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TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020

Community

Calendar

January 29

February 1

• A Winter Day Outdoors! @

Book Signing w/Eva Kobee

@ Genesis House, Antwerp,

February 5

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym,

Black Swamp Nature Center,

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym,

Antwerp, 6-8:30pm

• Free Dance Lessons @

10a-12:30p

Huber, 9am

PC BICENTENNIAL KICKOFF IS FEB. 12 & TICKETS ARE FREE!



Tickets are available for the Paulding County Bicentennial Opening Ceremony on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Ohio Governor Mike DeWine will help citizens formally launch the county's 200th birthday at the event.

The Opening Ceremony is free and open to the public, but seats are limited. Tickets are now available at the Paulding County Commissioners' Office in the courthouse in person or by phone at 419-399-8215.

The event to "Celebrate Paulding County" begins at 6 p.m. Feb. 12 at the Branch Cĥristian Church, located at 109 N. Main St. on the square in Paulding. DeWine will be the featured speaker, along with other county leaders who plan to discuss the past, present and future of Paulding County. A drawing will be held for door prizes.

Following the ceremony, guests and the general public are invited to the courthouse where a large-scale gallery of past and present photographs will be on display and refreshments will be served. The doors will open at approximately 7 p.m.

2020 merchandise featuring the official Bicentennial 2020 logo will be available to purchase. The Bicentennial Committee also will unveil a special opportunity for Paulding County residents.

For those unable to attend in person, plans are in the works to broadcast the kickoff ceremony via Facebook Live on the official Bicentennial page at www. facebook.com/Paulding-County200.

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO THE **LIBRARY DAY**

The Paulding County Carnegie Library Children's Room would like to invite you to check out our library on February 1, 2020 for "Take your Child to the Library Day" Whether you are a current patron or you haven't been to the library in a while, stop by and check us out. The Children's Room is more than just books. We offer Books on CD, Playaway, Book Packs, DVD's, CD'S, interactive play area, puzzles, board games, puppets, Lego's and the list continues

"Take Your Child to the Library Day" was launched in Connecticut in 2012. The day has blossomed into an International celebration with nearly 1,200 participating libraries from 49 states and 5 countries. The braninchild of retired Waterford children's librarian Nadine Lipman, the event was developed to spotlight libraries as vital community resources that enrich, educate and entertain-and to encourage families everywhere to take their children to their local libraries. Children's book illustrator/author Nancy Elizabeth Wallace of

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NEW HAVEN DEDICATION & RIBBON CUTTING CERE-MONY OF NEW CLOTHES FOR JOES DONATION BOX



After the opening cer-

in need of essential items. Clothes For Joes is a growing organization that is dedicated to helping veterans through donations made by individuals such as yourself and we are happy to accept any and all donations.

Matt Cobb co-founded the Clothes For Joes Organization in 2015 when a military veteran approached him about a coat drive. "Within a week, we receive about a hundred coats, got them to the Shepherds House and on that we were inspired to create an organization." Cobb added, "We are excited to partner with the City of New Haven as we grow our charitable mission to serve those who have served our country."

Mayor McMichael said, "I'm looking forward to having a new drop off location right here at New Haven City Hall as a way to give back to our veterans." Mc-Michael also said, "Thanks to Clothes For Joes, those men and women that served

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That you were going through

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As I held tightly to your hand

Oh, how I wished that you were strong

And happy once again

But your eyes were looking homeward

To that place beyond the sky Where Jesus held His outstretched arms

It was time to say good-bye

I struggled with my selfish thoughts

For I wanted you to stay

So we could walk and talk again

Like we did...just yesterday

But Jesus knew the answer

And I knew you loved Him so

So I gave to you life's greatest gift

Site Clean Up

• Digging

• PERI meeting @ PC Senior Ctr., 10am February 6

Antwerp, 6-8:30pm

• Farm Bill meeting @ OSU • PC Spelling Bee @ PEVS MS/

HS Auditeria, 7pm February 7

 Hicksville KofC Fish Fry @ St. Michael's, Hicksville, 4:30-7pm

February 8

• Valentine Square Dance @ St. Louis Besancon Hall, NH. 8-11pm

Sports Card Show @ Ramada Plaza Center, FW, 10a-3p

• Free Dance Lessons w/Julie Hall @ Huber, 9:30am

February 11

 Pregnancy Loss Support Group @ Hands of Hope, Paulding, 6:30pm

February 12

 PC Bicentennial Opening Ceremonies @ Branch Christian Fellowship, 6pm



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A ribbon cutting ceremony was held to formally dedicate a new location of a Clothes For Joes Donation Box in New Haven on Sunday, January 26, 2020 at New Haven City Hall (City Council Chambers).

emony, the donation box, and the first of its kind in New Haven, was dedicated at New Haven City Hall allowing another opportunity for the public to donate to military veterans who are

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OHIO SCHOLARS IN AGING PROGRAM PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES, EXPERIENCE FOR FUTURE LEADERS



The Ohio Scholars in Aging Program cultivates future decision-makers and designers of aging services in Ohio. The program engages current college students to ensure that Ohio communities and businesses design and implement solutions that address the issues, opportunities, and impact of an aging population. During the spring semester, ten students are participating to help prepare and build a responsive statewide infrastructure for our aging population. "Today's college students

are tomorrow's policy-makers, advocates, and providers for aging services and supports," said Ursel J. McElroy, director of the Ohio Department of Aging. "These scholars will become leaders in a variety of fields that contribute to innovation."

Thursday the scholars met in Columbus with a panel of legislators from the Ohio House of Representatives Aging and Long-Term Care Committee and the Ohio Senate Health, Human Services and Medicaid Committee. Director McElroy moderated the discussion, which provided an overview of the needs of older adults and the role the legislature plays in improving the lives of older Ohioans and their caregivers.

Scholars in Aging encourages students of all disciplines to consider how their work affects Ohio's aging population. Students participate in unique networking opportunities and learn about the state's policy-making process. Each student is committed to serving older adults and their caregivers, developing person-centered resources and services, and fostering independence and autonomy throughout the lifespan.

Spring Semester 2020 Ohio Scholars in Aging:

Lynne Azar, of Poland, Ohio, will graduate in May with a master's in gerontology from Youngstown State University. She is interning at Family First Adult Day Services in Austintown. Her duties include client interaction, development of programs, cognitive assessments, marketing, and other administrative tasks.

Susan Booher, of Columbus, will graduate this summer from The Ohio State University with a master's in design research and development and a graduate interdisciplinary specialization in aging. She is interning at Dublin Retirement Village in assisted living memory support. Her research investigates the potential of biophilic design components to improve the moods and activities of daily living for older adults with dementia.

Marissa Jackson, of Toledo, is a senior majoring in social work at the University of Toledo. She is interning with MemoryLane Care Services. She organizes group activities in the center, gives presentations to the board on survey results, and conducts intake assessments.

Devon Jones, of Dayton, is earning his master's in social administration and non-profit management with a certificate in gerontological studies at Case Western Reserve University. He is interning at Neighborhood Connections in Cleveland. He creates and facilitates programming that ensures older adults are able to age in place.

Claire Popovich, of Novelty, is a junior majoring in neuroscience at The Ohio State University. She volunteers at Ohio Living Westminster-Thurber in Columbus. She has assisted with the launch of the Opening Minds through Art program, a therapeutic, intergenerational art program designed to improve cognition in people with de-

Alec Rhodes, of Silver Lake, is a graduate research associate working on a Ph.D. in sociology at The Ohio State University. His internship is with the College of Education and Human Ecology and the John Glenn College of Public Affairs. His research focuses on the relationship between

mortgage borrowing and food insecurity among older adults.

Rachel Scrivano, Westerville, is working toward a Ph.D. in social work at The Ohio State University. Her research is with Food For A Long Life, a community-based intergenerational project that promotes healthy food knowledge in areas where it is difficult to access healthy food. The program increases access to and consumption of healthy food, through education, intergenerational relationships, and food distribution.

Tasneem Shalash, of Hilliard, is a senior majoring in social work with a minor in human development and family science at The Ohio State University. Her internship is with the Columbus Free Clinic. She provides resources to underserved individuals and advocates for healthcare reforms and policy affecting older adults.

Madison Williams, of Ironton, is a sophomore majoring in health care administration at Shawnee State University. Her internship works with low-income senior housing units throughout Scioto County. She helps older adults exercise daily and adopt a healthy diet.

Celeste Ziegler, of Rochester, Pennsylvania, is a senior at Kent State University majoring in human development and family studies, with a concentration in nursing home administration. Her internship is at Crown Center at Laurel Lake in Hudson, Ohio, where she is completing her nursing home administrator-in-training program.

The Ohio Department of Aging partners with the Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education to offer the Ohio Scholars in Aging program. The program is for students who are enrolled in an internship or practicum that involves older adults or their caregivers. Since 2013, more than 100 students, representing 15 Ohio colleges and universities, have participated in the program. The program links students' hands-on experience to aging-related policy at the state level while providing scholars the opportunity to establish career-long professional contacts and gain valuable career knowledge and skills in the field of aging. Visit www.aging.ohio. gov/ScholarsInAging to learn

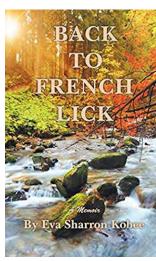
About OAGE - The Ohio Association of Gerontology and Education (OAGE) is a membership organization of educators, researchers, practitioners and students. OAGE promotes gerontological ed-

ucation, supports Ohio's ag-

ing network as a resource for research and practice, and provides professional development for students, faculty and professionals. OAGE is committed to maintaining close working relationships with the Ohio Department of Aging, Ohio's area agencies on aging, the state's post-secondary institutions, professional organizations and individuals that comprise the aging network. OAGE serves as the official technical advisory body of ODA on issues of education, training and research in aging. Visit www. About ODA - The Ohio

Department of Aging serves and advocates for the needs of Ohioans age 60 and older, as well as their families, caregivers and communities. Programs include home and community based long-term supports and services, as well as initiatives to promote health and wellness throughout the lifespan. Visit www. aging.ohio.gov.

EVA SHARRON KOBEE BOOK SIGNING AT GENESIS HOUSE



This Saturday, February 1st, Eva Sharron Kobee will be at Genesis House from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for a book signing of her latest work, Back to French Lick: A Memoir. This book is an autobiographical memoir of Eva's life journey with her husband, Johnny, in their dream to someday make it back to French Lick, IN. Back to French Lick: A Memoir also chronicles a history of the renowned French Lick Hotels.

From the back of the book:

"They met in the summer of 1958, and after a courtship that began on the front porch of the French Lick Sheraton Hotel, they quickly fell in love and were married that autumn. Events then took them away from Indiana, for the time being, but they always intended to move back to French Lick, "someday". In this, her first book, Eva Sharron Kobee tells of stepping out in faith as she and husband Johnny Kobee move back to French Lick to pick up the life they had left 40 years before, proving Thomas Wolfe wrong, "at least for a little while". This is a story of how pursuing their dreams led to challenges that turned into opportunities, memories that turned into discoveries, and all because of a love that turned into forever and beyond...

Eva & Johnny have lived in Antwerp since 2012. Their sons have been in Antwerp since the 1980s.

Eva commented about this event, "Come out to enjoy some reading and coffee with me." Come join Eva in celebrating her new book on February 1st.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

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"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand." Ephesians 6:12-13 NIV

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Ohio's Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program is made up of volunteers and staff who make regular visits to long-term care facilities, such as nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

"Visitors help reduce residents' feelings of isolation," said Beverley Laubert, the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman. "Our volunteers give residents a voice and honor their lives and experiences. They also help ensure facility staff do the same."

Volunteer Ombudsman representatives observe conditions in facilities, talk to residents and family members about issues with care and services, and help them understand their rights as consumers. They can work with facility staff to resolve simple problems, and support Ombudsman staff as they investigate more complicated complaints.

Volunteer Ombudsman representatives receive extensive training to serve as advocates for long-term care consumers. Topics include problem-solving, interviewing, the rules and laws of long-term care, and how to work with providers to honor consumers' choices.

Ohio's SFY 2020-2021 operating budget included additional funds to expand the Ombudsman's statewide volunteer corps and increase the number and frequency of visits to residents. These funds have supported regional Ombudsman volunteer coordinators to recruit, train, and retain volunteers.

For assistance with your or a loved one's care, or to learn more about volunteering, contact the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman at 1-800-282-1206 or visit www.ombudsman.ohio.gov to find contact information for the Regional Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program serving your community.

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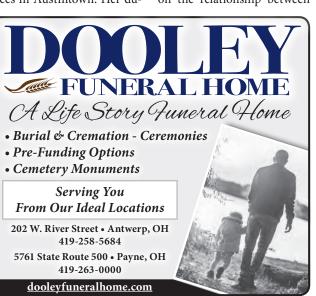
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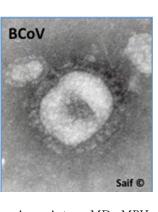
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REPORTABLE DISEASE



Amy Acton, MD, MPH, Director of the Ohio Department of Health (ODH), declared novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV), an immediately reportable disease this past By issuing a Director's

Jounal Entry, Dr. Acton elevated 2019-nCoV to a Class A disease. This is a proactive step to ensure appropriate reporting of suspected cases, should the need arise in Ohio. No cases have been reported in Ohio to date. However, one case has been reported in Washington state and this step helps reinforce Ohio's ongoing preparedness work.

The Ohio Department of Health has been closely monitoring developments related to 2019-nCoV in tandem with the Centers for Disease Control. 2019-nCoV is considered a low risk to the American public, according to the .

Classifying a disease as Class A means that confirmed or suspected cases of 2019-nCoV must be reported immediately to the local health district where the person lives (or the local health district where the person is being evaluated if the person's residence is unknown or not in Ohio). Required reporters include physicians providing care, administrators in charge of hopsitals, clinics or other institutions providing care or treatment, laboratory administrators, or any individual having knowledge of a person with nCoV.

What is 2019-nCoV? An outbreak of 2019-nCoV started in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. Chinese authorities are reporting an ongoing spread of the virus in the community and so far more than 570 individuals are ill and 17 people have died. As families prepare to celebrate Chinese/Lunar New Year this week, multiple international travel advisories have been issued to help curb the spread of the illness. 2019-nCoV is part of a

large family of coronaviruses, some of which cause illness in people and others that circulate among animals. Rarely, animal coronaviruses can evolve and infect people and then spread between people. This happened with severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) in 2003 and Middle East respiratory syndrome (MFRS) in 2014, and now 2019-nCoV. These viruses may cause mild to severe respiratory illnesses with symptoms of fever, cough, and shortness of breath.

How is Ohio tracking 201.9-nCoV? Ohio's public health system includes a team of state experts, local health departments, and local partners that perform daily monitoring of reportable diseases, including 2019-nCoV. ODH is closely monitoring the 2019nCoV situation in lockstep with the Centers for Disease Control and is ready to respond if a case is reported in

'This situation is at the heart of public health," said Dr. Acton. "We are working proactively with healthcare providers and local health districts/partners to identify and appropriately address emerging threats like novel

What happens if a case is reported? • A case or suspected case of 2019-nCoV is reported to a local health department. • ODH reports to the CDC and, if indicated, patient specimens will be collected and shipped. • Currently, testing for this virus must take place at CDC. ODH will work with local, state, and federal partners to

investigate reports of 2019nCoV in order to identify cases and prevent the spread of

What can you do to limit risk? If you suspect you may have been exposed to 2019nCoV because you have traveled to China or have been around people who may have been exposed and/or are exhibiting symptoms, contact your healthcare provider and let them know you may have been exposed to 2019-nCoV before visiting the healthcare facility. This will help the healthcare provider's office take precautionary steps to keep other people from being exposed.

Just as with influenza and other illnesses, it's critical to protect yourself. Experts at the Ohio Department of Health recommend these tips: • Practice good hand hygiene. • Follow appropriate cough and sneeze etiquette. • Don't go to work or school when you feel ill. Stay home and rest. • Avoid exposure to others who are sick.

"Anticipatory action like this is critical to ensuring that we are protecting Ohioans," Dr. Acton said. "It is our sincere hope that this virus does not spread but if it does, Ohio's public health system is prepared."

Although 2019-nCoV is an emerging illness, the Ohio Department of Health has addressed similar issues in the past including two previous coronavirus outbreaks, MERS in 2014 and SARS in

In addition to the latest work of declaring 2019-nCoV a Class A disease, ODH also routinely collaborates with healthcare providers, local health departments, local health partners, and the CDC to share information and best practices for addressing other potential infectious diseases.

Coronaviruses are common in many different animals, including camels and bats. Rarely, these coronaviruses can evolve and infect humans and then spread between humans. Recent examples of this include SARS-CoV and MERS-CoV.

A novel (new) coronavirus is causing an outbreak first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China. Most patients have had links to a large seafood and live animal market in Wuhan. Cases have been exported to Thailand, Japan and South Korea. One case was identified in the United States on Jan. 21, 2020. Chinese health authorities reported that patients have experienced fever, cough; difficulty breathing and pneumonia. Limited person-to-person spread of the virus may occur. This is an evolving situation and updates will likely be provided.

Health care providers should: Obtain a detailed travel history for patients with fever and acute respiratory illness. For patients who traveled to Wuhan on or after Dec. 1, 2019, and became ill within two weeks of leaving, consider the novel coronavirus outbreak in China and notify infection control personnel and contact Wood County Health Department

at 419-354-4306. Although the transmission dynamics have yet to be determined, CDC recommends a cautious approach to interacting with patients under investigation. Ask such perkinsm@pfw.edu or 260patients to wear a surgical/

mask as soon as they are iden-

tified. Conduct their evaluation in a private room with the door °. closed, ideally an airborne infection isolation room, if available. Personnel entering the roorti should use standard precautions, contact precautions and airborne precautions, and use::.iye protection (goggles or a face shield). For additional infection control guidance, visit CDC's Infection Control webpage. People who traveled to

Wuhan and feel fever, cough

or difficulty breathing should: Stay home. Except for seeking medical care, avoid contact with others. Seek medical care right away. Before you go to a doctor's office or emergency room, call ahead and tell them about your recent travel and your'symptoms. Not travel while sick. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing. Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.

For more information about 2019-nCoV, visit our website at or call the Paulding County Health Department at (419) 399-3921

PURDUE UNIVERSITY FORT WAYNE ELEM. EDUCATION MAJORS TO RECEIVE PROJECT LEAD THE WAY CERTIFICATION

Purdue University Fort Wayne students in the preservice classroom teacher training program are the first in northeast Indiana who are receiving instruction and certification in the Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Launch platform before they gradu-

Matthew Perkins Coppola, assistant professor of science education, and Jeff Nowak, professor of science education, led the first session of instruction for the 30 students, who are coenrolled in elementary science methods, last week. Another session will be held this week on Wednesday, January 22.

The PLTW Launch curriculum is composed of customizable 10-hour, standards-based modules in grades pre-K through 5. Each module follows a specific theme as it integrates principles of science, engineering, and computer science to provide a hands-on, project-based approach.

"This partnership positions us to better prepare our teacher candidates to teach STEM at the elementary school level," says Perkins Coppola. "Those who are familiar with PLTW Launch testify to the impact it has had on students and teachers. They are very excited for this opportunity to learn how to include engineering, biomedical science, and computer science topics in their future classrooms."

A grant from the Indiana Commission for Higher Education is covering the cost of the program and the instruction sessions.

Several elementary schools in northeast Indiana have already adopted the PTWL curriculum, including Southwest Allen, East Allen, East Noble, Huntington, Adams Central,

Whitko, and Warsaw. For more information contact Perkins Coppola at

ARE YOU A MINDFUL INVESTOR?



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Recently, we've seen an increased interest in mindfulness, although the concept itself is thousands of years old. Essentially, being mindful means you are living very much in the present, highly conscious of your thoughts and feelings. However, being mindful doesn't mean acting on those thoughts and feelings - it's just the opposite. With mindfulness, your decision-making is based on cognitive skills and a rational perspective, rather than emotions. As such, mindfulness can be quite valuable as you make investment decisions.

Two of the most common emotions or tendencies associated with investing are fear and greed. Let's see how they can affect investors' behavior.

• When investors are fearful ... Investors' biggest fear is losing money. So, how did many of them respond during the steep market decline from late 2007 through early 2009? They began selling off their stocks and stockbased mutual funds and fled for "safer" investments, such as Treasury bills and certificates of deposit. But mindful investors witnessed the same situation and saw something else: a great buying opportunity. By looking past the fear of losing money, they recognized the chance to buy quality investments at bargain prices. And they were rewarded for their patience, long-term perspective and refusal to let fear govern their decisions, because 10 years after the market bottomed out in March 2009 (as measured by the Dow Jones Industrial Average), it had risen about 300 percent.

• When investors are greedy ... We only have to go back a few years before the 2007-09 bear market to see a classic example of greed in

the investment world. From 1995 to early 2000, investors chased after almost any company that had "dot com" in its name, even companies with no business plans, no assets and, in some cases, no products. Yet, the rising stock prices of these companies led more and more investors to buy shares in them, causing a greed-driven vicious circle - more demand led to higher prices, which led to more demand. But the bubble burst in March 2000, and by October 2002, the technology-dominated Nasdaq stock index had fallen more than 75%. And since some of these companies not only lost value, but went out of business, many investors never recouped

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To avoid the dangers of fear and greed, take these

• Know your investments. Make sure you understand what you're investing in. Know the fundamentals, such as the quality of the product or service, the skill of the management team, the state of the industry, whether the stock is priced fairly or overvalued, and so on. The better informed you are, the less likely you'll be to chase after "hot" investments or to bail out on good ones.

• Rebalance when necessary. If you've decided your portfolio should contain certain percentages of stocks, bonds and other vehicles, stick to those percentages and rebalance when necessary.

• Keep investing. Ups and downs are a normal feature of the investment landscape. By continuing to invest over time, rather than stopping and starting, you can reduce the effects of volatility on

It's not always easy to be a mindful investor and to avoid letting emotions drive your decisions - but it's well worth the effort.

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VAN WERT COUNTY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2020 BOARD OF TRUSTEES



The Van Wert County Foundation's Board of Trustees honored a retiring longtime trustee and selected a new board member at their December 2019 meeting.

Mike Zedaker retired from the Board of Trustees. Mr. Zedaker was elected to the board in 1986, served as a member of the board for 33 years. "We are grateful for his commitment to The Foundation and to our community. During his time on the board, Mike oversaw various committees - notably the Investment Committee, and served as President of the Board from 1997-1999, shared Seth Baker, VWCF Executive Sec-

The Newly-elected trustee, Tom Turnwald, is the owner of National Door & Trim, Inc. and Teem Wholesale, Inc. and a partner in the Landing at Dickinson Farms subdivision. He and his wife, Michelle, have three adult children. He is a board member of the Business Development Corp., Van Wert Federal Bank, and Van Wert Health. Tom enjoys many outdoor recreational activities and spending time at the lake. He and his wife are committed to helping to make Van Wert a community where young adults want to return after

graduation to work and raise

'We are excited to install Tom as trustee. He is a great fit for our organization and to help carry out the vision of creating a well-resourced and thriving quality of life for our community. I look forward to working with him on committees and upcoming projects", stated Andy Czajkowski, Board President.

Board of Trustee members for 2020 listed below:

Andy Czajkowski, President; Chuck Koch, Vice President; Gary Clay, Secretary; Tom Burenga; Larry Greve; Cindy Hurless; Bruce Kennedy; Thad Lichtensteiger; Randy Myers; Bill Purmort; Brian Renner; Gary Taylor; Tom Turnwald; Mark White; Eva Yarger

The Van Wert County Foundation is a nonprofit community organization serving Van Wert County and surrounding areas by inspiring philanthropy and mobilizing resources to enrich lives and our community. VWCF is a permanent local resource that facilitated over \$3 million in charitable giving in 2019. More information is available at www. vanwertcountyfoundation.

JOIN THIS ARMY OF GOD

By: Doris Applegate

The Salvation Army was founded by a Godly man named William Booth whose greatest desire was to "save the lost". They ring the bells at Christmas time to help raise funds for their cause. He once said: " I fear the chief dangers confronting the next generation (meaning us), will be religion without Christ, forgiveness without repentance, salvation without regeneration, politics without God and Heaven without Hell!" He surely got that right when you see how this world operates and the churches.

The Holy Spirit is not welcome many places, which is why we are powerless. A certain man criticized Mr. Booth for his vision, which greatly upset Mr. Booth's son, where upon William said: "I can't be bothered with critics as it will take my time and attention away from winning souls."

What a lesson for us to

keep doing what God has called us to do! The fields are "white unto harvest". We need to pray for more laborers too. (Matthew 9: 37-38).

Do you have a loved one, friend or neighbor who is not born again? That is your mission field, so love, pray and encourage them to give their life to Jesus Christ.

We used to sing the song: "Bringing in the Sheaves" the day will come when we cannot labor for the Lord in the harvest. Today is the day of salvation. We will all stand before Jesus and give an account of everything we have

done. Read Romans 14:10-12 It's not too late to work in "our harvest fields". We must realize how serious it is for a person to be lost! It's Heaven or Hell for each of us. We want the Lord to say "Well done, good and faithful servant" don't we? The following verse God gave to me and may also encourage you.

"Souls are dying everyday, Oh to help them find the Pointing them to Jesus

Gives us blessings that will Snatching them from aw-

So they will, in Heaven,

These 'sheaves' will lay at Jesus' feet

When our mission is com-

Are you glad someone told you how to be saved (born again)? I sure am.

Amen!

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman Dear Parson,

My daughter asked me how Christ could resurrect Himself if He was dead. I was not sure how to answer her. God raised Christ from

the dead - "Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it." (Acts 2:24) However, we must understand it was not only God the Father (Romans 6:4; Acts 3:26), but God the Spirit. -"But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." – (Romans 8:11). And the Son Himself - "Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." (John 2:19) "Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father." (John 10:17-18)

These three all share in divine power and work in concert. – "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one." - (1 John 5:7). Note their combined efforts in creation. "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness:..." (Genesis 1:26a). "And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ."

(Ephesians 3:9). Jesus said in John 10:30 "I and my Father are one." They were in agreement and working together as one. Jesus took the position of submission to the Father (Philippians 2:6-7), but was equal in character and abilities (John 5:18-21).

It might also help to explain to your daughter that though Jesus' body was dead in the tomb, His spirit and soul were as alive as they were before He came to earth as a

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THE REAL KING

By: Lonnie Lambert, Oakwood Church of Christ

Prince Harry, the Duke of Sussex, was visiting school children earlier this year at a Primary School in Acton in London. As he approached Emmanuel Osei, a four-yearold student, Emmanuel asked the Prince, "When is Prince Harry coming?"

"But I'm Prince Harry,"

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The award winning Old Crown Brass Band from Fort Wayne, Indiana will present it's annual Winter Concert:

Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 o. m.; Sweetwater Sound Performance Auditorium, 5501 US-30, Fort Wayne, IN

The concert will feature the music of Gershwin, various marches, a rarely performed brass band piece "Purcell Variants" by Peter Meechan and many more favorites. Also, our own percussionist, Zach Brown, will be featured on "The Golden Age of the Xylophone". Join the band as they prepare

the prince replied.

When is the real Prince Harry coming?" the boy said

"I'm the real Harry. I've just had my hair cut for the occasion," Harry reportedly said in response.

Emmanuel Eventually, was convinced that Harry was indeed the prince.

Why didn't he recognize Prince Harry immediately? Apparently he didn't look the

"They think a prince should have a crown," Diane Redmond, a learning mentor at the school, told People magazine.

The Prince himself has been on record as saying, "Every time I get to meet kids and they have been told a real-life prince is coming, [there is] disappointment on their faces when they see me without a crown or a cape." *

Most did not recognize the real King of kings either. A prophet predicted His rejection by men. Around 700 years before the King came to this earth, Isaiah prophesied, "For He grew up before Him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; He had no form or majesty that we should look at Him, and no beauty that we should desire Him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces He was despised, and we esteemed Him not" (Isaiah 53:2-3 ESV). Isaiah uses the past tense (called prophetic perfect tense) to describe the situation because it was so certain to happen. And that is exactly what happened (see John 1:10-11).

Why did most reject Him? Jesus did not look the part. He looked like an ordinary man. His reign was not the kind that they expected. In fact, Isaiah described Him as "a Suffering Servant."

Himself for us so that we can

have the forgiveness of our

But this Man who didn't look like a king would accomplish what no one else could. Jesus, the King of kings, gave can Brass Band Association Championships to be held in Fort Wayne on April 17 and This will be a very enter-

taining and family friendly concert! The awarding winning

Old Crown Brass Band was formed in 2007 as a performance outlet for better amateur and professional brass players and percussionists in the Fort Wayne area. The band has done over 150 performances in the last 10 years throughout Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. The band has grown in quality

sins and receive the gift of

eternal life. Observe Isaiah's

grief's and carried our sor-

rows; yet we esteemed Him

stricken, smitten by God, and

our transgressions; He was

crushed for our iniquities;

upon Him was the chastise-

ment that brought us peace,

and with His wounds we are

filled when Jesus died on the

cross for our sins. By His

'wounds" we can be "healed."

eternal life to those who place

their faith and trust in Jesus

God will save and give

Isaiah's prophecy was ful-

healed. -- Isaiah 53:4-5

But He was pierced for

"Surely He has borne our

prophecy:

afflicted.

and reputation since its inception. The band regularly competes and acts as the host band in the North American Brass Band Association Championships held here in Fort Wayne. The band has won numerous honors in the competition including the 2019 Section 3 Champions.

donations are accepted. Old Crown Brass Band is under the direction of T.J. Faur and Bryen Warfield.

The concert is free and

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(Acts 16:30-31), turn from their sins in repentance (Acts 17:30-31), confess Him before men (Romans 10:9-10), and are baptized (immersed) into Christ for the forgiveness of sins (Acts 2:38). He will continue to cleanse from sin those who continue to submit to His reign by walking in the light of His Word (1 John 1:7-

He looked like an ordinary man. But this Man was God in the flesh. Jesus was and is the real King of kings.

Won't YOU submit to His reign so that you can be saved and live with Him forever?

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Branford created the event's now iconic artwork showing a family of bunnies heading to the library.

"Since its inception, Take Your Child to the Library Day activities have been made available to more than 39 million individuals and families across the U.S. and in countries around the globe," said Jennifer Keohane, Connecticut Library Consortium's Executive Director. "Taking Children to the library helps them develop a love of reading and learning, but the benefits don't end there. Choosing and checking out their own materials help children learn independence, sharing, and responsibility. Library books and technology open up access to the world and fuel children's curiosity and passions. And library programs provide myriad opportuni-

ties for learning, discovering, making friends, and having fun! If you want your child to become thoughtful, engaged citizens, start by bringing them to the library-on Take your Child to the Library Day

or any day." Bring your child to the library and explore everything we have to offer. While you are here be sure to visit the adult services area upstairs. The adult area has programs, Genealogy, newspapers, magazines and much more.

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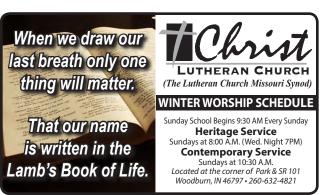
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PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

By: Nancy Whitaker CATCH ME IF YOU

The other night my friend, Denny and I found a show on TV that really peaked our in-

The name of the show was Mountain Monsters and let me say this," It was very entertaining."



Actually, I like a lot of the reality shows such as Survivor and Big Brother, but this show involved a mixed up group of hunters, trappers and trap

They were a dedicated team from West Virginia. They had long beards, all kinds of hats and they all carried shot guns.

Their mission in life? Chasing and trapping monstrous beings here in the US.

I could not believe that these men even believed in Big Foot, let alone go on the prowl trying to find one.

The place they were headed in tonights show was Perry County Ohio. They were going in search of a 9 ft being called The Grass Man.

I did not know (nor do I believe) there is a monster in Ohio called The Grass Man, but these shotgun bearing men were on a mission. Get the Grass Man.

They traveled through a very hilly wooded area with guns ready to fire and made their way into an abandoned old still. We have all heard of a still, but I guess I did not know there had been any in Ohio. The place was, of course, called "Moonshine

As they were all walking around and observing their

The men got scared and hit the floor of the old still. Someone was shooting at them and told them to put their guns down and get out and off the property.

After they were shot at, they drove into another part of the wooded area and spoke with several people who had

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all seen or taken videos of the big hairy creature known as Grass Man.

What a story. How exciting it was to see these men so delighted over this big hairy monster, who was managing to get away from his want-to be captors.

The guys in charge of the traps came onto a big old van and tried turning it into a trap to catch Grass Man.

This story only gets better as they go into an old farmhouse with guns ready and loaded and see a round hole on the floor. One old man, Honey-

suckle, sticks his gun down the hole and a big something or other takes his gun right through the hole. Throughout the show a guy fell down, one lost his

pants, and but all were still determined to catch the creature. Wow I want to go to Perry County Ohio too. Well come to find out the

creature they were trying to capture in Ohio supposedly made a noise that sounded like " Yahoo. " Well it so happens that

West Virginia has an elusive monster called a Yahoo, so now the monster chasers believed the Yahoo!'s were migrating into Ohio. The Yahoo!'s, they said,

loved to eat the mash from the still so the team thought perhaps Yahoo or Grass Man might be drunk.

As they held their lanterns up, a big creature appeared in the distance and seemed to be staggering.

Of course the show was funny and even though they never caught any big creature, Grass Man or a Yahoo, they are coming back to try again.

Wow I would love to see what they catch.

Do you believe there are any Big Foots, Grass Man or Yahoo!'s in Ohio? Want to go and try to see one? Let me know and I'll not only go with you, I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

PAULDING CO. **BICENTENNIAL NOTES**

By: Caroline Longardner

"Oquanoxa's Reserve at Charloe"

Oquanoxa's Reserve was an Ottawa Indian Reservation located in Paulding Co. in Charloe on the West side of the Auglaize River. It consisted of a 4-mile square plot that was mostly in Brown Twp. and a small edge was into Jackson Twp.

(It now is clearly shown on the Paulding Co. Engineer's map that can be gotten at the BMV) A large monument is in Charloe Community Park commemorating this 1820 historical event. The 1831 Treaty with the

Ottawa says: "The band of Ottoway Indians, residing on Blanchard's fork of the great Auglaize river, and at Oquanoxa's village on the Little Auglaize river, in consideration of the stipulations herein made on the part of the United States, do forever cede, release and quit claim to the United States, the lands reserved to them by the last clause of the sixth article of the treaty made at the foot of the Rapids of the Miami of the Lake on the 29th of September, 1817; which clause is in the following words: "There shall be reserved

for the use of the Ottoway Indians, but not granted to them, a tract of land on Blanchard's fork of the Great Auglaize river, to contain five miles square, the center of which tract is to be where the old trace crosses the said fork; and one other tract, to contain three miles square on the Little Auglaize River, to include Oquanoxa's village," making in said cession twenty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty acres."

Ref. The Spokesrider: Oquanoxa and Naaqakwegiizhig Note: There are different sizes of the Indian Reserve stated on different documents, CL

Oquanoxa's Reserve was the largest Indian village ever located in Paulding Co. Here dwelt the chief Oquanoxa with about 600 Ottawa Indians (a portion of the Ottawa tribe) until the year 1820 when the reservation was sold and they were required to leave.

Before that time the Maumee and Auglaize Rivers were evident homes of several bands of Native Americans. They were generally thought to be peaceable except while under the influence of "fire water". No tragedies were ever recorded in Paulding Co,.with the In-

The following item was found in the Defiance Democrat April 5, 1917 Page 4:

"WOMAN THRILLING EXPERIENCE IN PIONEER DAYS WITH MAD INDIAN" by U. G. Figley

"After running a quarter of a mile, the Indian overtook her, drove her back to the house at the point of his butcher knife, sat her on a chair in the middle of the floor and told her if she got up, he would kill her. Then he took hold of the child and tried to pull it away from her, and with the two of them pulling at it, it is a wonder the child was not badly hurt. Letting go the child, he began dancing around her, and then went and looking out of the window.

Again she made her escape and hid behind a large sugar tree. The Indian came out and ran toward the river again. She ran the other way through the woods several miles, to where the sale was (going on), and as it nearly over, waited till it was finished, presenting herself.

The husband ELIAS SHIRLEY, with his brothers, Nathan and James, and a posse of the neighbors, went to the house and found it knee deep in the feathers

the Indian had taken from the beds. Some lard had been poured on the feathers. The chairs had been thrown into the fireplace and then pitched on the feathers. Medicine bottles were broken. The contents of the bureau and other things were A large iron kettle had

been chopped through the bottom with the axe. About 40 (men) then started out on an Indian hunt. Arriving at "OCCONOXEE's they found the Indians out hunting. One of the men drew an Indian profile on a door, giving him a big heart, and shot the heart full of holes. The men then divided up in four bands of 10 each, the one finding the Indian to receive a fine gun, and signal guns were to be fired till they were all together. The Indians were found

on Flatrock Creek. The old Indian's head was all white with feathers. Elias Shirley begged a rifle to shoot the Indian, but Nathan and the rest refused to let him have one and the old Indian was put in Jail at Defiance to await trial. The chiefs of the Ottawas paid Mr. Shirley \$100 for the property destroyed, a low estimate, but nothing for damages. The younger Indian was allowed to go free."

WAS BAD MAN

"The Indians said he was a bad man and often made them trouble. When the Indian was released from jail, he was told to never return to the neighborhood, and if he did, the Shirley would shoot him, which the Indians said they would be glad for him to do. They glimpsed each other in Defiance one after than but the Indian made himself absent.

The next summer when Nathan Shirley was clearing on his new farm preparatory to moving OCCDONOXEE, the chief, SEGATCHEWAY (his brother), DR.KICK-WAS, SCOBENAH, POKE-SHAW, and several other Indians said: 'Colonel Shirley, I am Occonoxee, Chief, your men shoot Indiana on wigwam door, Indian no like it." To please them, he had a white man drawn in profile on a board and had the Indians shoot at it. This satisfied them and they went away.

This POKESHAW, a Pottawatomie Indian, married Occonoxee's sister, who had married a Frenchman named LOMBARD, and who had a farm at Delaware town. They parted, he taking the boy, Peter, and she the

girl, and Peter LOMBARD sold goods to Indian and white alike, the girl making a fine Indian lady, or squaw. Pokeshaw got drunk and was drowned in a big spring, and 'Old Mrs. Pokeshaw,' as she was familiarly known for many years, finally went west with the rest of the 'bunch.'

I am not sure if there are any of Nathan Shirley's descendants yet in Defiance county. The youngest daughter, Nancy, who married Andrew J. DILS, went to Boise City, Idaho, in the early 90's where her son, Nathan Shirley DILS was in November 1916 elected to his second term in the state legislature."

Note: this info taken from Defiance Democrat 5April1917 Page 4

Note: It states in the news item that the lady hides behind a "large SUGAR tree". Where are there any SUG-AR trees in or near Charloe in Paulding Co.? CL Also, Oquanoxa was spelled several different ways in the news

Ref. 1892 Paulding Co.

LADY COUGARS FALL TO PANTHERS; TOP TITANS

Tuesday Night girls basketball action took place at the Van Wert gym against the Lady Panthers of Paulding. In JV action, Van Wert

dominated Paulding with a final score of 53-24 increasing the JV Lady Cougars record to 12-1. In Varsity play, the Pauld-

ing Panthers edged past the Cougars with a final score of Score by the Quarter:

Van Wert - 16 6 12 15 = 49

Paulding - 12 15 12 17 =

Scorers of the Game:

Van Wert - Rickard 12, Welch 10, Clouse 6, Phillips 6, Houg 5, C Smith 3, Huebner 3, Young 2, Schaufelberger 2

Paulding – C Giesige 23, Pease 13, A Giesige 7, Parrett 5, Estle 4, McCullough 2, Eg-

On January 17th, the Titans of Ottawa Glandorf traveled southwest to Cougar

country for high school girls basketball.

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In JV game, Van Wert lost to the Lady Titans, 37-42. Varsity play was dominat-

ed by guests, Ottawa Glandorf, triumphing a final score Score by the Quarter: Van Wert – 12269 = 29

Ottawa Glandorf - 5 9 18 Scorers of the Game:

Van Wert - Houg 10, Rickard 9, Clouse 4, Phillips 4, C Smith 2 Ottawa Glandorf - Schim-

noeller 19, Erford 10, Verhoff 6, Glenn 6, Warnecke 1

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Recorder's Office The would like to say we appreciate the kind individual who treated us to donuts from Susie's Family Bakery on Tuesday, January 21st. It is very nice to be reminded that people appreciate us and the work we do.

> -Carol Temple, Carolyn Gross, Sarah Shuherk

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WABASH AND ERIE CANAL

By: Stan Jordan

The Wabash and Erie Canal was a shipping canal that linked the Great Lakes to the Ohio River via an artificial waterway. The canal provided traders with access from the Great Lakes all the way to the Gulf of Mexico. Over 460 miles long, it was the longest canal ever built in North America.

The canal known as the Wabash & Erie in the 1850s and thereafter, was actually a combination of four canals: the Miami and Erie Canal from the Maumee River near Toledo, Ohio, to Junction, Ohio, the original Wabash and Erie Canal from Junction to Terre Haute, Indiana, the Cross Cut Canal from Terre Haute, Indiana, to Worthington, Indiana (Point Commerce), and the Central Canal from Worthington to Evansville, Indiana.

Construction

The United States Congress provided a land grant on March 2, 1827, for the canal's construction. On January 5, 1828, the Indiana General Assembly accepted the grant and appointed three commissioners. These commissioners concluded that the canal would have to extend into Ohio and petitioned that state to appoint a commission of their own. The state legislature approved the plan and new commissioners appointed. After several legislative battles begun by proponents of the railroad, the Indiana General Assembly approved the borrowing of \$200,000 to begin construction. On February 22, 1832, ground was broken and construction began. Construction of the canal reached Lo-

gansport by 1837. The Panic of 1837 devastated Indiana's program of internal improvements, but did not stop construction entirely. The canal reached Lafayette by 1843, Terre Haute by 1848 and Evansville by 1853. During the summer of 1991, the

February 13th - Monthly meeting @ 7pm.

Firearms in Antwerp.

Hicksville.

Gronauer Lock was uncovered at New Haven, Indiana, during the construction of I-469. This is the only intact wooden timber lock discovered. Part of the Gronauer Lock is now on display at the Indiana State Museum.

The high-line sections of the canal proved to be high maintenance and the cost of their repair is what eventually led to the collapse of the canal company. The worst offender was the common muskrat which were plentiful in the area. They would build burrows in the sides of the canal walls and once they tunneled through on the opposite side the water quickly washed out the entire wall of the levee which rendered the canal useless until it could be re-

Operation

The canal began operation in the summer of 1843. It only operated for about a decade before it became apparent that the canal was not economically viable. Even when canal boats were operated at extremely slow speeds, the banks rapidly eroded, and the canal had to be constantly dredged to be operable. Terre Haute, Indiana, housed the headquarters of the canal from 1847 through 1876, when the canal lands were sold at an auction conducted by resident trustee Thomas Dowling at the Vigo County Courthouse.

The last canalboat on the Wabash Canal made its last docking in 1874 in Huntington, Indiana, but other sections shut down years earlier. In 1887, Paulding County, Ohio, residents put the final nail in the canal system's coffin: unhappy with mosquitoes breeding in the stagnant waters of Six Mile Reservoir, they cut the dike and drained it in the Reservoir War. There were several other "reservoir wars" during the canal's colorful history over the same issue, including the Clay County Canal War in Indiana.

The right-of-way through Fort Wayne was purchased by the New York, Chicago and Lake Erie Railway (the Nickel Plate Road) which ran from Buffalo to Chicago. This allowed the railway to run straight through the heart of a major midwestern city without razing a single home. The canal right-of-way was also directly adjacent to downtown, which made the new railway quite convenient for

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passengers and many businesses. The canal from Napoleon to Toledo was paved over to make U.S. Route 24. Route

The Wabash & Erie Canal travels 497 miles from Toledo, Ohio, on Lake Erie to Evansville, Indiana, on the Ohio River.

The canal heads downstream to Delphi. At this location, it crosses to the left bank (eastside). Continuing down the Wabash to Terre Haute, the canal turns southeast from the Wabash, using several other riverways, until reaching the Ohio River in Evansville. Maumee River Section

The Miami and Erie Canal runs from Toledo to Cincinnati. The route as far as the Napoleon Bend was used by the Wabash & Erie Canal to reach Lake

*information Wikipedia See ya!

IN DAY OF OLD

By: Stan Jordan

One day I crawled on Juan Valdez' burrow and the animal bucked a little and we all flew off into the air, we were heading east out over the Atlantic at a terrific speed and altitude. When I woke up, we were in Rome, Italy and I found out it was

Boy it took some time for us to get settled down to all of this area, the people and their clothes - they all wore sheets. I suppose we looked as odd to them as they did

There was a lot of people and they were all walking to the forum because some contest was going to be held today. We had no choice but to go along with the crowd, so Juan tied his burrow to a nearby acacia tree. There was a fellow walking along carrying a lantern that was lit, but it was daylight. He said he was Leonidas I, looking for an honest man.

We soon arrived at the forum place. I bet it was as big as two city blocks back in the states, I understand it holds about 93,000 fans. All of the seats were stone... my goodness, sit on a stone all day?!!! Caesar was there with an entrant and Mark Anthony was there with an entrant as well.

What this was, was an arm wrestling contest championship for the whole Mediterranean Sea area. There was a lot of bugle blowing and pounding of the drums.

Caesar's man was a brother to Goliath, at least 7 teet tall and he was the cui rent champ.

A man went by selling camel burgers, but we didn't have any of the local type of money.

The day went on and Caesar's man, Tondelao, is still the champ. About 3:00 in the afternoon the doors flew open and the sound was deafening! There were four long rows of soldiers, there must be 100 men in each row. In the middle of this parade was a pillowed chair and on this chair was a twelve year old boy. All of these warriors was armed to the teeth...spears, swords, knives, bow and arrows and other weapons that I didn't

know about. I understand, this was King Tut of Turkey, he was

SAME CORNER AT AN EARLIER TIME



By: Stan Jordan

Yes, this is the corner of South Main and Daggett, but I'm not sure of the date yet.

You can see we had electricity and telephones. The street had not been paved yet, but the curbs and drains were in. Electricity came about 1900 and the curbing about

If you look here at the right hand corner, you see a man standing with a hat on, well, right behind him is the town pump. Look past him, on a stalk hangs a cup to drink water from the pump.

Right here in front of Carr's Meat Market, it looks

like a wagon load of chicken crates. If you look on down to the left, you can see Shaffer Bros. Store that was built about 1880 and after a few different dealers, it is now the

It is probably a nice summer day.

See ya!

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SOUTH MAIN IN 1870



South Main St - 1870

By: Stan Jordan

I know a little bit about some of this west side of this block in this picture, taken from the archives of John Paulding Historical Society.

This first sign here on the left that says furniture was the starting of Schilb Furniture and later to let the Schilb Funeral Business.

It was started in 1857 by Andrew Schilb, who was a cabinet maker. After he died his wife took over the business of embalming. Later on Andrew J. Schilb took over and he was the father of Budd, Bob, Tom and Andy. All of

these boys worked at the business. Sometimes in there it was moved north to where

The next building was the McGuire pool hall. In 1880 that whole block burned down and no more wooden buildings were allowed. In 1891 the Pocock brothers built the two buildings up on the corner of Railroad and South Main Street, that is now the Hometown Pantry in the corner building.

Later on, after the big fire, Mr. McGuire built his building on the same lots that the picture shows his billiard

parlor was. Along about that same time, the Keystone building was erected.

If you look real close, there is a bridge over the big ravine that is down by the present Town Hall. In all the years, a lot of the ravines had to be filled in, and some of them

On across the railroad, the Oasis building was built about 1866 and the big three story building about that same time. It was called the Shirley building and he died before it was finished in 1868.

See ya!

his own entrant. In my mind I thought that this kid did not have a chance with this big dude. In the first round, the boy king flipped the other contestant over on his back easily, then this happened two more times and the young king was the win-

I never found out if for sure it was rigged because of all the armed warriors on his side or if he was on steroids.

But surely it was rigged. See ya!

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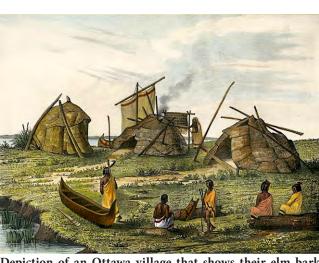
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WHEN THE INDIANS LEFT PAULDING COUNTY



Depiction of an Ottawa village that shows their elm bark wigwams, which are probably similar to their dwellings at Oquanoxa's Reservation (Charloe) along the Auglaize River before the Ottawa were removed to Kansas in 1832.

By: Kim Sutton, Paulding County Bicentennial Committee

Part of a series PAULDING - The next time you take a drive down the Charloe Trail (County Road138), imagine if you will, on each side of the road, trees so thick and tall that you could not see the sun. For miles around, the land



was wild, covered with dense forests and dark swamps. Just west of Road 151, which comes in from the south, was the western boundary line of Oquanoxa's Reservation of the Ottawa, also referred to as Odawa, Indian tribe. The reservation consisted of about 2,500 acres and was approximately 3 miles square. The Charloe Trail runs almost in

Now Refacing Old Cabinetry.

the exact middle of it and the village of Charloe sits nearly in the middle.

Early written local history suggested to us that Chief Oquanoxa's tribe left Paulding County in 1820. Until now, I had never questioned this and have passed this "fact" on myself numerous times. However, with today's researching tools, we can easily discover for ourselves that the Indians were here until the government removed them to Kansas in 1832. Later they were removed from Kansas to Oklahoma.

Chief Oquanoxa (pronounced AUCK-a-NAUCsa), also known as Ocquinoxcy, led the last Indian war party to Fort Wayne in 1824 to avenge the death of an Ottawa brave who was stabbed to death by a drunken Miami Indian while they were there receiving their government annuity payment. If you would like to read more on this confrontation, I recommend Louis Simonis' book Maumee River 1835.

In doing my research for this article, I sent an email to the current Ottawa Chief, Ethel Cook, telling her of Paulding County's 200th anniversary and the historical articles we are writing and that I had volunteered to

write "When the Indians left Paulding County" and wanted to tell the true story. Chief Cook referred me to Rhonda Hayworth, Ottawa historian. Ms. Hayworth responded with a three-page written history of the Ottawas being removed from Ohio. Following is in part what she told

"Our ancestors had several villages around and within the Western basin of Lake Erie. The Ottawa People have always made their villages and encampments on islands, the edge of lakes or in the fork between rivers. These villages would be moved a short distance every three years to allow for regrowth of fishing and hunting. After nine years the village would be back in it original place...

'The Ottawa also had several other villages on the lake edge and on the rivers surrounding the western basin of the lake. These were located on the Sandusky River, Portage River, Blanchard River, Auglaize River, and the Maumee River."

I will note here that at one time Oquanoxa's Reservation on the Auglaize River was said to have had approximately 600 people, 50 or more log cabins and other canvas and elm bark wigwams. By the time of their removal, the village had dwindled to around 100.

Rhonda Hayworth goes on to tell us: "By 1830, the time was ripe for the expulsion of the Ottawa from their homeland in Ohio and on May 28, 1830, the United States Government sanctioned the unfavorable policy of the new settlers towards the Indians by passing the Removal Act...

'The removal was a tragic one; the few Indians who had money were robbed by the whites en route, horses broke down or were stolen, a good portion of the Indians became sick and many died, no provisions or doctors were awaiting them on their arrival in Kansas as the government had promised, and no provision had been made to supply them with ploughs or materials needed to start the spring planting as was promised in the removal treaty. Some of the more heartsick of the Ottawa made the long and tiring trek back to the Ohio country, and the misery of the migration lost nothing of its luridness in the stories that these Indians told to the remaining tribes.

"Thus, by 1832, the Ottawa of northern Ohio were faced with the problem of survival; they could agree to remove to the strange lands in the West, they could remain in their homeland and face starvation and brutal treatment by the whites, or, they could try to escape to their friends in Canada where they were always wel-

come." It is important to note here that the Ohio Ottawa were removed to Kansas in three groups in the 1830s. Oquanoxa's tribe was among the first group to depart over land on Sept. 27, 1832. A total of 72 Ottawa (41 males and 31 females) were reported to have arrived in Kansas on Dec. 3, 1832. The second group of Ohio Ottawa went by steamboat on Aug. 31, 1837, and the third group was aboard the steamboat Commodore Perry departing on

July 25, 1839.

The first group of Ottawa expected their removal to be in the early part of 1832. Delays were made because the Ottawa did not want to go by boat. They wanted to go by land so they could take with them their good Indian horses and as much personal property as the horses could carry.

James B. Gardner, appointed commissioner on the part of the United States, reported to his superiors:

March 15, 1832 - Indians restless, anxious to leave as planting time is drawing near, but nothing had been arranged.

April 10, 1832 - Many have already sold their cattle and personal property. It is important to them to reach their place of future residence in time to erect dwellings for the winter.

July 31, 1832 - The Indians are quite upset and blame the Secretary of War for their predicament; they are ready to go, food is scarce, they had reason to believe they would be on the move now, and crops were not planted, and annuity payment have not been made.

Ms. Hayworth's written history continues, "In 1839, the last of the Ottawa were removed to Kansas lands. During these removals, however, the agents often turned their heads and allowed Ottawa families to escape to Canadian shores, and a great many were saved from the brutal removal in this way. ... As for the Ottawa who were forced from their home lands, nearly half of them perished in their first year in Kansas.

"In 1833, Reverend Jotham Meeker came to the Ottawa's territory and with him came a better living for the Ottawa. He helped the Ottawa by teaching them and by making sure that they were not taken advantage of by the white man. The Ottawa knew that in order to survive, their children must be educated. They made a treaty with the Baptist church and in 1862 when the Ottawa land was being allotted out of the 74,000 acres. The Ottawa gave 20,000 acres of land to be used and sold to raise money to build a Baptist school for the education of whites and Indians. The Indians made an arrangement in the treaty that the Ottawa children would be educated free of charge. The school started in 1865, and two Ottawa students were educated, but once more in 1867, they were removed. The Ottawa sold their land in Kansas and removed to Indian Territory, in Oklahoma. Later the school was named Ottawa University after the Ottawa. The reservation where the Ottawa lived became a township named after them.

'Being tired of being moved, the Ottawa entered into a contract with the Shawnee tribe to purchase part of the Shawnee reservation, about 14,863 acres. They thought that by owning the land, that they would never be moved, and would be left alone. When the tribe moved to Oklahoma in 1867, more of the Ottawa had died and only about 200 were left. But once more the government intervened and split up the Ottawa's land and allotted it out and sold the rest to the white man. So for a time the Ottawa lived in peace. Then

in 1956, the United States

KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS IN MUSIC

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These Oakwood Elementary Kindergarten students enjoyed singing and playing with Mrs. Wehrkamp's parachute in music class. Here they are singing "I'm Being Swallowed by a Boa Constrictor."

PHS JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School announces their January House Students of the Month. They are from left to right: House Palmarium - Brooke Ankney, House Excellentia - Julia Fife, House VVV - Mackenzie Weible, and House Stupendum -Carmen Reno.

Government decided that the Ottawa Tribe served no purpose and terminated them as a tribe. This was a long dark period in the tribe's history, but we did not give up and on May 15, 1978, the Ottawa Tribe was restored. Since then the tribe has started to grow. We now have around 3,000 members, we bought a store, built a casino, and our biggest accomplishment is that in 2009 the Ottawa Tribe and Ottawa University signed a new treaty stating that the university would provide a free education to the Ottawa Tribal members."

I am so grateful to have received the above Ottawa history written by Rhonda Hayworth, historian for the

Ottawa Tribe. I think I can speak for everyone here in Paulding County, when I say we rejoice with them that the Ottawa Tribe was restored in 1978. For us in Paulding County, they will forever be a part of our history and we certainly admire and appreciate their struggle and survival as a people.

Reading suggestions: The Other Trail of Tears: The Removal of the Ohio Indians by Mary Stockwell and Maumee River 1835 by Louis A. Simo-

Next time: Courthouse history.

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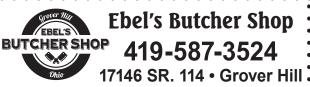
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ARCHERS STAY UNBEATEN BY SLIPPING PAST ACES



Hicksville's Landon Turnbull, guarded by Antwerp's Krouse, launches the ball and scores 3 points with for the home team! More pictures at westbendnews.net



Antwerp's Jayvin Landers steals the ball to get a shot at the basket! More pictures at westbendnews.net

HICKSVILLE - Antwerp overcame a strong effort by the Hicksville Aces Friday night as the Archers stayed unbeaten on the season with a 43-34 victory in Green Meadows Conference boys basketball action.

Jagger Landers led the way for the blue and white with 11 points while Austin Lichty chipped in ten for the Archers, who improve to 14-0

overall and 4-0 in the league. Jayvin Landers added seven markers and Luke Krouse posted six for Antwerp, which also got four points from Jake Eaken along with three by Jacob Savina and two from Blake Schuette.

Landon Turnbull bucketed 22 points for the Aces, who fall to 9-4 in all games and 2-2 in the league.

Jackson Bergman added six for Hicksville followed by Jacob Miller (four) and Travian Tunis (two).

The Aces held a 9-6 lead

at the end of eight minutes of action but it was all Archers from that point on.

Antwerp outscored Hicksville 12-7 in the second quarter to take an 18-16 halftime lead before extending the margin to 34-26 at the end of three periods.

The Archers resume action on Friday when they host Tinora in Green Meadows Conference play before welcoming in Montpelier for a non-league battle on Satur-

Hicksville hosts North Central Tuesday night before the Aces visit Edgerton on Friday and welcome in Crestview Saturday night.

RAIDERS CONTINUE WIN-NING WAYS WITH KEY GMC

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - The Wayne Trace Raiders picked up their fourth consecutive win and sixth in their last seven games with a 66-44 win over Fairview. Played last Friday at Wayne Trace the red, white, and blue held a 19-15 margin over the Apaches and continued to build their lead throughout the contest. The Raiders led at halftime 34-26 and extended their lead to 56-41. Wayne Trace held Fairview to just three points in the final stanza while scoring 10 for the 22 point win.

Wayne Trace senior Nate Gerber led the Raiders in scoring with 27 while team mate Jace Vining tallied 10 for the two Raiders in double scoring. Gerber had a solid night shooting hitting 10-11 from the two-point area and making his only three-point

Cameron Sinn, Alex Reinhart and Trevor Speice each collected eight points with Sinn picking up five steals and Reinhart having a perfect night shooting with 2-2 in two-point field goals and hitting all four of his free throws. Reinhart also battled in the paint and finished with six rebounds. Speice had six boards to go along with his eight markers. Reid Miller, who does many things on the floor that doesn't show up in the score book finished with four points while dishing out 10 assists. Grayson McClure rounds out the scoring with one point.

The Raiders hit 17 of 28 of their two-point field goals for 67 percent and 5-12 behind the arc for 42 percent. At the foul line the Raiders were 17-22 for 77 percent.

Fairview finished the contest taking just 19 shots from the two point area hitting six for 60 percent and behind the arc the Apaches were 9-24 for 38 percent. At the foul line the Apaches took 15 less attempts than the Raiders hitting 5-7. The Raiders out rebounded Fairview 26-17 while the Apaches turned it over 15 times to just seven for the Raiders.

Cade Polter and Luke Timbrook were in double figures for the Apaches with Polter hitting 14 points and Timbrook chipping in 10.

The Raiders will be at home this week-end when they entertain Holgate on Friday in a GMC match-up and on Saturday the Raiders will welcome Kalida to the

Palace. Junior Varsity: The Raiders defeated the Apaches prior to the varsity game 48-34.

RAIDERS, ARCHERS GET WINS



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Antwerp 7th grade girls basketball team won the 7th grade basketball tournament last week.

EDGERTON - Paulding County rivals Wayne Trace and Antwerp each picked up semifinal victories in the Edgerton seventh grade girls basketball tournament on Tuesday.

The Lady Archers picked up a 43-0 win in the opener over Hicksville behind 20 points from Caroline Rohrs and nine by Jessica Thornell.

Madisyn Peters also bucketed eight and Maylynn Carnahan posted six for the blue and white, who moved to 11-5 on the season. In the nightcap, the Lady

Raiders defeated host Edgerton 17-12. Wayne Trace led 2-0 after

one quarter and pushed the margin to 8-2 at the midway point. The red, white and blue took a 13-10 lead into the final period. Tianna Sinn led the Raid-

ers with six points while Harper Myers added three.

The Antwerp 7th grade

lady Archers basketball team played at home again on January 23rd for the 7th grade tournament championship. The Archers defeated the Wayne Trace Raiders 36-17, leading the way was Caroline Rohrs with 15 points, Jessica Thornell followed with 13 points. Madisyn Peters added 8 on the night.

The 7th grade girls ended their season with a winning record of 12-5.

PARRETT'S STEAL SEALS PANTHER WIN OVER DJ



The girls game against the Lady Wildcats was off to a slow start until Paulding's Audrey Giesige sunk this 3 point goal! See more pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING - Jalynn until a late foul gave Pauld-Parrett picked up a steal ing an opportunity. with five seconds to go in regulation to give the Paulding Lady Panthers a 55-54 win over visiting Delphos Jefferson in Northwest Conference girls basketball play Thursday at the 'Jungle.'

Paulding jumped in front 13-9 after one quarter before the Wildcats answered in the second stanza.

Delphos Jefferson bucketed 13 markers with the Panthers adding nine as the two teams went into the locker room tied at 23-23.

After the Wildcats scored 17 third quarter points compared to the Panthers' 16, Delphos Jefferson carried a

40-39 lead into the final pe-The Wildcats led most of

the fourth quarter as well

Delphos Jefferson was called for a foul on a Panther inbounds pass and Chelsi Giesige proceeded to hit two free throws with nine seconds remaining to put the maroon and white on top 55-54.

Parrett's steal then wrapped up the victory for Paulding, which upped its record to 14-3 on the season. Giesige topped all scorers

with 25 points for the Lady Panthers with sister Audrey Giesige adding 14 markers. Janae Pease added nine points followed by Jalynn Parrett (four), Sydney Mc-Cullough (two) and Sadie Estle (one).

Addy Stewart bucketed 13 markers for Delphos Jefferson with Jose McGue bucketing a dozen and Delaney Deuel chipped in 11.

Aly Lindeman added seven for the Lady Wildcats, who fall to 7-9 overall. Brooke Brinkman (five), Kaylee Buzard (three) and Mallory Bridges (three) also found the scoring column for Delphos Jefferson.

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BULLDOGS COMPETE WELL IN NE8 WRESTLING CONFERENCE



New Haven represented quite well in this competition. Bulldogs had three wrestlers go on to the champion matches: 220 - Dominic Lee; HW - Tristan Martz; 138 - Eliijah Chacon. Pictured here is the heavy weight winners.

markers, respectively.

Gentz (one).

KOLKMAN

Alicia McMahon added

eight followed by Addison

Bayman (six), Avah Smith

(six), Gabby Joyce (three),

Lauren Meyer (three), Hanna

Albertson (two) and Abbey

with the victory and will visit

MEET NEW HERITAGE HEAD

Mr. Casey Kolkman was

approved as the new head

football coach for Heritage

Jr/Sr High School at a recent

East Allen County Schools

coaching football for over 25

years. He has coached at var-

ious other high schools in the

city including the former Paul

Harding High School and

Mr. Kolkman is excited

New Haven High School.

about this new opportunity!

LADY RAIDERS TAME WILD-

HAVILAND - After a

close first quarter that had the

Wayne Trace Lady Raiders

even with Delphos Jefferson

the red, white and blue me-

thodically pulled away from

the Wildcats to secure a 49-34

win. With the non conference

victory the Raiders improve

to 12-3 while the 'Cats fall to

were tied after the first eight

minutes of play 11-11 but the

Raiders put 15 points on the

board in the second stanza

while holding their opponent

to just eight. Leading 26-19

at the break the Raiders in-

creased their margin by three

in the third period to lead by

ten 36-26 heading into the

final quarter. Again, Wayne

Trace out scored Jefferson

13-8 to closed out the game

was led by Miriam Sinn with

17 points followed by Gra-

cie Shepherd who tallied 14

Scoring for the Raiders

for a 15 point win.

Wayne Trace and Jefferson

CATS WITH 15 POINT WIN

By: Joe Shouse, Sports

Writer

Mr. Kolkman has been

board meeting.

FOOTBALL COACH: CASEY

Concordia on Tuesday.

Woodlan improves to 16-5

BIG SECOND HALF PUSHES WARRIORS TO WIN



Woodlan Senior Taya Kitzmiller shoots a 3 point basket and scores! More pictures of senior night and the game at west-

WOODBURN - Woodlan outscored visiting Fremont 33-18 in the second to pull away from the visiting Eagles for a 56-34 victory in girls basketball non-league action on Wednesday.

Fremont held a slim 6-5 advantage after one quarter of action but it was all Lady Warriors after that point.

Woodlan scored 18 points in the second stanza compared to the Eagles' ten in taking a 23-16 halftime lead.

The Lady Warriors then expanded the margin in the points compared to Fremont's six in pushing the gap to 40-22 entering the final period.

mont with ten points and Sa-

scoring.

for Woodlan with 14 and 13

third quarter, bucketing 17

Jada Rhonehouse led Fremantha Kuhn added eight for the Eagles, who fall to 10-10

on the season. Madelyn Cress (six), Eva Foulk (four), Maddie Beeman (four) and Grace Schmucker (two) completed the Fremont

Dakota Krohn and Taya Kitzmiller paced the way



Antwerp Ball Association to hold



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points to go along with 11 rebounds. Claire Sinn was the third Lady Raider in double digits with 13. Rounding out the scoring was Katrina Stoller with three and Rachel Stoller adding two. The Raiders won the

battle of the board with 31 compared to 17 for Jefferson. Rebounds was a team effort and key to the Raiders win with Claire Sinn, Rachel Stioller and Katrina Stoller each grabbing five to go along with 11 from Shepherd. Wayne Trace committed 11 turnovers while the 'Cats recorded 16 miscues.

Delphos Jefferson was led in scoring by Delaney Deuel and Josie McGue each with nine.

In the Junior Varsity match up the Wildcats defeated Wayne Trace 45-37 with Jefferson getting 22 points from Rylynn Marquis to lead all scorers. The Raiders were led by Kenadie Daeger with 14 followed by 8 points from Abby Moore. Sydnee Sinn was the Raiders leading rebounder with seven.

LADY RAIDERS LEAD GMC WITH WIN OVER FAIRVIEW

By: Joe Shouse, Sports

SHERWOOD Thursday the Lady Raiders traveled to Fairview High School with first place in the GMC at stake. Both the Raiders and Lady Apaches entered the contest with 3-0 league records and when the dust cleared it was the Raiders prevailing 53-45. The Raiders sit alone at the top spot at 4-0 and 13-3 overall. With the loss the Apaches fall to 11-5 overall and 2-1 in the Green Meadows Conference.

Senior Claire Sinn recorded a double-double with 30 points and 11 rebounds to help spark the red, white and blue to the key win. With the Raiders trailing at the end of the first period 16-15, Sinn took it upon herself to get her team in a position to win by scoring the first seven points of the quarter and from that point the Raiders would never

Joining Sinn in the scoring for the Raiders include Katie Stoller with seven points, Rachel Stoller adding six, Katrina Stoller chipping in four followed my Miriam Sinn with three and Gracie Shepherd adding three.

Katie Stoller finished the contest with four steals as did Katrina Stoller. In the rebound department Rachel Stoller grabbed six boards and team mate Gracie Shepherd added four. Miriam Sinn also played well with two assists and four steals to go along with her three points.

Claire Sinn had three treys on the night with Katie Stoller and Rachel Stoller each with a three pointer.

Fairview was led in scoring by Kiersten Cline who poured in 18 points to go along with four rebounds and five assists.

Fairview totaled 33 rebounds to 30 for the Raiders with the Apaches turning the ball over 23 times to 14 miscues for Wayne Trace. The Raiders had an advantage at the foul line hitting 16-22 while Fairview was 4-5.

Fairview won the Junior Varsity game 39-19.

This Thursday the Raiders will travel to Holgate for another GMC match-up.

PAGE 9 - WEST BEND NEWS - JANUARY 28, 2020 REINHART, MILLS, MABIS WIN TITLES



Archer Senior wrestler, Randall Mills earns his 100th win at the Wapakoneta Wrestling Invitational on January 25, 2020.

WAPAKONETA - The Antwerp duo of Eli Reinhart and Randall Mills each picked up tournament titles as did Paulding's Cole Mabis in action at the Wapakoneta Wrestling Invitational Satur-

Reinhart won the championship at 113 with a 6-5 victory over Wapakoneta's Bryce Knapke while Mills took first at 126, defeating Napoleon's Brayden Hull 7-0.

Reinhart also picked up victories over Napoleon's Turner Garber, Conner's Blake Roland, Celina's Derrick Slater and Celina's Brycen Miracle.

Mills got wins over Blissfield's Dylan Wolfe, Napoleon's Kloe Wulf, Gibsonburg's Nick Hiser and Gibsonburg's Alex Lopez.

Mabis won by default over Celina's Alex Stachler at 182 to claim an individual title for Paulding.

Mabis recorded earlier vic-

tories on the day over Napo-

leon's Xavier Johnson, Lima Senior's Davion Browning, Celina's Braidan Howard and Gibsonburg's Jarett Spoores. Paulding's Charity

Schnepp picked up a fourth place finish at 106 with Jordan Mudel finishing third at

The Panthers' Riley Coil also placed, posting a sixth place finish in the 195 pound As a squad, the maroon

and white took ninth place with 83 points while Antwerp placed tenth with 68 points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL PAIR-INGS RELEASED BY IHSAA

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indiana High School Athletic Association released the girls basketball sectional matchups for 2019-2020 on Sunday.

Sectional play will begin on Tuesday, February 4, with sectional semifinal action on Friday, February 7. The sectional championships are slated for Saturday, February

Woodlan will take part in the Class 3A sectional tournament at Concordia as the Lady Warriors play Bishop Dwenger in the opener on Tuesday. Game two of the evening will feature Concordia against Leo.

Sectional semifinal action on Friday has Garrett against either Woodlan or Bishop Dwenger while Angola plays the second game as the Hornets await the winner of the Concordia-Leo contest.

The other Class 3A sectional of interest takes place at Mississinewa where the lone Tuesday game features Bishop Luers against Norwell. On Wednesday, Bellmont

will play Greentown Eastern in the opener followed by Heritage against Oak Hill.

Sectional semifinal play on Friday has host Mississinewa awaiting either Bishop Luers or Norwell in the first contest. Game two will feature the Bellmont-Greentown Eastern victory against the Heritage-Oak Hill winner. In Class 4A, local section-

als will be hosted by East Noble and South Side. At East Noble, Northrop will play North Side and Snider takes on host East No-

ble in action on Tuesday. Northrop-North The Side winner returns to battle DeKalb on Friday, February 7, followed by Carroll against

Snider or East Noble. In the sectional at South Side, New Haven and Homestead will play each other in one semifinal while South Side tangles with Huntington North in the Tuesday games.

Friday sectional semifinals will see Columbia City play the New Haven-Homestead winner followed by Wayne against either Huntington North or South Side.

Class 2A games will be at Bluffton as Churubusco takes on Adams Central in the only contest Tuesday night.

Doubleheader action on Wednesday has Bluffton taking on Whitko in game one with game two featuring South Adams and Eastside.

On Friday, Canterbury battles the Churubusco-Adams Central winner while game two of the semifinals will have the two winners of Wednesday's games tangling with each other.

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PAULDING FFA MEMBER SELECTED AS DELEGATE FOR OHIO YOUTH CAPITAL CHALLENGE



Youth Capital Challenge.

By: Paulding FFA Reporter, Paige Jones

Paulding FFA member, Carter Manz, has been selected as 1 of 40 delegates for the Youth Capital Challenge. Over 100 people were nominated to be a delegate this year. The Ohio Youth Capital Challenge (OYCC) was designed to get students to make necessary changes in their communities by making new public policies and teaching the delegates about legislation.

The OYCC is an interactive civil education program that is comprised of 4 total phases, with the first phase starting March 2-3 where

delegates will first travel to Columbus overnight.

On the first day of the overnight trip students meet their team for the project and then have time to brainstorm. To choose their project team members recognize a problem in their community, propose a public policy to fix it, and then develop a detailed plan on how to get government officials to adopt the proposal. They also hear from several speakers throughout the day including last year's Ohio Youth Capital Challenge(OYCC) winner. On the second day of the trip team members learn more about legislative policy, tour the state house, and practice their presentations.

Phase two of the challenge

Phase two of the challenge then begins in April-May, where teams work to make their plans come true with their teams. In phase three, teams meet back in Columbus on May 16th to present their OYCC plan and how successful their plan was. From these presentations, 3-4 teams are chosen to move on to the Ohio State Fair to present one last time for a chance to win a scholarship.

The Paulding FFA is excited for Carter Manz to go and make positive changes to Paulding County!

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our country, and who may have nothing, can now obtain basic necessities and leave with warm clothes.
We encourage our citizens to donate to those who have served our country."

necessities got blank and hands High prot tled water products, cally, this accept do could believe the country and the served our country.

Jim Garigen, Founder of Invisible Vets said, "This is a great day in New Haven. There are people who want to help out veterans but may not know how or where to give. This is the perfect opportunity for residents to help out a veteran." Garigen added, "Right now Invisible Vets is providing what we call our dignity bag to the folks on the streets. The veterans who are out there who are choosing to stay on the streets, they've got the basic necessities of life. They've got blankets, and gloves and hands and toe warmers. High protein products, bottled water, personal hygiene products," he said. "Basically, this donation box will accept donations you think could help someone on the streets or veterans in need."

Mayor McMichael said, "It is my honor to dedicate this box in our city and I encourage all of our citizens to get involved. Donations can be dropped off at our new Clothes For Joes box 24 hours a day, giving our veterans more than just clothes." McMichael concluded, "It gives them a sense of hope and stability knowing that their community cares for them

enough by giving back, and I'm proud to be the Mayor a community that has the respect of the veterans who served our country to be able to offer this to our veterans. This is the first of many veterans initiatives that we will be rolling out throughout this next year."

For more information, please contact New Haven Veterans Coordinator Steve Kennedy at 438-0526.

WT JH WRESTLING PLACES FOURTH AT WAUSEON INVITATIONAL

On Saturday, January 25th, the Wayne Trace Junior High Wrestling team competed at the Wauseon Invitational. This invitation presented some of the most difficult competition to the junior high wrestling team so far this season. The wrestlers were challenged physically and mentally with a very long day of wrestling. Even with that being said, seven of the wrestlers for the team were able to place. This helped lead the team with an overall placing of fourth at the end of the day.

There were three runner-ups for the day. Kamryn Sutton, Corbin Kimmel and Conner Blankenship all made it to the championship round at the end of the long day. Unfortunately, they were unable to beat the competition and fell just short of clenching the championship title. Leading to that match, they each dominated the mat in their perspective weight classes.

Between the three of them, they had five pins and a tech fall win taking them to the championship matches.

The team also seen two third place finishers. Graiden Troth and Maddox Treece experienced very physical matches in the day. Although they wrestled extremely well and remained strong, tough and composed, they were unable to secure a win and had to battle back for a placement match. When wrestling for the third place, both Graiden wrestled with a clear goal in mind and a complete dominance over his opponent. Maddox won by forfeit and did not have to wrestle, although his opponent was one he had beaten previously in the day.

Wayne Trace also had two fourth place finishers on the day. Jarrett Jewell and Brok Grimes both finished the day in fourth place. Both Jarrett and Brok are first year wrestlers this year and have been growing in the sport each week. A pin was experienced by each of these boys prior to the placement round. Unfortunately, they were unable to beat their opponents in the finals for third place. Brok, only missing the mark by one point.

The Raider Pride we experience for both the new and more experienced wrestlers is remarkable. The wrestlers are learning from their losses to apply to future matches. They are losing like champions, not just winning like champions. They are learning that they represent more than just themselves. These boys are learning that they are putting in work and time to represent their parents and family, their school, their coaches, friends, and more. When they put on the Red, White, and Blue, they are not just colors but a standard of excellence that they are choosing to be a part of. Their leadership on and off the mat is demonstrating that match after match.

WAYNE TRACE DUAL MEET RESULTS

The Antwerp Wrestling Club recently competed in the first tournament of their young season at the Wayne Trace Duals on January 26, 2020. An impressive 17 Archer wrestlers competed in the tournament with many of them having this as the first tournament of their wrestling careers. Earning victories on the day for the first time in their career were Duke Dangler, Owen Dangler, Bennett Graham, Oliver McCague, Jameson Graham, Jordan Steel, and Carson Blair. There were also 2 Archer wrestlers who were able to go undefeated on the day as well. Griffin Kosch and Keegan Gray-Wyckoff were both 3-0 on the day with 2 pins each. Congratulations to all of the Archer wrestlers for their accomplishments this past weekend and there is no doubt their continued hard work will bring them success during the rest of their season. Good Luck and GO ARCHERS!!

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Phone: 419-258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net VANTAGE LAUNCHES NEW SPORTS EXERCISE THERAPY PROGRAM



Vantage students, Thomas Etzler (Parkway) and Alex Reinhart (Wayne Trace), learn splinting and taping techniques for sports injuries.

Vantage Career Center continues to expand its program offerings announcing the launch of the new Sports Exercise Therapy program starting this fall. The new



program is designed for students who may be interested in careers such as; Physical Therapy, Certified Personal Trainer, Occupational Therapy, Exercise Science, Athletic Trainer, Sports Medicine, Biomechanics, or Kinesiology.

The Sports Exercise Therapy program, developed and taught by current Vantage Instructor, Wendy Baumle, will introduce students to fitness, athletic training, exercise science, sports medicine, personal training, and rehabilitation. Students will be prepared to work as a physical therapy aid and/or certified personal trainer, or move on to college for further study of athletic training, exercise science, physical therapy, or occupational

"At Vantage, we provide students with a learning experience focused on the area they want to pursue after high school," says program instructor Wendy Baumle. "Jobs related to the areas of sports, occupational, and physical therapy are expected to see job growth of 25% over the next 10 years. We've created this amazing program that will combine knowledge of the body with hands-on skills to give students a leg up for any direc-

tion they choose." During lab, students learn to use professional equipment and the newest techniques to gain hands-on skills with injury prevention and rehabilitation, assess an individual's overall health, fitness, and nutrition status to develop a personal improvement plan. Students will also explore a widerange of sports medicine and fitness careers through practical lab experiences, learn to use physical therapy, injury recognition, and sports-specific exercises to train the physically active, as well as learn how to help people live healthier lives through exercise, rehabilitation, and nu-

The Sports Exercise Therapy program will offer the opportunity to earn ACE, AMCA, AHA: CPR /First Aid, OSHA 10 hour General Industry (Healthcare), and NHA: EKG industry recognized certifications. Students may also participate in college credit plus opportunities prior to graduating high school.

"We are excited to be adding this program to our Health Science pathway at Vantage," says program supervisor, Paula VanTilburg. "Students will get hands-on training in health therapy and physical fitness that will provide them with a jump start for college or a job related to the field."

Whether a student is interested in going to college, getting a certificate or working right after high school, career pathways can be customized for any ambition or plan

"Students will be able to expand their knowledge within the ever growing field of exercise science as well as gain insightful experience within the Sports Therapy Programs," says Amanda Kuck, Program Coordinator of Sports Exercise Science at Rhodes State Community College. "Establishing concrete pathways will allow students who strive for additional education to easily matriculate into programs across the state."

Sophomores from Vantage's 13 associate schools will be able to experience the new program at Sophomore Day on Friday, January 31. Additional opportunities to learn more about the Sports Exercise Therapy program is during the annual Vantage Open House held Monday, February 24 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All guests, including parents and students, associate school district staff members, business leaders, and community members may tour each lab in the state of the art facility, speak with instructors and employers, and experience student led demonstrations during the For more information

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LATTA HOSTS FCC CHAIRMAN PAI IN NORTHWEST OHIO



BOWLING GREEN, OH Today, Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) hosted Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Chairman Ajit Pai in Perrysburg, Ohio, at Mercy Health to discuss the intersection of internet connectivity and telehealth services and demo telehealth technologies.

"Connected care services increase access to care for people in rural and low-income areas and we know telehealth can lead to better health outcomes and significant cost savings for both patients and health care providers," said Congressman Latta. "Increasing access to reliable and affordable broadband will allow us to better capture all of its benefits and ensure more people have access to the care and services they need.

"Connected health has the power to transform the lives of patients across the country," said Chairman Pai. "It was a pleasure to join Congressman Bob Latta in Ohio to hear how connectivity enables physicians to assess and treat stroke patients much more quickly than before. I'm committed to continuing my work at the FCC to harness the power of technology to improve the health of all Americans."

In July 2019, the FCC proposed to establish a 3-year, \$100 million Connected Care Pilot program that would support bringing telehealth services directly to low-income patients and veterans. The program would provide an 85% discount on connectivity from broadband-enabled telehealth services that connect patients directly to their doctors. The FCC is still collecting public comment on this Notice of Proposed

Rulemaking (NPRM). Expanding access

broadband is incredibly important and Congressman Latta is encouraged by the efforts by the FCC to encourage utilization of telehealth services through their proposed Connected Care Pilot Program. Along with the Commission's actions, Congressman Latta introduced a bill - the Broadband DATA Act - that passed the House to fix our nation's broadband maps. The Broadband DATA Act would improve broadband map accuracy so that federal resources can be distributed to communities that currently do not currently have the digital capabilities they need in order to keep pace with the rest of the country. This will get internet connectivity to areas that need it most for things like telehealth, homework, or even streaming your favorite show.

Congressman Latta and Chairman Pai also visited Rescue Mental Health and Addiction Services, a national suicide prevention lifeline crisis center in Toledo, Ohio, to tour their facility and discuss the expected benefits of designating 9-8-8 as the national suicide hotline number.

We can also do more to ensure people can better access mental health services no matter where they call home," continued Congressman Latta. "Sadly, the suicide rates in each state are rising and Ohio is no exception. In Ohio alone, calls to the suicide lifeline have increased 67% from 2016 to 2019. The need for suicide prevention services has never been greater and I appreciate the attention the FCC has placed to designate 9-8-8 as the national suicide hotline number. Ultimately, 9-8-8 will bring us one step closer to reducing the stigma surrounding mental health conditions, increasing access to crisis services for those at risk of suicide no matter where they live, and most importantly, save more lives

"It was an honor to meet the heroic team at Rescue Mental Health & Addiction Services," continued Chairman Pai. "They help thousands of people each year who are struggling with suicidal ideation and mental health issues. This has become a critical issue, with the suicide rate in the United States at its highest level since World War II. That's why the FCC has proposed designating 9-8-8 as the suicide prevention and mental health hotline. This would be a major boost for our nation's suicide prevention efforts. We can and will do more to ensure Ohioans and all Americans have better access to mental health ser-

across the country."

vices.' Currently, trained Nation-

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(Lifeline) counselors can be reached by calling 1-800-273-TALK. In 2019, these counselors answered over 2.3 million calls and over 100,000 online chats. According to a 2018 survey of Lifeline centers, almost 98% of the crisis calls are de-escalated such that costly responses from law enforcement and emergency medical services are not necessary. There are 11 Lifeline network call centers in Ohio with two serving Northwest and West Central Ohio, one in Toledo, another in Lima. Some parts of Ohio do not have coverage for Lifeline calls and get routed out of state, resulting in longer wait times and fewer resource connections to local care. Over 15,400 calls made in Ohio were not able to be answered by a call center located in state in 2019.

the National Suicide Hotline Improvement Act that tasked the FCC, in consultation with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) and the VA, with examining and reporting on the technical feasibility of designating a three-digit dialing code for a national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline. The FCC released its report in August 2019 recommending the designation of 9-8-8. In December of last year, the FCC started the process of designating 9-8-8 as a new, nationwide, 3-digit number for a suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline. The FCC's proposal is currently receiving public comment, and after review of comments the Commission will move toward final rules.

In 2018, Congress passed

Congressman Latta is a proud co-sponsor of H.R. 4194, the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act, a bill that was introduced after the FCC released their report in August. This bipartisan bill falls in the jurisdiction of the Energy and Commerce Committee and requires the FCC to designate 9-8-8 as the universal telephone number for a national suicide prevention and mental health crisis ho-

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WAYNE, (Jan. 23, 2020) - Dirt will be turning soon to build a new 99,900-square-foot, multimillion dollar medically-integrated health and fitness center, serving residents on the north side and surrounding communities. Slated to open early in 2021 on the Dupont Hospital campus, Optimum Performance Sports (OPS) and Fort Wayne Orthopedics will be the anchor tenants. "Our vision is to create a

state-of-the-art facility and one-stop shop for athletes and their families," said Dr. Jason Russell, executive director of OPS. "This facility allows our sports medicine physicians to be in the same building as our physical therapists, strength and conditioning coaches and sports nutritionists. This creates an environment for better communication and ultimately better outcomes. This center represents the

vision of Lutheran Health Network, Fort Wayne Orthopedics (FWO) and the center's primary tenant, Optimum Performance Sports (OPS. Twenty FWO providers will staff the new space, which will include an OrthoStat walk-in clinic. The two-story facility, which will be located on the east side of the medical park, will feature the following:

• 24-hour adult fitness center open to the general public

• Childcare for members

Technologically advanced strength and cardiovascular equipment

• Four basketball courts

Indoor track

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 Athletic performance training center • Physical therapy/human

performance lab • Teen lounge for OPS ath-

Restaurant with healthy

food options FWO offices

"Fort Wayne Orthopedics is proud to be part of the addition of this facility and the services it will offer to the community," said Jerald Cooper, MD, and president, Fort Wayne Orthopedics. "We are pleased to continue our partnership with Optimum Performance Sports and look forward to delivering outstanding sports medicine services."

"We are very enthusiastic about having these unique partners join us on campus under one roof," said Lorenzo Suter, chief executive officer, Dupont Hospital. "The comprehensive nature of what will be offered here reflects our belief that the pursuit of physical wellness is unique for each person. We want to put the right people and resources in place to help guide these personal journeys.3

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Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales Cafe, First Merchant Bank

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market,

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mett scored a game high 11 points and Heather Oberlin chipped in nine markers as the Antwerp Lady Archers recorded a 30-23 victory over Hicksville in Green Meadows Conference girls basketball

The blue and white jumped in front 8-2 after one quarter before each team scored four points in the second stanza, giving Antwerp a 12-6 halftime advantage.

action Thursday.

Hicksville did close within 20-17 at the end of three quarters before Antwerp pulled away to post the seven

point victory.

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Tiera Gomez added six markers and Astianna Coppes and Alyvia DeVore each picked up two points for Antwerp, who improved to 7-8 overall and 1-3 in the league.

Avery Slattery and Kenzie Schroeder each scored nine points for Hicksville with Kennedey Villena and Lindsay Bergman bucketing two markers apiece. Molly Crall picked up the remaining point for the Lady Aces, who fall to 6-10 in all games and 2-2 in the conference.

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RELLIM DRAINAGE TECHNOLOGY-NEW DITCH CLEANING COMPANY IN PAULDING COUNTY



Grover Hill, Washington Township- Rellim Drainage Technology was established in December 2019. Tony and Staci Miller established Rellim Drainage Technology. They will focus on cleaning and clearing ditches for rural consumers and government agencies in need of their ser-

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Edwin Coplin, Avery Paulding, OH; Trespassing; Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Placed on standard probation; No contact with victim; Seek/gain employment; Evaluation at Westwood

Avery Edwin Coplin, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Count B dismissed

Elijah M. Maxwell, Fort Wayne, IN; No operator's license; Guilty; Pay or collect

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12/18/20; Monthly payments

Jaszmin D. Covington, Indianapolis, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Philip L. Johnson, Haviland, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs

Estil Lee Hatfield, Oakwood, OH; Assault; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defen-

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dant to pay all fines and costs;

fiance, OH; Driving under suspension; Case dismissed without prejudice

Allyson Lorenz, Columbus, OH; Failure to reinstate; Pled no contest, found guilty; Case was waived by defen-

Kevin M. Martz Jr., Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kevin M. Martz Jr., Grover Hill, OH; Display plates; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Julie N. Mohr, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alec L. Thomas, Convoy, OH; Following too close; Guilty; Pay or collect by 1/31/20

Jess Carr, Cecil, OH; Marked lanes; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Jess Carr, Cecil, OH; Dis-

tracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Nicholas P. Roxo, Van

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

Larry B. Stahl, Scott, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defen-

Gary L. Wendeln, New Bremen, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alec L. Thomas, Convoy, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Pay or collect by 1/31/20; Show proof of insurance by 1/24/20 and suspend

Maxwell S. Holleman, Milford, MI; Headlights; Case dismissed; Pay costs only by 2/28/20

Justin R. Flores, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defen-

Ayoyemi F. Kujero, Noblesville, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Scott Funk, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defen-

Audrey J. Knight, Antwerp, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Audrey J. Knight, Antwerp, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

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1/21/20 Fugate Nancy to Fugate Nancy Le;15982 Rd 201 Defiance Oh 43512; 3.141 acres; N3/4 N1/2 Nw1/4 Auglaize Twp S-23

BLUE CREEK TWP

1/21/20 Mcmillan Cody to Mcmillan Cody; 8287 Sr 114 Haviland Oh 45851; 0.876 acres; Pt Sw1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-20

CARRYALL TWP

1/22/20 Huss Carol L to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; Rd 51; 40 acres; S1/2 N1/2 Se1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 35

1/22/20 Huss Carol L to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; 6545 Rd 162 Antwerp Oh 45813; 80 acres; S1/2 Se1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 36 Easement Ref V 583 P 1623

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CRANE TWP

1/22/20 Huss Carol L to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; Rd 162; 54.66 acres; Pt S1/2 Sw1/4 Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 31Easement Ref V 583 P 1623

HARRISON TWP

1/23/20 Paulding Wind Farm Iii LLC to Paulding Wind Farm Iii LLC; 3810 Rd 124 Payne Oh 45880; 5 acres; N Pt Ne 1/4Harrison Twp

1/22/20 Huss Carol L to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; Rd 51; 77.865 acres; Pt E1/2 Ne1/4 Less 2.135Aharrison Twp-Ant Dist S-2

LATTY TWP

1/22/20 Myers Jerry A Etal @(4) to Myers Jerry A Myers Holly A; Rd 60; 35.118 acres; Ne1/4 Ne1/4 Latty Twp S-14

1/22/20 Myers Jerry A Etal @(4) to Myers Jerry A Myers Holly A; 4142 Us 127 Haviland Oh 45851; 1.501 acres; Pt S1/2 Sw1/4 Latty Twp S-18

1/22/20 Myers Mark L Etal to Myers Rick J; Rd 48; 29.7 acres; Pt E1/2 Nw1/4 S-21Latty Twp

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PAULDING TWP

1/22/20 Huss Carol L Et Al to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; Rd 71; 30 acres; S Pt Ne1/4 & N Pt Se1/4 S-7 Pldg Twp Easement Ref V 583 P 1634

1/21/20 Arrowhead Real Estate LLC to Doster Cheryl L; 326 W Wayne St; 0.2 acres; Lot 83 Dix 1St Add Paulding

BULLDOGS FALLS TO KNIGH I S

New Haven boys fell to Norwell on January 25th boys varsity play.

New Haven drops to 9-5 overall and 3-1 in Conference play. The Bulldogs were led by JaKar Williams with 17 points and 12 rebounds. Final score of the night: 54-45.

Score by the Quarter: New Haven – 10 16 11 8 =

Norwell - 14 7 14 19 = 54

MIDDLE QUARTERS LIFT WOODLAN PAST STARFIRES

BERNE - A dominating effort in the middle two quarters propelled the Woodlan Warriors to a 51-39 win over host South Adams in ACAC girls basketball

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ber presenting the trophy to Mikayla Pieper and Kevin Stahl, members of the Paulding United Methodist Church.

Paulding, OH: The Paulding Chamber of Commerce held their annual cook-off at Branch Christian Fellowship on Friday, January 24th. The cold rain made it a perfect day for a hot bowl of chili. With 9 pots of chili to choose from the competition was steep. Participating organizations included State Bank, First Presbyterian Church, Paulding County EMA, WMEA Program, CoRP, Paulding United Methodist Church, First Federal Bank, Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op, and St. Paul Lutheran Church. With 64 votes the Paulding United Methodist Church claimed the traveling trophy for the first time, breaking the First Presbyterian's two year winning streak! Coming in second with a close 61 votes

was the WMEA Program.

All participating Chamber members and community members enjoyed each other's company, tasted a lot of good chili and helped raise a little over \$300 for the Paulding Chamber of Commerce. The money raised will be used to help the Chamber, serve its members with fun and new initiatives.

The Chamber appreciates all of the businesses and organizations that entered their chili, the Emmanuel Baptist Church for providing chili togo, all of the volunteers who helped make the event successful, and to Branch Christian Fellowship for allowing the use of their basement. The Chamber looks forward to next year's cook-off and the fun rivalry that comes with it!

action Saturday evening in

After trailing 14-11 at the end of one period, the Warriors outscored the Starfires 12-5 in the second period to grab a 23-19 advantage at the midway point.

Quarter number three also saw Woodlan control the stanza as the Warriors picked up 15 points compared to South Adams' eight in seizing a 38-27 margin entering the final period.

Dakotah Krohn led all scorers in bucketing 21 points for the Lady Warriors with Addison Bayman also hitting double figures with 11 markers.

Gabby Joyce chipped in six points for Woodlan followed by Alicia McMahon and Avah Smith with five markers each. Kate Mendenhall also had two points and Hanna Albertson picked up the remaining Warrior point. Woodlan improves to 17-5 overall with the victory.

South Adams was paced by Peyton Pries, who scored 15 points, while Kristen Wynn chipped in 11 mark-

Kelsa Ortiz (six), Lydia Loshe (five) and Delaney Dunnuck (two) also scored for the Lady Starfires, who fall to 10-10 on the season.

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DUPONT HOSPITAL GRANTS FATHER & DAUGHTER A SPECIAL MOMENT THEY WON'T FORGET



FORT WAYNE, Ind. (Jan. 22, 2020) – Plans can change in an instant. For one father and daughter, a special day they hoped to cherish for a lifetime turned into a daunting question of whether he would even be able to walk his only daughter down the aisle on her wedding day. With the help of Dupont Hospital staff members, this family now has special memories to look back on that they will never forget.

After months of planning for the wedding of her dreams, Danielle Bowers had a lot to be excited for, but with the big day less than a week away, the bride-to-be's father, Rodney Moore, was admitted to Dupont Hospital. "I wanted so badly to get out in time for my daughter's wedding," he stated, but just two days before the nuptials, Moore received heartbreaking news: he was not going to be discharged in time to attend. "My daughter was absolutely heartbroken and the nurses knew I was too," he explained.

What Moore did not know was that those same nurses had something special planned for him and his family. On Sept. 27, the day before his daughter's wedding, Moore's nurse alerted him that he would be taken down

for an X-ray. Still uninformed to any details of the plan, Moore was wheeled down by his nurse and an aide to the chapel where his daughter stood waiting in her wedding gown to surprise her father. To further enhance the moment, the hospital helped to coordinate a father-daughter dance as well as provide cake and flowers.

"Thank you Dupont Hospital for making this happen for my daughter and me," Moore added. "Without the compassion of this hospital's staff, I would not have been able to experience any of this."

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PANTHERS ROLL PAST LOCOS

MONTPELIER - Paulding dominated the first quarter and then cruised the rest of the way in posting a 59-41 win at Montpelier in boys basketball non-league play Saturday evening.

The maroon and white opened a 17-4 lead after eight

minutes of action and never looked back from there.

Montpelier did close within 25-18 at the midway point of the contest but the Panthers expanded the margin back to 41-28 at the end of three quarters.

Paulding then outscored the Locomotives 18-13 in the final period to wrap up the win.

Seth Dysinger topped all scorers with a game-high 27 points for the Panthers while Hunter Kauser and Payton Beckman each reached double digits as well with ten markers apiece.

Deyton Price chipped in five points for Paulding followed by Nick Manz with four and Bert Martinez added three.

Tylor Yahraus paced Montpelier with 11 points in the contest and Thomas Jay added nine for the Locomotives.

Other scorers for the Williams County squad were Blake Altaffer (eight), Alex McCord (three), Matt Mason (three), Dylan Eitniear (two), Connor Yahraus (two), Gavin Stratton (two) and Garrett Walz (one).

The Panthers host Hicksville Tuesday night in nonleague action before traveling to Liberty Center on Saturday.

Montpelier will hit the road twice this coming weekend as the Locomotives visit Edon in Buckeye Border Conference play on Friday before making the trip to Antwerp on Saturday.

WILDCATS CRUISE TO WIN OVER PANTHERS

DELPHOS - The Delphos Jefferson Wildcats jumped out quick and cruised to a 52-29 win over visiting Paulding in Northwest Conference boys basketball action Friday night at Jefferson Middle School.

The host Wildcats got out to a 19-6 lead after eight minutes of action and never looked back in rolling to the victory.

Delphos Jefferson took a 30-17 halftime advantage and posted a 45-21 lead entering the final stanza.

Damon Wiltsie paced the Wildcats with ten points and Ian Wannemacher recorded nine for Delphos Jefferson, which stays unbeaten in the conference at 4-0 while improving to 6-8 in all games.

Other scorers for Delphos Jefferson were Logan Hubert (eight), Colin Bailey (seven), Doug Long (seven), Ashton Moore (four), Logan Gallmeier (three), Hunter Mericle (two) and Logan Herron

Payton Beckman and Seth Dysinger each scored six points to lead the Panthers with Caleb Manz adding five and Hunter Kauser chipped in four.

Boston Pease (three), Andrew Adams (three) and Evan Edwards (two) completed scoring for the maroon and white, which falls to 3-11 overall and 2-3 in the league.

Delphos Jefferson will visit Lincolnview in Northwest Conference play on Friday with Paulding hosting Ada that same evening.

RAIDERS TAKE SEVENTH AT LCC INVITE

LIMA - Over 40 schools took part in the Lima Central Catholic Wrestling Invitational last Friday and Saturday with the Wayne Trace wrestling program posting a solid seventh place finish in the team standings.

Wayne Trace picked up a seventh place finish with 124 points to complete area schools' top ten finishes. Individually, Wayne

Trace's Jarrett Hornish claimed the title at 113 with a win over Woodmore's Chase Dickerson in the championship match.

The red, white and blue's

Hunter Long posted a third place finish at 126 after getting past Covington's Kellan Anderson in the consolation round.

At 106, the Raiders' Gabe

At 106, the Raiders Gabe Sutton finished second after falling to Lima Central Catholic's Gavin Caprella in the title match.

Wayne Trace's Seth Meggison finished sixth at 145 while Raider junior Eli Moore placed second in the 160 pound weight class.

PIRATES NIP ARCHERS IN GIRLS BASKETBALL

ANTWERP - The Continental Lady Pirates hit the road on Tuesday night and went home with a 48-47 victory over host Antwerp in non-league girls basketball action at the home of the Archers.

The two squads were tied

after eight minutes of action at 9-9 before the host Lady Archers outscored Continental 13-10 in the second quarter for a 22-20 halftime lead. However, the Lady Pirates

completely controlled quarter number three as Continental outscored Antwerp 17-5 in the period for a 36-27 advantage entering the final period.

The blue and white put together a furious rally, scoring 20 points in the last eight minutes but Antwerp came up just short in falling 48-47 to the Pirates.

Addy Armey paced the Lady Pirates with 19 points and Cate Etter scored 13 markers for Continental. Alex Hoeffel chipped in nine points followed by Kerri Prowant (six) and Maddi Potts (one).

Antwerp was led by Heather Oberlin with 16 points while Astianna Coppes bucketed 14 and Karsyn Brumett chipped in ten.

Tiera Gomez (six) and Lydia Brewer (one) completed the Archer scorers.

HERSCHBERGER WINS ACAC TITLE

BLUFFTON - Woodlan senior Dan Herschberger will graduate as an ACAC wrestling champion after the Warrior wrestler won the 152 pound weight class in Friday's ACAC tournament.

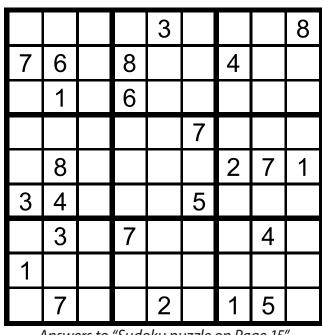
Herschberger won over Southern Wells' Xavier Walden after Walden couldn't continue due to a rib injury. Herschberger led 4-1 at the time of the injury.

Jay County claimed the team championship with 233-1/2 points while Bluffton was second at 224 and Adams Central finished third at 202. South Adams took fourth

with 185 followed by Southern Wells (147-1/2), Woodlan (117) and Heritage (74).

Heritage senior Austin Hoy took second place in the 132 pound weight class to lead Patriot wrestlers. PAGE 13 - WEST BEND NEWS - JANUARY 28, 2020
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Sudoku Puzzle



Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

8th GRADE ARCHERS TOP KNIGHTS

Antwerp Archer 8th grade basketball team moves to 10-0 with a 40-36 win over Crestview on Thursday January 16. Scoring was led by Archer Landon Brewer with 13 and Reid Lichty with 11.

RAIDERS, PILOTS SPLIT

Wayne Trace & Ayersville split in junior high action on 1/24/20 as the Raider seventh graders and Pilot eighth graders picked up victories.

The Lady Raider seventh graders defeated Ayersville 19-9 as T Sinn bucketed nine points with K Stoller adding three markers.

Ayersville led 2-1 at the

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Antwerp 2019
Financial Report is complete
and available for public review.
The report is available at 118
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monthly meetings are held
every 3rd Monday at 5:30 p.m.
except in February it will be
held on the 19th at 8:00 a.m.

Aimee Lichty, Fiscal Officer

Village of Antwerp

end of one quarter before Wayne Trace took a 5-4 advantage at the half. The red, white and blue took an 11-6 margin into the 4th quarter.

In the eighth grade game, the Pilots defeated the Raiders 37-17. Zartman had eight points

for Wayne Trace with Brenna Parker posting three.

Ohio Open Meetings

The Paulding Soil & Water Conservation District met on January 8, 2020 and set the following dates for regular board meetings for 2020:

February 12th, March 11th, April 8th, May 13th, June 10th, July 8th, August 12th, September 9th, October 14th, November 10th, and December 9th

Board meetings will be held at 8am at the Parc Lane South Hall Conference Room in Paulding, OH. Special board meetings will be posted online at www.pauldingswcd.org and at the Paulding County Courthouse.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER Plaintiff, vs.

ERIC BRADBURY et.al. Case No. CI-19-191 Judge Tiffany Righter-Beckman

TO: Eric Bradbury and Elizabeth Bradbury, LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

Please take notice that an amended complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Eric Bradbury, et.al. seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Eric Bradbury and Elizabeth Bradbury, to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by them.

The real property in question is situated in the Village of Payne and the State of Ohio and more fully described as follows:

A parcel of land situated in the

Southwest quarter of Section 35, Township Two North, Range One East, Harrison Township, Paulding County, Ohio in the Village of Payne, Ohio, being known as the north forty-five feet of the east part of Outlot 13 in Block "E" further described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 35; thence S 90°00'00" W a distance of seven hundred forty-two (742) feet to a point; thence N 28°04'12" E along the centerline of Flat Rock Road a distance of One Hundred thirty-five and 70/100 (135.70) feet to a nail set this survey, SAID POINT BEING THE

TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING OF

THE PARCEL HEREIN DESCRIBED;

thence S 90°00'00" W a distance of

hunone two 09/100 (102.09) feet to a point; 8074 J. P. P. D. 55 01°23'06" E a distance of forty-five and 01/100 (45.01) feet to a point; hence N 90°00'00" E a distance of one hundred twenty-five and 00/100 (125.00) feet to a railroad spike found in the center of said Flat Rock Road; thence along the centerline of said Road S 28°04'12" W a distance of fifty-one and 00/100 (51.00) feet to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 0.117 acres of land, more or less, subject to all legal streets and easements, apparent or of record. The above description was by Douglas E. Dunakin, Registered Surveyor NO. 7498, and was based

2007. All bearings are assumed.
Parcel No. 19-06S-024-00
Property Address: 225 Maple
Street, Payne, Ohio

on a survey made by him on June 29,

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

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

By: KILLYMULLIFE
Deputy

Respectively submitted,

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

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-01** on January 15, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$10,928.25 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SEVERANCE PAY RESERVE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$10,928.25 from the General Fund to the Severance Pay Fund to accumulate necessary resources for payments of accumulated benefits as may be appropriate and payments.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-02** on January 15, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$7,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STREET LIGHTING FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$7,500.00 from the General Fund to the Street Lighting Fund to provide necessary revenue to pay the street lighting expenses.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-03** on January 15, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$114,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$114,000.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund to provide necessary funding for the operations of the police department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-05** on January 15, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PERSONNEL MANUAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO AND ALL APPLICABLE STATEMENTS ATTACHED THERETO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2020, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance adopts the Personnel Manual for the Village of Antwerp for calendar year 2020.

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.

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PAGE 14 - WEST BEND NE OHIO WILDLIFE FEATURE: BLUE RACER



(CREDIT: Ontario Nature).

By: Patrick Troyer, Paulding SWCD

Many of the Ohio wild

Many of the Ohio wildlife that have been featured in our series have either had fur or feathers, but there are many other animals of a more slithery nature. Yes, of course that means we must talk about snakes! Ohio is home to many species of snakes from a water snakes, garter snakes, and earth snakes. This week's article features a member of the Non-venomous category, the Blue Racer. Follow along as we learn more about what this snake looks like, what they eat, and common areas in which they are found.

The blue racer snake ranges in size between 36 to 60 inches long and appears in a metallic gray color that gets hints of green on their body. It is not all that uncommon for this snake to have hints of white on their chin and on their throat. According to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), interbreeding between the blue racer and its relative the black racer showcasing combined characteristics of both species. The Ohio Public Library Information Network (OPLIN) writes that the scales of the blue racer are smooth without any keels, which are scales that have a raised edge occurring down the center of the body.

Throughout North America, blue racer snakes are found in southwestern areas of Ontario, Michigan, Ohio, Southeast Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois. Specifically, in Ohio, this snake makes its home in the western, northern, and central parts of the state. According to OPLIN, the blue racer prefers habitats that offer tall grass prairies, open woodland, along with swamps, all of which Ohio has to offer.

According to ODNR, the female blue racer lays her eggs in secluded areas such as in leaf litter or the inside of a log during the months of April through June in bunches of 3 to 32 eggs that hatch in Au-

gust or September of the same year. Upon hatching, these snakes will be around 8 to 13 inches. The record length for a blue racer snake is 72 inches according to OPLIN.

They can move across the ground at speeds of around 8-10 miles per hour. Among some of the favorites of their diet are various insects, frogs, small reptiles, mice, rats, shews, and spiders.

ODNR writes that the blue

ODNR writes that the blue racer is rather jumpy and will put up a fight when an attempt is made to pick them up with their painful bite. The snake will then vibrate the tip of their tail, common of many other species of snakes along with a buzzing sound that could be mistaken for the rattlesnake. OPLIN notes that blue racers will hibernate through the winter in large groups and with other species of snakes.

Have you seen the blue racer snake before? Let us know, we would love to see your pictures! Keep up with the rest of our Ohio Wildlife Series in future articles!

MICRO-NUTRIENT FERTILIZATION

Recent research on photosynthesis shows the importance of adequate nutrient fertility. On average, corn plants only perform full blown photosynthesis about 10-20% of the time, even when weather conditions are ideal. Why? High rates of photosynthesis required essential mineral elements to build carbohydrates, amino acids, proteins, and enzymes. If an essential nutrient is lacking or not in a plant available form, photosynthesis shuts down. High soil biological activity makes nutrients plant available. A healthy soil with living roots has 1000-2000X more microbes than a bare soil. Each microbe is a soluble bag of fertilizer full of plant available nutrients to feed the

The availability of soil nutrients is dependent on three factors. One is the chemical form that it can be taken up by the plant. Second is the proximity to actively absorbing plant root. Three is the soil nutrient must be in a soluble form that can be absorbed by plant roots. Most plant roots require moist soil and water to absorb soluble

nutrients and high biological activity. Soil and plant tissue mobility varies according to the nutrient.

Soil Nutrient Mobility:

Mobile nutrients move with the soil solution and are generally negatively charged ions (anions) or uncharged (does not apply to phosphorus) and tend to be in high concentrations in the soil. Examples include nitrogen, sulfur, chlorine, molybdenum, and boron. Immobile nutrients have little soil movement, generally have positive charges (cations) except for phosphorus, tend to have low soil concentrations, and are often highly bound to the soil. Examples include phosphorus, potassium, calcium, magnesium, manganese, iron, zinc, copper, and nickel. Plant Tissue Nutrient Mo-

bility: Mobile plant nutrients are easily remobilized from the older leaves to the new leaves under deficiency conditions. Deficiencies generally show up on the older leaves because the nutrients are easily mobilized to newer faster growing leaves. Examples include nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, magnesium, chlorine, zinc, and molybdenum. Immobile plant nutrients deficiency symptoms are most pronounced on young plant leaves and parts that are newly grown. Examples include calcium, sulfur, manganese, iron, copper, and boron.

Several micronutrients or trace elements (boron, chloride, copper, iron, manganese, molybdenum, nickel and zinc) are needed only in extremely small amounts for crop production. Most Ohio soils have adequate amounts of micronutrients for corn production but conditions vary so soil testing and tissue testing are recommended. Ohio soils generally have adequate secondary nutrients (sulfur, magnesium, calcium) if proper pH has been maintained with lime. Sandy or low organic matter soils with low biological activity generally show micronutrient deficiencies first. Soils high in organic matter, manured, or soils will high biological activity generally have less symptoms of micronutrient deficiency. To see pictures of micronutrient deficiencies, visit my website at Hoorman-SoilHealthServices.com.

Soil temperature and moisture are also important factors. Cool, wet, compacted soils that become anaerobic (lack oxygen) reduce the rate, amounts, and availability of micronutrients taken up by crops. As soil pH increases (less acid, more alkaline conditions), the availability of micronutrients decreases. with the exception of molybdenum. Zinc may be needed for corn production on high pH soils and low soil test zinc levels. Soil pH generally needs to be above 6.6 and the soil test zinc levels below 4 ppm before a yield response would be expected from additional zinc. Zinc rates may be found in the Tri-state Fertilizer Recommendations for Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, & Alfalfa (http://ohioline.osu. edu/e2567/index.html).

For the other micronutrients, no research shows the need for micronutrient fertilization on our Ohio mineral soils. If a micronutrient is needed, a starter band is probably the most efficient way of getting that nutrient to the plant. However, if micro-

nutrient deficiency has never

been identified or confirmed for a field, then a micronutrient package is likely unnecessary. Keeping nutrients levels

in balance is an important concept to remember. When one nutrient level gets too high, it tends to tie up other nutrients. For example, high phosphorus levels tend to tie up zinc, copper, and boron. If a micronutrient problem is suspected, take a plant tissue sample to determine if a deficiency exists and a micronutrient fertilizer is required. Micronutrients are expensive to purchase, and avoid over applying micronutrients, because they can become toxic when applied at too high of a rate. Dr. Steve Culman, OSU Soil Fertility Specialist provided some information for this article.

ARCHERS MOVE ON IN GMC TOURNEY

HAVILAND - Antwerp opened up Green Meadows Conference tournament play on Monday with a convincing 32-11 victory in the eighth grade basketball tournament hosted by Wayne Trace.

The Lady Archers advanced to second round action against Ayersville on Saturday at 11:15 a.m. at Wayne Trace. Fairview will battle Tinora in the first semifinal contest on Saturday.

Antwerp jumped out to a 14-4 lead after six minutes of action and the Archers pulled away from the Bulldogs from there. The blue and white took a 20-4 halftime advantage before posting a 26-8 lead entering the final stanza.

Samantha Sheedy topped the Lady Archers with 15 points and Aewyn McMichael added eleven markers. Caydence Shull (three), Meagan Pendergrast (two) and Emma Townley (one) completed the Archer scorers.

Lola Giesige topped Edgerton with four points followed by Clara Gerschutz (three), Kayt Timbrook (two) and Kennedy Stuut (two).

Other quarterfinal winners on Monday were Fairview, Tinora and Ayersville.

The Rams defeated Wayne Trace 29-6 as Tinora led 2-0 after one quarter before taking a 9-0 halftime advantage. Tinora then posted an 18-2 lead entering the final period.

Karli Okuley paced seven scorers for Tinora with eight points while Dakota Sines added five. Other scorers for the Lady Rams were Addison Lee (four), Abby Wiemken (four), Anna Gray (three), Carmen Lieb (three) and Tegan Norden (two).

Ava Zartman, Kaitlin Slade and Laryssa Whitman scored two points each for the Lady Raiders.

Ayersville posted a 52-14 win over Hicksville as the Lady Pilots were led by Taylor Waldron with 16 points while Ally Schindler and Taylor Craft scored a dozen each.

Hayden Neidhardt had six for Hicksville with Aubrie Baird and Ashlyn Steury bucketing four apiece.

Fairview blanked Holgate 38-0 in the remaining quarterfinal matchup.

Kelly Crites led the Lady Apaches with 22 markers.

The Antwerp 8th grade lady Archers played in their final game Saturday morning, January 25th, falling to the Ayersville Pilots, 22-32. Scoring was led by Aewyn McMichael with 8 points, Samatha

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Sheedy and Emma Townley each added 5 points. Also scoring for the blue and white was Caydence Shull and Meagan Pendergrast who both scored 2 apiece.

The 8th grade Archer ladies finished the season at 9-8. Good job ladies – keep working had and together!

RAIDERS HAND ARCHERS FIRST LOSS

HAVILAND - In a battle of unbeaten eighth grade boys basketball teams last week, it was Wayne Trace that escaped with a 48-45 victory over Paulding County rival Antwerp.

It was a game that it was tough to see either team lose as the two squads battled back and forth before the Raiders eventually rallied for the victory.

The squads were tied at 15-15 at the end of one quarter before Antwerp opened a 32-24 halftime advantage.

The Archers still led 39-31 at the end of three periods but Wayne Trace came storming back in the final stanza.

With Brooks Laukhuf

scoring 11 points in the period, the Raiders outscored the Archers 17-6 in the fourth quarter to rally for the two-

Laukhuf topped all scorers with 23 points for the red, white and blue while Kyle Stoller bucketed eight markers.

Cale Winans chipped in six for Wayne Trace followed by Hudson Myers (seven) and Dylan Hildebrand (four).

Landon Brewer paced Antwerp with 20 points and Carson Altimus added 11 for the blue and white.

Reid Lichty (eight) and Camden Fuller (five) completed the scorers for the Archers, who are 11-1 on the







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Mrs. Caroline Arend's first graders at Oakwood Elementary School learned about Goods and Services. Students set up their own stations offering goods and

services to each other. Each student was given some play money and had the opportunity to purchase a good or service from another student in their class.

JH RAIDERS, PANTHERS

HAVILAND - County rivals Paulding and Wayne Trace hooked up in the 'Pit' Thursday evening at Wayne Trace in a doubleheader battle of junior high girls basketball teams.

When the night ended, each school went home with a victory as Paulding took the seventh grade game with Wayne Trace winning the eighth grade matchup.

In the opener, the maroon and white scored the only basket of the fourth quarter as the Lady Panthers posted a 12-11 win.

Wayne Trace held a 6-4 advantage after one quarter before Paulding rallied to seize a 10-8 halftime lead. The Lady Raiders recorded the only three points of the third quarter to take an 11-10 margin into the final period before Paulding rallied for the win.

Ameah Carr and Brooklynn Bakle each scored four

points to pace the Lady Panthers in the victory.

Wayne Trace picked up four points each from Tori Young and Tianna Sinn while Kathleen Stoller bucketed three.

The nightcap saw the Lady Raiders shut out the Panthers in the first quarter and cruise from there to a 28-15 victory.

Wayne Trace held a 10-0 advantage after one quarter before expanding the margin to 16-3 at the midway point of the contest. The red, white and blue took a 20-9 lead into the final period.

Ava Zartman topped all scorers with ten points for the Lady Raiders followed by Kaitlin Slade with nine and Larrisa Whitman with eight.

Maci Kauser scored eight to top the maroon and white and Jocelynn Parrett added

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The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office needs a driver to take veterans to VA appointments. This is **NOT a full time** position. Agreeing to the position will put you on a list with another driver to be called on an as needed basis. Must have a valid driver's license, proof of insurance and a safe, reliable vehicle. Pays .70/.80 cents per mile.

Most trips are to Ft. Wayne VA or area doctors, but occasionally a veteran will need to go to Toledo, Ann Arbor, Lima, Dayton; Indianapolis or Marion, Indiana

Contact Carol at 419-399-8285 or stop in at 810 E. Perry St., Paulding Office hours are Tues-Fri, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

JOIN THE PARAGON TEAM!

Current Openings for General Labor on 2nd and 3rd shift Starting wage: \$13/hour with an opportunity for advancement and wage increase

JOB SUMMARY: General Labor is used in all stages of the fabricating process to load, seam, unload and inspect glass at various work stations. This position is trained on proper glass handling; proper loading technique on various conveyor systems and basic customer requirements used to evaluate the glass product. This position is assigned a given process daily and that change regularly.

ROLE RESPONSIBILITIES:

· Requires the ability to observe detail, concentrate, retain and recall oral and written instructions, communicate with coworkers and supervisors and identify and communicate problems to supervisors.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS OF JOB:

- Work requires standing, lifting and movement for 8 hour periods with designated breaks
- Repeated lifting of objects weighing up to fifty (50) pounds Wear required PPE: safety glasses, ear plugs, steel toe shoes, cut resistant jacket and gloves
- · Ability to quickly and repeatedly lift and set glass safely for up to an 8 hour period · Ability to tolerate noise, heat, humidity, dust and non-toxic

machine oils and solvents

Paragon is an EEOC employer. Paragon offers a full benefits package after 30 days including Medical (company contribute to HSA account), Dental, Life Insurance, Short term and Long term disability, paid holidays, vacation, wellness reimbursement, 401K (match 50% on dollar up to 6%) and profit sharing based on company performance.

Candidates must pass preemployment drug screen

PAULDING FFA MEMBER SELECTED AS DELEGATE FOR OHIO YOUTH CAPITAL **CHALLENGE**



Paulding FFA member Carter Manz, who was selected for Ohio Youth Capital Challenge.

By: Paulding FFA Reporter, Paige Jones

Paulding FFA member, Carter Manz, has been selected as 1 of 40 delegates for the Youth Capital Challenge. Over 100 people were nominated to be a delegate this year. The Ohio Youth Capital Challenge (OYCC) was designed to get students to make necessary changes in their communities by making new public policies and teaching the delegates about legislation. The OYCC is an interactive civil education program that is comprised of 4 total phases, with the first phase starting March 2-3 where delegates will first travel to Columbus overnight. On the first day of the overnight trip students meet their team for the project and then have time to brainstorm. To choose

Sudoku solution from page 13

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their project team mem-

bers recognize a problem in their community, propose a public policy to fix it, and then develop a detailed plan on how to get government officials to adopt the proposal. They also hear from several speakers throughout the day including last year's Ohio Youth Capital Challenge(OYCC) winner. On the second day of the trip team members learn more about legislative policy, tour the state house, and practice their presentations. Phase two of the challenge then begins in April-May, where teams work to make their plans come true with their teams. In phase three, teams meet back in Columbus on May 16th to present their OYCC plan and how successful their plan was. From these presentations, 3-4 teams are chosen to move on to the Ohio State Fair to present one last time for a chance to win a scholarship. The Paulding FFA is excited for Carter Manz to go and make positive changes to Paulding County!

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PHS 8th GRADE BB TEAM VOLUNTEER **AT FOOD PANTRY**



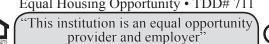
Shown here are members of Paulding Middle School's 8th grade basketball team who volunteered at the Caring and Sharing food pantry on Saturday, January 18th. From left to right are Caleb Larson, Tytus Manz, Coach Zach Ricker, Tyler Schlatter, and Casey Agler.

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PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC MEMBERS DONATE \$8,000 TO 6 LOCAL GROUPS



Six community groups received a total of \$8,000 in donations from PPEC members through Operation Round Up this month.

Small coins make a big difference when Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative members join together to fund change in their communities. In fact, \$8,000 in fourth-quarter donations was distributed to 6 local organizations through the co-op's Operation Round Up program.

Participating members "round up" their monthly electric bills to the next dollar, with the extra pennies being used to help fund community charities and groups.

The most recent recipients nclude:

• Wayne Trace Schools: \$1,000 to purchase food for Blessings in a Backpack program to feed hungry students on weekends

• Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County: \$2,500 toward a home build for an elderly man in Grover Hill, Ohio

• M.A.V. Youth Mentoring; \$1,000 support Van Wert

PULLED PORK FUNDRAIS-

ER FOR HANDS OF HOPE

On Tuesday, March 10.

supper will be served between

5:00-6:30 p.m. at the Exten-

sion Center at Paulding Co.

Fairgrounds. This is for the

Hands of Hope Pregnancy

Pulled pork, bbq baked beans,

coleslaw, chips, applesauce,

cookies, water, and coffee.

ing during the meal.

The menu will consist of:

Manz Strings will be play-

6:15 p.m. - Guest speaker

Dr. Marilyn Kindig will be

talking about abortion pill

reversal and the use of ultra-

sound in pregnancy centers.

She is our amazing ultra-

sound doctor with much ex-

Free will offering accept-

ed at the door, but you must

nave a meal ticket. Please

email handsofhope.director@

gmail.com or call 419-399-

PERI CHAPTER 10 MEET-

NOTICE!! All 96 state

members: PERI Paulding

County Chapter 10 will hold

its meeting at the Paulding

County Senior Center, 410 E.

Jackson St. at 10:00 a.m. on

Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

Yeutter, Director of Paulding

County Senior Center

Speaker will be Marsha

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Services.

PREGNANCY SERVICES

County programs like lunch and supper club, and STEM materials for mentorships

• Payne Volunteer Fire Department; \$1,500 to purchase 22 rescue extrication gloves and a stationary bike for the on-call staff's fitness

• Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District; \$1,000 for 5th grade Field Day event

• Putnam County 4-H Council; \$1,000 for 21st annual Farm Safety Program for Putnam County 3rd graders

Operation Round Up was started in 2010 as a way to give back to PPEC 's communities – groups in both Ohio and Indiana can apply. A board of trustees, composed of co-op members and separate from the PPEC board, oversees the application process. Organizations can apply for Operation Round Up assistance by contacting Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op at 1-800-686-2357 or visiting www.ppec. coop/operation-round-up.

ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL 2nd 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2019/20

*Denotes 4.0

4.0-3.67 (with no grade less than a B-)

SENIORS: Madison Boesch, Aleyah Cline, *Alyssa Fuller, Izik Garrett, Carlie Hanes, Kendyl Miller, Sydney Miller, Chloe Saul, *Blake Schuette, Julia Steiner, Elyse Steury, Melanie Wann

JÚNIORS: Kadi Donat, Dylan Hines, Austin Lichty, Laura Miller, Siera Octaviano, Molly Reinhart, *Madison Ruen, Emily Sanders, Eric Thornell

SOPHOMORES: Lydia Brewer, Nathan Dunstan, *Kate Farr, Breanna Fulk, *Jaidis Getrost, Jagger Landers,Emerson Litzenberg, *Gaige McMichael, Faith Nestleroad, *Kennadi Recker, Grace Schuette, Emma Shuherk, Kennedy Trabel

FRESHMEN: *Gavin Clevinger, Zachery Devall, Katryna Fish, Shaylee Garrett, Lydia Krouse, Makenna Lawson, Kyleigh Logan, Anna Meglich, Levi Miller, Rayni Rister, Aeriel Snyder, Kendra Spieth

3.66-3.33 (with no grade less than a C+)

SENIORS: Karsyn Brumett, Alyvia DeVore, Boston Dunderman, Chase Friend, Adison Hindenlang, Garrett Laney, Heather Oberlin, Holly Sanders, Mackenzie Timbrook

JUNIORS: Madyson Bauer, Morgan Boesch, Rylan Brooks, Heaven Bruce, Mallory Ehrhart, Aaron Hawley

SOPHOMORES: Mia Altimus, Reece Buerkle, Asti-

anna Coppes, Layla Copsey, Summer Franklin, Nicholas Jones, Luke Krouse, Jonathan Meyer, Leslie Pollock, Allison Reinhart, Kiera Reyes, Carson Stoller, Hayden Wagner, Trinity Wieland

FRESHMEN: Taylor Carr, Isabelle Graham, Camille Huyskens, Hayleigh Jewell, Ethan Lichty, McCartney Lucas, Parker Moore, Madelyn O'Donnell, Elijah Reinhart, Hope Roebel, Ethan Sanders, Autum 232 20 (with present decided)

3.32-3.0 (with no grade less than a C)

SENIORS: Nicholas Mc-Creery, Hannah Rettig, Shayla Wieland

JUNIORS: Lydia Butzin, Carmen Cruz, Joshua Timbrook

SOPHOMORES: Hailey
Grant, Morgan Kniceley, Alexandra Lehman, Skyler McCabe, Jared Phillips, Megan
O'Donnell, Annie Preston,
Kaden Recker, Samantha
Rigsby, Caleb Wilson
FRESHMEN: Brooke

FRESHMEN: Brooke Hounshell, Rachelle Maag, Michael McCreery, Ross Lee

WAYNE TRACE JR/SR HIGH 2nd 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2019/20

Merit Honor Roll 4.0 GPA 7TH GRADE: Braden

Miller, Cheyene Goings, Luke Stouffer, Ava Stoller, Juliah Manz 8TH GRADE: Trenton

McClain, Olivia Meraz, Kyle Stoller, Meara Rager, Eli Stuart, Hudson Myers 9TH GRADE: Laura

9TH GRADE: Laura Thornell, Lane Morehead, Rylee Miller, Sydnee Sinn, Gracie Shepherd, Jake Downing, Cadence Baker, Kiara Bahena

10TH GRADE: Rachel Stoller, Malia Wittwer, Faith Meraz, Brayson Parrish, Claudia Sinn, Nathan Sinn, Abbie Stoller, Therin Coyne, Kate Laukhuf, Alexander Franklin

11TH GRADE: Jacob Stouffer, Natalie Schultz, Tiffany Sinn, Ryan Wenninger, Katrina Stoller

12TH GRADE: Andrew Sinn, Alexis Gibson, Reid Miller, Max Laukhuf, Sydney Coyne, Miriam Sinn, Catherine Strable, Nathan Gerber, Krista Markley

First Honors 3.999-3.67 7TH GRADE: Kathleen Stoller, Natalie Stoller, Alli-

son Noggle

8TH GRADE: Melanie Dunham, KatieAnna Baumle, Emma Laukhuf, Kailyn Dienstberger, Kacy Hornish, Brenna Parker, Laryssa Whitman, Kaitlin Slade

9TH GRADE: Anna Miller, Hannah Maenle, Kara Stoller, Zerika Burkley, Chase Schaefer, Macy Doster, Mallory Moore, Laura Stoller

10TH GRADE: Elijah Spinner, Alexander Kohart, Cameron Sinn, Jeremiah Molitor, Karlie Simindinger, Carly Blankenship, Christopher D'Ambrosia, Brandy Miller, Morgan Hefner, Haylee Finfrock, Tatum Tigner

11TH GRADE: Cara Davis, Chloe Parker, Maria Stoller, Hannah Sanderson, Katie Stoller, Julie Sinn, Gabrielle Donis, Joseph Munger, Allison Dyson

12TH GRADE: Claire Sinn, Kelsey Guyton, Lily Baksa, Chloe Thompson, Tyce Homier, Kylie Pfeiffer

Second Honors 3.3-3.666
7TH GRADE: Tyson
Gerber, Nicholas Sinn, Lorie
Sinn, Dylan Coffman, Harper
Myers, Brady Miller, Jarrett
Jewell, Tyler Head, Isabella

FRIENDS OF THE PC PARKS DISTRICT PURCHASE PARK BENCHES/TABLE



the caps collected we were

able to purchase one youth

picnic table and two bench-

es. These will be placed at

New Rochester and Five Span

Parks in the spring. We are

The Friends of the Paulding County Park District want to give a huge shout out to the Girl Scouts, Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool and the public for collecting bottle caps for youth picnic

Knowles, Tori Young, Trent Thornell, Adelae Collins, Morgan Elliott, Tyler Sanderson

8TH GRADE: Brenna Thomas, Breven Anderson, Kamrun Smith, Emily Thrasher, Jasmine Mattson, Raelyn Schweinsberg, Paige Alber

9TH GRADE: Jared Pierce, Astrid Martinez-Sandoval, Elise Miller, Blake Stoller, Elizabeth Mohr, Kyle Slade, Rebecca Sentelik, Anna Wells

10TH GRADE: Jordan Williams, Rylee Byrne, Summer Strawser, Christina Graham, Tyler Sinn, Brookelynn Lee, Jarrett Hornish, Joel Reinhart, Anastasia Crates, Madison Farquhar, Tianna Cooper, Molli Shepherd, Kyle Klinker, Trevor Sinn

11TH GRADE: Alena Denny, Gage Tinlin, Jacob Graham, Carlee Mead, Isaiah Rittenhouse, Emily Zamarripa, Owen Manz

12TH GRADE: Amanda Wharry, Adaira Etzler, Nathan Wilhelm, Kaitlin Vest, Kristin Baker, Kirsten Lewis, Taylor Long, Jace Vining

Third Honors 3.0-3.2999

7TH GRADE: Elijah Martinez, Blake Schultz, Makenna Johnson, Gage Ogle, Serenity Helms, Ryan Viola, Bethany Miller, Cole Morehead, Anna Meraz, Corbin Kimmel, Jazmyne Roddy, Mackenzie Silance, Tianna Sinn, Christian Bohland, Elana Bidlack, Kyle Sutton

8TH GRADE: Lynsey Pease, Emma Lyons, Kyren Karhoff, Dylan Hildebrand, Brooks Laukhuf, Meg Thompson, Briley Coffman, Nathaniel Guyton, Caitlyn Thomas, Jude Stoller, Lucas Kennedy

9TH GRADE: Storm Tracy, Alexandra Johnson, Alyssa Greathouse, Joshua Shelton, Maggie Cox, Tyler Davis, Kristin Wannemacher, Cole Fisher, Evan Crosby, Brielle Sheets, Ezra Sinn, Gatlin Rowlands

10TH GRADE: Jackson Newman, Ethan Noggle, Hunter Long, Brenna Moore, Grayson McClure, Allen Minck, Alexa Campbell, Cameron Graham

11TH GRADE: Kassidy Campbell, Riley Stoller, Lydia Whitman, Kaden Sutton, Emma Crosby, Kaylee Porter, Garrett Williamson, Waylon Smallwood, Matthew Doan, Kenadie Daeger, Carson Rupp, Dane Moore

12TH GRADE: Quintin Youtzy, Nathan Crosby, Ashlynn Parrish, Charity Stoller, Mason Elliott, Madeleine Laukhuf, Alexis Dunn, Kevin McGrath

WT GROVER HILL ELEMEN-TARY 2nd 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2019/20

Mrs. Short's Class 3A
All A's: Ian Scarberry &
Brooke Stoller
A/B: Daniel Jewell &

Brayden Sinn *All B's:* Aden Burk & EhvaJean Esposito

Mrs. Alvarez's Class 3B All A's: Easton Jay, Kinlee

Miller, Braylin Sinn, Corbin Stoller, and Olivia Stoller

A/B: Jonah Sinn & Jacob Wobler All B's: Ethan Reed, Olivia

Tarlton and Abbie Williams

Mrs. Baker's Class 4A

All A's: Jensen Beining, Emma Hurd, Elizabeth Kurtz, Addyson LaBounty, Ashlyn Manz, Luke Miller and Avery Noffsinger

A/B: Miracle Omonayin & Jeremy Vejar

Mrs. Baldauf's Class 4B All A's: Faith Jacobs, Xylem Kashner, Brenan Miller, Braxton Schnipke, and

Brooke Tigner

A/B: Cheyenne Brimmer, Marcus Killion, Teagan Kline, Kenzie Ogle, Aries Ricker, Tatum Sheets, Aubrie Stoller, Alivia Thrasher, and

Karsyn Troth

**All B's: Damara Stephey-Baldazo

Mrs. Schlatter's Class 5A All A's: Noah Schlatter & Zachary Stoller

A/B: Miley Jacobs, Stefany Lopez-Castillo, Caleb Mc-Clure, Reece Olwin, & Corbin Varner

Miss Sinn's Class 5B All A's: Cole Manz, Amber Stoller, & Campbell Volk

A/B: Leah Bland, Alex Doster, Isabel Gilbert, Kaelyn Vejar & Hayden Warren Mrs. Beining's Class 6A

All A's: Whitney Boroff, Riley Manz, & Addison Stoller

A/B: Ryann Jay, Lexi Moore, Caden Sinn, & Micah Sinn Mrs. Davis's Class 6B

All A's: Lance Maenle, Caitlyn Mead, Aubree Miller, & Torree Sinn

A/B: Izabella Foust, Jordan Hale, & Ian Jewell

A TASTE OF CONVOY

nations.

to purchase more equipment.

ing County Parks District is

a volunteer nonprofit group.

All funding comes from do-

The Friends of the Pauld-

The Taste of Convoy will be held Saturday February 15, 2020 at the Edgewood Park Community Building at 7pm. This is a Wine & Beer tasting event with live entertainment. Door prize raffle will be held with many awesome gifts donated by local businesses and individuals.

Entertainment will be

Entertainment will be Tom Kennerk local saxophone musician. In the Sax Man's own words, "I've been incredibly blessed my whole life, especially in my music. This passion within me has been here for 44 yrs, and it just keeps getting stronger and stronger."

Heavy hors D'oeuvres created by local businesses and vendors. Commemorative wine glasses will be available.

Call: Kristi Gamble at 419-203-7688 or Meagan Fokker 419-203-5075.

OHIO STATE LIMA ANNOUNCES AUTUMN SEMESTER 2019 DEAN'S

LIST

The following full-time students maintained a 3.5 gpa while taking at least 12.0 credit hours during Autumn Semester 2019.

DEFIANCE COUNTY
Defiance: Taylor Shirk
PAULDING COUNTY
Paulding: Victoria Brad-

ford; Kalyn Strahley
PUTNAM COUNTY
Cloverdale: Madiso

Cloverdale: Madison
Averesch

Columbus Grove: Emily Blankemeyer; Lachlan Clymer; Kylie Coffey; Geddy Davis; Hannah Grigsby; Jenna Hardeman; Abigail Laing; Dylan Mason; Garrett Nemire; Chassidy Oatman; Jacob Oglesbee; Alyssa Ridinger; Brittany Schroeder; Caleb Schroeder; Dane Schroeder; Grace Schroeder; Renee Schroeder; Amanda Shafer

Continental: Breanne Eickholt; Andrea Snow

VAN WERT COUNTY
Delphos: Sean Flanagan
Middle Point: Alena
Looser

Van Wert: Rylee Byrne; Brayden Cox; Olivia Mengerink; Emilee Riley WILLIAMS COUNTY

Bryan: Kyley Stokes
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