and Paulding Ace Hardware.

Many award winners were recognized by the Chamber and not only received a plaque from the Chamber, but also a proclamation from Congressman Bob Latta and a commendation from Representative Craig Riedel.



Outstanding Business – Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op and Paulding Ace Hardware.



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THE 1913 FLOOD



FRANK LAMB

By: Stan Jordan

As a young man he learned the barber trade and started a shop in a small building next to what is now the Oasis, but at that time was the forerunner of the Antwerp Exchange Bank. Later on he built or had built a lot of Antwerp business buildings like all of the Antwerp Pharmacy which consist now of 3 businesses.

He also built what is now McDougall Firearms, Oley's Pizza and then what was called the Crumley block which now consists of Subway and Shadow Box Salon.

Then on north to the Gaisford block, Carla's Cut and Curl, there has been a lot of renovations there. Then he built Lamb's Hotel on West River Street that lasted for almost one hundred years and then was torn down and became a parking lot. He continued his trade for several years and passed away in 1939.

See ya



This blonde tip-toed past the medicine cabinet because she didn't want to wake the sleeping pills.

These two blondes had a brother who had been a sailor and wanted to be buried at sea. They rowed the boat quite a ways out to sea and the one blonde went off the side with a shovel and started to dig.

Two Chinese boys broke into a distillery and one boy asked the other boy, "Is this whiskey" and the boy answered, "It is, but not as whiskey as wobbling a bank."

A group of ladies sneaked into a farmer's private pond



By: Stan Jordan

This picture is of the 1913 flood. It's of the west part of town and if you look close, you can see the water tank for the locomotives on the railroad.

The picture was taken looking west from about where the Root Beer Stand is now. If you will notice there were three sets of rails at that time two sets went on west to the tank, but the left hand set

to skinny dip and was having a good time. The farmer approached carrying a bucket, they asked him about using his pond without paying. He said, "Alright, I just came to feed my goat."

A bus full of housewives going on a picnic, fell into a river. All died.

Each husband cried for a week, one husband continued to cry for more than two weeks.

When asked why he missed his wife so much, he replied miserably: "My wife missed the bus!"

EAGLE NEST DOWN

By: Stan Jordan

Roger Lilly was just in the office and showed me some pictures of a local eagle, but he brought me some bad news also.

He reported that the eagle's nest on the corner of State Line Road and CR 48 has been blown down.

I bet he is right, because we had a number of bad, windy days. Yes, in my back yard alone, I will find a pick up load of dead limbs. I think a maple tree is about as dirty as a willow tree for dead limbs.

Mr. Lilly brought me up to date on the number of eagle nests in the area, that he knows about. There is a nest right at the take off end of the Bryan Airport. He says there is at least two at Power Dam and three in the Independence Dam area.

Yes, everyday we get more

stopped somewhere between the tank and the curve of the tracks.

Somewhere on the other side of that switch, is Wentworth Road, that line joins the regular line along about there. I think Wentworth Road is laid out just past that Velvet tobacco sign. In that back ground is the Old Murphy house I was born in back in 1924.

See ya!

BILL HARTMAN



By: Stan Jordan

The following is an obit on a fine old Antwerp boy. Bill graduated from Antwerp High School in 1938 and after a couple of years helping his dad on the farm, he entered airplane training school.

Bill Hartman, 98, passed away on Dec. 27 surrounded by his family in San Mateo, California. He was born in Antwerp, Ohio to Everett &

eagles and I love to see them.

"BRUNCH AND BRUSH"

Woodburn Main Street is sponsoring a "BRUNCH AND BRUSH" party on Saturday, March 16 at the Woodburn Community Center, 22735 Main Street. The food and fun will begin at 11:00 a.m. Even though the weather has been frightful, the party will be delightful so we we hope you can join us!

Lisa Noneman, owner of The Fat Hen Flower Gallery, will share how she includes vibrant color, pattern, and flowers in her artwork. You will follow along as she teaches you to create your own painting from beginning to end, using acrylic paints and stencils. All supplies and brunch will be furnished.

Seating is limited so reserve your spot soon.

Contact Lisa @260-440-4967 for reservations and questions.

ASLEEP OR AWAKE

By: Doris Applegate

In 1864 the British government sent 13,000 soldiers to rescue a man named Cameron and some missionaries who had been held captive by the Emperor of Abyssinia. It was a long and well planned journey over very hazardous terrain and was considered one of the greatest and expen-

ARCHERS END REGULAR SEASON WITH WIN & SENIOR NIGHT



The Antwerp senior athletes are recognized at the last game. More pictures of westbendnews.net

The regular season of the Antwerp Archers basketball came to an end Monday night with the seniors playing their last game at the Range defeating Delta 57-32 and finishing the season 16-5. The Archers shot 23/39 from the field, 7/9 from the free throw line, brought down 27 rebounds and com-

mitted 11 turnovers.

Ty Rebber led the Archers with 15. Also scoring for the blue and white were Jayvin Landers 10, Cole Seslar, Blake Schuette and Austin Lichty with 6 each, Keaton Altimus and Brayton Stuckey with 4 each while Luke Brewer, Austin Chirgwin and Jacob Savina round out

the scoring with 2 each.

In JV action the Archers, under coach Jason Hormann, finished with a perfect 21-0 season after defeating Delta 44-18. Scoring for the Archers were Jacob Savina with 12, Hunter Grant 8, Jake Eaken 7, Owen Sheedy 6, Jagger Landers 5, Luke Krouse 4 and Dylan Hines with 2.

Naone (Hughes) Hartman.

As a young boy who grew up on a farm, Bill always dreamed of flying. This came true in 1939 when he was awarded a scholarship to attend a government civilian flight program in Dayton, Ohio. He completed the program in the top of his class in 1942. A few days later, he received a letter from Washington DC that he was to report A.S.A.P. to the 57th Army Air Force Training Department in Ocala, Florida. He served as a flight instructor teaching many cadets to fly for the war effort until 1944. Two months after completion of service, Bill was hired by United Air

Lines, and flew for United for 36 years until mandatory retirement at 60. While at United, he attended the Boeing School of Aeronautics which was his dream in high school. He retired as a 747 Captain.

After retirement, Bill continued his passion for flying. He flew Otis Spunkmeyer's DC3 Bay Tour, flew the DC3 for SalAir in Alaska, taught flight instruction, was a member in the SF Air Squadron, and built and flew experimental aircraft cross country.

In 1985, he was included in an episode of NOVA, "The Plane that Changed the World", and was honored to

fly Hap Arnold's DC3 to attend a commemorative event at the White House.

Bill felt very blessed to have a career he truly loved and enjoyed for many years. He was a very caring, humble, and wise man who loved his work, his family, and his friends. He will be loved and missed every day.

He is survived by his children: Greg (Celia), Lisa (Peter) & Christy (Robert); and his sisters: Ruth Overmyer & Sharlene Carroll. He was predeceased by his wife Madelyn, daughter Julie, sisters June Peffley & Helen Slesman, and brother George Hartman.

as Christians, we MUST stay awake and do the things that God planned for His church-to. (Be witnesses of His great salvation).

As it is written:

"Wake up, oh sleeper! Rise from the dead and Messiah (Jesus) will shine on you!"

This is a time of prayer for ALL. We must be the lights that shine in darkness. Read Isaiah 60: 1-2

Amen

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF GERMAN CULTURE THROUGH SONG

This year the Fort Wayne Maennerchor/ Damenchor

is proudly "Celebrating its 150th year of German Culture through Song". Throughout these years the Maennerchor/ Damenchor has presented free concerts, opened to the public, in which we sing traditional German songs in the German language. We also serve German foods at our periodic dinners and enjoy Fish Frys every month, for nominal costs, all open to the public.

Throughout this year of Celebration, we will be holding special events and occasions with an invitation to the community to come and celebrate with us. We hope you will be watching for these

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

- 1 - Emergency Financial Assistance - Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.
- 2 - Claims Assistance - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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DIV. III WRESTLING SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT AT LCC



106 lb. Jarrett Hornish takes first place.

The Division III OHSAA wrestling sectional tournament took place this past weekend at Lima Central Catholic. Wayne Trace did phenomenal! They placed 3rd as a team and will be sending seven wrestlers on to Districts. The District qualifiers include Jarrett Hornish (106), Gabe Sutton (113), Hunter Long (120), Austin Smith (152), Wyatt Stabler (160), Eli Moore (170), and Jacob Graham (285).

Team finishes are as follows:

1. Coldwater 186.0;
2. Allen East 179.0;
3. Wayne Trace 174.0;
4. Bluffton 151.5;
5. Columbus Grove 137.0;
6. Del. St. John's 98.0;
7. Ottawa-Glandorf 85.0;
8. Lima C.C. 82.0;
9. Parkway 78.0;
10. Cory-Rawson 68.0;
11. Spencerville 37.0;
12. Ada 16.0;
- 13.

Del. Jefferson 12.0; 14. Pandora-Gilboa 6.5; 15. Lincolnview 0.0

Below are Match results:

First Place:

106 - J Hornish (WT) dec. G Caprella (LCC) 6-4

113 - B Chmielewski (COLD) maj. dec. K Basil (BL) md15-3

120 - D Carmean (AE) dec. H Long (WT) 2-1

126 - K Boggs (COLD) pin T Stoodt (C-R) 3:16

132 - I Hernandez (OG) dec. C Caprella (LCC) 5-4

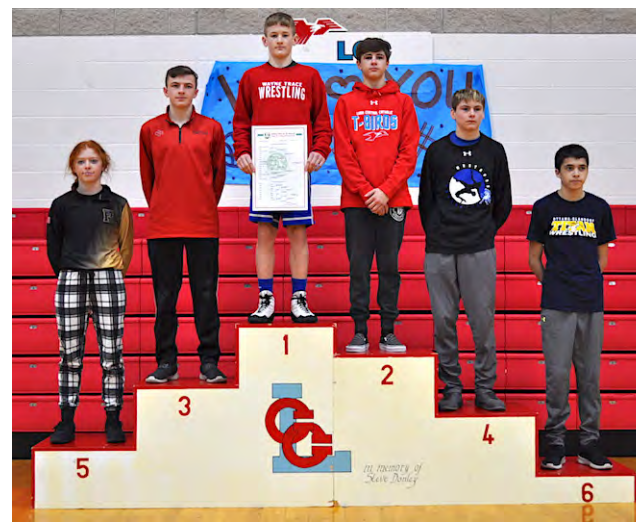
138 - E Meyer (PARK) pin J Mehaffie (BL) 1:04

145 - J Caprella (LCC) pin C Miller (AE) 1:09

152 - B Hershberger (AE) dec. D Pitts (CG) 8-3

160 - J Fink (COLD) dec. D Davis (C-R) 2-1

170 - M Wrasman (D St.J) dec. E Moore (WT) 6-4



182 - D Nassar (BL) Default D Rosales (OG) Default

195 - G Neth (AE) pin D Sargent (CG) 5:03

220 - T Vonderwell (D St.J) pin D Sargent (CG) 0:49

285 - J Meyer (CG) dec. B Davies (AE) 7-1

Third Place:

106 - T Kleman (BL) dec. J Kennedy (AE) 2-0

113 - G Sutton (WT) pin E Garver (AE) 2:31

120 - C Langhals (CG) dec. O Karcher (C-R) 1-0

126 - J Sturgeon (BL) dec. S Carter (LCC) 11-4

132 - N Hoyng (COLD) dec. B Sargent (CG) 9-2

138 - H Paxson (AE) dec. E Ellerbrock (OG) 4-3

145 - M Vonderwell (D St.J) pin N Kaiser (COLD) 2:20

152 - P Ankerman (D St.J) def. A Smith (WT) Default

160 - W Stabler (WT) pin J Wilson (BL) 1:33

170 - E Jones (CG) pin R Thomas (COLD) 2:23

182 - C Martin (D St.J) dec. D Brown (COLD) 2-1

195 - M Schmursal (OG) dec. N Tobe (COLD) 6-5

220 - D Waite (COLD) dec. B Dues (SPENC) 6-3

285 - M Aldrich (SPENC) pin J Graham (WT) 1:13

Consolation Semi-final:

113 - G Sutton (WT) pin P Mihm (PARK) 2:36

126 - S Carter (LCC) dec. S Meggison (WT) 6-4 SV

138 - H Paxson (AE) maj. dec. J Munger (WT) md14-5

145 - N Kaiser (COLD) dec. C Rupp (WT) 3-2

152 - A Smith (WT) pin G Farmer (PARK) 1:58

160 - W Stabler (WT) maj. dec. C Welch (AE) md13-2

WAYNE TRACE FRESHMAN BOYS WIN GMC CHAMPIONSHIP!



The Wayne Trace freshman basketball team won the Green Meadows Conference tournament on Saturday with a 58-46 win over Paulding County rival Antwerp. Members of the squad include (front, l-r) Ethan Noggle, Logan Hale, Allen Hainck, Grayson McClure, Ryan Rupp, Trevor Sinn and Cameron Sinn. In the back row are (l-r) Coach Brett Beckman, Cameron Graham, Landyn Whitman, Nate Sinn, Devin Huffine and Jacob Edwards.

upcoming announcements.

First among these events is our Frueblingsfest (Spring Festival) held on Saturday, March 23rd, at our clubhouse, Park Edelweiss, at 3355 Elm-hurst Drive. Doors open at 5:00 PM. The evening will begin at 6:00 PM with an authentic German Schlachtfest (Bratwurst) dinner with sour kraut and all the trimmings. The dinner will be followed by a Choral concert with 35 voices of the Ft. Wayne Maennerchor/ Damenchor, directed by Thomas Remenschneider, former director of the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic Chorus. A highlight of the evening is the presentation of winners of an essay contest for local high school German students answering the

question, how knowledge of German heritage/culture has impacted the student. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded.

BRANCH LIBRARIES ANNOUNCE NEW EVENING HOURS

The Branch Libraries of the Paulding County Carnegie Library system will be adjusting their evening hours beginning March 1, 2019. Currently the branch libraries in the villages of Antwerp, Oakwood and Payne are opened on Monday and Tuesday evenings. But, beginning in March, they will be opened on Monday and Thursday nights and closed on Tuesday evenings.

"These new evening hours will permit our library team to break up their evening programming," shared Susan Pieper, Director of Libraries. "Plus, the branches will be open later in the week during the evening to accommodate students who may need the library services for school assignments."

All branch library operate on the same hours. The new hours will be: Mondays from Noon until 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Thursdays from Noon until 7:30 p.m., Fridays from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All libraries in the system are closed on Sundays. For more information call 419-399-2032.

OHIO STATE MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM SEEKING NEW "CROP" OF VOLUNTEERS

By: Sarah Noggle, OSU Extension Educator, Agriculture and Natural Resources, Paulding County
If you want to sharpen

your gardening skills and you have an interest in sharing your knowledge with others, Ohio State Extension has the ideal program for you.

Beginning with an orientation class on March 13, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. an Ohio State Master Gardener "Basic Training" series will be offered for residents of Paulding County as well as surrounding counties. The Ohio State Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program that provides a learning framework for participants to increase their knowledge on a wide variety of horticultural subjects. In turn, participants volunteer by teaching others while representing Ohio State University. As volunteers, participants grow as they share knowledge and provide leadership and service in educational gardening activities within their communities.

Training sessions will be held on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. from March 27 through May 8. Participants will be exposed to a wide range of subjects including soil and plant science, diagnosis of plant problems, pesticide safety, and culture of vegetable, flower, landscape, and fruitplants. Classes for the training will be held at Paulding County OSU Extension Building, 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH 45879.

"I think class participants will enjoy learning with people from our neighboring counties and sharing gardening and horticulture ideas. Giving back to the community is such a great feeling," said Sarah Noggle, Extension Educator in Paulding County.

The cost for the materials and expenses for the se-

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Katrina Stoller, sophomore at Wayne Trace, sinks a 3 point basket for the home team! More pictures at westbendnews.net

so quickly to play again was a concern for Raider Head Coach Bethany DeJarnett.

"It's not always easy to come back and beat a team twice plus we had not played a game in nine days so it was important for us to come out early with our game face on and ready to play," DeJarnett said.

The Raiders trailed 8-7 late in the first quarter when Crestview's Lexi Gregory delivered a three-pointer. Gregory led the Raiders scoring with 22 points, however, the junior got little help offensively with just three other Knight's scoring.

Katrina Stoller connected on a three-pointer earlier in the initial quarter and then finished the stanza with her second triple with time running out to put the Raiders on top 10-8 after eight minutes of play. The Raiders would never trail the rest of the way. In the second period Claire Sinn connected on a traditional three-point play to give the Raiders their largest first half lead at 17-10. At the half Wayne Trace was on top 21-15.

The third quarter had the Raiders leading by seven before Miriam Sinn scored on a short runner in the paint and

ries of classes is \$150.00 per participant. This expense fee covers such items as the Master Gardener student handbook, handouts, name badges, and other materials. These materials all become part of the Master Gardener's personal collection. Couples sharing the same single set of materials may attend for a rate of \$200.00.

A completed application and payment are required for all potential students by Friday, March 8, 2019. While class participants will be encouraged to create new educational outreach programs, there are already many opportunities for which volunteers are needed.

The theme of the Master Gardener Program is "Helping Others Grow."

If you would like an ap-

dialled in from long distance with 4:22 remaining. With Sinn scoring five unanswered points the Raiders owned their first double-digit lead 30-20.

Late in the third quarter the Raiders decided to hold the ball for the final 30 seconds. Miriam Sinn answered after dribbling for most of those seconds before connecting on an uncontested triple just before the horn sounded. Heading into the final eight minutes of play the Raiders were on top 37-28. Miriam Sinn just a junior, finished the night with 16 to lead the Raiders scoring.

Katrina Stoller opened up the fourth frame with a three-pointer, her third of the night, to keep the pressure on the Knights and the Raiders leading 40-28. In the conerstr Stoller connected on 3-4 from behind the arc.

"In warm-ups before the game I was making my shots and was feeling pretty confident. As a team we came out with energy and was ready to play. We wanted to make sure we got the win and beat Crestview twice this season," said Katrina after the win and celebrating near center court, holding a piece of the net.

The Raider lead grew to as many as 13 in the final six minutes. On two occasions when the Raiders were leading by 11, Katrine (Stoller) was fouled and went to line each time and canned both free throws. She finished with 15 including a perfect 4-4 at the foul line.

"She did a tremendous job to night. She not only scored but she was assigned to defend Gregory. Yes, Gregory got her points but she had to work for them and I think in the fourth quarter she (Gregory) was worn out. Our defensive effort was really good tonight," said Coach DeJarnett.

Also scoring for the Raiders were Claire Sinn with nine; Kaylee Shepherd adding six, Sadie Sinn chipping in four and Rachel Stoller with two.

plication to join our league of volunteers or if you have questions about the program, please call Katie Gorrell at Paulding County OSU Extension at 419-399-8225. Katie will mail or hand potential volunteers the application packet.

For additional questions, you can email questions to gorrell.42@osu.edu, walk in the OSU Extension Office at 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH 45879 or call (419)399-8225.

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pare 90 seconds of a song that showcases their vocal abilities. Accompaniment will be provided.

Little Shop of Horrors will run May 2 - 12. Those wanting more information can visit vwct.org or email Kraner at chad@vwct.org.

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TITANS ROLL TO WIN OVER PANTHERS



Paulding Sophomore Sadie Estle is sent to the free throw line and scores! More pictures at westbendnews.net

VAN WERT - Ottawa Glandorf jumped in front 20-8 at the end of one period and never looked back as the Lady Titans rolled to a 78-35 win over Paulding in Division III girls sectional action at Lincolnview High School on Saturday.

The Titans extended the lead to 42-25 at the midway point of the contest and pushed the margin to 61-34 at the end of three quarters.

Audrey Geisige paced the maroon and white with 11 points while Chelsi Geisige added nine markers.

Brianna Townley added four points for Paulding, wrapping up her career in a

Lady Panther uniform along with fellow senior Asia Arellano.

Jalynn Parrett (three), Sadie Estle (three), Sydney McCullough (two), Leigha Egnor (two) and Janae Pease (one) also scored for the maroon and white.

Brianna Schimmoeller topped Ottawa Glandorf with 22 points and Kasey Ellerbrock added 15 for the Titans.

Erin Kaufman chipped in ten markers for the Lady Titans.

Other scorers for the blue and gold were Kelsey Erford (seven), Ella Okuley (five), Ashley Schroeder (four) and Paige Sutter (two).

RAIDERS WIN SEASON FINALE OVER OTTOVILLE



Wayne Trace senior Mox Price attempts a basket in the key and is fouled for two shots! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports-writer

HAVILAND - The Wayne Trace Raiders wrapped up the 2018-19 edition of the regular season last Friday. The Ottoville Big Green came calling and the Raiders outlasted them with strong second half play 62-48. With the win the red, white, and blue complete a very impressive 17-5 record to go along with their GMC title. Ottoville left the Palace owning the same 17-5 mark as they enter tournament play.

Wayne Trace opened with a low scoring first quarter lead after eight minutes of action 11-4 and both teams managed 17 points a piece in the second period. Hanging on to a 28-21 margin the Raiders turned it up in the third quarter to outscore the Big Green by ten at 22-12. Wayne Trace entered the fourth frame with a 50-33 advantage and the Putnam County contingent didn't recover in the final pe-

night game against Tinora which the Big Green won 40-29.

Reid Miller led the Raider offense with 17 points. The junior play maker connected on 6-10 from the two-point area while hitting 5-6 from the free throw line and dishing out five assists.

"Reid played his heart out. Ottoville was aggressive defensively, using their trapping style of play. Reid was beat up and he's going to be sore tomorrow but he played so well," said Linder.

The head coach was also impressed by the defensive play of Trae Sinn, Mox Price and Evan Mohr. They had the task of stopping Ottoville's Josh Thorbahn. The trio did the job; holding Thorbahn to 11 points.

It was the last game at the Palace for the group of five seniors who wore the Raider uniform for the last time at home. Evan Mohr, Josiah Linder, Trae Sinn, Mox Price and Caleb Yenser all played and gave valuable minutes towards the team win.

"I really like this group of kids and our seniors did a good job tonight. I'm proud of each one," Linder commented.

Joining Miller in the scoring column was Nate Gerber with 14 points, Jace Vining adding 12, Trae Sinn seven, Alex Reinhart five, Mox Price four, Trevor Speice two and Josiah Linder one to round out the Raider scoring.

Gerber, Linder and Rein-

hart also grabbed seven rebound a piece for the winners. The Raiders won the rebound battle 29-25 with both teams committing nine turnovers.

In the Junior Varsity contest the Raiders picked up their eleventh win in a row, beating Ottoville 44-32. Trevor Sinn led the winners with 17 points with Cameron Sinn adding 9 points. The JV squad complete their season with an impressive 19-3 mark.

2018-19 WBL GIRLS & BOYS BASKETBALL ALL-LEAGUE SELECTIONS

The 2018-19 Western Buckeye League Girls & Boys Basketball All League Teams have been announced.

Coaches of the Year:
Boys - Tyson McGlaughlin, Ottawa Glandorf
Girls - Troy Yant, Ottawa Glandorf

BOYS:
FIRST TEAM:
Jaron Sharp, Kenton; Owen Heigel, OG; Ethan White, OG; George Mangas, Shawnee; Drew Bagley, VW; Adam Scott, Wapak

SECOND TEAM:
Tyrel Goings, Defiance; Ben Westrick, OG; Tyson Elwer, Shawnee; Nate Place, VW; Aaron Good, Wapak

THIRD TEAM:
Will Lammers, Defiance; Dante Wheeler, Elida; Carter Heringhaus, OG; Johnny Caprella, Shawnee; Ethan Steger, St. Marys

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PLAYERS OF THE YEAR:
 OLYN HIEGEL, OG

GIRLS:
FIRST TEAM:
 Chandler Clark, Bath; Erin Kaufman, OG; Mackenzie Wilson, Wapak; Lauren Cisco, St. Marys; Ashley Schroeder, OG; Trinity Gearing, Shawnee

SECOND TEAM:
 Madelyn Renner, Bath; Maddy Luke, Celina; Kelsey Erford, OG; Carly Hayward, St. Marys; Katie Engle, Wapak

THIRD TEAM:
 Carlee Smiddy, Defiance; Jenna Manz, Kenton; Grace O'Connor, Shawnee; Kendall Dieringer, St. Marys; Audra Schaub, Wapak

HONORABLE MENTION:
 Ja'Dasia Hardison, Bath; Hannah Holland, Kenton; Sierra Shaffer, VW; Kennan Klingshirn, Celina; Erin Kaufman, OG; Addy Allen, Wapak; Joanna Schlatter, Defiance; Tessa Jordan, Shawnee; Cienna Kuhn, Elida; Elena Menker, St. Marys

The victory puts the Panthers at 11-10 overall and 5-3 in the conference as the maroon and white enters tournament play.

Spencerville led 13-12 at the end of eight minutes of action before Paulding rallied, outscoring the visiting Bearcats 13-10 in the second quarter, to take a 25-23 half-time lead. The Panthers then pushed the lead to 40-34 entering the final quarter by outscoring the Bearcats 15-11 in the third quarter.

Jaret Miller topped the maroon and white with 23 points while Fletcher Cook bucketed 20 markers for Paulding.

Blake McGarvey chipped in seven for Paulding and Carson Shull recorded three points. Bailey Manz connected on a pair of foul shots and Jacob Eblin hit a free throw as well for the Panthers.

Paulding did another solid job of taking care of the basketball as the Panthers committed only five turnovers compared to Spencerville's 14.

The Panther nipped the Bearcats on the boards, 30-29. Paulding hit 16 of 40 shots from the field (40 percent) compared to Spencerville's 18 of 39 (46 percent).

Kale Lee topped the Bearcats with 13 points and Jackson Goecke added a dozen markers.

Drew Armstead (nine), Keegen Goecke (six), Eli Harter (four), Dalton Prichard (three) and Payton Brown (two) completed the Spencerville scorers.

Paulding's junior varsity squad also closed the season with a 57-37 victory over the Bearcats.

PANTHERS HOLD OFF BULLDOGS FOR WIN

PAULDING - Fletcher Cook and Carson Shull each scored a dozen points while Blake McGarvey added 11 as the Paulding Panthers outlasted Edgerton for a 45-39 win in non-league boys basketball action last week.

Bailey Manz and Jaret Miller chipped in four markers each for the maroon and white with Jacob Eblin and Ethan Letso picking up one point apiece.

Paulding led at every stop, including a 12-8 advantage at the end of one quarter. The Panthers took a 25-13 half-time lead and were on top 30-23 at the end of three periods.

Edgerton was paced by Logan Showalter with 14 points and Braydon Cape chipped in 11 markers.

Other scorers for the Bulldogs were Clayton Flegal (eight), Colin Gary (four) and Gannon Ripke (two).

One big different in the contest was in the turnover department as Paulding had only five in the contest compared to Edgerton's 13.

The Panther junior varsity also picked up a victory, defeating the Bulldogs 26-24.

ARCHERS PIERCE BULLDOGS

The South Side Archers invaded Bulldog territory on Thursday night, February 21st for the closing of regular season high school boys basketball. South Side dominated the court from the jump ball topping the score boards in all quarters of game play. Final score: 45-79. New Haven finishes the regular season

ANTWERP ENDS SEASON IN SECTIONAL OPENER



Pictured here is Antwerp Senior, Chelsea Johanns goes in for a layup! More pictures at www.westbendnews.net

DEFIANCE - Antwerp girls basketball team on Saturday afternoon and the Lady

Green proved to be too much as they cruised to a 46-18 victory over the Archers in Division IV girls sectional action at Defiance High School.

The Lady Green led 11-4 at the end of one quarter and outscored Antwerp 15-1 in the second stanza, pushing the margin to 26-5 at the midway point.

Ottoville took a 36-9 advantage into the final period.

Haley Hoersten and Nicole Knippen each scored 11 points to pace Ottoville with Kasey Knippen and Quinley Schlagbaum bucketing seven markers apiece.

Brynlee Hanneman and Kylee Hoersten both added three points for the Big Green and Alex Honigford recorded a basket. Tori Thomas also connected on a free throw for Ottoville.

Chelsea Johanns concluded her career in a Lady Archer uniform by leading the blue and white with five points.

Astianna Coppes also had five markers for Antwerp and Heather Oberlin posted three points.

PANTHERS WRAP UP NWC PLAY WITH WIN

PAULDING - The Paulding boys basketball team wrapped up the regular season with a 56-49 win over Spencerville in Northwest Conference play at the Jungle Friday evening.

8-14. Score by the Quarter: New Haven - 5 17 10 13 = 45 South Side - 20 18 19 22 = 79

VAN WERT TOWER OVER THUNDERBIRDS

Cougars of Van Wert played host to the Thunderbirds of Lima Central Catholic on February 19th. The home court advantage worked for the Cougars as they led the 1st half 34-24. The Thunderbirds couldn't catch Van Wert's momentum going into the 2nd half. Cougars added another 19 points in the 3rd to LCC's 11. Final score: 70-50 and Van Wert keeps a win at home and now record stands at 13-8.

In JV game, Van Wert won: 42-33. Their record now stands at 12-9

Scorers of the Game: Van Wert - Treece 17, Place 19, Barnhart 2, Williams 11, Henry 7, Blackmore 2, Bagley 12

LCC - Johnson 22, Allen 2, Stoll 3, Banks 2, Riepenhoff 2, Moore 8, J Riepenhoff 2, Garner 7, Bennett 2

BLUFFTON SWEEPS NWC GIRLS HONORS

After tying with Columbus Grove for the Northwest Conference championship, the Bluffton Lady Pirates swept the Player and Coach of the Year honors in voting by the league's coaches recently.

Lady Pirate senior guard Alivia Koenig was selected as the NWC Player of the Year after averaging 13 points and three assists per game in leading Bluffton to a 17-5 overall record while finishing 7-1 in the league.

Bluffton head coach Eric Garmatter was picked as the NWC Coach of the Year.

First team selections in the NWC included Koenig, Bluffton senior Avery Rumer, Columbus Grove senior Rylee Sybert, Crestview ju-

nior Lexi Gregory, Spencerville sophomore Emma Leis and Columbus Grove freshman Makenzie King.

The Crestview sophomore duo of Bailey Gregory and Olivia Cunningham topped the second team NWC selections. Other players named to the second team were Spencerville junior Nelaya Burden, Delphos Jefferson Aly Lindeman and Allen East junior Tori Newland.

Girls garnering honorable mention were Paulding senior Briana Townley, Lincolnview senior Lakin Brant, Allen East senior Kate Newland, Spencerville senior Alex Carter, Allen East senior Lauren Criblez, Bluffton senior Katie Prater, Columbus Grove junior Abigail Gladwell, Allen East senior Ally Richardson and Paulding junior Chelsie Geisige.

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ANTWERP CROWNS 2 CHAMPIONS AT SECTIONALS



Senior Aidan McAlexander of Antwerp proudly accepts the honor of winning his match! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Antwerp High School wrestling team recently competed in the sectional tournament at Archbold High School on February 22-23, 2019. Of the 6 wrestlers competing, 3 were able to place in the top 4 of their respective weight classes, thus earning them a spot in next week's District tournament at Lakota High School on March 1 & 2. Placing 4th for the Archers was senior Tanner Wentland in the 145 pound weight class. Wentland finished the tournament with 3-2 record, earning 2 pins along the way. This marks the 1st time in his career qualifying for the District tournament.

Going undefeated for the tournament and winning sec-

ditional titles were senior Aidan McAlexander at 120 pounds and junior Randall Mills at 126 pounds. This marks the first time in program history that Antwerp has crowned 2 champions at the sectional tournament. McAlexander was 2-0 with 1 major decision to earn the 2nd sectional title of his career. Mills ended his tournament 4-0 with 1 pin and 1 major decision. He also avenged an earlier season loss to Drew Helmke of Tinora to earn the first sectional title of his career. Both McAlexander and Mills have each qualified for the district tournament 3 times as well, which ties an Antwerp wrestling record with former Archer wrestler Jarret Bute. This year's squad



Paulding's Adrian Simonin wins by injury in the match against Swanton's Connor Cass after Cass broke his arm during the 222 bout. More pictures at westbendnews.net



Antwerp's Randall Mills helps his opponent stretch his arms as he works to pin his opponent in the third period! More pictures at westbendnews.net

also tied a program record by getting 3 wrestlers to the district tournament. If any wrestler is able to place in the top 4 this coming weekend at Districts, they will earn themselves a spot in the state tournament on March 7-9 in Columbus. We wish you the best as you prepare for your state tournament run. Good luck and GO ARCHERS!

132 - Jordan Mudel: Took 3rd place, with 2 pins and 1 minor decision, 1 loss by pin.

Brody Fisher: 2 losses by pin.

Jeremiah Smith: 2 losses by pin.

Koyla Paschall: Took 6th place, 2 wins by pin, 2 losses by pin.

Cole Mabis: Took 4th place, 1 win by major, 1 win by minor, 1 loss by pin, and 1 lost by major.

182 - Adrian Simonin: Took 2nd place, 3 wins by pin, 1 loss by major.

Sloan Foster: 1 win by pin, 2 losses by pin.

Jordan came out wrestling tough after recently returning from an injury, the first round he won by pins, he seems to really be turning the corner now towards some big wins. We had an expected loss in the semi finals against Delta, but came back and won a tough fought match against Fairview to make a district appearance next weekend. And pinned his finals kid to take 3rd. Koyla lost his quarterfinals match to the number one seed. He had a tough battle back to take sixth. Koyla got some big wins for us and a couple of pins in the consolation bracket. Lost a hard fought semi match and his just missed placing 5th in his finals match. Koyla surprised us with the effort and work he put into the tournament being a first year wrestler. We look forward to the years to

come with his performance. Cole Mabis had a close first match against Edgerton but came out with the win. He lost a semi final match to the Ayersville kid. He had a good consolation semi final match to get advance to districts by major decision. Cole lost a hard fought match with the Edgerton kid in a rematch in the finals to take 4th. Cole has come a long way from the start of the season and is starting to put it all together for big wins. Adrian had a good tournament showing taking 2nd place overall. He pinned his way to the finals, to take on the number one seed from Archbold. Adrian had a hard fought match but lost by major decision. Adrian is starting to peak in his performance at the right time and we are looking for big things next weekend.

ANTWERP FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL WIND DOWN SEASON

Saturday February 16th was the first round of the Freshman Boys GMC Tournament hosted by Tinora High School. Antwerp faced the Holgate Tigers in the opening game.

The Archers were up two on the scoreboard at the half 13-11 and then opened things up in the second half to win the game 37-15.

Scoring by the Quarter:
Antwerp - 8 5 16 8 = 37
Holgate - 6 5 2 2 = 15

Scoring for the Archers:
Kaden Recker 10, Tucker Franklin 6, Stephon Walker 6, Gaige McMichael 5, Hunter Sproles 5, Mason Steel 3, Kaden Phares 2

Scoring for Holgate:
Zachrich 7, Thacker 4, Bower 4

On Monday February 18th, the second round of the Freshman Boys GMC Tournament was hosted by Tinora High

ARCHERS ROLL PAST PANTHERS FOR NON-LEAGUE WIN



Antwerp's Brayton Stuckey attempts the layup, getting fouled by one of the Panthers of Delta in the last season home game of year! Stuckey goes on to score his free throw! See more pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - The Delta Panthers made the trip to northwest Paulding County on Monday night where the host Antwerp Archers picked up a 57-32 victory in non-league, boys basketball action.

The Archers held a slim 12-9 lead at the end of one quarter before expanding the margin to 23-15 at the midway point of the contest.

Antwerp took a 44-24 lead into the fourth quarter.

Ty Rebber paced the blue and white with 15 points while Jayvin Landers added ten markers.

Cole Seslar, Blake Schuette and Austin Lichty all had six markers for Antwerp with Keaton Altimus and Brayton Stuckey posting four markers apiece.

Austin Chirgwin, Jacob Savina and Luke Brewer added a basket each as well for the Archers, who close the

regular season with a record of 16-5.

Delta was led by Ashton O'Brien with 14 markers and Hunter Treshnan chipped in six markers.

Braden Risner posted four points for the Panthers followed by Hunter Hamilton (three), Seth Burress (three) and Josh Tresnan (two).

The Archers won the battle of the boards 27-17 and the Archers had fewer turnovers, 11-18.

Antwerp was 23 of 39 from the field for 59 percent compared to Delta's 11 of 33 for 33 percent.

The Archer junior varsity squad wrapped up its season with a perfect 21-0 record as the Archers defeated the Panthers 44-16.

Tournament play for the Archers begins on Friday, March 1, as Antwerp will play either Edgerton or Hilltop at 8:00 p.m. that evening.

School. Antwerp faced the Edgerton Bulldogs in the semi finals.

The Archers led at all the stops, and won the game 46-24.

Scoring by the Quarter:
Antwerp - 14 9 16 7 = 46
Edgerton - 5 2 12 5 = 24

Scorers of the Game:

Antwerp - Hunter Sproles 10; Kaden Recker, Tucker Franklin & Gaige McMichael 9 each; Stephon Walker 5; Mason Steel & Kaden Phares 2 each

Tinora - Meyer 7; Timbrook 6; Weaver 4; Kennerk 3; Cheek & Kellog 2 each

Saturday February 23rd at Tinora High School is where the GMC freshman basketball championship showdown between the Antwerp Archers and Wayne Trace Raiders took place. This was a battle! At times, the rim appeared to be twice the regulation size as 23 three-point baskets were made between the rivals.

The Archers led by 5 after quarter number one, then the Raiders fought back to tie things up 31 each at the half. It was the Raiders who hit 8 free throws in the second half and made 5 of their 11 three pointers to best the Archers when the final buzzer went off. What a game!

Score by the Quarter:
Antwerp - 19 12 9 6 = 46
Wayne Trace - 14 17 16 11 = 58

Scorers of the Game:
Archers - Kaden Recker 15, Tucker Franklin 12, Stephon Walker & Kaden Phares 6 each, Hunter Sproles 4 and Gaige McMichael 3
Wayne Trace - Cameron

Sinn 21, Grayson McClure 11, Trevor Sinn 9, Allen Minck 6, Landyn Whitman 6 and Cameron Graham 5

The Freshman boys from Antwerp finished their season with a respectable record of 9-7.

BULLDOGS NAIL DOWN KNIGHTS

New Haven Boys Basketball traveled to Bishop Luers on February 19, 2019 for varsity boys basketball. The Bulldogs took the offense a little slow out of the gate with the Knights taking the lead 19-14. This home team lead did not last long as New Haven topped off the half with large lead: 36-28. They went on to be beat Bishop Luers 77-53. New Haven was led by Demarea Dial with 18 points and Thomas Latham had 15 points and 15 rebounds.

Score by the Quarter:
New Haven - 14 22 28 13 = 77
Bishop Luers - 19 9 14 11 = 53

IHSAA BOYS PAIRINGS RELEASED

The Indiana High School Athletic Association released the matchups for the 2019 boys basketball state tournament which begins February 26 around the state.

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PANTHERS ADVANCE TO SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP



Paulding Senior Bri Townley is gets under the basket to shoot while be guarded by one of the ACES at the sectional match up at the first round of sectionals! More pictures at westbendnews.net

VAN WERT - The Paulding Lady Panthers advanced to sectional championship action with a 54-19 win over Hicksville in Division III girls tournament action at Lincolnview High School Tuesday evening.

The Lady Panthers jumped in front 17-9 at the end of one period and extended the margin to 27-10 at the intermission. Paulding then took a 44-18 advantage into the final period.

Chelsi Geisige topped the maroon and white with 16 points while Brianna Town-



Aces' Kennedy Villena is sent to the foul line to make a basket in the 2nd period for Hicksville! More pictures at westbendnews.net

lery added 13 markers. Jalyann Parrett chipped in eight for the Lady Panthers followed by Audrey Geisige (five), Janae Pease (four), Maggie Manz (four), Sadie Estle (two) and Sydney McCullough (two).

Katelyn Bergman topped the Lady Aces with seven points while Harlee Shuman posted six and Kennedy Villena had three.

Samantha Klima also had a basket for Hicksville and Noelle Nuttle hit a free throw for the Lady Aces, who close their season with a record of 10-13.

Jayvin Landers topped the Archer attack with 16 points while Keaton Altimus bucketed ten markers. Austin Lichty and Jagger Landers posted eight markers apiece with Luke Brewer recording seven markers.

Luke Krouse, Austin Chirgwin and Blake Shuette had four points each for the blue and white.

Cade Keefer paced Hilltop with 11 points while Easton Heer recorded eight markers.

Blake Funkhouser (five), Jay Garrett (three) and Christian McKinney (two) completed the list of Cadet scorers.

Antwerp took control of the contest in the opening stanza, grabbing a 21-6 lead after eight minutes of play.

The Archers dominated the second quarter as well, outscoring Hilltop 24-7 to expand the margin to 45-13 at the midway point of the contest.

Quarter number three saw the blue and white pick up 14 points compared to the Cadets' six as Antwerp widened the advantage to 59-19 entering the final period.

Antwerp improves to 15-5 on the season while Hilltop drops to 1-18.

Antwerp's junior varsity team was victorious as well, cruising past Hilltop 73-6.

ANTWERP FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday February 14th proved to be a fun-filled Valentine's Day for basketball at Antwerp High School. The Archer freshman boys tossed the ball through the rim like an arrow thru a heart! And those efforts resulted in another win for the boys. Antwerp outworked the Bulldogs from Edgerton for a 31-22 win.

Scoring for the Archers: Kaden Recker-9, Kaden Phares-8, Tucker Franklin-6, Stephon Walker-4 and Gaige McMichael & Mason Steel with 2 points each.

Scoring for Edgerton: Meyer-10, Weaver-4, Cheek-3, C. Timbrook-3 and N. Timbrook with 2.

The freshman completed their regular season with a record of 7-6. They will face Holgate in the GMC tournament Saturday February 16th at 10:00 AM at Tinora High School.

against New Haven or Leo.

Sectional championship action will be on Saturday, March 2.

At Bellmont, Sectional 23 will open with Mississinewa against Norwell followed by Bishop Luers against Heritage on February 26.

The Mississinewa-Norwell winner returns on March 1 to battle Marion in the opener that evening. In the nightcap, Belmont battles the winner of the Bishop Luers-Heritage contest.

Sectional championship action at Bellmont will also be on March 2.

ARCHERS COAST PAST CADETS

WEST UNITY - Antwerp's boys basketball team hit the road Saturday night for a non-league contest against host Hilltop with the visiting Archers coasting to a 68-29 win over the Cadets.

The Archers dominated the boards in the contest as Antwerp grabbed 37 rebounds compared to Hilltop's 14.

Antwerp also forced the Cadets into 18 turnovers while the Archers committed only seven.

The blue and white connected on 25 of 58 shots (43 percent) compared to Hilltop's 11 of 37 (29 percent).

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LIONS ROAR PAST WARRIORS



Local competitors in the same school district, Woodlan hosting Leo, brought about a fierce match! Shown here is Woodlan's Mitch Mendenhall scoring a layup. This close game resulted in a loss for the Warriors. Final score: 57-50 More pictures at westbendnews.net

GARRETT - Three Allen County teams will battle it out when boys basketball sectional action opens up this week at Garrett High School.

New Haven took on Leo February 25th in a rematch of an earlier contest. The first game of the night had Angola (17-5) taking on Concordia (12-10).

The Bulldogs, who finished the season with a record of 8-14, will battle the Lions for the right to move into the sectional semifinals. Leo ended the regular season with a record of 8-12.

In the first meeting of the two schools, New Haven posted a 64-57 at Leo back on January 11.

The winner of the New Haven-Leo game then returns on Friday, March 1, for a 7:30 p.m. game against

Woodlan. New Haven got past the Warriors 74-55 in the sectional action opens up this week at Garrett High School.

Woodlan ended the regular season with a record of 6-16.

Heritage also will open sectional play this week as the Patriots take on Fort Wayne Bishop Luers February 25th at Belmont High School.

The Patriots, who ended the year at 15-7, will look to stop a two-game losing streak when they battle the Knights. Bishop Luers stands 4-17 overall entering tournament action.

The winner of the Heritage-Bishop Luers game advances to take on host Bellmont (14-8) on Friday.

Sectional 22 at Garrett and Sectional 23 at Bellmont.

In Sectional 22, Concordia will take on Angola followed by New Haven against Leo on Tuesday, February

26. That Friday, March 1, will have host Garrett playing the winner of the Concordia-Angola game while the nightcap has Woodlan

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

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

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

Cecil: Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

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

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

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

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

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

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

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Ney: Maramart

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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

INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

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

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1
 IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
 PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
 In the Matter of Foreclosure of
 Liens for delinquent land taxes:
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER,
 TREASURER
 PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO,
 Plaintiff,
 vs.
SIX MILE CHRISTIAN CHURCH, ET AL.,
 Defendants.

Case No. Cl 18 170
 Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

Address: Emerald Township, Road 210
Parcel Number: 16-205-004-00

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

Total amount of judgment is Seven Hundred Sixteen and 33/100 (\$716.33) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:00 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2019, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 28th day of March, 2019 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS LEARN



Shown here with their insects are from left: Nolan Doctor, Sage Paputsakis, Jeremiah Sajuan, Reese Lero, Nolan Rosalez, Jase Burelison and Bay Snyder.

Ann's Bright Beginnings preschoolers recently made some very Interesting Insects on Ii day! They learned that insects have six legs and they practiced their cutting skills too! These children attend the kindergarten readiness class at Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. For more information on our programs, call 419-399-KIDS.

SYNERGY ELEMENTARY STUDENTS CREATE CARE BOXES



Pictured with Angel (top left) are some of the students and their boxes. Skyler Snyder from Oakwood, Trenton Meeks from Paulding, Elijah Stiffler from Van Wert, Roman Martin from Van Wert, Mrs. Bird, elementary teacher, Eli Lee from Van Wert, Nevaeh Yantis from Paulding and Ethan Kremer from Antwerp. Not pictured are Corey Moore, Allen Levandoski, and Josh Fry.

Angel Snyder, Executive Post Assistant at the American Legion Post 178 in Van Wert led Synergy Elementary Students in creating creative Care Boxes. These boxes will be filled with items for deployed soldiers from the Van Wert area.

ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS



The Antwerp Police reported several things these past two weeks:

On February 5, officers assisted Paulding County Juvenile officers with searching a home of a probationer. The reason was the probationer had tested positive for meth.

On February 6, a report was filed with the prosecutor's office in reference to four children that were victims of ongoing child abuse and neglect. As a result, the children were removed from the home and possible charges are being considered.

On February 7, a downed power line was reported on West River St. An officer went to the location and contacted AEP for repair. The officer stayed on the scene until the utility company arrived.

On February 10, an employee of the Pop-n-Brew called to report someone drove off without paying for gas. The vehicle and driver were located and he then paid for the fuel after realizing it was not paid for with

his other purchases.

On February 12, it was reported that a suspicious person was at the Dollar General store the day before. The Antwerp Police Department was able to identify the suspect and vehicle.

On February 13, the Antwerp Police department assisted the Antwerp School Resource officer, Deputy Miller, in locating students who were truant from school. The students were located and all made their way to the school after a visit from officers.

On February 13, officers assisted Paulding County Job and Family Services while alleged victims of child abuse were removed from their home.

On February 15, a resident called and was concerned of a census flier that was left in the door. She was concerned if it was a scam or legitimate. The police department investigated and found the census papers were legitimate.

Also on February 15, a person was arrested for trespassing. The same person had been arrested previously for telephone harassment to the same victim. The suspect was transferred to the Paulding County Jail. The suspect then used the jail telephone to call the suspect and make threats once again.

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

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WESLEY C. FOUST, ET AL.,
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Case No. Cl 18 104
 Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

102 East Jackson Street, Grover Hill
Parcel Number: 26-095-005-00 and
26-095-048-00

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

Total amount of judgment is One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-eight and 47/100 (\$1,548.47) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Lindsey M. Herder, Fort Wayne, IN; Endangering a child; Case dismissed at the state's request

Lindsey M. Herder, Fort Wayne, IN; OVI/Under influence; Defendant appeared in open court with attorney, Mr. Foster, pled guilty; 30 days jail, 3 days hard time; Work release granted after hard time; 2 year license sus-

pension; IID and restrictive plates required on all vehicles; 2 year probation

Lindsey M. Herder, Fort Wayne, IN; Failure to control; Count B dismissed per state

April L. Phillips, Bisbee, AZ; Resisting arrest; Pled no contest with Atty Shoup; Evaluation at Westwood Mental Health; TFC; Complete a risk assessment; All contraband shall be forfeited

April L. Phillips, Bisbee, AZ; Possession of drug instrument; Defendant appeared in open court with Atty Ms. Shoup; Pled no contest; To pay or collection 12/20/19

April L. Phillips, Bisbee, AZ; Disorderly conduct; Count C dismissed per state

Kenneth W. Donathan, Huber Heights, OH; Unsafe vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alexander F. Joyce, Carmel, IN; Endangering a child; Case dismissed per state

Matthew T. White, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Defendant appeared in open court with counsel, Mr. Hyman, pled no contest to amended doc. Charge; 2 years

probation; Submit to evaluation at Westwood; No contact with Angela Lands; Risk assessment; Obtain valid O.L.

Jeremy E. Wright, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence; Case dismissed

Jeremy E. Wright, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; A written change of plea; To be paid in full 2/22/19

Alexander F. Joyce, Carmel, IN; OVI/under influence; Defendant appeared in open court with attorney Mr. McManus; Pled no contest; Placed on probation; Show completion of treatment program; Ignition interlock device and restrictive plates required

Alexander F. Joyce, Carmel, IN; DUS (OVI); Count B dismissed per state

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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO,
 PAULDING COUNTY:
 THE STATE BANK & TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff,
 vs.

TRENT A. WELLS, ET AL., Defendants,
 Case No. Cl 17 098

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

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

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

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

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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.

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

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 Tina Woods, Attorney for Plaintiff

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 vs.

WAYNE J. BRONSON, ET AL., Defendants,
 Case No. Cl 18 150

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2019 at 10:20, the real estate located at:

11779 Road 169, Oakwood
Parcel Number: 08-08S-004-02

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 28th day of March, 2019 at 10:20. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. The purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
 Paulding County, Ohio
 www.pauldingohsheriff.com
 Tina Woods, Attorney for Plaintiff

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

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

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

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

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,
vs.
GREGORY L. KUTZLI, ET AL., Defendants.

Case No. CI 18 159
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

204 East Daggett Street, Antwerp Parcel Number: 12-11S-014-00

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

Total amount of judgment is Five Thousand One Hundred Thirty-two and 55/100 (\$5,132.55) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:15 a.m. at the East door of the Court-house in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2019, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 28th day of March, 2019 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
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mel, IN; Failure to control; Count C dismissed per state

Christy Mobley, Payne, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Lester E. Sulfridge Jr., Van Wert, OH; Unauthorized use; Defendant indicted by Common Pleas Court Grand Jury; Matter transferred to the docket of the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio

Lester E. Sulfridge Jr., Van Wert, OH; Specific ALC continued; Defendant indicted

100th DAY OF SCHOOL!



Divine Mercy School made it to the 100th day of school, and we are now one hundred days smarter!! Kindergarten made 100 day shirts and celebrated. First and second graders wrote out numbers to 100 then counted to it by 2s, 5s, and 10s. We ate a

yummy snack and read some books before finishing off the day with a writing competition judged by Mr. Linder. Students either wrote about being 100 years old or having \$100! Maxton and Elliot won with their funny entries. We had a blast!

by the Common Pleas Court; This matter is transferred to the docket of the Common Pleas Court

Charles M. Reed Jr., Memphis, TN; Improper firearm; Defendant indicted by common pleas; Matter transferred to the docket of the Common Pleas Court of Paulding County Ohio

Lester E. Sulfridge, Van Wert, OH; OVI/breath (low); Defendant indicted by the Common Pleas Court; Matter transferred to the docket of the Common Pleas Court

Tiffini E. Aldrich, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Phouthasone Vongphachanh, Ypsilanti, MI; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

William C. Mefferd, Angola, IN; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Beverly R. Schaadt, Kenton, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dezarea B. Bannister, Paulding, OH; False statement; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Placed on probation; 20 hrs. community service; Evaluation at Westwood Behavioral

Katie M. Barraco, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amy J. Yates, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 5/31/19

OH; Seat belt/drive; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 5/31/19

Amy J. Yates, Defiance, OH; Registration violation; Defendant appeared in open court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 5/31/19

Heather D. Binkley, Van Wert, OH; DUS (failure to reinstate); Count A dismissed per state

Dana M. Treesh, Laty, OH; Failure to reinstate; Count A dismissed per state

Tyson N. Schilt, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Emilee A. Nicelley, Cecil, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Keith J. Reed, Haviland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

James R. Reid Jr., Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Norman E. Tritsch Jr., Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jennifer Bellows, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

MOATS' LAYUP LIFTS BULLDOGS PAST PANTHERS

PAULDING - Olivia Moats scored on a layup as time expired to lift the Defiance Lady Bulldogs to a 47-46 win over Paulding at the Jun-

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vs.
SONYA M. GECKLE, ET AL., Defendants.

Case No. CI 18 161
Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

402 West Jackson Street, Paulding Parcel Number 30-06S-107-00

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

Total amount of judgment is Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-four and 29/100 (\$5,434.29) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:10 a.m. at the East door of the Court-house in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 14th day of March, 2019, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 28th day of March, 2019 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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gle Tuesday evening.

The Panthers led 39-38 at the end of three quarters and Paulding held a 46-45 advantage after Chelsi Geisige scored with 11 seconds remaining in the contest.

However, Defiance's Carlee Smiddy found Moats open behind the Panther defense and the freshman went in to score at the buzzer for the Bulldog victory.

Bri Townley led the way for the Panthers with 18 points while Chelsi Geisige chipped in 14 markers.

Jalynn Parrett posted seven markers for the maroon and white followed by Sydney

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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

Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

McCullough (four), Audrey Geisige (two) and Sadie Estle (one).

Townley and Estle each had six rebounds for the Lady Panthers while Chelsi Geisige and Leigha Egnor both hauled in four.

Audrey Geisige and Townley distributed a pair of assists each for Paulding and Chelsi Geisige recorded three steals.

Smiddy topped the Lady Bulldogs with ten points while Jordan Davis and Olivia Moats bucketed eight markers apiece.

Joanna Schlatter recorded six points for Defiance.

Other scorers for the Lady Bulldogs were Emmalee McKenzie (four), Sadie Tuckerman (four), Trinity Shirk (three), Alex Hartman (two) and Raelle Gonzales (two).

Defiance held a 15-10 advantage after eight minutes of play before the Bulldogs posted a 30-24 halftime lead.

ACAC NAMES ALL-LEAGUE GIRLS SQUAD

The All-ACAC girls basketball first and second teams were released last week with Woodlan and Heritage both getting one player on the first team.

Woodlan junior Addie Bayman and Heritage junior Bree Dossen both were selected to the all-ACAC first team along with Jay County senior Shelby Caldwell, Bluffton sophomore Emme Boots, Adams Central sophomore McKenna Dietsch and Jay County senior Kendra Muhlenkamp.

Players named to the second team include Jay Coun-

ty senior Hannah Phillips, South Adams senior Emilee Meyers, Southern Wells sophomore Georgia Hanauer, South Adams junior Lydia Losche, Bluffton senior Grace Miller and Heritage junior Neveah Feasby.

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

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

COMPLAINT FOR DIVORCE

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
Jimmy A. Stephey, II
310-B, E Jackson St.
Grover Hill, OH 45849
Plaintiff,
-v-
Rhonda J. Stephey
Address Unknown
Defendant.

Case No. DIV 19 009
Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, by and through the undersigned counsel, and for cause of action against the Defendant, states as follows:

1. Plaintiff has been a resident of the State of Ohio for at least six (6) months, and a bona fide resident of Paulding County for at least ninety (90) days, both immediately preceding the filing of this Complaint.

nant.
3. Plaintiff says that the parties are incompatible, and that the parties have lived separate and apart without cohabitation for at least one year.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands that he be granted an absolute divorce from Defendant; that an equitable property division be made; that Plaintiff be awarded a reasonable amount for attorney fees and further expenses incurred herein; that the costs of this action be assessed against Defendant; and for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

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THE PAULDING SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT IS ACCEPTING BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEM:
Purchased - Used Equipment
1. Tractor
• Specifications
• 240-300 Horsepower
• MFWD
• 6200 Hours or Less
• Minimum 30 GPM Hydraulic Capacity
Bids must be received by Paulding SWCD by 3:00pm on March 5th, 2019
This notice will also be listed on the Paulding SWCD website www.pauldingswcd.org until March 5th at 3pm.
Bids will be opened at the Paulding SWCD Board Meeting at 8:00am on March 6th, 2019 in the Conference Room at Parc Lane Center, 900 Fairground Drive, Paulding OH 45879. Bids may be hand delivered or mailed to the Paulding SWCD Office in an envelope marked "Sealed Bid."
For Questions Contact:
Dan Foust
District Administrator
Daniel.foust@pauldingswcd.org

PATRICK TROYER VISITS DIVINE MERCY



Patrick Troyer came to visit the first and second graders for his Weather & Climate program. It was the perfect intro to our next chapter about weather! He taught us all about the water cycle and some of the types of weather that can happen. We loved the demonstrations and are so excited to begin our lessons on weather!

BROWN BETTYS AND BUSTER BROWN MEETING

The Brown Bettys and Buster Brown 4-H club held their meeting at the Cooper Community Library on February 11, 2019. Pledges were led by Jackson Carnahan, Abby Elkins, Baylor Kilgore, and Samantha McCray. The secretary's report was given and approved. The safety and health reports were also given. Project books were passed out to members. Everyone was also reminded that if you do not have your record books you need to stop at the Extension Office to pay and pick them up. Demonstrations were given by Jackson Carnahan, Anna Clemens, Royce Cooper, Tiana Cooper, Stroker Eter, Mackenzie Leatherman, Civil Pumpery, and Kadence Thomas. The meeting was adjourned and the members participated during recreation time. The next meeting will be March 24, 2019 at the Cooper Community Library at 4:00 p.m.

NEW SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS IN STORE FOR A BUSY HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE IN NEW HAVEN

Officials tell ABC21 that a new ramp system is planned for I-469 at U.S. 24, with construction expected to begin in late spring. "We'll have an exit ramp that'll come off here," said State Rep. Dave Heine (R-Alen County), gesturing to the stretch of road. "This light will be gone." When finished, the new ramp will peel off of the interstate highway in a manner that, officials say, will eliminate stoppages that happen periodically under the current setup — something that frustrates and even endangers drivers right now. "I think it's bullcrap," trucker David Smith said. "Because you have to sit there and wait, and sitting there waiting... you don't have time to sit and wait." Last August, during such a backlog, a semi plowed into another vehicle, starting

CELEBRATING OHIO WILDLIFE: THE MOURNING DOVE



By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

For those of you that have been following our Ohio Wildlife Series, you will notice that we have touched on quite a bit of animals that find their home right here in Ohio. Some may be thinking that we have hit many species, but in fact, we have not even scratched at the surface. For this week's feature, we will go to the birds and talk about the Mourning Dove. All the bird watchers out there will be sure to take interest in this article! The Mourning Dove is found well throughout the United States in a year-round capacity while they will be found in the northern plains only during their breeding

seasons. Primarily a ground forager, this species will primarily search for various seeds with their favorite being millet. Mourning Doves will swallow seeds and store them in an enlarged part of the esophagus called the crop which is known to handle 17,200 bluegrass seeds according to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. Once the crop is filled, they will fly to a perch they feel is safe and digest their meal. The Cornell Lab of Ornithology notes that Mourning Doves primarily make their perch on telephone lines with their flight being rapid with utmost precision in flying a straight line as their wings will make a loud whistling sound as they prepare for their flight.

This species is an overall brown color with dark gray wings and a long, narrowing tail with bordering white spots. According to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), usually in the spring, with have patches of green and pink and bears resemblance of the extinct passenger pigeon. Cornell writes that during the breeding season, it is common to see a group of three doves flying in a close nit forma-

tion which is more of a social display as the lead bird is the male of a mated pair, the second is an unmated male showing his rival away from an area he hopes to nest, and the third being the female of the mated pair. Once the warm days of spring arrive, the Mourning Dove will begin their nesting activities with their nest generally being placed in various tree species, particularly conifers, or shrubs although they have been known to utilize buildings as a nesting site. According to ODNR, eggs are laid in clutches which consist of two eggs, laid in March or early April with an average incubation timeframe of about 13-14 days.

The Mourning Dove likes to take up a home near residences in both rural and suburban areas nesting in the shade trees generally found in those areas. They also like the bird feeders that many have in their landscaping and are very appreciative of food provided for them. ODNR writes that it is not all that uncommon to see members of this species foraging in farm fields taking up a nest in fencerows or the edge of

wooded areas. After reading this article so far, are you left wondering how the Mourning Dove got its name? This species gets its name for its low pitched, sad song. What can you do to aid the Mourning Dove? As mentioned above, this species likes coniferous trees or shrubs and millet seed. By planting dense shrubs or conifer trees in your landscaping, that will help provide nesting sites. Cornell suggest scattering the seed either directly on the ground or in feeders with an additional suggestion of keeping your cats inside as birds that spend a majority of their time on the ground find themselves vulnerable to prowling cats.

Have you seen a Mourning Dove before? We would enjoy seeing your photos! This is a bird species that you can find everywhere you go in Ohio and beyond and one that will be sure to grace your shrubs if they also have plenty of seeds scattered as well! Hopefully you know just a little bit more about the Mourning Dove and one more animal that calls Ohio home. Stay tuned as we have many more amazing animals to cover!

a chain-reaction crash that killed two people.

Heine said the update to the interchange is being funded in part by the increase in the state gas tax, which went into effect in 2017.

The ramp reconfiguration will take 12-to-16 months to complete.

WILDCATS FALL TO COUGARS

The Lima Bath Wildcats traveled to Van Wert to compete in varsity boys basketball on February 8, 2019. The home court advantage played heavily in this this match up. Van Wert dominated the court as soon as the jump ball was received. At the half-time buzzer the Cougars had a decent lead, 29-19. The second half was more of the same for Van Wert as they chipped in 20 points in the 3rd and again in the 4th compared to Bath's 14 and 15 respectively. Final score of the night: 69-48. Their record now stands at 10-8.

Score by the Quarter:
Van Wert - 18 11 20 20 = 69

Bath - 7 12 14 15 = 48

Scorers of the Game:
Van Wert - Bagley 17, Williams 13, Treele 12, Place 9, Hewry 8, Barnhart 4, Brown 2, C Place 2, Hilleary 2
Bath - Armentrout 18, Burden 15, Stahr 5, Gregory 3, Grisby 3, Parlapiano 2, Nauben 2

In JV action, Van Wert beat Bath: 48-30. Their record now stands at 10-8.

WESTERN BUCKEYE LEAGUE BOWLING TOURNAMENTS

The following is the final standings for the Western Buckeye League high school boys & girls bowling.

GIRLS:
St. Marys 9-0; Shawnee 7-2; Wapakoneta 7-2; Celina 6-3; Ottawa-Glandorf 5-4; Van Wert 4-5; Bath 3-6; Kenton 2-7; Defiance 1-8; Elida 1-8

BOYS:

St. Marys 9-0; Celina 8-1; Wapakoneta 7-2; Ottawa-Glandorf 6-3; Elida 3-6; Van Wert 4-5; Defiance 4-5; Kenton 3-6; Shawnee 1-8; Bath 0-9

WBL ANNOUNCES BOWLING ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS

The Western Buckeye League announced their all-conference picks for the 2018-19 Bowling season.

BOYS:
First Team - Gunner Kruse (SM) BOWLER OF THE YEAR; Nathan Langenkamp (CE); Nathan Bidlack (VW); Sam Wagner (W); Parker Maurer (CE); Evan Tennant (SM)
Second Team - Nathan Kuffner (SM); Jarrett Johns (OG); Caige Schnarre (W); Garrett Bertke (CE); Jon Hefner (W)

Third Team - Britton Hole (CE); Deven Maynard (D); Austin Radcliff (OG); Ethan Bowersock (EL); Junior Hurlley (SM)

GIRLS:
First Team - Dayle Aldrich (SH) BOWLER OF THE YEAR; Abbey Ambroza (SH); Lorrie Decker (VW); Jaden Gibson (SM); Alayna Thornsbery (SM); Abby Ehler (CE)

Second Team - Madison Doseck (W); McKenzie Wagner (W); Dorian Regedanz (SM); Emily Krukowski (OG); Taylor Burgess (SH)

Third Team - Makaela Schriber (K); Sara Hardin (SM); Mariah Mathews (B); Brielle Meeks (W); Ashtyn Huber (CE)

WBL TOURNAMENT MEDALISTS:

GIRLS - Dayle Aldrich, Shawnee, 611; Lorrie Decker, Van Wert, 601; Madison Doseck, Wapakoneta, 586

BOYS - Gunner Kruse, St. Marys, 607; Noah Adcock, Elida, 600; Jon Hefner, Wapakoneta, 584

2019 WBL WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

The Western Buckeye League held their wrestling

tournament at Wapakoneta High School on February 16, 2019. Wapakoneta was named WBL champions for the day. Coach of the Year was awarded to Wapakoneta's Jason Rostorfer.

Team Scores:
Wapakoneta 168.5; St. Marys Memorial 144; Celina 117.5; Defiance 105.5; Elida 75; Van Wert 72.5; Shawnee 50; Kenton 41; Bath 39; Ottawa-Glandorf 28

Individual 1st Place Finishers:
108 - Colin Mellot, WAPA
115 - Trevor Hisey, MEMO
122 - Juan Perez, DEFI
128 - Conner Douglass, ELID
134 - Tristan Villarreal, DEFI
140 - Gabe Steyer, VW
147 - Isaiah Bretz, VW

154 - Trent Fairburn, SHAW
162 - Tommy Mabry, MEMO
172 - Lawrence Slygh, ELID
184 - Luke Muhlenkamp, CELI
197 - Trevor Plaugher, WAPA
222 - Noah Elkenbary, KENT
287 - Brenan Knueve, WAPA

ANTWERP SCHOOL BOARD MEETING: ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR POSITION CREATED

The Antwerp School board, by Superintendent Marty Miller, recognized the winners of the Antwerp School Spelling Bee: Kiera

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OAKWOOD STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT COMMUNITY HELPERS



Students have been learning about community helpers in Ms. Ripke's preschool class. Tatum DuCheney is dressed as a firefighter.

Spiker won in the elementary and Madison Peters was the middle school winner! Congratulations to both of these young ladies!

Bob Herber gave the liaison report. He reported that there is a need for OHSAA referees according to Ohio.

Dennis Recker gave the Vantage report and stated over 700 sophomores came to the Sophomore Day. He also said the Open House is set for February 25 at 5:30 p.m. that will include an expose of all their areas of education including child care, food prep, welding, automotive, and much more!

Christine Stuart reported the Antwerp income was \$1,232,024.19, expenses were \$711,966.83, and interest \$12,516.77. Revenue was up in January because of the real estate advance received along with the casino tax.

Elementary Principal report:

Briley Bagley was runner-up for the spelling bee. The PTO hosted Bingo on February 21. The kindergarten registration is now being setup so parents can get the forms online and then bring them in. April 1st and 2nd is scheduled to be the kindergarten screening. April 3 and August 6 is preschool screening. It looks like there are 52 kindergarteners moving on to first grade for next school year. April 11 & 12th is scheduled for the ELA state testing.

High School Principal report:

AP is expanding with biology. ACT testing took place at the school February 20.

All the classes will have their state testing at the same time. On those six days there will be a 2-hour delay schedule internally. The school will still be starting at the same time. Girls basketball sectionals are at Defiance on Saturday, February 23rd; and a week later on Friday, March 1st, the boys will play at Defiance.

Archbold this Saturday morning, February 23rd is wrestling sectionals. Madison Boesch won a national award from Quill and Scroll for a photograph she took of Keaton Altimus for yearbook of baseball. Aiden McAlexander won top honors for wrestling in GMC!

Superintendent report:

Marty Miller stated the job position for the elementary guidance counselor is now ready for the board to approve. A head football coach position has been interviewed by Travis Lichty and Drew Altimus. The concession stand that the board is looking to purchase through Garmin-Miller came in a little higher cost than what was expected. Dr. Miller and Ms. Stuart have been working to trim things out to get it at the level expected. The anticipated construction time should be starting in April. The new bus should arrive in a week or two and an old bus will be traded in. Another bus is expected next year and then the board should not need to consider another for 5-6 years.

Harold Gottke reported that the new sound system is working well in the auditoria. He said the problem in the gym was that the system

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was cutting out to protect the system. The input volume level is now being brought down to help remedy that situation. Audio training is scheduled in the very near future. The kiosk is out now and the students have been using it. The content being up-to-date is very important to keep interest. Aaron Timm helped the school get connected with new radios with the county. The parking lot lights are still having issues. Mr. Gottke is working with the electricians to fix the problem and it will probably in the spring when things get fixed.

Miller gave a School Safety Plan update and that was sent in the other day and it will be good for 3 years. He also applied for a School Safety Grant for camera systems on the buses and football area and more. 18 door-locking systems have been ordered. Next year's school calendar will be changed for a date in April – a school conference to be held at Antwerp. The start of the school will change by one day to accommodate for this. 67.2 hours have been missed this school year. Each day is 6.4 hours. 2 days made up is 12.8. 55 hours is the maximum missed. Two days right now have to be made up. If there is another two hour delay then they will have to make up another day. The Stewardship Foundation donated \$4,000 in December and the money will be designated to help with the Washington DC trip for kids who cannot afford it. Part will go to the Principal fund and the student fund. Dr. Miller officially announced his retirement on July 31. April 18 board meeting will have a public consideration to rehire him.

Christine Stuart read the consent items for the board approval. After approval, the meeting adjourned.

USDA LAUNCHES HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND E-CONNECTIVITY RESOURCE GUIDE

Assistant to the Secretary for Rural Development Anne Hazlett today announced the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has launched a new

toolkit to help support the deployment of high-speed broadband e-Connectivity in rural communities.

“High-speed broadband e-Connectivity is becoming more and more essential to doing business, delivering health care, and, for schoolchildren, doing homework in rural communities,” Hazlett said. “This user-friendly tool will help rural customers find the many resources USDA has available to support the expansion and use of e-Connectivity in rural America.”

The e-Connectivity Toolkit (PDF, 4.3 MB) features 27 USDA programs that support broadband deployment. The easy-to-use resource is a simple guide that allows customers to identify their type of e-Connectivity project and locate resources the federal government offers for planning, equipment, construction, research and other e-Connectivity projects. Resources such as grants, loans and technical assistance are available from multiple Mission Areas at USDA, including Rural Development, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and Forest Service.

The toolkit highlights examples of how e-Connectivity resources are being used to increase access to broadband services in rural communities. It is free and available to the public online, and can be easily printed for offline use.

USDA's launch of the e-Connectivity Toolkit closely follows Secretary Sonny Perdue's unveiling of the ReConnect Program, a pilot program authorized by the Consolidated Budget Act of 2018, to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas that lack sufficient access to broadband.

In April 2017, President Donald J. Trump established the Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity to identify legislative, regulatory and policy changes that could promote agriculture and prosperity in rural communities. In January 2018, Secretary Perdue presented the Task

CHOW LINE: SOME RAW TURKEY PRODUCTS LINKED TO ONGOING SALMONELLA OUTBREAK



I just heard that some raw turkey products have been linked to a salmonella outbreak. How can I protect myself from developing a salmonella infection from raw turkey?

Whenever you are handling raw turkey, it's always important to handle it carefully and to cook it thoroughly to prevent developing a foodborne illness.

This is because raw poultry can be contaminated with bacterial pathogens such as salmonella, campylobacter, and clostridium perfringens, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. So, if you eat undercooked poultry or other foods or beverages contaminated by raw poultry or its juices, you could get a foodborne illness.

The turkey outbreak that you are likely referring to is the ongoing salmonella outbreak that began just before Thanksgiving in November 2018. As of Feb. 13, some 279 people in 41 states have reported salmonellosis after eating contaminated turkey products, and at least one person died, the CDC said this week.

In Ohio, at least eight people have reported salmonella infections as part of this outbreak, the CDC said.

At this point, not one single, common supplier of raw turkey products or of live turkeys has been identified by the CDC as the cause of the whole outbreak. But the outbreak strain has been identified in samples taken from some raw turkey products, live turkeys, and raw turkey pet foods, the CDC said.

As a result, the CDC has issued a list of recalled products. Information on recalled products can be found here. However, with the exception of the recalled products, the government agency said it is not advising that consumers avoid eating properly cooked turkey products.

Foodborne diseases are preventable and can be avoided by using safe handling practices at home, said Sanja Ilic, the state food safety specialist for Ohio State Uni-

Force's findings to President Trump. These findings included 31 recommendations to align the federal government with state, local and tribal governments to take advantage of opportunities that exist in rural America. Increasing investments in rural infrastructure is a key recommendation of the task force.

USDA Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities and create jobs in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov.

Sudoku solution from page 13

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

versity Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

To help prevent a salmonella infection from raw turkey, the CDC advises consumers:

- Wash your hands before and after handling raw turkey products.

- Cook raw turkey thoroughly to kill harmful germs. Turkey breasts, whole turkeys, and ground poultry, including turkey burgers, casseroles, and sausage, should always be cooked to an internal temperature of 165 degrees Fahrenheit to kill harmful germs. Leftovers should also be reheated to 165 degrees.

- Always use a food thermometer to check the temperature of the turkey to indicate if it is done cooking. Place the thermometer in the thickest part of the food.

- Don't wash raw poultry before cooking. This could cause the germs in raw poultry juices to spread to other areas and foods.

- Thoroughly wash your hands, counters, cutting boards, and utensils with warm, soapy water after they touch raw turkey.

- Use a separate cutting board for raw turkey and other raw meats.

It's also important to note that since some raw turkey pet foods have been identified as a part of this outbreak, the CDC does not recommend feeding raw diets to pets. This is because germs like salmonella in raw pet food can make your pets sick. You can also spread those same germs by handling the raw food or by taking care of your pet.

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

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MAJOR UPGRADE TO STYKEMAIN BODY SHOP



Showing the Stykemain Chevrolet campus. The new construction is on the back left attached to the main building. Aerial photography by Engaging Exposures Classic Photography.

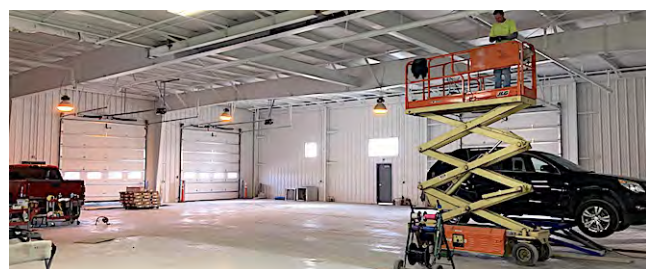
Driving on the north side of Paulding you may have noticed a large construction project happening at Stykemain Chevrolet. The new construction is attached to their already newer facility that they built several years ago. The building is host to their massively upgraded Stykemain Body Shop!

Stykemain Chevrolet is the largest vehicle dealership in Paulding County. Last year they made over \$20 million on 1100 vehicles.

In 2019 they have expanded to include a new \$800,000 body repair section covering nearly 9000 square foot under one roof. This will include large and small cars, small trucks to semi-trucks. Stykemain can handle it all!

The new expansion will enable Stykemain to be able to match colors much better as they have transitioned to a PPG Waterborn paint instead of the solvent paints used in years past. This is exactly the same paints that are used from the factory, ensuring a perfect match and longterm durability. The new paint is considered to be more environmentally friendly since it is a water based paint.

New training has been required for employees in recent years due to vehicles now having many more sensors than they did even 10 years ago. The amount of paint over top of the sensors has a very tight tolerance, as too much or too little will cause incorrect readings from the sensors. Many vehicles made today have the ability to take



over certain functions of driving due to their number of sensors communicating with the onboard computer.

Even though construction is not finished, the new building is being used in the areas that are done. Jim Stykemain stated they plan on moving the call center to the new building with a dedicated room. The call center will enable a more efficient response to customer questions and scheduling.

There were a couple of reasons Jim decided to add on to the facility. The first was to support the new line of the Medium Duty trucks being manufactured by GM. The 4500, 5500, and the 6500 HD Truck line is now out and Stykemain is only one of 480 national dealers to have been selected for the line. In order to support the new series, they had to add on and build support. The new trucks can handle up to 22,500 lbs gross vehicle weight rating

(GVWR). The other reason was they were just running out of space for supporting the increase in recent sales of both new and used cars.

Stykemain will be able to handle three times the number of vehicles as before with the increased space, hiring 5 new full time employees, and two paint booths!

Along with the extra support of the body shop building, Stykemain will be adding a rental car franchise this year!

Stykemain can be reached at (419)399-2071 for any support you may need for your vehicles. Stop in and have a look at their new facility!

CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS TO DRILL AT THE OLD FORT

The 5th Texas Spangtown Mess will muster at Fort Wayne for drill and training. Come talk to the soldiers about life in their time period, learn about Civil War era military customs and decorum, and witness for yourself the conflict that divided a nation and pitted brother against brother.

The Fort will be open to the public: 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 9. Admission: Freewill donation, tune in to AM 1640 Old Fort Radio, or check out our website at www.oldfortwayne.org or call (260) 437-2836. The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at Headwaters and Lawton Parks.

About Historic Fort Wayne, Inc.: Founded in 2004, Historic Fort Wayne is a Non-Profit Organization that manages the Old Fort in Fort Wayne, IN. Our goal is to educate the community about Historic Fort Wayne and its significance to the Northwest Territory, the State of Indiana, and the United States during the 17th and 18th centuries through interactive programming. We are a 100% volunteer organization. Most of our events are free to the public. All programming is funded by private and corporate donations.

OLD BLUE



By: Stan Jordan

This is sort of a testimonial of a blue and red farm truck that works for Kenny Hahn and Nick Bragg.

I am a 1982 Chevrolet farm truck and I would like to publish my history before I end up in the crusher.

For years, I hauled grain for a nice fellow over in Payne. I liked those folks, we got along fine, but he needed a bigger truck to haul his grain so he put me up for sale.

Kenny Hahn bought my services and I have been here on Hahn Farms ever since. Now, I'm not the only truck on the farm that hauls grain. Kenny has 2 semi outfits also, but I have a little seniority over them.

I don't work much till it's soybean harvest time at the end of September. Then Nick will come out to the new barn and take me over to the gas tanks and check my oil and get me ready for the big push. They will fill the semi trailers first and then I and my trailer, "Jenny" come into use. You can cut beans from about noon till supper time or a little later according to the dew.

What we don't get to the elevator that evening we take over in the morning while someone gets the combine ready for a day's work. And someone is working up the bean ground so it will be ready for corn next spring. Everybody works on the farm, even some extra long days at harvest time. They keep me and Jenny and the 2 big trucks ready at all times. That's the way it goes, about two weeks and we have soybeans combined and a lot of the corn ground worked up. Those big semis will haul about a thousand bushels of grain and I and Jenny about 700 bushel all together.

I don't know why, but Mike and Nick would rather drive one of the big semi trucks. Well, yes they do have more power, but I have a 427 engine. One time Nick was driving me and we had a big load and right in down town Antwerp my tranny stuck in fourth gear right under the light. I couldn't move and the traffic was held up and the police came and said, "What's the trouble?" Nick said, "I can't move, it's in fourth gear,

stuck there and I can't get it out of fourth.

Someone called the elevator and they came over with a tractor and chain and pulled us down to the elevator and got us out of the city traffic.

As luck would have it, one of the boys there waiting in line knew what to do and he got my tranny out of fourth gear and we went on from there.

It's according to the weather, but we might get a few days being a little slower till the corn is dry enough to combine. Then it's "Nellie hold hold the nanny goat" at corn time on Hahn Farms. Everybody works early morning till late at night, Sunday and all, and probably an extra driver or so. Just like in the beans, they fill the big trucks and then me and Jenny; this goes on till we are done with the corn.

It makes no difference if it's eastern standard time or Russian standard time, we work around the clock.

It is usually Kenny and Nick doing the farming, but at corn combining time we need about 3 more drivers and me and Jenny do a lot of road work.

Then all at once, the busy work is done. Kenny and Nick make the necessary repairs on the equipment. Then Nick cleans everything and washes and waxes everything before they put it away.

They take Jenny and me out to the new barn and we get pushed back in the far, northwest corner. Jenny gets nothing, but I get about two quarts of Zerex for the winter.

I guess Kenny is going to put me up for sale. I'm sure sorry about that, I like all these boys.

See ya!

VWCF LAUNCHES COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER SURVEY

The Van Wert County Foundation is conducting an online and paper survey to gather community input as part of its strategic planning processes. This survey is the first step in the process of updating The Foundation's 3-year strategic plan that will set goals and priorities for supporting purpose, inspiring growth, and building the future. It is an exciting and critical time for the organization as they contemplate growth, continued sus-

tainability, and find new and innovative ways to serve our community in the best manner.

"I would encourage all community members to lend their voices to this process," said Seth Baker, Executive Secretary. "The priorities identified by the community in this initial stage will provide guiding light as we chart our future initiatives and projects."

You are invited to share your thoughts via a brief, confidential online survey. Your input is incredibly valuable and will help guide the strategic planning process. Thank you in advance for giving your candid thoughts.

Please use this link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VWCF2019> to complete the VWCF stakeholder survey by March 4, 2019.

The Foundation has engaged Aly Sterling Philanthropy (www.alysterling.com) to facilitate this process. Aly Sterling Philanthropy is a full-service consulting firm, specializing in building sustainable solutions for nonprofits. All information shared will remain confidential, and your responses will be anonymous. If you have any questions regarding this survey, please contact Elaine Jansen at elaine@alysterling.com or 419-794-0015.

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