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CITY OF NEW HAVEN RESPONSE TO INDIANA GOVERNOR ERIC HOLCOMB'S "STAY AT HOME" ORDER & DIRECTIVES

New Haven, Indiana - New Haven Mayor Steve McMichael, Clerk-Treasurer Natalie Strock and New Haven City Council would like to respond to Governor Eric Holcomb's "Stay At Home Order" effective March 24, 2020 for the next two (2) weeks.

The City of New Haven will continue to follow the recommendations and guidelines from the State of Indiana Governor's Office. Latitude will be given to the Fire Chief and Police Chief to use at their discretion while

cil held a Special Emergency Common Council Monday afternoon to adopt procedures relating to a Public Health Emergency including, timely deposit of funds, approval of claims and the City's revised sick leave policy.

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ANTWERP FIRE DEPT. VOLUNTEERS OFFER SERVICES TO COMMUNITY

With the current state of the nation we would like to offer our services to assist those residents of Antwerp and our out laying community who are elderly or at a higher risk for the COVID-19 and cannot or do not want to go out to the stores or pharmacies. If you need someone to get your groceries, pharmaceuticals or other basic necessities please call 419-258-6631 between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. starting Wednesday March 25th. As of now someone will be there Monday through Saturday.

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OHSAA WINTER TOURNAMENTS MOVE FROM POSTPONED TO CANCELLED

The Ohio High School Athletic Association announced that the winter sports tournaments of wrestling, basketball and ice hockey, which were postponed indefinitely on March 12,

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FINAL ELECTION DAY FOR OHIO 2020 PRIMARY

April 28, 2020 will be the final day for the March 17, 2020 Ohio Primary Election. The Election will be conducted as a vote by mail election due to the State of Ohio Stay at Home order. You may print your absentee ballot application for voting by mail from the Paulding County Ohio Board of Elections website: boe.ohio.gov/paulding. You must complete every area that is marked "required." The election is a Primary Election, election date is March 17, 2020 and you MUST complete your ballot type you wish to have mailed to you: (Democratic, Libertarian, Republican, or Issues only). Please include contact information, should the office have any questions. Mail your completed application to the Paulding County

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- April 1**
- Lenten Lunches @ 1st Pres. Church, Paulding, 12-1pm
 - Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm
- April 1-2**
- ~~Antwerp Elem Kindergarten Registration~~
- April 2**
- ~~Spring Rummage Sale @ St. Rose Comm. Hall, Monroeville, 9a-7p~~
 - ~~Off the Clock @ Wagner Metals, Oakwood, 5-6:30pm~~
 - Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm
- April 2-5**
- ~~Little Shop of Horrors @ Huber by HHS~~
- April 3**
- ~~Spring Rummage Sale @ St. Rose Comm. Hall, Monroeville, 9a-7p~~
- April 4**
- ~~PCH Health Fair @ PCH~~
 - Food Pantry @ Cecil Comm Church, 1:30-4pm - **Drive Thru**
- April 5**
- Prayer meeting @ Cecil Comm Church, 6pm - **Call In**
- April 4-5**
- ~~Painted Egg & Bake Sale @ Defiance Society of Artists (Pearl St.), 8z-4p; 10a-3p~~
- April 8**
- Lenten Lunches @ First Pres. Church, Paulding, 12-1pm
 - Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6-8:30pm
- April 18**
- United Way Purse Bingo @ OSU Ext. bldg, 6pm
- April 24**
- CoRP Wine Tasting @ Masonic Lodge, Paulding, 7-9pm
- April 24-25**
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GROCERY SHOPPING IN THE MIDST OF COVID-19



The CDC says wash and sanitize your hands after grocery shopping. It's important that you wash your hands with soap for at least 20 seconds each time. Hand sanitizer is also an option if you do not have access to soap and water. Photo: Getty Images

What steps do I need to take when grocery shopping in light of the coronavirus pandemic?

COVID-19 is not a food-borne disease. While there have been no reports as of this time to suggest that COVID-19, the disease caused by coronavirus, has been transmitted by handling food or food packaging, here are ways that consumers can protect themselves when grocery shopping.

COVID-19 transmits person-to-person through droplets that are produced when an infected individual coughs or sneezes, said Qihong Wang, a scientist and coronavirus researcher with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

The virus is most often transferred to another individual when droplets directly reach their nose, mouth, or eyes, or through close contact such as a handshake. The virus can also transmit when a person touches an object or surface with the virus on it and then touches their mouth or eyes before washing their hands.

With that in mind, the most important thing that consumers can do to protect themselves and others when grocery shopping is to practice social distancing, said Sanja Ilic, food safety state specialist with Ohio State University Extension, CFAES' outreach arm.

That includes keeping at least 6 feet between yourself and other shoppers while shopping and when standing in line to pay for your purchases, she said, noting

that current evidence shows the biggest risk of transmission of COVID-19 is being around individuals who are symptomatic, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. As such, many retailers have taken to marking safe standing distances with an "X" on the floor in the checkout lines.

If possible, use hand sanitizer before and after selecting produce items, and avoid touching multiple produce items when making selections, Ilic said.

Many grocery stores have instituted safety precautions such as reducing the hours the stores are open to allow employees to sanitize and restock the stores each night, and allowing special shopping hours for elderly consumers and those with compromised immune systems.

Additionally, here are other steps that Extension educators suggest you take when going to the store for food and supplies:

- Sanitize shopping cart and basket handles before and after you use them. All grocery stores should have sanitization wipes near the entrance. If bringing a young child to the store with you, clean and sanitize the child flap seat and other areas that the child can touch. This is because coronaviruses can remain on hard surfaces such as steel and plastic for up to three days, research has shown.

- Use a single-use plastic bag for meat packages. Although not specific to COVID-19 prevention, research has shown that doing so can reduce the risk of food-borne pathogen cross-con-

tamination.

- Clean and sanitize shelf-stable and ready-to-eat food packages, including canned food, drinks, and packaged items such as chips and crackers. This can help avoid potential cross-contamination via customer-to-customer packaging contact.

- Use sanitizer wipes on "high-touch" hand-contact surfaces such as door handles, salad-bar tongs, and checkout counters.

- Wash and sanitize your hands after grocery shopping. It's important that you wash your hands with soap for at least 20 seconds each time. Hand sanitizer is also an option if you do not have access to soap and water.

- Use separate bags for raw meat and ready-to-eat food items, as a general precaution.

- Wash and sanitize reusable grocery bags often. You can do this by washing the bags in hot, soapy water. If the bags are made of non-washable material, wipe them down with a sanitizer before and after each use.

- If possible, avoid using cash, opting to use a credit or debit card instead. Once home, it's a good idea to wipe your credit or debit card with a sanitizing cloth or wipe.

For more information, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has created a website dedicated to answering questions regarding food, food safety, and COVID-19.

WE CAN BE "JUST A CHRISTIAN"

By: Lonnie Lambert, Oakwood Church of Christ

In the midst of the religious confusion that exists in our creed-bound, denominational divided world, it is possible for us to become "just a Christian."

What does it mean to be "just a Christian"? It means more than just being a good moral person — more than just attending church services on Sunday — more than giving mere mental assent to certain denominational beliefs — more than just having one's name on a church roll.

It means going back beyond any denominational doctrines of men to the first century church as revealed in the inspired New Testament (Matthew 16:18; Acts 20:28). Back to the time when the disciples were members of "one" body — "the church" (Romans 12:5; Ephesians 1:23; Ephesians 1:22-23; Ephesians 4:4; Colossians 1:18; Colossians 1:24).

The disciples did not follow any creeds of men, but were guided by "the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 1:3). This faith (there was only one — not many) was delivered by "holy men of God" as they were guided by the Holy Spirit (2 Peter 1:21). We have this same "faith" today contained in the completed New Testament. This faith — "the faith" — is capable of reproducing the same pure Christianity today that flourished in the first century. If we will obey the Lord's commandments contained in the New Testament, we can be "just a Christian" — nothing more — nothing less.

To discover the details of how we can become and remain "just a Christian" like Peter, Paul, and Barnabas, we

must be willing to open our New Testament, read it, and study it for ourselves (Ephesians 3:3-4; 2 Timothy 2:15 KJV; Acts 17:11). The New Testament teaches that we can be added to the same body as those individuals who were added "to the church" by the Lord in the first century (Acts 2:47). All we have to be willing to do is:

- Believe in Jesus Christ as God's Son (Acts 8:37).

- Repent of our sins (John 8:24; Acts 17:30).

- Be "baptized into Christ" (Gal. 3:27; cf. Romans 6:3-4 for the forgiveness of our sins (Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16).

Why not today become "just a Christian" (Acts 11:26), worshipping and working in the non-denominational church of our Lord — the church — "the body" that is made up of saved individuals (Acts 2:47; Ephesians 5:23).

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,
My college-age daughter is constantly telling me lies to cover up what she is or is not doing. Can you give me some help?

If your daughter is a habitual liar, exposing her lies alone will not change her. Only God can truly deliver any of us from a besetting sin — In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth. (II Timothy 2:25). See also II Thessalonians 3:3; Romans 7:18-25.

There are, however, some things we can do to clear the way for God to work:

1. Don't strive, contend or fight over the issue (II Timothy 2:24).

2. Keep a meek and gentle spirit (Galatians 6:1). Anger only provokes more anger (Ephesians 6:4).

3. Give instruction in a gentle spirit (Psalm 15:1). Teach her the nature and gravity of lying by having her memorize Leviticus 19:11; Psalm 101:7; Proverbs 12:22, 19:5, 20:17, 21:6; and Ephesians 4:25.

4. Have her apologize and make things right with those she has hurt with her lies (Matthew 5:23-24).

5. Teach her to pray for God's help (Psalm 120:2; Matthew 6:13).

6. Pray for and believe God to give her eventual repentance which will bring victory (II Timothy 2:25-26).

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL IMPLEMENTS CHANGES IN PREPARATION OF COVID-19 IN PAULDING COUNTY

Paulding County Hospital is committed to the safety and health of the community we serve. We wanted to impress upon our community, patients, visitors, providers, staff, and families of our focus on providing the safest environment possible for healing. Paulding County Hospital is working closely with local and state health officials to provide the most

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem. Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by him, and afflicted."

—Isaiah 53:3-4

up-to-date information regarding the new coronavirus (COVID-19). We are here for you...close to home!

Currently, Paulding County Hospital has been operating under a visitor restriction policy due to influenza, allowing no one under the age of 18 to visit patients. Recently, these visitor restrictions have been modified, allowing only two visitors per patient during their hospitalization. Please decide in advance who you will choose to be the two visitors if you are admitted to Paulding County Hospital. This restriction was put in place for the safety of our patients, our staff, and your families.

Positive COVID-19 cases have been confirmed in many of our surrounding counties. We stress the need for urgency in being cautious as this disease will continue to spread in the coming week(s). Paulding County Hospital has made some changes due to the pandemic that we would like you to be aware of:

1. Please call prior to entering any of our facilities if you are experiencing any of the following symptoms: (including if you have a previously scheduled appointment)

- a. Fever; b. Cough; c. Shortness of breath

2. Access into the main campus facility has been restricted to Entrance #1 and the Emergency Department

3. Upon entering any PCH facility you will be screened

4. Visiting hours for patients admitted will end at 8:00 pm

5. Most PCH elective visits and procedures have been cancelled

6. ALL remaining PCH Health Fairs have been cancelled

7. Both the Antwerp Regional and Paulding County Hospital fitness centers have been closed to the public

8. Dining in the cafeteria is prohibited, carry out only

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TIME FOR SOME FINANCIAL SPRING CLEANING



Bryan Post, Edward Jones Financial Advisor

investments that are virtually identical? If so, you might want to consider ways to help diversify your holdings. While diversification can't guarantee profits or protect against losses in a declining market, it might help reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio.

• Recharge your batteries. When you do your household spring cleaning, you may want to check the batteries on your smoke alarm, carbon monoxide detector and other devices. And as part of your financial spring cleaning, you might need to recharge your own investment "batteries," so to speak. In other words, increase the power you're providing to your portfolio. You can do this in a few different ways. First, you can increase your contributions to your 401(k) or similar retirement plan every time your salary goes up. You can also try to "max out" on your IRA contributions each year. (For 2020, you can put in up to \$6,000 in an IRA, or \$7,000 if you're age 50 or older). Another way to increase your investment voltage is to make sure you've got adequate growth potential in your portfolio based on your goals and risk tolerance.

• Put your house in order. As part of your spring cleanup, you may want to check for damage on your roof, windows, siding and so on. But you also need to put your financial house in order, especially as it regards protection. Do you have adequate life insurance? If not, your family could suffer if something were to happen to you. And have you thought about how you could pay for long-term care if you needed it? The average annual cost for a private room in a nursing home is about \$100,000, according to the insurance company Genworth. To retain your financial independence - and also to help protect your grown children from possibly having to deal with these costs - you may want to explore some type of long-term care insurance.

By doing some spring

cleaning around your home, you'll lighten up your living space. And doing some financial spring cleaning may help you brighten your future.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor's Note: We here at the West Bend News print all "Letters to the Editor" because we believe that everyone has a Constitutional right to freedom of the press. In saying that, we do not necessarily agree with the content that is printed. We are just the messengers. The name of the person who wrote the letter is placed at the end of each article. To be considered for publication, letters must be no longer than 1000 words, and you must provide a name along with a phone number and/or email to confirm validity of content. You can respond or submit a new letter by email, USPS or fax.

Responses need to be received by Friday at 5:00 pm to be considered for the next publication. We reserve the right to edit for length, content and worthiness.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I am watching the 6:00 Trump presser, sadly, he made it all about him. Throw in a dig at a couple governors who asked for help, and got Trump to roll his lip, and talk bad about them, like a 3rd grade bully! It was just a campaign speech without his usual screaming crowd!

As he rambled on about how incredible and wonderful his administration is, not one mention of the nearly 100,000 positive tested COVID19 virus, plus over 1200 dead! No condolences to the families of the dead, no kind words to the sick or their families! No words of encouragement to the doctors and nurses!

Whines about the record setting gains during his administration of the stock market that have disappeared. Blames the past administrations for his failed dealings with a sickness that the pandemic illness team he eliminated 2 years ago, could have slowed down or stopped similar to the Ebola virus during the Obama administration, or the SARS virus stopped by the Bush II administration! This shows how unfit this man is for the most important office in the land, the President of the United States!

As I write this Trump is speaking of saving tourist and airlines, which use his hotels and golf courses, which he owes billions on, and without people staying in them will lose money! His creditors will be putting him back into bankruptcy courts, and his empire will fall!

his way, and people go public again, we will be worse off than China! Comparing this COVID 19 to a flu is like a fly swatter compared to a shotgun!

While I don't agree with gov. DeWine on many issues, at least he has stood tall and did what the medical experts said has needed to be done! Now Trump is bragging about refrigerated trucks to place the dead in? This man has no conscious, no heart, no morals, no love...except self-love! We need to replace this game show host with a decent, caring and honest person that believes in God, science, and medical experts! I hope the voters on election day remember how Trump has taken our nation down in so many bad ways!

—Mike Porter

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I have been hearing of a lot of complaints being made about local restaurants being "open" and "serving people" mainly the Oasis Bar & Grill in Antwerp, OH and some about Antwerp Alleys.

Yes, these places are open, along with other restaurants, but they are CARRY OUT ONLY. The Oasis may look like they have a lot of people inside if you drive by and look at their parking lot, but it is a public parking lot. It does not belong to the Oasis and anybody can park there. The pharmacy is right next door to the Oasis and there are also apartments above the Oasis, pharmacy and above the stores across the street.

Is there "open" sign on? Yes because they are open... for CARRYOUT ONLY.

It's okay to be concerned and worried about your health with everything going on, but PLEASE make sure your information is correct before calling to report a business not being in compliance with the governor's orders. The police, sheriff and health departments have a lot to deal with and shouldn't be burdened with false claims just because you might have a problem with a certain business or because it "looks like" they are open.

Take precautions, do what YOU need to do to help stop the spread of this virus and stay safe!

—Crystal Rider

ANTWERP INSURANCE AGENCY, INC CHANGE OF HOURS

Antwerp Insurance Agency, Inc. will temporarily be operating under different hours.

The hours will be 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The office will be closed on Wednesdays but they will be operating from home and checking messages remotely.

The office will still be accepting in person payments, but in an effort to try to curb foot-traffic an appointment will need to be made or knock on door.

If you need immediate assistance you can call Tim at 419-506-0171.



ALL IN A DAY

Penny For Your Thoughts by: Nancy Whitaker

In our ordinary lives, there seems to be a new problems coming into view each day.

Of course, my problems may be different than yours, and what seems insurmountable to me, may not be a problem for you.



One of my major problem days began with dropping my cell phone. My cell phone is like a lifeline to me and I am usually careful with it.

However, I dropped it on the face and shattered the screen. I could still use it, but the keypad stuck. Plus, I wasn't sure who all repaired cell phone screens.

After posting my cracked screen on a Garage Sale site, asking for recommendations, I contacted a guy from Convoy who worked on the screens.

Sounded easy, but when we took the phone to the repairman, he looked at it and said, "You said you had an iPhone 6 and this one is a 5. You need another type of screen." Oh no! Well now another wait.

The man gave me the website from which to order the right part for my particular phone and I felt proud when I ordered it. There, it was done.

The next day I realized I had ordered the wrong part and tried to change my order. To make a long story short, I finally got the right part ordered after several tries.

When the part arrived, we were supposed to take it to the repairman again and finally get the broken screen fixed.

The day arrived to take my phone in and what a surprise! It snowed that day and officials told us it was not safe to get on a highway or a street. Well the phone had to wait. I did manage to drive to the local grocery store, because we were to get more snow plus wind that night.

Another surprise! Everyone was congregated at the grocery store filling their

carts with essentials.

Other people had the same idea I had, which was to go to the grocery and stock up.

The store was out of everything I was wanting to buy, plus the place was still packed with shoppers getting milk and bread and all the things I had on my list.

I wondered, "Does everyone want to cook the same things I do when it snows? Do they want to make hot soups, warm drinks and pizza?"

After finally getting my groceries, I went home, put the food away and went into my bathroom.

Swish! Swish! I could hear water running and it did not sound good.

Oh no! The handle on the toilet looked weird and appeared not to be working. Of course it would not flush plus the water kept running.

Finally, it was decided the water to my potty (john) had to be shut off. It was leaking and I had to call a plumber.

Oh my! How could I live during a snowstorm without my phone and not being able to use my plumbing? What a day! I had also got a high utility bill in the mail as well and this just added another problem.

This had definitely not been my day.

After surviving the night, I finally got a plumber to come and fix my much needed toilet. I don't think I had to ever use the toilet as much as I did when it was not working.

Then the snow finally let up, the toilet got fixed, I got some more groceries and we made it over to get my phone fixed.

Incidents on my bad day could have been a lot worse. As I look around, I see there is always someone who have bigger problems than myself.

There are those suffering with serious illnesses, poverty and homelessness.

Appreciating what we have faith in God and strength will help get us through those bad days.

However, they say, "You never miss the water till the well runs dry" and oh that is so true in more ways than one.

How do you handle your bad days? Does things like broken toilets, crowded grocery stores, a broken phone, snow and high utility bills contribute to your bad day? Let me know and I'll Give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

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THE GOVERNMENT AND THE RESERVOIR

By: Stan Jordan

On the morning of April 26, 1888, after the news of the blowing of the locks and reservoir reached Columbus, things started to look bad for these rascals that demolished some of the government's property.

Governor Foracker wired the national guard at Toledo and a colonel set 9 officers and 52 enlisted men to the demolished area to protect the government's property. Those men were well armed but there were no bad men around.

After a few days they captured a Worden Sperry, because they recognized his gold front tooth and they were going to put all of the charges on him, but the town all came to his rescue and posted the bond. Things settled down pretty quick and tempers cooled off.

The soldier boys ate a lot of homemade cinnamon rolls and thermoses of civilian coffee, yes all was peaceful and the water kept on running out and the main old reservoir was about dry now.

Yes, the 4 thousand acres of water was now that many acres of mud and tree stumps and then more mud. All the men had to settle down as it was almost corn planting time. No more time for she-nanigans. Mr. Applegate went back to his grocery store and Frank Lamb back to his barber shop.

Now this doesn't mean that all was peaceful. The water was gone, never to return. They still had a few holes, lots of huge mosquitoes, dead fish all over, a few walking cat fish and a terrible odor, but the water was gone. There was "no compromise, the reservoir was drained."

See ya!

ME, YOU AND THE LOCKDOWN

By: Stan Jordan

It is neither a lockdown, a lockout or a partial lockin, I guess it is our way of help-

ing the spread of this deadly virus.

I guess there are a lot of flu viruses, but the coronavirus is one of the deadliest ones and a lot of that is because we don't know or understand it yet.

I think a person should go on living his life each day as close to how he lived before. I know there are all kinds of changes to some people's life style, but then, it's going to be this way for a while, so we have to get use to our new style.

I'm sure there are parts of it that you don't like or care for, but if it is your way to help in this crisis, do the best you can with what you've got.

Let's give it a try, maybe it will help. I hope so.

See ya!

THE PILEATED WOODPECKER

By: Stan Jordan

I had an interesting talk the other day with Scott Berenyi he was telling me about the Pileated Woodpecker in his area.

He lives in a small woods and he sees this beautiful bird regularly and thinks there is a nest nearby. I think that he might be right as I see one once in a while.

In the winter of 2018 on those two days that got to be 14 degrees below zero, I saw a pileated woodpecker on my big walnut tree two days in a row. He worked in the part of the tree that had the sun shining on it. Mr. Berenyi lives only about a mile or so east of me. Chances are it is the same bird.

Scott was very amazed at the size and beauty of this bird, well, I am also. I am always glad to get reports of our wildlife.

See ya!



A little old Italian type fellow went into the bank and told lady at the counter, "I wanta some money."

She was a little taken aback and he again said, "I wanta some money."

She wasn't quite clear what he wanted, it wasn't a robbery he didn't have a

weapon; nor he wasn't rude at all.

So she said, "What do you want the money for?"

He said, "I want to buy a car so I won't have to walk to work anymore."

"Oh, you want some money to buy a car? I see. You will have to see the loan manager."

The old fellow said, "Fine, if I can't see the Lonea Ranger, I want to see Tonto."

"Mr. Clark, I have reviewed this case very carefully," the divorce court judge said, "and I have decided to give your wife \$755 a week."

"That's very fair, your honor," the husband said, "and every now and then I'll try to send her a few bucks myself."

Devil shows up in church and everyone runs out but an old man. Devil says, "Why don't you run? Aren't you afraid of me?" Old man says, "Nope, married your sister."

Three elderly women are talking about their troubles.

"Sixty is the worst age to be," said Ruth, the 60 year old. "You always feel like you have to pee. And most of the time nothing happens."

"Ah, that's nothing," said the 70 year old, Maxine. "When you're 70, you don't have a bowel movement anymore. You take laxative, eat bran, you sit on the toilet all day and nothing happens."

"Actually," said Gilda, the 80 year old. "Eighty is the worst age of all."

"Do you have trouble peeing too?" asked Ruth.

"No, I pee every morning at 6 a.m. I pee like a racehorse, no problem at all."

"Do you have trouble with your bowel movements?" Maxine questioned.

"No, I have one every morning at 6:30 a.m." Gilda responded.

Puzzled with this, Ruth said, "Let's get this right. You pee every morning at 6 a.m. and poop every morning at 6:30 a.m. So what's tough about being 80?"

"I don't wake up until 7."

Did you know?
If you have 5 inches of fat around your tummy, you can prevent a bullet reaching any vital organs? I'm not fat...I'm armored!

My first day as a crime scene investigator:
Detective: How did this man drown?
Me: He couldn't breathe under water.

Randy staggered home very late after another evening with his drinking buddies. He took off his shoes to avoid waking his wife, Kathleen.

He tiptoed as quietly as he could toward the stairs leading to their upstairs bedroom, but misjudged the bottom step. As he caught himself by grabbing the banister, his body swung around and he landed heavily on his rump. A whiskey bottle in each back pocket broke and made the landing especially painful.

Managing not to yell, Randy sprung up, pulled down his pants and looked in the hall mirror to see that his butt cheeks were cut and bleeding. He managed to quietly find a full box of Band-Aids and began putting a Band-Aid as best he

could on each place he saw blood.

He then hid the now almost empty Band-Aid box and shuffled and stumbled his way to bed.

In the morning, Randy woke up with searing pain in both his head and butt and Kathleen staring at him from across the room.

She said, "You were drunk again last night, weren't you?"

Randy said, "Why would you say such a mean thing?"

"Well," Kathleen said, "it could be the open front door, it could be the broken glass at the bottom of the stairs, it could be the drops of blood trailing through the house, it could be your bloodshot eyes, but mostly, it's all those Band-Aids stuck on the hall mirror."

I've been a lot of places, but I've never been in Ca-hoots.

Apparently you can't go alone, you have to be in Ca-hoots with someone.

I've also never been in Cognito, either. I hear no one recognizes you there.

I have, however, been in Sane. They don't have an airport, you have to be driven there. I have made several trips.

Cop: Do you know why I pulled you over?

Me: If you forgot, I'm not reminding you.

OLDEST HOUSE IN ANTWERP



oldest house in Antwerp. 1844.
Birth-place of Thos. Lincoln, first child born

By: Stan Jordan

This house was built in 1844 and was logs 16 X 20 ft with one door and two windows. Over the years it has been resided, re-roofed and an addition put on. I will tell you what I know and what I have read about it.

It is on Canal Street, west off South Main, the second place on the right, but now that is just an empty lot.

In 1844 it was downtown Antwerp, just a little place to the left was a tavern and a store, just one block east was the bridge over the canal. Mr. Curtis built a trading post right there on that corner. It was once the post office.

By now the canal was done and Six Mile Creek was being turned into a reservoir. Also at this time, the pike from Hicksville to the Maumee, 6 1/4 mile, was being done... totally straight, regardless of stumps.

All of this is from a diary

Mr. Lincoln kept. He was a doctor, a Fire and a Brimstone Preacher. I don't know about his later years, but much later his daughter, who lived out in California, sent us these pages of his diary.

He was building this cabin in November of 1844. He took his time off went to, what is now Payne, and got married to a girl who came from Connecticut about 7 years before, Harriet Wentworth.

That was Harrison Twp and at that time, it only had 5 families. They settled down in their new house and the doctor was busy around town. On April 16th, 1864 their first child was born in this house, Thomas Wentworth Lincoln, a boy of 7 3/4 pounds.

His journal was only available through January of 1847.

I assume he kept on in doctoring in this area for a few years.

It looks to me like those people just lived a common

life around the canal for years. Some people moved in and the town grew a little.

The people who started the factories didn't come till 1865 after the Civil War. When the news got out about all the good timber here, the canal was very busy until about 19 or so.

Dr. John Lincoln was born in 1813 up in New England and arrived in Paulding County around 1840. He served as clerk of courts and as a postmaster at Antwerp. He and his wife, Harriet, had six children, some of them died early in life. The first son, Thomas Wentworth Lincoln, served in the Civil War, the Ohio National Guard. He died later in 1921 and is buried in Antwerp.

A daughter lived to be over 90 years old out in California. Thomas graduated from Oberlin in 1875 and died in 1921.

See ya!

FAIRVIEW FFA STATE PUBLIC SPEAKING

By: Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Fairview FFA

On Saturday, March 7, Kaitlyn Zeedyk was the only Fairview FFA Chapter representative to compete at State Public Speaking in Marysville, Ohio. Kaitlyn gave her Beginning Prepared Speech over Sheep Artificial Insemination. At sub-districts, she received second place, which was good enough to move on to the district contest. At districts, she received third but

since the first place was unable to go, she advanced to State. At State, Kaitlyn got fifth overall in the Beginning Prepared area.

On that same day, Clair Shining and Cassie Mavis made the three hour trip to Columbus to attend the State Officer Training. The girls did a variety of leadership activities where they got to meet and talk to new people. They also went over the score rubrics for the interview process. Both of these girls are interested in running for a State office. Good luck!

Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Paulding County Veterans' Service Office is making precautionary changes to our office procedures. Effective, **March 17**, until further notice, we will not be allowing any non-scheduled walk in meetings. We will be available Tuesday-Friday, 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. **for appointments only.** You must schedule an appointment by calling 419-399-8285 or email: pcvsc@pchoio.us.

Any claim-related issues are also appointment only, and financial assistance will be conducted over the telephone. Paperwork will be picked up when scheduled.

As of now, the only change to our travel policy is that travel slips are no in person drop offs. They must be placed in the mailbox outside the door of our office at 810 E. Perry St., Paulding, or mailed to:

P.O. Box 215, Paulding, OH 45879

Veterans who are in need of a ride to the VA can call our office and will be scheduled through the Senior Center. You must give advanced notice of at least one week. This service is for scheduled appointments through the VA only and NOT for when a veteran is simply not feeling well. If you are feeling unwell for any reason, please cancel your appointment with us and call your physician directly.

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DESK VIEW: HAMBURG EDITION



By: **Katie Oberlin**

Hamburg, the second-largest city in Germany by population, is a prime port city in the north of the country. Its port is the second busiest in Europe, and the city has more bridges than any other city. I got the chance to visit Hamburg during winter break in February with my host-mom, Maike. From where we live, on the west side of Germany in the middle, Hamburg is about a five-hour drive.

Hamburg is one of three cities in Germany that is a city and also its own state. It lies between Lower Saxony and Schleswig-Holstein, the state my host-mom comes from. This area of the country is geographically different than Rheinland-Palatinate because it is flatter and closer to the coast of the North Sea. Hamburg is best known for being a green city with many parks and bicycles, for its entertainment

and theater culture, and, of course, for its bridges and harbor.

Upon arriving in north Germany, Maike and I visited her family and took a look at the architecture of a few villages there. We then traveled a short distance farther to where we would be staying, a "Wohngemeinschaft" (WG) owned by Maike's brother and where my host-sister, Hanna, lives. A WG is a shared apartment where people can rent a room and co-live with others, similar to a boarding house. This is common in Germany especially for students and working travelers. Located on the edge of Hamburg, the WG is within walking distance of a train station and grocery store.

Hanna, Maike, and I ventured into the city the next day to see what Hamburg is about. The train, subway, and bus systems in Hamburg are very functional and

widely used to get from place to place. Bicycles are also a popular form of transportation, as well as, naturally, walking. We started the day by visiting a ritzy district of Hamburg called Blankenese that lies directly on the Elbe River and has many beach areas. The place we visited was a district especially known for its massive amount of stairs that allow for a leisurely walk through the neighborhood, which has particularly interesting architecture, to the beach.

Later, we took a bus to a ferry that drove through the harbor to a different part of the city, where we got on a train to a part of the city called Sternschanze. This is an especially hip area of Hamburg that symbolizes leftwing activism and is popular among students for its many trendy music venues, restaurants, and flea markets. Here, in proper Sternschanze fashion, we ate burgers in a restaurant that sells only vegan food. Hanna and I visited this area again to eat authentic falafel, a well-known middle eastern food, at a small family-owned shop.

Next, we visited the Elbphilharmonie, nicknamed Elphi, which is a huge, acoustically advanced music hall located on the Elbe River. From its observation deck, the Elphi offers a great view of what is going on in the active harbor. The music hall is nearby Hamburg's Speicherstadt, a large warehouse district with a significant historical role in trade. We visited, with my host-uncle, Achim, a coffee roasting house in this part of the city. We also took part in a haunted dungeon show, set in the Middle Ages.

The Reeperbahn is yet another section of the city that adds character to Hamburg. It is located in the St. Pauli district which is well-known

for its entertainment and nightlife. On this street, we spontaneously went to see a play called Monsieur Claude and His Daughters, a French comedy, in the St. Pauli Theater. This theater is located nearby the most well-known police station in Hamburg, the Davidwache. As we waited at a crosswalk, considering going to see the show, the man next to us told us the play is rather good, and he is a part of the cast. We did not think much of the situation, but later as we were watching the performance, we laughed as we realized that we really had coincidentally met the actor at the crosswalk.

On our five-day trip, we spent three days in the city. In between the different districts, we also saw many widely known pieces of architecture. One of my favorites was the St. Nikolai Memorial, a Gothic Revival cathedral. This was formerly a main Lutheran church in Hamburg, once made of wood and later of brick. It burnt and was rebuilt in the 1800s and was at one point the tallest building in the world. During the bombing of Hamburg in the second world war, most of the church was destroyed, other than its main tower. It now serves as a memorial and landmark in Hamburg. The Rathaus, or city hall, is also a noticeable landmark in Hamburg that we visited, as well as the Elbe Tunnel, which runs beneath the surface of the river, connecting the industrial side of Hamburg to the main city.

Despite the cold wind and rain, we enjoyed our time in Hamburg. Coming from a small town makes getting to visit a huge city a special experience. It was eye-opening to see so much culture and history, to use so many types of transportation, and to be a part of the city for a moment. Many times during the trip, I coincidentally met Americans who were also visiting Hamburg, which was especially interesting for me. Getting to know a different part of Germany with another accent and dialect as well as other traditions and cuisine was an enjoyable and memorable highlight in my exchange year, especially because I did it with my host family.

PCED CANCELS CAREER DAY HIGH SCHOOL SHOWCASE

The Paulding County Economic Development office has made the tough decision to cancel our annual PCED Career Day High School Showcase event that would have taken place on April 7 this year. We held this decision off as long as we could hoping we might be able to still host this event. With the current quarantine ending just the day before the planned event, and with the uncertainty beyond, the schools believe the best fit for students, if allowed to return to school, will be in the classroom. Thank you to all manufacturing, service and post graduate school groups that were working with us and

planning to attend. The PCED office will continue to share information back and forth with businesses needing employees, the Ohio Means Jobs office, and anyone looking for summer, part time and full time employment. It will take some time to understand where the economy will be immediately, but as this becomes clear again we will keep the communication flowing.

Our office is certainly willing and ready to help any county business to understand current benefits legislation, unemployment and small business help being offered. We may not have an immediate response but will work with you to find an answer. If there is anything you need from us please do not hesitate to reach out 419-399-8282.

(Continued from Page 1) maintaining staffing needs.

Mayor McMichael urges all residents to abide by the Governor's Stay at Home Executive Order. If you go out to a restaurant for carry-out or shop for essential supplies, practice social distancing and either wash your hands or use hand sanitizer. Please be aware of the onset of any COVID-19 symptoms and self-monitor by checking your temperature.

New Haven City Hall
New Haven City Hall will completely close to the public beginning at the close of business on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. All essential personnel will continue to report to work. This includes public safety (Police/Fire/EMS) along with other Department Heads, other Senior Staff and all full-time employees.

We will continue to follow guidelines and recommendations from the local health department along with state and federal experts and authorities.

We have many government services available online at www.newhaven.in.gov including utility bill payments, permitting and access to City Council and Board of Public Works meetings. We are also encouraging the public to call City Hall at (260) 748-7000 with any questions. Additionally, we are asking utility customers to make their utility payments at the drop box or make payments online.

Methods of payment can be found on our website.

We appreciate the public support and patience as we navigate through this ever-changing situation. Be sure to visit the City of New Haven Facebook page and website for updated information.

Essential staff will be available by telephone and email at info@newhaven.in.gov during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The New Haven Board of Public Works meeting set for April 7, 2020 has been canceled.

The New Haven City Council meeting and public hearing set for April 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. will still be held in the Council Chambers. You are invited to the public hearing, but you are encouraged to submit your comments in advance of the public hearing to be made a part of the record and be considered by the Common Council. Written comments must include your name and address. Comments may be mailed to 815 Lincoln Highway East, New Haven, IN 46774 or comments may be emailed to nstock@newhaven.in.gov. You can also view City Council meetings, including the public hearing, on the City's Facebook page. Comments must be received no later than April 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

For further information, please contact the Mayor's Office at 748-7070.

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

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

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

Cecil: Maramart, Vagabond

Charloe: Charloe Store

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

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

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

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

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

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

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Ney: Marathon

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

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

house, Paulding Co. Bookmobile, Susie's Bakery, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. OSU Extension Office, Paulding County Historical Society, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Past Time Cafe, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital

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

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

Scott: Scott Post Office

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

INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

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

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

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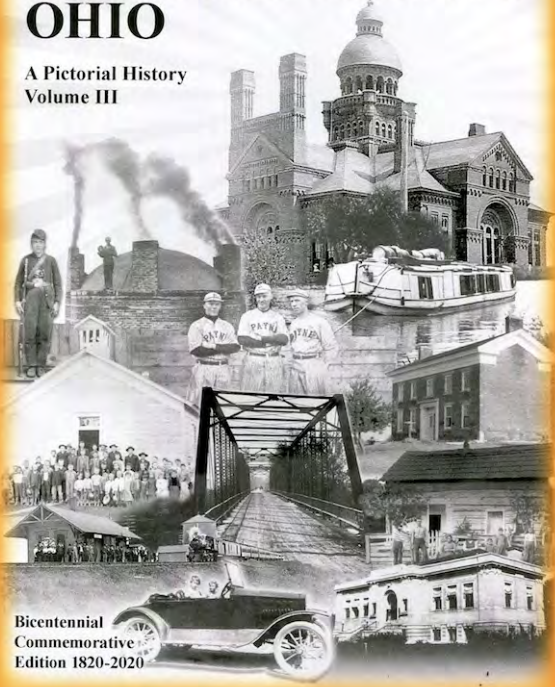
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NEW PICTORIAL HISTORY BOOK TO HONOR COUNTY'S BICENTENNIAL

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A Pictorial History Volume III



Bicentennial Commemorative Edition 1820-2020

The John Paulding Historical Society will produce a new pictorial history of Paulding County to coincide with the county's bicentennial. Above is a sample of the book cover. The book committee is accepting pre-sale orders and photos covering 1820-2020.

A new pictorial history book to help commemorate Paulding County's 200th birthday is being published by the John Paulding Historical Society.

This high-quality, hard-bound book will be available later this fall.

The historical society felt it is important to have a special project to celebrate the bicentennial, said Kim Sutton, historical society president and a member of the

county bicentennial committee. They chose to produce a third volume of the popular pictorial histories previously published.

"For many years, people have been asking me, 'When are you going to do a Volume III?' I talked to Bob Iler, who said he was willing to 'get the band back together' and do it," according to Sutton. "Most of the original committee members were asked and agreed to

come back together."

In addition to Sutton and Iler, the book committee members include Melinda Krick, Sue LaFountain and Walter Lang.

JPHS has entered into a contract with M.T. Publishing, which printed the first two books. The 9-inch by 12-inch coffee table-size edition will be beautifully bound in a hard cover with a color dust jacket designed by Krick.

With a minimum 112 black-and-white pages, the final book page count will depend on the number of book orders and photographs received.

Paulding County, Ohio: A Pictorial History Volume III will contain historical highlights and hundreds of historical photos from the county, past and present.

"Volume III will bring us



up to the present date," said Sutton.

"It will show how much progress had been made in its 200 years," added LaFountain. "It also will have some 'Now & Then' photo comparisons of local buildings. It will take a forward step in time to include a

newer generation from the last book."

Plans are to include some photos from bicentennial events, including the kickoff in February.

County photos - including maps and drawings - from circa 1820 to 2020 are needed in the following subject areas:

- Agriculture - Tractors, farming, harvesting equipment, farms, livestock, crops, methods and practices, buildings & outbuildings, drainage, etc.
- Buildings - Log cabins, homes from all eras, public buildings, post offices, pools, commercial buildings, interiors, demolition, abandoned structures, etc.
- Businesses - Interiors, people at work, drug stores, general stores, blacksmiths, livery stables, banks, print shops, professional offices (doctors, dentists, lawyers etc.), photographers, feed mills, sawmills, tile mills, retail shops, restaurants, drive-ins, factories, etc.
- Churches - Buildings, church picnics, baptisms, revivals, Sunday school groups, church anniversaries, ice cream socials, activities, etc.
- Disasters - Floods, tornadoes, fires, blizzards, train wrecks, storms, droughts, derecho, etc.
- Organizations - Social clubs, 4-H, Scouts, youth ball teams, fraternal, volunteer, professional, veteran, community bands, Grange, alumni, etc.
- Events/Activities - Parades, political rallies, strikes, barn raisings, county fairs, picnics, class reunions, festivals, dances, holidays, recreational activities (fishing, boating, bowling, hunting, adult softball, parks etc.), theaters, concerts, gatherings, ribbon cuttings, street scenes, etc.
- Military - Military units, veteran organizations, soldiers from all eras and conflicts, reunions, etc.
- Families - Ancestors, pioneers, father & mother, children, weddings, family picnics, people & groups, etc.
- Schools - Buildings, classrooms, school activities, playgrounds, graduating classes, school buses, school sports, cafeterias, etc.
- Transportation - Horse or mule teams, buggies and other horse-drawn vehicles, automobiles, road construction, rivers, bridges, canals, railroads, depots, trains, boats, trucks, ambulances, airplanes, passenger buses, police cars, bicycles, bookmobiles, etc.

Paintings, printed memorabilia and important artifacts also will be considered.

"All photos of interest are needed," Sutton said. "From wagon wheels to windmills, we are trying to capture the progress of our county through the past 200 years."

What kinds of treasures are the committee hoping to find?

"On our wish list, we would love to see any photos of the Reservoir War (1887) dynamiters. We know this picture is out there, but cannot locate anyone who has it," said Sutton. "Also anything picturing the canal towns or railroad towns that are now considered 'ghost towns.' Photos of the canals and railroads that used to run through Paulding County are pretty

rare. We urge everyone to search through your grandmother's photo albums or box of photos."

"We know that some photos exist, because of mentions in old newspapers, but we haven't seen them and hope they turn up for this book," added Krick. "There should be photos of the courthouse during construction and when it was completed in 1888. We would love to find some of the courthouse interior, especially the old courtroom and the center hallway balcony before it was closed up in the 1970s."

Some other "wish list" items are old photos of the Curtis trading post and other early pioneer-era homes, the courthouse and jail in Charloe, covered bridges, "vanished" buildings and structures, the Maumee and Auglaize rivers, the county fair and fair buildings, and pictures showing the pre-drainage Black Swamp.

"Another at the top of my list is the interiors of buildings - stores, restaurants, homes and public buildings, especially movie theaters," Krick said. "It would be great to see a soda fountain, the inside of a bowling alley, the hospital or a dress shop. Interior shots seem to be rare, probably because of needing flash equipment or additional lighting. There might be some snapshots out there, taken by store owners or family members. They may not think the photo is important, but it really helps tell the story of how residents lived. I hope we will have some interiors for all the categories."

The book committee noted that residents are welcome to submit any photos or images they think are interesting or unique. However, due to limited space and to keep the sections balanced, not all photos are guaranteed to be published. The committee will make the final selections.

The deadline to submit photos was set for May 15; however, due to coronavirus restrictions, the committee may extend the deadline. Individuals may scan their photos and email them as an attachment to Iler at ethanm@twc.com, Sutton at dkmax@windstream.net or Krick at tmekrick@yahoo.com. Be sure to include caption information indicating who/what is depicted, when the photo was taken and who is submitting the image.

Low-resolution images, website images, images embedded in a text document and computer printouts will not be accepted.

The committee recommends that images 8x10 inches or larger be scanned at 300 dpi. Images smaller than 8x10 inches must be scanned in at least 600 dpi. Files should be saved in a .jpg or .tiff format. Or, contact one of the committee members to arrange to have a photo scanned or for any questions.

Soon, a "photo of the week" selected from submitted images will be shared with local newspapers and posted online.

Because only a limited number of books will be printed, book orders must be collected in advance. The preorder deadline is June 30. Order forms are available to download on the Paulding County Bicentennial Facebook page facebook.com/PauldingCounty200 under "About" then "See Menu."

"Response so far has been wonderful," Sutton noted. "People are excited about it. Many are doing their Christmas shopping early and ordering for their family members as gifts."

"I already have family, friends and organization members who are waiting to order. They are excited to see another volume come out," LaFountain said.

Volume I is completely sold out and there are no plans to reprint it, according to Sutton.

Copies of Volume II are available to purchase for \$50. "The publisher happened to find 75 copies in their warehouse. The Paulding Chamber of Commerce and JPHS purchased those 75 copies and they are available at the museum and also at the chamber office," she said.

Another way to participate in the book project and preserve memories for future generations is with a patron page. Patron pages are available to document the history of a business, church, school, organization or family. Text and photos may be submitted.

The deadline for submitting patron page material currently is May 15. For details on guidelines, email one of the committee members.

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PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC AWARDS \$5,400 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO 7 LOCAL SENIORS

PAULDING, OH — Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC) knows career preparation can be expensive. That's why one of PPEC's cooperative principles, "Education, Training, and Information," aims to uplift the next generation of leaders and help them succeed through the co-op's Children of Members Scholarship Program.



Daniel Siebeneck

or global studies but is undecided on a college yet. Second place, \$800

Second-place winners **Claire Eiden** (Ottawa Glandorf High School) and **Daniel Siebeneck** (Miller City High School) won \$800 scholarships. Eiden is the daughter of Keith and Mary Jo Eiden of Ottawa, Ohio, and plans to attend either Trine or Xavier University majoring in computer science or mathematics. Third place, \$600



Morgan Dowler

Crestview High School's **Morgan Dowler** and Ottonville High School's **Elijah Knodell** captured top honors in the 2020 PPEC scholarship competition, selected by Defiance College judges. Each received a \$1,000 scholarship.



Elijah Knodell

Dowler will go on to represent PPEC in the Ohio's Electric Cooperatives' statewide scholarship competition in Columbus, where a total of \$38,200 will be distributed. Dowler has a 4.0 grade-point average, is ranked first in her class, and is the daughter of Stephen and Casey Dowler of Convoy, Ohio. She is considering a college major in interior design and business at either Baylor University, Belmont University, or Miami University in Oxford.

Knodell has a 4.0 grade-point average and is ranked first in his class. He is the son of Shawn and Michelle Knodell of Fort Jennings, Ohio. He is considering a degree in international relations



Luke Spangler



Syndie Siebeneck

Third-place winners **Syndie Siebeneck** (Fort Jennings High School) and **Luke Spangler** (Woodlan High School) won \$600 scholarships. Siebeneck is the daughter of Heather Siebeneck of Fort Jennings, Ohio, and she plans to attend the Ohio State University majoring in radiologic sciences and therapy. Spangler is the son of Brian and Tanya Spangler of Woodburn, Indiana.



Grace Hoffman

He isn't decided on a college yet, but he plans to major in international business. Hillsdale College, University of Notre Dame, Indiana University, and Purdue University are all on his list.

At-Large Winner, \$600 **Grace Hoffman** of Ottawa-Glandorf High School won \$600 as PPEC's at-large

winner. Hoffman is the daughter of Greg and Lisa Hoffman of Ottawa, Ohio. She plans to attend the University of Findlay majoring in physical therapy.



Grace Hoffman

Congrats to the winners! Their hard work has not gone unnoticed, and PPEC wishes them the best in their future endeavors.

Scholarship applications typically open each year in December for high school seniors who are children of PPEC members. Interested parents and students can visit ppec.coop/scholarships for more information.

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ANTWERP JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL THIRD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2019-20

***Denotes 4.0**

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

SENIORS: Madison Boesch, Aleyah Cline, Alyssa Fuller, Garrett Laney, Kendyll Miller, *Blake Schuette, Julia Steiner, Elyse Steury, Mackenzie Timbrook, Melanie Wann

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

SOPHOMORES: Lydia Brewer, Layla Copsey, Nathan Dunstan, *Kate Farr, *Breanna Fulk, Jaidis Getrost, Jagger Landers, Emerson Litzenberg, *Gauge McMichael, Leslie Pollock, *Kennadi Recker, Kiera Reyes, *Grace Schuette, Emma Shuherk, Kennedy Trabel

FRESHMEN: Gavin Clevinger, Zachery Devall, Katryna Fish, Shaylee Garrett, Isabelle Graham, Lydia Krouse, Makenna Lawson, *Rayni Rister, Ethan Sanders, Aerial Snyder, Autumn Zuber

EIGHTH GRADE: Carson Altimus, *Landon Brewer, *Myranda Brooks, Camden Fuller, Cohen Hitzeman, *Addysn Hormann, Sara Lawhorn, Reid Lichty, Falyynn McAlexander, *Aewyn McMichael, *Brooke Molitor, *Hannah Molitor, *Emma Saul, Conner Shiple, *Kahlea Shook, *Leila Spyker, *Emma Townley

SEVENTH GRADE: *Allison Carnes, Elle Clem, *Derek Hines, Isabella Jackson, Lydia Johnson, Jonah Keys, *Aiden Lichty, *Teehun Marlin, *Braylen Moreno, *Madisyn Peters, *Caroline Rohrs, *Eden Shuherk, *Gracelyn Stoller, *Jessica Thornell

SIXTH GRADE: Kalli Billman, Krystal Bradbury, Marcelo Cruz, *Leigha Doster, Sara Farr, Miley Jew-

ell, Andrew Johnson, Estee Lichty, Zaine McMichael, *Hampton Rogge, Raelynne Zuber

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

SENIORS: Dustin Craig, Izik Garrett, Tiera Gomez, Carlie Hanes, Sydney Miller, Heather Oberlin, Hannah Rettig, Holly Sanders

JUNIORS: Morgan Boesch, Lydia Butzin, Aaron Hawley

SOPHOMORES: Mia Altimus, Reece Buerkle, Astiana Coppes, Summer Franklin, Hailey Grant, Nicholas Jones, Luke Krouse, Faith Nestleroad, Allison Reinhart, Samantha Riggsby, Hunter Sproles, Madison Smith, Trinity Wieland, Caleb Wilson

FRESHMEN: Taylor Carr, Brooke Hounshell, Camille Huyskens, Hayleigh Jewell, Ethan Lichty, Kyleigh Logan, Anna Meglich, Levi Miller, Parker Moore, Madelyn O'Donnell, Ratana Owen, Elijah Reinhart, Hope Roebel, Kendra Spieth, Laura Wolf

EIGHTH GRADE: Caleb Laker, Taylor Morales, Samantha Sheedy

SEVENTH GRADE: Brynn Reinhart, Keira Sargent, Kayden Winslow

SIXTH GRADE: Nikalas Brandenbug, Dylan Hahn, Harlee Moore, Taylor Shull

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

SENIORS: Karsyn Bru-mett, Chase Friend, Jayvin Landers, Chloe Saul

JUNIORS: Heaven Bruce, Carmen Cruz

SOPHOMORES: Morgan Kniceley, Landon Lee, Alexandra Lehman, Skyler McCabe, Jonathan Meyer, Megan O'Donnell, Kaden Phares, Annie Preston, Kaden Recker, Carson Stoller, Hayden Wagner

FRESHMEN: Owen Brinneman, Ross Lee, McCarty Lucas, Zoey Shelton

EIGHTH GRADE: Jill Magoulas, Isabella Meyer, David Puckett, Benjamin Savina, Caydence Shull, Xander Smith, Lucy Wales, Zane Wolf

SEVENTH GRADE: Maylynn Carnahan, Karsen Donat, Drew Eaken, Lucas McKeever, Skyler Octaviano, Bryce Sholl, Tavin Sholl, BrittLynn Sitton, Jayla Wright

SIXTH GRADE: Carter Bashore, Briana Dzib, Emory Ehrhart, Raeley Franklin, Amelia Graham, Halley Hathaway, Hayden Lengacher, Camryn McAlexander, Lillyanna McKay, Landon Orozco, Camron Pettijohn, Colten Sargent, Corbin Sargent, Braxton Schilt, Taylor Stiebling, Ethan Thomas-VanKirk, Lauren Walters

PAULDING ELEMENTARY THIRD NINE WEEKS 2019-20

***Denotes all "A's"**

GRADE 3:

Mrs. Doster - *Owen Stoller, *Ross Myers, *Leah Manz, Shohawana Shepherd, Gracie Leal, Aspen Grace, Cora Agler, Ingrid Escobar

Mrs. Buss - *Brynlee Mangette, Lincoln Manz, Jordyn Nagy

Mrs. Rohlf - *Conner Burkley, Levi Athy, Parker Bates, Karli Breedlove, Kade Manz

Mrs. Pennington - *Dani Borland, *Maddison Clark, *Kendyl Sunday, Makenna Adams, Kendal Hodge, Luciana Martinez, Jadyan VanVlerah

GRADE 4:

Mrs. Keller - *Jack Daeger, *Emily Hartzell, *Graham Miller, Gracie Ametewee, Jarret Griffith, Delaney Scott, Gabby Stork, Alayna White, Cameron Williams

Mrs. Stoller - *Parker Egnor, Xandyr Carlisle, Carly Font, Tyler Goyings, Kenna Jackson, Kayde Kuckuck, Kawana Lipps, Nick Schlueter, Owen Workmen

Mrs. Warner - *Nick Baughman, *Presley Barnes, *Delaney Johanns, Addison Arend, Ridge Hunt

GRADE 5:

Miss Looser - *Lucy Porter, *Darcy Taylor, *Quinlyn Gonzales, *Olivia McCrory, Rose Bowser, Landon Dasher, Colton Roehrig, Trenton Tressler

Mrs. Troyer - *Mari-ah Klopfenstein, Kayleigh Dunham, Jayla Griffith, Lily Spielman, Taylor Steman

Mrs. Schultz - *Vivienne Myers, *Lailah Smith, *Audrey Stoller, Braylon Barnes, Olivia Breier, Max Daeger,

Maleigha Evans, Megan Manz, Landyn Moore

EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION OFFICE TO CLOSE AMID COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The East Allen County Schools Administration Building will be closed beginning March 23rd through April 3rd due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. This time could be extended beyond April 3rd if the situation at that time deems it necessary.

We know this is a stressful time and East Allen County Schools will continue to support our families and remain responsive. That said, if anyone has a need to contact the Administration office please call 260-446-0100. Families should also visit the district's website www.eacs.k12.in.us as information is continually updated.

Thank you so much for your patience and understanding during this time.

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are now cancelled due to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic. It is anticipated that schools will not be able to reopen for many weeks, which prevents interscholastic athletics from taking place.

The start of the OHSAA's spring sports of softball, lacrosse, baseball, track and field and boys tennis is still postponed, which coincides with schools not being open.

Earlier, OHSAA Executive Director Jerry Snodgrass and his staff communicated with the schools that were still competing in those winter tournaments to announce the decision.

"We are just devastated that the tournaments cannot be completed," said Snodgrass. "But our priority is the safety of our student-athletes, coaches, communities and officials. Governor Mike DeWine is asking all Ohioans to do everything they can to stop the spread of this virus. That request, along with our schools not being able to reopen for weeks, means that school sports cannot happen at this time. Even if our schools reopen this spring, it will be difficult to find facilities willing to host the tournaments. Most campus are shut down until mid to late summer.

"We are already planning for ways that these student-athletes will be honored at next year's state tournament," said Snodgrass.

The 16 schools that qualified for the girls basketball state tournament and the four teams that qualified for the ice hockey state tournament will all receive state tournament programs. The 672

student-athletes who qualified for the wrestling state tournament will all receive a program, certificate and their weigh-in card.

These four winter state tournaments and a few events during World War 2 (1941-45) are the only sports cancellations in the history of the OHSAA, which was founded in 1907.

No state champions will be listed for these four sports in 2020. The OHSAA does not use state polls from the media or coaches associations to determine state champions.

A reminder that OHSAA coaches can communicate electronically with their student-athletes, but no practices, scrimmages or contests of any kind are permitted until further notice.

More information regarding spring sports will be provided when available.



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ANTWERP POLICE REMINDS PEOPLE TO NOT FALL FOR SCAMS



them that the land owner no longer wanted them on their property or to contact them.

On March 14, a citizen of the village came into the station saying that a person called him from an 800 number claiming to be from Google. The rep from Google said they claimed he had been looking at child porn and that he must get \$400 Google gift cards and give the pin numbers over the phone to pay for the "crime". After doing so the person was told that it was not quite enough and needed to give him the last four digits of his debit card. Upon this, the person realized it was a scam and had the bank cancel his debit card numbers.

On March 15, a resident of the village was arrested on a warrant for a grand jury indictment.

On March 15, an officer was on patrol and noticed flooding on Waterplant Drive and then contacted the Village Administrator.

On March 16, a resident of Maumee Lane reported that a person was driving around taking pictures of houses. The case was investigated and determined that the person was driving around wanting to build a new house was getting ideas.

On March 19, a local business owner reported an employee had been taking money from the business. The case was investigated and the employee was terminated and referred to the prosecutor for charges.

On March 20, a resident of West River Street reported that a male suspect was at the property next door and taking pictures of her grandchildren that were playing outdoors. The case was inves-

tigated and found the suspect was a realtor who denied taking pictures of the children.

On March 21, an officer was called to an incident on South Main Street. One suspect had allegedly stabbed a driver in the neck causing the driver to veer off and crash into a parked car and both vehicles caught fire. The suspect also assaulted a fireman. The suspect was arrested and resisted arrest. Both were taken to the hospital for evaluation and the suspect was incarcerated in the Paulding County Jail.

On March 21, a resident of Daggett Street reported that he believed someone trespassed in and around his property both day and night. Images were captured on cameras and is now under investigation.

On March 23, at 8:00 p.m. an officer, while in the police department, noticed a male subject behind the police department on cameras acting strange. Upon investigating the subject was deemed suicidal and taken for evaluation.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Rian M. James, Broughton, OH; Aggravated menacing; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Adam A. Wright, Clo-

verdale, OH; Driving under non fra suspension; Case dismissed per the state of Ohio, without prejudice; Costs waived

Tanner W. Cook, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Margaret M. Keeterle, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Micaila M. Cochran, Defiance, OH; Driving under fra suspension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Show proof of insurance by 3/27/20 at 4:00 p.m.; Operator's license to be released once paid in full

Kevin P. Ward, Indianapolis, IN; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jacob Matthew Groch-Karsten, Delphos, OH; Criminal damage; Case dismissed, with prejudice; Costs waived

Shane M. Begley, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs to defendant

Jeremy Lee Akers, Melrose, OH; Resisting arrest; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived

Jeremy Lee Akers, Melrose, OH; Possession of drugs; Case dismissed per state

Freda L. Lane, Defiance, OH; Burglary; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing in open court; Case shall be bound over to the Paulding County Common Pleas Court

Danielle D. Cristofolini, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Hassan H. Ballout, Dearborn, MI; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tylor J. Bates, Continental, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant took course

Reed M. Keplinger, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dennis Meyer, Paulding, OH; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Timothy W. Overmyer, Scott, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicolas Jacquillet, Canton, MI; Marked lanes; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicolas Jacquillet, Canton, MI; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tyler J. Levos, Paulding, OH; Possession of drugs; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived

Stephanie R. Fannon, Payne, OH; Possession of marijuana; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant; All contraband shall be destroyed and forfeited or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Stephanie R. Fannon, Payne, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Stephanie R. Fannon, Payne, OH; Physical control; Guilty; Defendant may attend DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; Defendant shall submit to eval-

uation at Westwood Behavioral; Community Control Two; Complete 20 hours of community service through Paulding Municipal Court Probation; Pay or collect 8/27/21 beginning 5/29/20 @\$50 per month; ALS vacated

David Adkins, Paulding, OH; Failure to yield/left turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Guerrero N. Villalobos, Grover Hill, OH; OVI/under influence; Guilty; Proof of financial responsibility not provided; Defendant may attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail; Pay all fines and costs beginning 4/24/20 at \$60 per month; Pay or collections 10/30/20; DIP compliance date 7/26/20

Guerrero Neftali Villalobos, Grover Hill, OH; Failure to control; Case dismissed at state's request

Gerardo O. Cruz, Ney, OH; Reckless operation; Guilty; Defendant may attend DIP in lieu of 3 jail days, comply date 6/26/20; Defendant to pay all fines and costs commencing 4/24/20 @ \$70 per month; Pay or collection date 4/30/21

Gerardo O. Cruz, Ney, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Pay or collection 4/30/21

Aaron M. Kraft, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No unlawful contact with victim

Thomas A. Manz, Las Cruces, NM; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Thomas A. Manz, Las Cruces, NM; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Makenna D. Johnson, Lima, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kenneth R. Herber, Antwerp, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jeffery C. Spoor, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Avery E. Coplin, Paulding, OH; Left of center; Case dismissed at state's request

Avery E. Coplin, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence; Guilty; 170 jail days reserved; \$50 per month payments beginning 4/24/20; Pay or collection 12/31/21; Evaluation at Westwood; Complete Thinking For A Change Program; Community Control Two

Danielle R. Ripke, Paulding, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

defendant

Avery E. Coplin, Paulding, OH; OVI/under influence; Guilty; Defendant to be placed on SCRAM today; 170 reserved jail days; To report to jail on 3/30/20 at 6:00 a.m.; Defendant placed on standard probation

Matthew A. Niccum, Marion, IN; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Aaron M. Smith, Sylvania, OH; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Joseph E. McCann, Pompano Beach, FL; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Derek J. Barron, Monroe, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tony J. Cotman, Carmel, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kyler Niekamp, Saint Henry, OH; Marked lanes; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today

Melissa A. Martinez, Paulding, OH; Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Loy W. Taylor, Defiance, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kasedy D. DeLarber, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Saad F. Alghamdi, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non fra suspension; Case dismissed at state's request with costs paid by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BENTON TWP

3/24/20 Camp Meeting Of The Church Of God At Payne, Ohio to Camp Meeting Of The Church Of God At Payne, Ohio; Sr 500; 7 acres; W1/2N-w1/4Se1/4 Benton Twp S-9

3/24/20 Camp Meeting Of The Church Of God At Payne, Ohio to Camp Meeting Of The Church Of God At Payne, Ohio; Sr 500; 7 acres; Pt W1/2 Sw1/4 Se1/4 Benton Twp S-9

BLUE CREEK TWP

3/25/20 Flint Julie A to Osborn Sarah J; 4834 Rd 101 Haviland Oh 45851; 5.281 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-14

3/26/20 Strunkenburg Rich Torman Cayonna to Torman Cayonna; 8608 Rd 48 Haviland Oh 45851; 1.17 acres; Pt W1/2 Ne1/4 Blue

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CHOW LINE: FOOD SAFETY AND CORONAVIRUS



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Do I need to worry about food safety in regard to coronavirus? Specifically, can food become contaminated with coronavirus and thereby infect people?

There have been no reports of this happening.

As of this time, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, is unaware of any instances suggesting that coronavirus, COVID-19, has been transmitted by foods. This includes meats, fruits, and vegetables. Moreover, the USDA has created a website dedicated to answering questions regarding food, food safety, and COVID-19.

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that include the common cold, severe illnesses such as severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), and Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS), all of which can infect both humans and animals, according to the World Health Organization (WHO).

Coronaviruses transmit person-to-person through droplets that are produced when an infected individual coughs or sneezes, said Qiuhong Wang, a scientist and coronavirus researcher with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

"The virus is most often transferred to another

individual when droplets directly reach their nose, mouth, or eyes, or through close contact such as a handshake," she said. "The virus can also transmit by touching an object or surface with the virus on it and then touching your mouth or eyes before washing your hands."

Experimental studies with a bovine coronavirus have shown that the virus can be stable on the surface of lettuce, said Linda Saif, a scientist and coronavirus researcher at CFAES and Ohio State's College of Veterinary Medicine.

"Coronaviral RNA was detectable on the lettuce surface for 30 days, and infectious bovine coronavirus was detected on the lettuce surface for at least 14 days after inoculation," said Saif, who is a world-renowned expert on coronaviruses. "However, from experience with previous outbreaks of SARS and MERS, the transmission through food consumption is not likely to occur."

Further, the transmission through foods is not possible if the foods are cooked properly since coronaviruses are inactivated by heat, much like other human pathogens, Saif said.

"There is no information whether COVID-19-infected food handlers could contaminate uncooked produce that is not further treated," Saif said.

Although consumers should not be too worried about COVID-19 transmissions from food, everyone should follow good hygiene practices when preparing foods to lessen their chances of contracting the virus from other sources, said Sanja Ilic, food safety state specialist with Ohio State University Extension, CFAES' outreach arm.

"In addition, everyone should avoid crowded spaces and any contact with people that may be infected."

Cleaning surfaces is also important, she said.

A recent study found that coronaviruses can persist up to nine days on inanimate surfaces such as metal or plastic, according to the Journal of Hospital Infection. Coronaviruses persist longer at lower temperatures and when the humidity is higher. Surface disinfection with 0.1% sodium hypochlorite or 62%-71% ethanol significantly reduces the infectivity of coronavirus on surfaces within one minute of contact.

"As with any food safety measures, you should always wash your hands before, during, and after food

preparation and before you eat any foods," Ilic said. "Additionally, you should be sure to carefully wash any surfaces used for food preparation."

When handling raw meats, fish, and poultry, keep them separate from other foods, cook them to the correct temperature, and refrigerate the cooked foods within two hours of preparation. This is because bacteria that can cause food poisoning multiply the quickest between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit, Ilic said.

Always use a food thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature to destroy any harmful bacteria such as E. coli or salmonella, according to the USDA.

For meats such as steak and pork, that temperature is 145 degrees. For ground meats—including beef, pork, veal, and lamb—the correct temperature is 160 degrees, the USDA says. And poultry such as chicken and turkey should be cooked to an internal temperature of 165 degrees.

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

OSU EXTENSION OFFICES IMPLEMENT TELEWORKING

Governor DeWine recently issued a state of emergency for the state of Ohio, and along with the Ohio Department of Health, has implemented a variety of strategies to reduce the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). To do our part in reducing risk to Ohio State University Extension employees or clientele, we have implemented a teleworking plan effective immediately, and all OSU Extension offices will be closed to the public until further notice.

This mirrors The Ohio State University's decision earlier this month to close university buildings and facilities on all of its campuses to "critical services" only (such as law enforcement and public safety; hospitals and health services; facility utilities; and a few others).

While our physical offices will be closed, we are committed to continuing to conduct our work as fully as possible. Our employees are prepared to telework and are ready to serve their local clients and communities. In recent years, OSU Extension has invested in the technology needed to facilitate effective teleworking for our organization; and we will utilize our resources during this challenging situation to remain engaged with Ohioans. Clients, stakeholders, and other community members should continue to connect with any OSU Extension staff member via phone or email as usual.

Reopening of any county office facilities will depend on decisions from the governor and the state of Ohio, as well as The Ohio State Uni-

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

versity. The exact date when normal operations are expected resume in county Extension offices is unknown at this time. Until then, OSU Extension office staff will be working remotely and will remain accessible and available via email and phone. The health and well-being of our stakeholders, event participants, and employees is of utmost importance.

Each OSU Extension office has developed a business continuity plan that outlines how Extension staff will operate during situations such as the coronavirus outbreak. All staff will continue to work and serve local clientele through normal office hours (as previously determined by each county), and they will remain accountable for program management needs.

Please note that most Extension-planned activities from now through April 20 are now postponed, scheduled to be held virtually, or cancelled. If you have not already been contacted about an event or activity in which you were scheduled to participate and you have a question, please check with your local contact for that event.

Thank you for your cooperation and collaboration related to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19). The Ohio State University remains committed to the health and well-being of our community; and OSU Extension remains committed to serving our communities in each county as this situation evolves. These are unprecedented times, and we sincerely appreciate your flexibility and support.

If you have questions, please contact your local OSU Extension office. Paulding County - (419)399-8225

You can also visit extension.osu.edu/lao for office phone numbers and a direct link to each office's website and staff directory. If you reach voice mail, please leave a message with your name and contact information, and you will be contacted as soon as possible. For information on the coronavirus and how to prevent its spread, or learn how the state of Ohio and The Ohio State University are working to keep our communities safe, visit:

Ohio Department of Health website.

Village of Antwerp Public Notice

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ...

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-06 on March 16, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE COLLECTION, TRANSPORTATION, AND DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO."

This Ordinance awards the residential waste collection contract to Real Waste Disposal, LLC as the lowest and best bidder and authorizes the Village Administrator to enter into a contract with Real Waste Disposal, LLC for this purpose.

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

AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Case No. DIV 03 054

SETS #7048202779

LISAA. WRIGHT, PLAINTIFF

VS

JOHNNY WRIGHT

DEFENDANTS,

To: Johnny Wright

Last Known Address: 611 N. Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio 45813

Please take notice that motion to modify child support has been filed in the above captioned action with Lisa A. Wright as the Plaintiff and Johnny Wright as the Defendant seeking a modification to child support

payments. You are required to appear at the hearing on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. at the Paulding County Common Pleas Court located at the 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879

FILED PAULDING COUNTY ANN E. PEASE CLERK OF COURTS 2020 MAR 13 PM 2:13

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

By: [Signature] Deputy

Respectfully submitted, Joseph R. Burkard, #0059106 Child Support Enforcement Attorney 201 E. Caroline Street Paulding, Ohio 45879 Ph. 419-399-8270

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SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:
KEYBANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

RUTH A. GROH, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 20 007.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 23rd day of April, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., the real estate located at:

**18674 County Road 218, Defiance
Parcel Number: 01-01A-012-00**

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

Said premises appraised at Seventy-five Thousand and No/100 (\$75,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 7th day of May, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com

Dean K. Hegyes, Attorney for Plaintiff

VANTAGE ADULT DIPLOMA RECIPIENTS



Kylee Temple

Congratulations to Kylee Temple and Cassandra Oates for completing the Vantage Adult Diploma program. Through the Adult Diploma program Kylee Temple has earned her Class A CDL license and secured a new job hauling asphalt at a starting wage of \$20.00 an hour. Cassandra Oates has completed the STNA program and has achieved a 14 composite score on her Work Keys. Cas-



Cassandra Oates

sandra plans to enroll in the Vantage Practical Nursing program in the fall of 2020. The Vantage Adult Diploma Program provides job training and a new pathway for adults, ages 22 or older, to earn a high school diploma and industry credentials aligned to one of Ohio's in-demand jobs. Vantage is currently offering STNA, Truck Driving, and Welding as pathways to the Adult Diploma. To find out more about the Vantage Adult Diploma program, call the 419.238.5411 x2121.

west Ohio Chapter staff has switched to working remotely.

Based on guidance from state and local public health agencies, the Association's staff started working 100 percent remotely to ensure continued care and support of local families. Alzheimer's Association development, research, and advocacy efforts will also continue as the Chapter works to execute its mission at the highest possible level.

"The health and safety of our constituents, volunteers and staff remain our driver as we address the COVID-19 outbreak and as we continue to pursue our mission, today and in the longer term," Julia Pechlivanos, Executive Director of the Northwest Ohio Alzheimer's Association, said.

The Association will re-evaluate these measures on an ongoing basis and resume in person engagements as soon as possible, based on public health guidelines. Meetings and events, such as care consultations, will be conducted by phone or video conference whenever possible.

The Association's Help-Line is available 24/7 for around-the-clock care and support. That phone number is 1-800-272-3900. During normal business hours, the public can also call the Alzheimer's office at (419) 537-1999. Individuals can go online for information at alz.org/nwOhio.

About the Alzheimer's Association
The Alzheimer's Association leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia - by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia. Visit alz.org or call 800.272.3900.

HELPFUL RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THOSE IN NEED

We are going through an unprecedented disruption together. But we have been tested before in different ways, and always emerge stronger - and we have no doubt this will prove true once again.

Here are some important updates on things that have been announced over the last few days:

Small Business Support
The President announced loans through the Small Business Administration on Thursday evening. The Lt. Governor also talked about those in Sunday's State press conference. Here is a great resource page that gives some highlights on this program.

Here in Ohio, the Development Services Agency is helping to take the lead and they have asked that any small business owners who have been affected please send your contact information to the following email address: BusinessHelp@Development.Ohio.Gov and they will follow up with you.

Impacted Employee Support

Your employees may be affected by the temporary restrictions put in place. The Governor's office also announced several initiatives

to help:
• They are broadening current state policy to clarify that individuals that are quarantined by a health professional or by their employer are considered to be unemployed and will not be subject to requirements to actively seek work during the period of emergency.

• This also applies to companies that determine it is necessary to temporarily shut down operations due to the current emergency.

• Ohio currently has a 1-week waiting period before an individual can receive unemployment. In order to expedite the payments to impacted Ohioans, they are waiving the waiting week so that workers eligible for unemployment benefits will receive them for the first week of unemployment.

These points were taken from the Governor's Twitter page.

Unemployment & Businesses

The Governor also announced some relief for businesses regarding unemployment:

• Because they do not want to penalize individual employers for the impact of this outbreak by increasing future taxes, the costs of these additional benefits will be mutualized.

• ODJFS will also waive employer penalties for late reporting and payments for the next quarter to assist employers impacted by lack of staff availability.

Bar/Restaurant Owner Support

The Lt. Governor announced a temporary buy-back of high proof liquor products purchased within the last 30 days. The goal of this is to ease cash flow for bar/restaurant owners. Here is a release by the Department of Commerce that shares more. It should be returned to the Agency where it was purchased. If you have questions you may call 1-877-812-0013 or email ohioliquorinfo@com.ohio.gov

Federal Response

Additionally, Congress acted late last week to pass legislation to support businesses and families affected by the disruption.

How do you respond?
The Governor strongly urged business leaders yesterday to consider your response to this urgent situation. Can your employees work remotely? How many? They issued the strongest call yet to have businesses encourage that. I understand that many businesses cannot do that. If that is your case, what steps can you take to ensure the maximum protection of your teams and customers, and ultimately our community? It is clear that there are no easy answers here.

If you are in the service industry please send us your altered carry out/take out operations so we can assist in publicizing them to the community.

Let's rally and continue to support each other!

VANTAGE SENIOR RECEIVES PRESIDENT'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD



Kaylie Tressler

Kaylie Tressler, 18, of Paulding, Ohio, a senior in the Ag and Industrial Power Technology program at Vantage Career Center, has been honored for her exemplary volunteer service, on behalf of The President of the United States, with a President's Volunteer Service Award.

This award, which recognizes Americans of all ages, who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country, was granted by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program. Vantage Career Center nominated Kaylie for national honors this past fall in recognition of her volunteer service.

"I began doing community service during my years in 4-H, where it was a requirement to complete a community service activity each year. Even though I was young, I began to understand the feeling of knowing I could make a difference," says Kaylie. "In my high school years, where I began FFA, I had the opportunity to participate in various community service activities. It opened my eyes and made me realize how many people are affected by hunger. It has made me more dedicated to community service, because there is not a single person on this earth that deserves to go without food, or running water, or necessities needed for their everyday life. I have gained a love to serve my community, and my love will never end."

Kaylie has participated in several volunteer opportunities, giving back hundreds of hours to communities, through events such as, FFA Fights Hunger, Relay for Life, 5th grade field day, Kenn-Feld kid's day, Van Wert County United Way Day of Caring food drive, Van Wert County Council on Aging's Snowflakes for Seniors, Vantage Step Into Your Future Camp, and many local festivals and county fairs.

"Kaylie is just an all-around outstanding student. She is someone who will volunteer to help out anytime you ask her. She is a leader in her lab and a true leader in the school also. Kaylie will definitely be missed when she graduates but will have a great future in front of her," says Vantage school counselor James Fisher.

In its 25th year, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), recognizes middle level and high school students across

America for outstanding volunteer service.

"Across the United States, young volunteers are doing remarkable things to contribute to the well-being of the people and communities around them," said Prudential Chairman and CEO Charles Lowrey. "Prudential is honored to celebrate the contributions of these students, and we hope their stories inspire others to volunteer, too."

"Demonstrating civic responsibility through volunteerism is an important part of life," said NASSP Executive Director JoAnn Bartoletti. "These honorees practice a lesson we hope all young people, as well as adults, will emulate."

Prudential Spirit of Community Award application details were distributed nationwide last September through middle level and high school, Girl Scout councils, county 4-H organizations, American Red Cross chapters, YMCAs and Points of Light Global Network members. These schools and organizations nominated Local Honorees, whose applications were advanced for state-level judging. In addition to granting President's Volunteer Service Awards, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards selected State Honorees, Distinguished Finalists and Certificate of Excellence recipients. Volunteer activities were judged on criteria including initiative, effort, impact and personal growth.

Kaylie is a senior in the Ag and Industrial Power Tech program at Vantage, where she is a Student Ambassador, Vantage Chapter FFA President, and National Technical Honor Society member. Through the Vantage Adult Education, Kaylie is currently in the Class A CDL program, where she will earn the opportunity to sit for her Class A CDL license exam upon graduation. Kaylie is in the Career Advanced Placement program (early placement) working for Heritage Farm Equipment located in Van Wert, Ohio and is taking college credit plus through the University of Northwest Ohio.

"I will continue to attend the University of Northwest Ohio in the Fall of 2020, where I will begin my Bachelor's degree of Agricultural Equipment Supervision. This degree includes two years of working on the equipment, and two years of the business side. I want to open an agriculture equipment shop in an area, which will benefit local agriculture community members. I am a female in a male-dominated field, and I want to use my experiences to show girls growing up that every female does not have to work in the office. I know a lot of progress has been made on females in male-dominated jobs, and I want to make a difference to show what is possible.

Vantage high school and adult students have the opportunity to build skills in innovative and advanced technical labs, on and offsite, often through business partnerships and community collaboration. Vantage students gain advanced technical skills, earn industry recognized credentials, college credit, and are both career and college bound.

AUDITOR FABER FINDS FORMER WAYNE TRACE SCHOOLS CASHIER OWES \$2,045

Auditor of State Keith Faber issued a finding for recovery against former lunchroom cashier for Wayne Trace Local School District (Paulding County), Brenda Combs, after the school found \$2,045 of lunch room fees collected but not accounted for.

"This former employee thought she could use her

position to take advantage of students and defraud taxpayers," Auditor Faber said. "Fortunately, the school district uncovered the abuse and contacted my office so we could set things right."

Combs' responsibility was to collect money from students for food items. In 2019, the school district identified a total discrepancy of \$2,045 between lunchroom fees collected and fees deposited. These discrepancies were a result of non-cash adjustments posted to the Meals Plus system by Combs.

In the school's 2019 audit, released March 19th, Auditor Faber issued a finding for recovery for \$2,045 against Combs, in favor of Wayne Trace Local School District. In the audit, Auditor Faber also recommends the school implement policies and procedure to review and monitor food service receipts, deposits, and non-cash adjustments.

A full copy of this report is available online.

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION NORTHWEST OHIO CHAPTER SWITCHES TO WORKING REMOTELY

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MOBILE LIBRARY FOR STUDENTS AT GROVER HILL



The Grover Hill Elementary teachers created a mobile library for students to get books to read during the "remote learning" period. With all libraries being closed, parents were asking for ways to get new books in their children's hands. Mrs. Wendy Baker texted a few coworkers and the library was created.

FIRST FEDERAL BANK TO TEMPORARILY OFFER DRIVE-UP, APPOINTMENT ONLY AND ONLINE BANKING

First Federal Bank will serve customers at drive up teller windows starting Friday, March 20 and through appointments as needed. All drive-thru locations will remain open normal business hours to assist customers. Online Banking, Mobile Banking and ATMs are suggested alternative options.

This will take place March 20, 2020 to April 5, 2020 and includes all First Federal Bank locations. Banking services will be temporarily suspended at the West Central Toledo office and Fort Wayne Berry St. office.

As new information has been rapidly unfolding surrounding COVID-19, we have been closely monitoring, discussing and following recommendations and expert advice by both government and health officials to make sure that the well-being of our employees, customers and communities remain top priorities.

While we have not received direct orders from government agencies or regulators, we have made the proactive decision to modify our lobby services to protect the health and safety of our team and those we serve.

This decision was made to help support the nationwide efforts for social distancing to help prevent the continued

spread of COVID-19. In addition to this measure, we have deployed remote work capabilities for many employees where possible, taken steps to promote social distancing for those employees in our offices and enhanced our cleaning regimens and provided additional disinfecting supplies within our offices.

"As a community bank, we feel our responsibility is to be a strong partner to our customers and communities; and we aim to be a consistent pillar of financial support while protecting their health, during this unprecedented time" said Vince Liuzzi, EVP and Chief Banking Officer, Head of Community Banking for First Federal Bank.

About First Federal Bank and First Defiance Financial Corp.

VAN WERT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE CLOSED

ATTENTION!

Our office will be closed March 23rd until April 6th, 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

You can still reach us by phone at 419-238-4390.

You can also reach us by sending an email to: chamber@vanwertchamber.com

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time!

Stay safe! Practice social distancing! Take care of you and your loved ones!

Mark Verville & Brandy Leiber

PPEC MOVES TO LIMITED STAFF ROTATION, ENCOURAGES MEMBERS TO CREATE SMARTHUB ACCOUNT

PAULDING, OH — For the next two weeks, Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative will be on a limited staff rotation due to the Governor's Stay-At-Home Order. Though

CLASSIFIED ADS Sell it in the Classifieds!

Classified ads are \$8.50 for 20 words or less and \$.15 for each additional word.

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Classifieds MUST be paid up front!!

THE VILLAGE OF SCOTT is accepting bids for a 1976 Chevy Pickup. Vehicle is being sold as is, call 567-259-9468 to view. The Village of Scott reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Mail bids to Village of Scott, PO Box 155, Scott, OH 45886 by May 8, 2020. 12-15p

500 GB 7200 RPM 3 1/2" Seagate Barracuda harddrive \$20 obo. 419-258-2000

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3TB Western Digital harddrive, 64MB Cache, WD Black, Mac or Windows. \$45. 419-258-2000

wait times may be longer than normal due to the limited staff in office, rest assured the cooperative will still provide the highest level of service and is prepared to respond to outages, should any occur.

The co-op encourages all members to sign up for a SmartHub account, which allows quick online bill payments, energy use monitoring, the ability to report outages and sign up for text updates, and much more. Members can sign up at www.PPEC.coop by clicking the purple SmartHub icon (just have your account number and information handy), or members can download the free SmartHub mobile app. This is the easiest way to stay up-to-date and communicate remotely with your cooperative during these special circumstances. To learn more about SmartHub, visit https://ppec.coop/smart-hub-2/.

Members can still pay PPEC electric bills by phone, mail, drop box outside the office, or online via SmartHub. To pay by phone, members should call PPEC's toll-free payment number at 888-220-6482.

If you are affected by special circumstances related to COVID-19 and are struggling to pay your bill, please call PPEC's office at 800-686-2357. The cooperative understands the stress put on its members during this time and is willing to work with those who call.

WT GROVER HILL THIRD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL 2019-20

Mrs. Short's 3A:

All A's - Brooke Stoller
A/B - Aden Burk, Jeriyah Orona, Ian Scarberry, Brayden Sinn and Abigail Tarlton

All B's - EhvaJean Esposito

Mrs. Alvarez's 3B:

All A's - Easton Jay, Kinlee Miller, Braylin Sinn, Jonah Sinn, Corbin Stoller and Olivia Stoller
A/B - Abbie Williams

1TB Western Digital hard drive, 64MB Cache, WD Blue. \$20 obo. 419-258-2000.

(2) 8GB RAM Modules, Corsair Value Select, DDR3 1333 Mhz, Sold as pair (16GB total) \$35. 419-258-2000.

PRICE LOWERED!!!
Motorcycle For Sale: 1978 Honda CX500. Asking \$1500 obo. Txt or call 419-506-0266. tf

(2) 4GB RAM Modules, New DDR4 2666 SOD-IMM, \$15 each. 419-258-2000.

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All B's - Camden Kimmel, Tristan Lands, Phoebe Landwehr, Ethan Reed and Jacob Wobler

Mrs. Baker's 4A Class:
All A's - Jensen Beining, Emma Hurd, Elizabeth Kurtz, Addyson LaBounty, and Luke Miller

A/B - Isabella Lowe, Ashlyn Manz, Avery Noffsinger, Miracle Omonayin and Jeremy Vejar

Mrs. Baldauf's 4B Class:
All A's - Xylem Kaxner, Brenan Miller, Braxton Schnipke, Aubrie Stoller and Brooke Tigner

A/B - Keriona Bell, Cheyenne Brimmer, Faith Jacobs, Marcus Killion, Teagan Kline, Kenzie Ogle, Aries Ricker, Alivia Thrasher and Karsyn Troth

All B's - Tatum Sheets
Mrs. Schlatter's 5A Class:
All A's - Noah Schlatter and Zachary Stoller

A/B - Madison Gilbert, Miley Jacobs, Stefany Lopez-Castillo, Caleb McClure and Corbin Varner

All B's - Colton Kimmel
Miss Sinn's 5B Class:
All A's - Cole Manz, Amber Stoller and Campbell Volk

A/B - Alex Doster, Isabel Gilbert, Kaelyn Vejar and Hayden Warren

Mrs. Beining's 6A Class:
All A's - Whitney Boroff, Riley Manz and Addison Stoller

A/B - Lexi Moore and Micah Sinn

All B's - Ryann Jay, Caden Sinn and Lance Whitman

Mrs. Davis's 6B Class:
All A's - Lance Maenle, Caitlyn Mead, Aubree Miller and Torree Sinn

A/B - Izabella Foust, Ian Jewell and Myleigh Sheets

WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY THIRD NINE WEEKS 2019-20

3rd GRADE

All As and Bs: Aaron Bohland, Addilynn Gerardot, McKenna Richhart, Grace Ringler, Witt Stoller, Emma Whitman

All Bs: MaKenna Schilt, Layla Shellenbarger

4th GRADE

All As: Lily Holbrook, Jenna Kipfer, Kahne Mansfield, Cayla Noggle, Lilly Shepherd, Brinna Collins, Owen Welch, Javiero Vielma

All As and Bs: Elynn Clemens, Aukele Schmidt, Nora Wenninger, Logan Gambler, Hannah Ross, Savannah Sinn

All Bs: Conner Reuille

5th GRADE

All As: Grady Helms
All As and Bs: Ella Crosby, McKenzie Johnson, Blake Noggle, Johnalynn Shellenbarger, Grayson Sutton

6th GRADE

All As: Clay Stoller
All As and Bs: Lily Boyd, Nadia Franklin, Athan Hull, Raegan McGarvey, Ryan Parker, Jack Schoenauer, Amber Stoller, Emma Stouffer, Kaden Wilcox

FAIRVIEW FFA DISTRICT 1 SPRING CONTEST

By: Carrie Zeedyk, Fairview FFA

On Monday, March 9, the Fairview FFA Chapter attended the District 1 Spring Contests. Dedicated students got to the school at 8:00 in the morning on a two-hour delay schedule.

The members participated in a variety of contests including meats, wildlife, general livestock, and nature. In the meats contest, Fairview placed fourth with Jace Chapman, Colt Osmun, Dakota Shaffer, and Bryar Williams participating. These boys had to identify different cuts of meat, what animal they came from and so on. Carrie Zeedyk, Blake Zeedyk, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Molly McGuire, Cassie Mavis, Blake Smith, Clair Shininger, Bailey Schooley and Hannah Colbert participated on the General Livestock team, which placed 7th.

The general livestock team had to judge cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. Fairview earned 4th place in the Nature Competition with Brooke Phillips, Ashley Betz, and Kaycie Betz participating. In the nature competition, the girls had to label different animals like birds, snakes, frogs, turtles, little woodland creatures, different equipment, etc. They were then asked questions about hummingbirds, birdseed and birdhouses. In the Wildlife contest, Fairview placed 9th.

The Wildlife team included the following members: Garrett Bennett, Ryan Richards, Colton Saylor, Tristan McGuire, and Cayden Sharp. The wildlife team had to identify

Sudoku solution from page 7

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

tify different mammals, and equipment used for hunting and fishing. They also had to identify birds, amphibians, and reptiles. After the District 1 Spring Contests, the members headed to eat lunch at The Barn in Archbold. After a great meal, we met back at the school to get ready for the Greenhand and Chapter Degree Ceremony.

WEEKLY SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMS SCHEDULED PICK-UPS

Paulding Exempted Village Schools:

April 2, 2020 at Paulding & Oakwood Elementary, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Antwerp Local Schools:

Daily Pick-Ups & Deliveries - same as previous weeks.

For more info, call 419-258-5421.

Antwerp UMC Community Food Pantry - March 31, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Wayne Trace Local Schools:

March 30 - All three schools, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

To make arrangements for alternative pick-up, call 419-263-2415.

EACS:

Heritage K-12 (door #8), Southwick Elementary (door #6), New Haven Intermediate (door #9)

March 31 (11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 4:00-6:00 p.m.)

April 7, April 14, April 21, April 28 - 2:00-6:00 p.m.

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VW POST LIGHT OHIO BLUE HONORS SPRINGDALE POLICE OFFICER, KAIA GRANT



Van Wert Ohio State Patrol showed their support for the Springdale Police Department in Hamilton County as they mourned the death of Officer Kaia Grant on March 22, 2020. The Van Wert Ohio State Highway Patrol Post lit the sky blue through March 29th.

To honor Officer Kaia Grant of the Springdale Police Department of Hamilton County Ohio, and to show support for her family, agency and community, people were asked to light their external lights blue for at least one week. During this unprecedented time in our state, law enforcement personnel are working to maintain everyone's safety and during so adding yet

another risk to the one of toughest and dangerous jobs in America. Showing support for our men and women in law enforcement and for their families at home will help remind them that their sacrifices and work is appreciated and recognized by their communities that they live and work in. The simple act of turning an exterior or window light blue carries a huge message to

our state's law enforcement personnel.

Please keep Officer Kaia Grant, her family and her co-workers close to your heart and in your thoughts. The Van Wert Post has turned their lights blue (see photo) as they mourn with them.

The Light Ohio Blue program will run its regular Light Ohio Blue campaign May 8-15, 2020.

PAULDING COUNTY LEADERS MEET WITH COMMISSIONERS; DISCUSS COUNTY BUSINESS

The Paulding County Commissioners met on the morning of March 27, 2020 via a telephone conference to discuss how to open the court house for essential services that are needed for county residents. Commissioner Tony Zartman began the meeting which included (but may not be limited to) PC prosecuting attorney, Joe Burkard; Clerk of Courts, Ann Pease, Judge Tiffany Beckman; Recorder, Carol Temple; Auditor, Claudia Fickel; Treasurer, LouAnn Wannemacher; Commissioner, Roy Klopfenstein; Commissioner, Mark Holtsberry;

Sheriff, Jason Landers; and Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Bill Edwards. The discussion of the meeting was to determine how to open the Court House offices for essential services to the County but maintain the Governor's directive for the Stay At Home order which involves social distancing. After hearing from each of the offices, and listening to the advice of Paulding County Health Department's emergency preparedness coordinator Bill Edwards and Sheriff Jason Landers, the determination was made that the Court House would open to the public on a very conservative basis.

The County offices desire to keep the citizens of Paulding County safe during this

pandemic crisis. All precautions are being taken during these uncertain times. Therefore, the following conditions will be followed for all of the county offices:

Call to make an appointment with the county office in which you need to do business with BEFORE coming to the court house. You will not be permitted to enter

the courthouse without an appointment. Many services can be rendered over the telephone or online. Following these measures will attempt to ensure the safety of everyone.

The following is a listing of contact information for the County Government offices:

Auditor's Office (419) 399-8205 or www.pauldingcountyauditor.com

Clerk of Courts- (419) 399-8210

Treasurer's Office- (419) 399- 8281

Recorder's Office- (419) 399- 8275 or www.ohiorecorders.com/paulding

Commissioners' Office (419) 399-8215 or www.pauldingcountyoh.com

Title Office - (419) 399-8211

Common Pleas 419-399-8220 or pauldingcommonpleas.com

Probate/Juvenile Court 419-399-8256 or pauldingjuvenilecourt.com

Paulding County Engineer Operations - 419-399-2433 or www.pauldingcountyengineer.com

ANTWERP VILLAGE OFFICES TO PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

Due to the corona virus outbreak, the Village of Antwerp offices, which includes town hall, police department, utility offices at the depot and all offices and departments which allow for walk-ins, the Village requests that you first call the department you need assistance from to see if your request can be handled over the phone. If not, please call to make an appointment. The offices will remain open at this time, but will not allow walk-ins without a prior appointment. This is to ensure village employees, residents and vendors are protected from passing the virus to one another, especially since there

are no known cases in the village, but no one knows when it could be brought in.

The Village will still maintain all services to it's residents and we appreciate if all residents practice social distancing to shorten the time we have maintain to this. Please remember the Village has a water bill drop box at town hall which is accessible 24 hours a day.

Should you need assistance during this time here are the phone numbers of various Village offices:

Mayor's Office - 419-258-7422

Fiscal Officer - 419-258-2241

Police Department - 419-258-2627

Administrator - 419-258-2371 - After Hours Water Emergency Number - 419-506-0205

IN CASE OF FIRE - 911

EMS - 911

Sheriff's Office - 419-399-3791

PAULDING COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES CHANGES IN SERVICES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

With cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) confirmed in Ohio, including cases that have come from community spread; Paulding County Health Department will be making additional changes in services to promote social distancing.

The following changes are until further notice:

Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Paulding County: WIC will continue services and benefits. Please call the office at (419) 399-2621 to confirm before arrival.

Immunization Clinics: Immunization appointments have been postponed. The Paulding County Health Department will notify the public when immunization clinics resume.

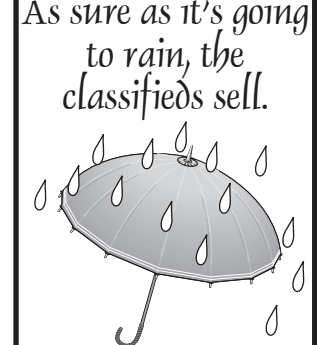
Birth and Death Certificates: Birth and death certificates will still be issued from our office. The Paulding County Health Department will be offering mail service to limit in person contact. Please mail in your request with a check or money order for \$25.00

Environmental Health Services: Walk in service will no longer be available. Permits and licenses will still be issued as required by Ohio law. Individual water samples can be dropped off at the health department for testing.

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WMEA PROGRAM CANCELLATIONS

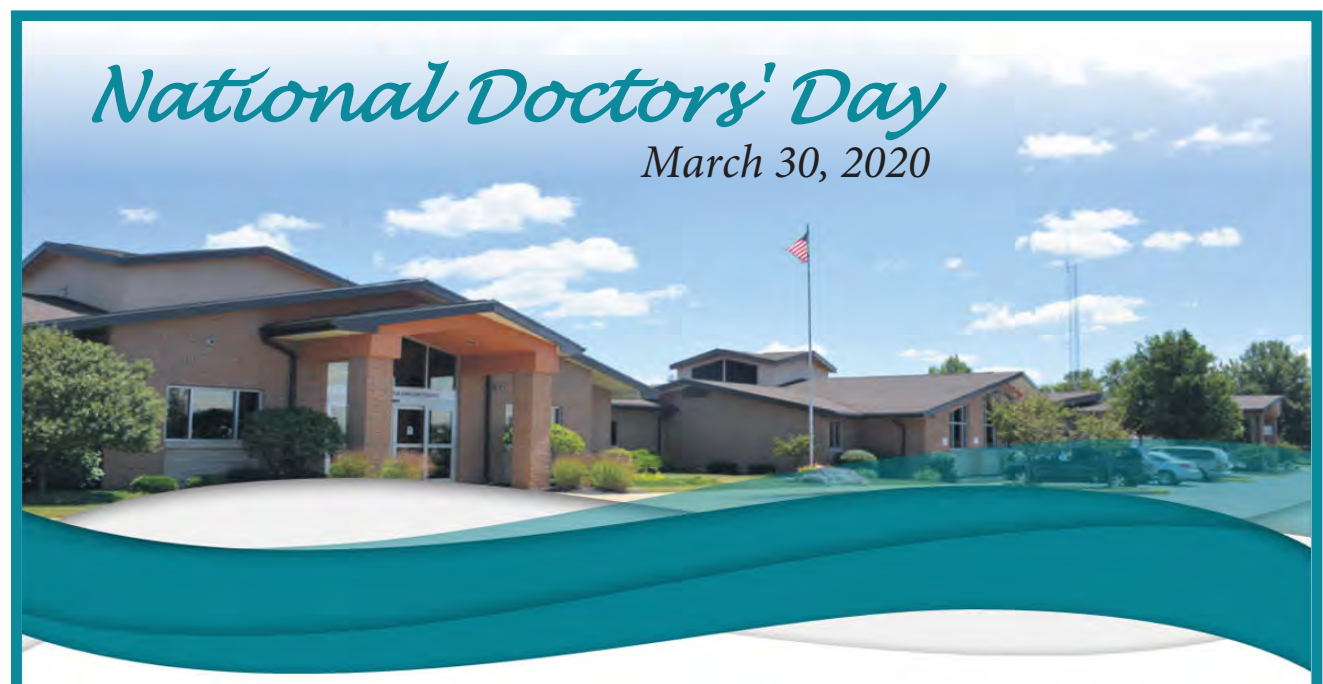
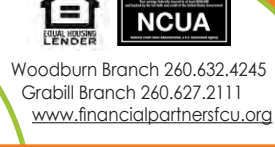
The WMEA Program is canceling all Paulding County Recycling pickups through the end of April. Hopefully, we will be able to resume our regular schedule of pickups effective May 1. The exception will be the Paulding pickup which is still the first Saturday of the month from 9-11 at the Paulding County Fairgrounds. This decision has been made with the safety in mind of all those that assist with the Program. If you have any questions please call the WMEA Program at 419-399-3630 and I will get back to you as quickly as possible. Erie Recycling, in Antwerp remains open as does, Real Waste, in Oakwood for your convenience.



Spring Fling LOAN BLOWOUT!

All consumer loan base rates (excluding any real estate loan) will be reduced 0.50% as of MARCH 23 and continuing through May 1, 2020.

New Money only. Preferred member pricing only available up to 0.25% APR rate reduction. Offer subject to change without notice.



National Doctors' Day March 30, 2020

Thank you to all of the Paulding County Hospital providers for your continued dedication and selfless service. During these difficult times we face is when you see the care and compassion they exhibit daily, shine through even brighter. Join us in thanking them for everything they do!

YOU ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!



419-399-4080
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