

## LIGHT IT UP FOR 2020



Wayne Trace Football Field

On Monday evening April 20, 2020 area schools lit up the night sky at their football fields and porch lights

in neighborhoods to show their support to the graduating classes of 2020. The lights went on at 8:20 p.m. for 40

minutes (20 + 20). Pictured here are several participating area schools.

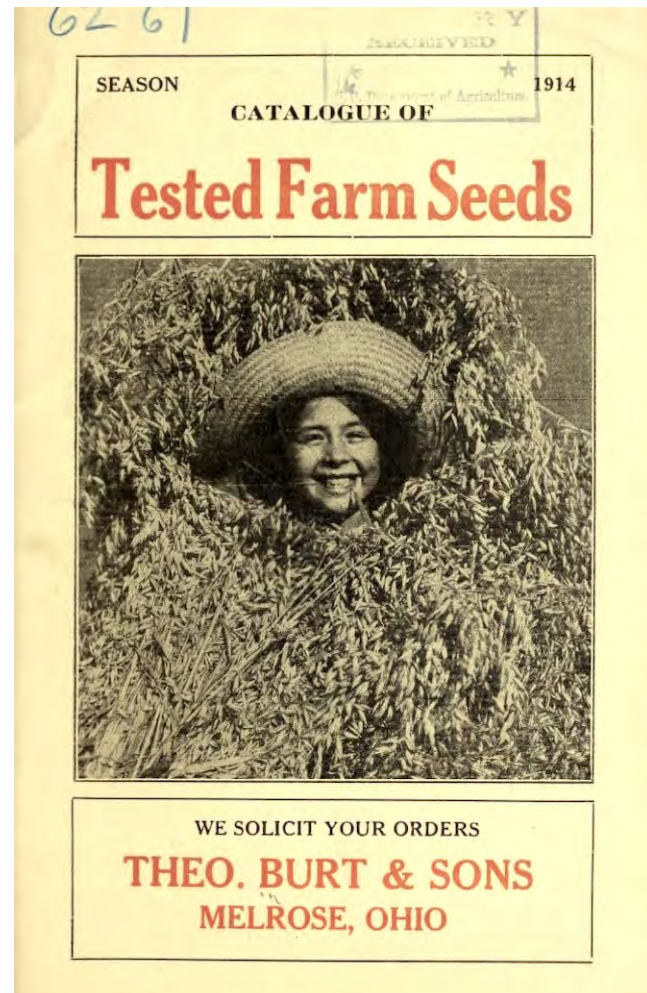
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## BICENTENNIAL BOOK PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Photographs and other images for the upcoming book *Paulding County, Ohio: A Pictorial History Volume III* are coming in to the book committee. Mark

and Chris Stockman submitted this Theodore Burt & Sons seed catalog cover from 1914. Burt Feed Mill in Melrose was in operation

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## Community Calendar

- May 2**
- Summit City Cause-Players Car Parade @ New Haven streets, starting @ 12p
- May 7**
- Bereavement Support Meeting via Zoom, 2-3pm (419-238-9223)
- May 9**
- Woodburn Lions Club Donut order pick up, Woodburn Plaza, 7-11a
- May 19 & 21**
- Youth Mental First Aid @ NSCC, 10a-2:15p
- May 23**
- Woodburn Lions Club Donut order pick up, Woodburn Plaza, 7-11a
- May 26**
- Success in 60 Series @ The Gardens of Paulding, 2pm
- May 28**
- JPHS general meeting @ 6:30pm
- June 4**
- Off the Clock w/Wagner Metals, 5-6:30pm
- June 6**
- Les Weidenhamer & Todd Switzer Memorial Bike Run @ JPHS, 9:30am
- June 9**
- FW Community Band @ Foellinger Theater, FW
- July 17**
- Health, Business & Industry Fair @ OSU Ext. bldg., 11a-2p
- July 18**
- Big Boy\$ Toy\$ Car Show, downtown Antwerp
- July 29**
- VW Chamber 2020 Chamber Golf Classic @ Hickory Sticks GC, 11am
- August 1**
- JPHS Chicken BBQ & Cruise In

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### PAULDING COUNTY CRISIS FUND ESTABLISHED TO HELP THOSE IMPACTED THE MOST BY COVID 19

The Paulding County Area Foundation, along with the United Way of Paulding County, and the Paulding County Economic Development Office announced the launch of a Crisis Fund dedicated to supporting those devastated by the economic and health impacts of the coronavirus pandemic.

"We've had several (Continued on Page 2)

### SUMMIT CITY CAUSE-PLAYERS HOSTING CAR PARADE IN NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Indiana - As the pandemic has continued to dominate the news, the Summit City Cause-Players want to bring some joy to the New Haven community. We will be hosting a car parade with our superhero characters on May 2, 2020 beginning at 12:00 PM. Local New Haven heroes, Fire/EMS, Police and Public Works, will be joining the parade.

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
Matthew 23:9 says, "And call no man your father upon the earth." I'm confused. Can you clarify that?

It is not talking about our physical father, because the verse goes on to say, "For one is your Father, which is in heaven." The context (verses 1-12) clearly points to titles desired by religious leaders, such as Rabbi, Master, or Father. Rather than self-exalting, undeserved titles, Jesus indicates the leaders should be called "minister," which means servants.

See also Mark 10:42-45; I Corinthians 3:5; II Corinthians 6:4; Ephesians 3:7, 6:21; Colossians 1:7, 23; I Thessalonians 3:2; and I Timothy 4:6.

The word "father" indicates ancestry and we were not born spiritually by anyone but God the Father through Christ - "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name." (John 1:12) The word also denotes superiority and supreme authority, which in the spiritual sense belongs only to God.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

JOY IN THE MORNING

By: Doris Applegate

During the terrible 1918 flu virus that killed so many people around the world, it also killed my mother's cousins. Bobby and Clifford were 5 and 6 years old and were put on a horse drawn wagon that went through the city of Bat-

tle Creek, Michigan picking up dead bodies. My mother's grandma died of this flu and my mother (also 5) had that flu along with diptheria.

She dreamed that her cousins, grandma, Jesus and she were on the roof of the house. After telling her parents the dream, they said: "Oh no, we are going to lose her too!" But my mother started getting better. Only God knows the 'why' of such a thing. We only 'see in part' as long as we are here on earth. We must remember the song, "God understands your sorrow. He sees the falling tear. So let Him hear your burdens. He understands and cares."

Do we really believe that God cares? The only way is to trust in what He says in the Bible. When we put out faith and trust in His word, we take the burden off of us and let God have it. We need His help always and forever! The following verse may encourage someone in this time of uncertainty and trial:

"Joy comes in the morning,

Tears are for the night
Satan tries to rob us,
But our God, He makes things right!

The night is full of darkness

We stumble and we fall,
We think we'll never make it

But God is over all!
We're tried and we are tested

We think that we will die
Our hopes are dashed to pieces,

But God is still on high!
Just when it seems that God Himself

Has left us all alone
We wake to light and beauty

God still is on the throne!
Oh what a Savior
What loves so glorious and bright

Joy comes in the morning,
Tears are for the night!
Amen

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CREATING A DAILY CARE PLAN FOR SOMEONE LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

TOLEDO, OH - For people living with dementia or Alzheimer's disease, routines and reminders can be critical for helping them to live their best life possible.

Because of COVID-19, unpaid caregivers are spending more time with their loved ones and possibly more time doing direct care. Creating a daily care plan for someone with Alzheimer's disease can provide needed structure and allow more time to spend on satisfying activities for both.

Pam Myers, Program Director for the Northwest Ohio Chapter, said "We know that caring for a person with Alzheimer's or another dementia poses special challenges for caregivers, who are often providing this care alone. Establishing a daily plan around activities, meals, and medication delivery can be effective in providing support to the person living with dementia and decrease stress for the caregiver."

In the United States, 83 percent of the help provided to older adults comes from family members, friends or other unpaid caregivers. Nearly half of all caregivers who provide help to older adults do so for someone living with Alzheimer's or another dementia.

Eric VanVlymen, Ohio Regional Director of the Alzheimer's Association, said a daily plan could consist of:

- Social time, such as having tea together or watching the person's favorite old shows together
- Cognitive engagement, such as word search, puzzles or anything that keeps the mind busy
- Physical activity, based on ability, like taking walks or senior sitcercise activities
- Hobby time, which depends on the person's direct interests (remember they may need to be modified based on current abilities)
- Meal time, which can be important markers in a person's day
- Nap time, because it is important to give them time to relax

Caregivers should also remember what times of day the person functions best, to leave ample times for meals, bathing and dressing and regular times for waking up and going to bed, he said.

During this pandemic, written or verbal reminders about things like the need to wash your hands thoroughly and why social distancing is important could help everyone in the household to stay healthy. The National Institute on Aging suggests the best way to help someone with Alzheimer's or dementia take their medicine safely and correctly is to understand the medicines they take, track the amounts, watch for side effects, and use pillboxes with alarms that remind a person to take the medication.

Alzheimer's disease is a fatal brain disease that cannot be prevented, cured or slowed. As the disease progresses, the abilities of the person will change. As that occurs, creativity, flexibility and problem solving, will be important as caregivers adapt their daily routine to support these changes. One last thing - remember

to make time for yourself, or include the person living with dementia in activities that you enjoy. As a caregiver, it is important to take care of yourself so that you can take care of your loved one.

For more information about how to write a plan, go to https://www.alz.org/help-support/caregiving/daily-care/daily-care-plan. Myers said, "If you would like help developing a care plan for your loved one living with Alzheimer's or dementia, our staff can assist you." During regular business hours, you can reach the Northwest Ohio staff by calling 419-537-1999. Help is always available 24/7 at our Helpline 1-800-272-3900.

OHIO STATE ANNOUNCES TOGETHER AS BUCKEYES EMERGENCY GRANTS PROGRAM

COLUMBUS, Ohio - The Ohio State University has launched a new emergency grants program to help students facing financial challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Together As Buckeyes emergency grants program, funded primarily by the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, is available to all students - undergraduate, graduate and professional - through the Student Financial Aid office. The size of these grants will vary based on each student's circumstances.

To apply for a grant, students need to complete a one-page Emergency Request form and provide any supporting documentation. The Office of Student Financial Aid will process applications after determining eligibility based on each student's circumstances and guidance from the U.S. Department of Education.

"This program will assist students who are having difficulty with living expenses or facing other unexpected financial challenges related to the disruption of campus operations due to this pandemic," said President Michael V. Drake in an email to students.

The university launched a new webpage with details on the Together As Buckeyes emergency grants and other university programs that provide financial support to students. It's part of a university-wide effort to aid students affected by the pandemic.

Student Financial Aid and the Student Advocacy Center in the Office of Student Life have been providing emergency grants, and the university is continuing to pay federal work-study student employees through April 25, even if they are unable to work because of COVID-19 related disruptions.

"I admire your resilience and commitment to our academic and service missions during this extraordinary time. We will get through this #TogetherAsBuckeyes," Drake tweeted.

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URL: https://news.osu.edu/ohio-state-announces-together-as-buckeyes-emergency-grants-program/

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

- Luke 19:10

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Residents ask where they can donate to help those wrecked by this pandemic. They want to help those facing what could be the worst time of their lives. We are not going to be pushy about obtaining funds, but we felt if there were individuals in our community that had extra funds to spare that the Foundation could be the collection point for those donations," stated Lisa McClure Executive Director of the Paulding County Area Foundation.

United Way of Paulding County Director Lora Lyons said her organization will help those in the following areas: elderly, low income, organizations providing critical services, and medical supplies. United Way is also providing care packages for confirmed cases of COVID 19. If a family/individual is in need they can reach out confidentially by emailing: pcuwdirector@gmail.com.

"Donations to the Paulding County Crisis Fund, designated to us, will assist our partner organizations that are currently providing resources for residents affected during this time. Also, Individuals looking for assistance can find more information at our website UnitedwayofPauldingCounty.com, under Local Resources," said Lyons.

Meanwhile, another sector hit extremely hard is businesses. Tim Copsey the Paulding County Economic Development Director said he's called over 275 businesses in the last week to make sure all owners are aware of the resources available to them. He said spirits are very low throughout the county.

"Before this crisis ends, we will all know of a local business that may need a

helping hand. It may be just a little lift to pay a past bill, to get back on level ground to begin the process of starting their business back up again. The Paulding County Crisis Fund could be that saving grace for a business you know, use, and love to support in Paulding County."

For more information about how to donate, you can call: 419-786-0137 or email Lisa McClure at pcaf@pauldingcountyareafoundation.net.

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at least from 1902 to 1933, maybe longer. The committee is asking for all types of images covering all aspects of Paulding County's history from 1820-2020 for this book being published by the John Paulding Historical Society. More information can be found on Facebook at facebook.com/jphsmuseum or facebook.com/PauldingCounty200.

Thank You

Although our hearts are heavy With the sorrow that we bare, We are comforted to know How deeply others care. Thank you for the comfort, support and love during our difficult time.

Special thanks to the awesome staff at Van Crest of Payne, for the wonderful care Rita received while she stayed there, and Dooley Funeral Home (Shawn and Matthew) for helping us make the best of a very bad situations.

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## THE TALE OF TWO TOMATOES

**Penny For Your Thoughts**  
By: Nancy Whitaker

Tomatoes are a wonderful food especially in the summer when they grow around here. I remember grandma growing those



tomatoes called "big boys" and oh were they delicious! Loving fresh tomatoes as I do, I decided that I needed to try and raise some myself. Well, my friend, Denny, bought me a couple of plants a few years ago for Mother's Day.

I chose a cherry tomato plant and then a bigger one also. I could just taste those juicy tomato slices between two slices of bread and butter.

Well, the first two weeks of growing tomatoes, went well and a little later we harvested about 24 cherry tomatoes. I was just "rite proud." I thought it was a pretty good harvest.

In a few more weeks the big plant outgrew its pot, so Denny said he would re-plant it at his place. After all we figured the sunlight and rain would help it produce bigger and better tomatoes.

So he planted it at the back of his house.

Then, we decided to take the cherry tomato plant and replant it outside here at my house.

A few mornings later when I checked there were some green and yellow cherry tomatoes on it. Deciding to let them ripen a few more days, I went back outside to

check it later and alas, my tomatoes were gone. There sure weren't very many left.

Hmmm... my initial thought was that someone had just helped themselves. The tomatoes continued to come up missing and the plant itself appeared to be leaning over and did not look good at all.

One morning I went out and saw a squirrel busily filling his cheeks full of MY tomatoes.

I had no idea that squirrels ate tomatoes. That did it! I dug up the plant and repotted it in the pot and brought it back inside.

It started to perk up a bit and I saw three small cherry tomatoes peeking out. Ha! These were mine. So I hurriedly washed them and stuck one in my mouth to enjoy it's sweetness. Ugh! I immediately spit it out. It was sour and bitter. What happened and why were they nasty tasting?

Meanwhile the big plant at Denny's house had doubled its size, was full of blossoms, and had some nice green tomatoes on it. Plus, he never did a thing to his. Just beginners luck I bet.

It seems as if some people can just plant anything and it will grow. I prayed for mine, watered it, gave it Miracle Grow and talked to it.

But as the old song goes, "Yes we have no bananas, well I am singing " Yes we have no tomatoes today."

I have not attempted to grow anything since then, because I am not confident in my ability to grow anything.

So I am now asking all of the gardeners and tomato growers this question, "What did I do wrong?" Do squirrels eat tomatoes? Should I have left the cherry tomato plant inside?"

Give me a few good gardening tips and I will give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

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able to visit every neighborhood but have set up a parade route that will include New Haven High School. You will be able to park in the school's parking lot and enjoy the parade from the safety of your vehicles.

The location and approximate start times are:

- Sunnymede - 12:00 p.m.
- Meadowbrook / Yellow Apartments - 12:25 p.m.
- Pinestone - 1:10 p.m.
- Scarborough - 1:30 p.m.
- Yellow Apartments - 1:45 p.m.
- Highland Terrace - 2:00 p.m.
- New Haven High School - 2:45 p.m.
- Tanglewood - 3:00 p.m.
- Shordon - 3:30 p.m.

Based on travel between location, we may not start at

the exact time listed above. You can find the maps on our facebook page.

Summit City Cause- Players is a group of volunteer cosplayers in Fort Wayne, who volunteer as superheroes to raise awareness for special causes and charity events!

### PURDUE FORT WAYNE ANNOUNCES RECIPIENTS OF PRESTIGIOUS CHAPMAN AND DOERMER SCHOLARSHIPS

FORTWAYNE, Ind.—Two of the most highly sought-after scholarships Purdue University Fort Wayne offers have been awarded to seven high-achieving high school students hailing from Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio. Six Chapman Scholars and one Doermer Distinguished

Scholar rose above all other applicants during this year's Summit Scholars Competition to earn the life-changing designations.

"These scholarships, and the legacies they represent, are important to our university because they help us support the long-term success of students who make us stronger as a campus community," said Chancellor Ronald L. Elsenbaumer, Purdue Fort Wayne. "I congratulate our recipients for what they have accomplished so far. We are expecting more great things once they get here and will be cheering them on each step of the way."

Chapman Scholars The Chapman Scholars Program emphasizes civic engagement, leadership, and education for its recipients. Thanks to the generosity and support of Howard Chapman and his late wife, Betsy, six students have been awarded Chapman Scholarships, which include tuition, fees, housing, textbooks, and a food stipend.

Chapman has always believed a good education means more than just "hitting the books." A strong supporter of the Fort Wayne community for decades, he wants students to understand their larger role as a leader in the community.

The program also focuses on experiential learning and leadership development, as well as challenging coursework.

By providing recipients with full scholarships, the program develops engaged scholars who understand that sharing one's talents off campus is also key to personal growth, as well as the growth and strength of a community.

The 2020-21 Chapman Scholars are (in alphabetical order):



Sydney Coyne

Sydney Coyne of Payne, Ohio, is a senior at Wayne Trace High School. Her school and extracurricular activities have included marching, pep, and concert band, choir, Art Club, Friends of Rachel Club, Robotics Team, and 4-H. Sydney plans to pursue a degree



Jeremiah Miller

in anthropology.

Jeremiah Miller of Chesterfield, Michigan, is a senior at Romeo High School. His school activities have included being a member of the tennis team, SERVE Club, National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, and Remix Youth Group. Jeremiah plans to pursue a

degree in data science and ap-



Jordan Roy

plied statistics.

Jordan Roy of Fort Wayne is a senior at Bishop Dwenger High School. His activities have included soccer, Spanish Club, Future Business Leaders of America Club, the Math Academic Team, and the Freshman Mentorship Program. Jordan plans to



Taylor Stanton

pursue a degree in business.

Taylor Stanton of Mishawaka is a senior at Mishawaka High School. Her school and extracurricular activities have included the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council, mock trial, Academic Math Bowl, National Honor Society, and the Notre Dame Science Internship. Taylor plans



Mick Stewart

to pursue a degree in engineering or science.

Mick Stewart of Warsaw is a senior at Warsaw Community High School. He was on the wrestling team and also participated in peer tutoring, Beats Club, National Honor Society, skiing, and the Aqua Mile Swim. Mick plans to



Isaac Wendel

pursue a degree in biochemistry.

Isaac Wendel of Saint Henry, Ohio, is a senior at Saint Henry High School. His high school and civic activities have included marching, pep, and concert band, Spanish Club, SADD, Scholastic Bowl, National Honor Society, and the Saint Henry Volunteer Fire Department. Isaac plans to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering.

"We are thrilled to have six Chapman Scholars who will join Purdue Fort Wayne

### HOW SHOULD MILLENNIALS RESPOND TO MARKET DECLINE?

The coronavirus crisis has unsettled every age group, as we are all worried about our health and that of our families and communities. And if you're in the millennial generation, generally defined as anyone born between 1981 and 1996, you might also be concerned about your financial future, given the sharp decline in investment prices. How should you respond to what's been happening?

Your view of the current situation will depend somewhat on your age. If you're an older millennial, you had probably been investing for a few years when we went through the financial crisis in 2007-2008. And you then experienced 11 years of a record bull market, so you've seen both the extremes and the resilience of the investment world. But if you're a younger millennial, you might not have really started investing until the past few years, if you've started at all, so you've only seen a steadily climbing market. Consequently, you may find the current situation particularly discouraging, but this is also a lesson in the reality of investing: Markets go down as well as up.

But no matter where you are within the millennial age cohort, you might help yourself by taking these steps:

Enjoy the benefit of having time on your side. If you're one of the younger millennials, you've got about four decades left until you're close to retiring. Even if you're in the older millennial group, you've probably got at least 25 years until you stop working. With so many years ahead, you have the opportunity to overcome the periodic drops in investment prices, and your investments have time to grow. And, of course, you'll be able to add more money

this fall," said Marcia Dixon, associate vice chancellor for teaching and learning. "The Chapman program not only gives these high-achieving students unique access to excellent student-centered faculty, but also enriches their understanding of what it means to be a contributing citizen in today's global community. They participate in an enriched learning environment and, in turn, enrich our campus."

Doermer Distinguished Scholar

Named in honor of the late Richard T. Doermer, the long-time Fort Wayne businessman, philanthropist, community and education supporter, Doermer Distinguished Scholars are exposed to much more than classroom learning. Recipients of the full, four-year scholarship to study business at Purdue Fort Wayne are also invited to attend Doermer School of Business Advisory Council and Alumni Council meet-

into those investments, too.

Invest systematically. The value of your investments will always fluctuate. You can't control these price movements, but you may be able to take advantage of them through what's known as systematic investing. By putting the same amount of money at regular intervals into the same investments, you'll buy more shares when the share price is lower - in other words, you'll be "buying low," which is one of the first rules of investing - and you'll buy fewer shares when the price rises. Over time, this strategy can help you reduce the impact of volatility on your portfolio, although it can't ensure a profit or protect against loss. Plus, systematic investing can give you a sense of discipline, though you'll need to consider the ability to keep investing when share prices are declining.

Focus on the future. You're never really investing for today - you're doing it to reach goals in the future, sometimes just a few years away, but usually much further out. That's why it's so important not to panic when you view those scary headlines announcing big drops in the financial markets, or even when you see negative results in your investment statements. By creating an investment strategy that's appropriate for your risk tolerance and time horizon, and by focusing on your long-term goals, you can develop the discipline to avoid making hasty, ill-advised decisions during times of stress.

As a millennial, you've got a long road ahead of you as you navigate the financial markets. But by following the suggestions above, you may find that journey a little less stressful.

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David Bresnahan

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The Doermer Distinguished Scholar for 2020-21 is Leo Junior/Senior High School senior David Bresnahan of Leo. He has been involved in the track and field team, the wrestling team,

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**THE LOCK IN**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I understand that the president has lengthened the semi-lock in to cover all of April also, well, so be it.

To my thinking, this lock in is necessary, not evil...but almost. It hits some people a lot harder than others. Now let's look on past what it is supposed to do and hope it does. It is the law and we will obey it.

The government has promised to help those that will have financial trouble and that will help, but can't go far enough. Our system was never led to do that, but it allows people in the necessary field to go to work, like government jobs, grocery stores, carry out establishments, etc. It is really bad in the athletic field, like baseball, NFL and so on. Then the young people are not allowed to go on and show their abilities. Yes. Of course, there are the sick people, they can't help it that they are sick, but I guess we must try anything to help turn the tides of this virus. Yes, some will be helped, some will be hurt, but in the end, isn't that life?

I know of men who had a good job and they borrowed money from the bank, and now they can't work and are out of a check for 6 weeks, that is the case in millions of homes. But saying "grin and bear it" doesn't help much.

I think the curve on the graph in China has straightened out a little and in Italy also. It looks like our curve will not flatten out till first of May or even later.

See ya!

**BAT MASTERSON**

**By: Stan Jordan**

*Royal Gorge Railroad War*

Santa Fe Railroad officials had wired Sheriff Bat Masterson asking him to recruit men to battle the forces of the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad, which were contesting the right-of-way through the Royal Gorge near Pueblo, Colorado. As a

sheriff in Kansas, Masterson had no authority in Colorado, but this did not prevent him from enlisting a large company of men. Among Masterson's recruits were such noted gunmen as Ben Thompson, "Mysterious Dave" Mather, John Joshua Webb, and possibly Doc Holliday. The end of Masterson's involvement came on June 12, 1879, when he surrendered a round-house his men were holding at Cañon City, Colorado. The "war" between the railroads was finally settled out of court. Masterson's Colorado activities did not go over well with the voters of Ford County, Kansas. On November 4, 1879, a bartender named George T. Hinkel defeated Masterson in his re-election bid for sheriff by a vote of 404 to 268.

**Billy Thompson and Buffalo Bill Cody**

The 1880 Dodge City census shows that, at that time, Masterson was living with Annie Ladue, age 19 (described as his "concubine"). City Marshal James Masterson, Bat's younger brother, was listed on the same census as living with Minnie Roberts, age 16. Not long after this census was taken, Bat Masterson received a telegram from Ben Thompson asking Bat to save Ben's troublesome brother, Billy Thompson, from almost certain lynching in Ogallala, Nebraska. Billy Thompson had shot the thumb off a man named Tucker, who, despite missing a digit, managed to fire back and seriously wound Billy. Masterson took Billy Thompson out of Ogallala by a midnight train bound for North Platte, Nebraska. In North Platte, Masterson was provided with assistance by William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, who promptly offered to help. According to Masterson, he and Billy Thompson "were given a royal welcome and were immediately taken in charge by Colonel Cody, who found a safe place for us to remain until he could outfit us for the trip across the country to Dodge City." This episode was reported in the Dodge City Times, which noted that "W.B. Masterson arrived from a visit to Ogallala, this week. He says Nebraska is dry and many people are leaving the state. He came by wagon, and was accompanied by 'Texas Billy' Thompson. The latter has recovered from his wounds."

**Battle of the plaza**

Masterson spent the remainder of 1880 in Kansas City and Dodge. On February 8, 1881, he left Dodge City

and joined Wyatt Earp in Tombstone, Arizona Territory, where he met Luke Short for the first time. Earp, Short, and Masterson worked as faro dealers, or "look outs", at Tombstone's Oriental Saloon. Masterson had only been in Tombstone for two months when he received an urgent telegram that compelled him to return to Dodge City. His brother Jim had a partnership with Alfred James "A.J." Peacock in Dodge City's Lady Gay Saloon and Dance Hall. Albert "Al" Updegraff was Peacock's brother-in-law and bartender. Updegraff was a drunk, and Jim thought him dishonest. He had demanded that Peacock fire him, but Peacock refused. Their disagreement grew until threats were made, prompting the telegram.

Masterson arrived in Dodge City on April 16, 1881, where he accosted Updegraff and Peacock. Recognizing Masterson, Updegraff and Peacock retreated behind the jail and exchanged gunfire with him. Who had fired first is not clear. Citizens ran for cover as bullets ripped through the Long Branch Saloon. Other individuals began firing in support of both sides until Updegraff was wounded. Mayor A.B. Webster arrested Masterson. Afterward, Masterson learned that his brother Jim was not in danger. Updegraff recovered from his wounds, but the shooter who hit him could not be identified, so Masterson was fined \$8.00 and released. Citizens were outraged and warrants were issued, but Bat and Jim Masterson were permitted to leave Dodge City.

Bat Masterson became more widely known as a gun-fighter as a result of a practical joke played on a gullible newspaper reporter in August 1881. Seeking copy in Gunnison, Colorado, the reporter asked Dr. W.S. Cockrell about man-killers. Dr. Cockrell pointed to a young man nearby and said it was Masterson and that he had killed 26 men. Cockrell then regaled the reporter with several lurid tales about Masterson's supposed exploits, and the reporter wrote them up for the New York Sun. The story was widely reprinted in papers all over the country. Cockrell subsequently apologized to Masterson, who insisted he was not even in Gunnison at the time.

**FISHING TRIP**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I guess it was about 8:00 in the morning when Stew and I got to where we knew the big ones were. It was over behind the big island and halfway to US Highway 441. We weren't too far from the fish camp. We settled in for some good bass fishing. I use a couple 1M6 rod and some Daiwa reels. Stew has a couple of nice reels made by Brown-ing. It wasn't very long and we both had a couple of hits. It was off to a good start to a good day of fishing.

So we drifted for an hour or so and we picked up a couple nice ones...about 3 pounds or so each, then we had a coffee break with a Twinkie.

In a little while, I had a good hit and I supposed he would go 4 lbs. In other words, it was just a good morning of bass fishing. Our boat blew over close to some lily pads and we caught a cou-

ple yearling bass, small but scrappy. You have to be careful...don't go getting tied up in a lily pad.

We ran into Ray and Grace pretty soon, they went to the west of the big Island this morning when we went east and north. They also had some luck. Grace had caught a big one...9 lbs 12oz. We talked a bit and drank a little coffee, and Josh and Ivy, some friends from camp, just came out to fish a little. We gave them all we had caught, maybe 7 or more, we would have released them anyways.

We fished a little more and watched a few gators, but we didn't have much more luck.

We all went in to Lake Placid and had supper at the Golden Coral. That was a fine end to a good day of fishing.

See ya!

**ANTWERP OHIO USA**

**By: Stan Jordan**

I was wondering what the other people thought of us, so I had Crystal to punch Antwerp up on the Wikipedia and this is what she found.

This is on the population of Antwerp according to census:

1870 - 1, 275; 1900 - 1, 206; 1950 - 1, 162; 1980 - 1, 765; 2000 - 1, 740; 2010 - 1, 736.

In 1950 Weatherhead came to town and it closed around 1990. Antwerp Elevator is 728ft.

Antwerp is a village in Paulding County, Ohio, United States, along the Maumee River. Antwerp is home of the Antwerp Archers. The population was 1,736 at the 2010 census.

Antwerp is the nearest village to the Six Mile Reservoir, the site of the Reservoir War in 1887. Antwerp is the birthplace of Asa Long, the checkers player. The place is named after the Belgian city of Antwerp.

**History**

Antwerp is located in the former wetland region known until the 19th century as the Great Black Swamp. Antwerp was founded in 1841 on the Wabash and Erie canal and the center of town moved to its present location when the railroad was extended to that point. The village was named after Antwerp, in Belgium.

In the late 19th century, Antwerp was the largest village in Paulding County; its economy was driven by lucrative local logging and tile mill industries. Accordingly, when the Wabash, St. Louis and Pacific Railway decided to erect a train station in the village, it was built larger than stations in most other communities in the region. After the train station closed in 1976, it was purchased by the local historical society; today, it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as the Antwerp Norfolk and Western Depot.

**Geography**

According to the United States Census Bureau, the village has a total area of 1.33 square miles (3.44 km<sup>2</sup>), all land.

**2010 census**

As of the census of 2010, there were 1,736 people, 752 households, and 464 families residing in the village. The population density was 1,305.3 inhabitants per square mile (504.0/km<sup>2</sup>).

There were 752 households of which 32.8% had children under the age of 18 living

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**CITIZEN SCIENTIST CENSUS FINDS 707 BALD EAGLE NESTS IN OHIO**



Thanks to thousands of reports from citizen scientists during February and March, 707 bald eagle nests have been confirmed in Ohio, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

The bald eagle is one of Ohio's greatest wildlife success stories. The nest census was the first undertaking to discover all such sites for the first time in eight years. The results show an increase of 151% from the 2012 census, when 281 nests were recorded in Ohio. The high number of nests represents the hard work and dedication put forth for Ohio's wildlife.

"The bald eagle is a symbol of American strength and resilience," said Gov. DeWine. "The eagle's comeback in Ohio and across the country proves that we can overcome any challenge when we work together."

"We are grateful to every Ohioan who contributed to this effort and thank those who support conservation of high-quality habitat that kept eagles nesting in Ohio," said Division of Wildlife Chief Kendra Wecker.

The Division of Wildlife received approximately 2,500 reports from the public for the 2020 census. Wildlife staff, including wildlife officers and biologists, verified nest locations in 85 counties.

Counties along or near Lake Erie have the highest number of bald eagle nests. Bald eagles thrive near Lake Erie because of the abundance of food and nesting habitat. The 12 counties with the highest number of eagle nests include: Ottawa (90), Sandusky (50), Erie (32), Trumbull (26), Seneca (24), Wyandot (19), Lucas (18), Licking (17), Ashtabula (16), Knox (16), Mercer (16) and Wood (16).

The bald eagle was once an endangered species, with only four nesting pairs in Ohio in 1979. However, thanks to

partnerships between the Division of Wildlife, Ohio zoos, wildlife rehabilitation facilities, concerned landowners, and sportsmen and women its population increased. After much hard work and continued conservation, the bald eagle was removed from the federal list of threatened and endangered species in 2007 and from Ohio's list in 2012.

Excellent viewing opportunities can be found at Magee Marsh Wildlife Area (Lucas and Ottawa counties), Pickerel Creek Wildlife Area (Sandusky County), Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge (Lucas and Ottawa counties), Mosquito Creek Wildlife Area (Trumbull County) and Killdeer Plains Wildlife Area (Wyandot and Marion counties). In southern Ohio, eagle nests are found near major rivers such as the Muskingum, Hocking, Scioto and Great Miami.

Bald eagles in Ohio typically lay eggs and incubate in February and March. Young eagles leave the nest about three months later, usually in June. The birds nest in large trees such as sycamores, oaks, and cottonwoods near large bodies of water. Fish and carrion are preferred foods.

Remember that bald eagles are protected under both state law and the federal Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. It is illegal to disturb bald eagles. When viewing these majestic birds, remember to respect the bird's space and stay at least 100 yards away from the bird or nest. Disturbing bald eagles at the nest site could lead the pair to abandon the eggs.

As with many of Ohio's native wildlife species, bald eagles require specific habitat conditions to thrive. Bald eagle habitat protection and research is funded by the sale of bald eagle conservation license plates, income tax check-off donations to the Endangered Species and Wildlife Diversity Fund and

**Antwerp Conservation Club**

**Event Schedule**

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**May 3<sup>rd</sup> - IDPA Pistol Match @ 1pm**

**May 10<sup>th</sup> - Monthly Trap Shoot @ 1pm**

The deadline for our scholarship application has been moved to **May 16<sup>th</sup>**. The schools eligible include Antwerp, Farview, Hicksville, Paulding, Wayne Trace and Woodlan • [antwerpconservationclub.com](http://antwerpconservationclub.com)

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**Editor's Note: A county list of all verified active bald eagle nests in 2020 is shown below. The first number following the county's name shows the number of nests for 2020, with the 2012 number in parentheses. These numbers are raw data and subject to change.**

Adams: 1 (0); Allen: 5 (0); Ashland: 9 (2); Ashtabula: 16 (9); Athens: 1 (0); Auglaize: 4 (0); Belmont: 4 (1); Brown: 4 (1); Butler: 8 (0); Carroll: 1 (0); Champaign: 2 (0); Clark: 5 (0); Clermont: 4 (0); Clinton: 2 (0); Columbiana: 4 (1); Coshocton: 14 (6); Crawford: 6 (3); Cuyahoga: 3 (2); Darke: 1 (0); Defiance: 8 (2); Delaware: 13 (7); Erie: 32 (17); Fairfield: 2

(0); Fayette: 3 (0); Franklin: 5 (3); Fulton: 3 (0); Gallia: 1 (0); Geauga: 7 (6); Greene: 4 (0); Guernsey: 2 (1); Hamilton: 3 (1); Hancock: 12 (4); Hardin: 9 (1); Harrison: 1 (1); Henry: 6 (0); Highland: 4 (1); Hocking: 1 (1); Holmes: 5 (1); Huron: 15 (5); Jackson: 0 (0); Jefferson: 2 (1); Knox: 16 (7); Lake: 7 (4); Lawrence: 0 (0); Licking: 17 (3); Logan: 8 (1); Lorain: 10 (3); Lucas: 18 (8); Madison: 2 (0); Mahoning: 7 (5); Marion: 11 (6); Medina: 5 (1); Meigs: 0 (0); Mercer: 16 (3); Miami: 5 (0); Monroe: 4 (1); Montgomery: 3 (1); Morgan: 1 (1); Morrow: 5 (2); Muskingum: 6 (2); Noble: 1 (1); Ottawa: 90 (46); Paulding: 3 (0); Perry: 2 (0); Pickaway: 9 (3); Pike: 4 (2); Portage: 8 (5); Preble: 3 (0); Putnam: 8 (2); Richland: 14 (5); Ross: 7 (4); Sandusky: 50 (33); Scioto: 2 (2); Seneca: 24 (7); Shelby: 3 (0); Stark: 4 (1); Summit: 5 (2); Trumbull: 26 (9); Tuscarawas: 9 (6); Union: 8 (4); Van Wert: 2 (0); Vinton: 1 (0); Warren: 4 (2); Washington: 1 (1); Wayne: 7 (2); Williams: 4 (0); Wood: 16 (7); Wyandot: 19 (12).

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with them, 44.0% were married couples living together, 12.4% had a female householder with no husband present, 5.3% had a male householder with no wife present, and 38.3% were non-families. 33.1% of all households were made up of individuals and 13.8% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.31 and the average family size was 2.90.

**2000 census**

As of the census of 2000, there were 1,740 people, 739 households, and 487 families residing in the village. The population density was 1,500.1 people per square mile (579.2/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 784 housing units at an average density of 675.9 per square mile (261.0/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the village was 97.82% White, 0.34% African American, 0.34% Native American, 0.69% from other

racas, and 0.80% from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino (U.S. Census) of any race were 2.18% of the population.

The median income for a household in the village was \$33,139, and the median income for a family was \$40,441. Males had a median income of \$33,684 versus \$23,158 for females. The per capita income for the village was \$18,785. About 5.6% of families and 8.9% of the population were below the poverty line, including 12.1% of those under age 18 and 6.6% of those age 65 or over.

**Education**

Antwerp Local School District operates one elementary school and Antwerp High School.

Antwerp has a public library, a branch of the Paulding County Carnegie Library.

**A NO-WIN SITUATION**

**By: Stan Jordan**

This is April 16th and it looks bad for our country.

This nation is in a lockdown situation, rightfully so, and to nobody's cause. We all agreed that we would do what we could to stem the advance of COVID19. Lots of people have been off work for a month with no check and their bills keep on coming. That is the effect of the lockdown. Nobody's fault.

The president is giving a stimulus check to all, but that is too late and not enough. We are still in a lockdown. Most any and all people want go back to work and back to our lifestyle. They are pretty adamant in their reasoning and rightfully so.

Don't give me a stimulus check, give me my job back. And the medical people say, not yet. It's a no-win situation.

This is April 20th and things are a little better. The death and patient curve in New York City has started to level off a little. Some cities are still on the increase with COVID19 patients. This lockdown has been going on for over a month now and the light at the end of the tunnel is a long way yet according to the medical people.

I think the people have been doing their share with this catastrophe and it is helping, but there is another side to their good neighbor stuff.

There is millions of people out of work and no date when they are going to return, but they must return. The American system has

to prevail here, like it or not the wheels of America have to turn and do it soon. Yes, more people will die from this COVID19, but if we don't return to work soon, the country will die!

See ya!

**A TONGUE IN CHEEK REPORT**

**By: Stan Jordan**

This is a nice summer day in early 20 something that whole generation is a dim past. I'm sitting here in the park, watching the kids play and play ball, and I'm eating an apple the good will people down on the corner gave me.

Well, you see, back in the spring of 2020 there was a bad outbreak of a flu called COVID19 and some other names. All the people were in sort of a nationwide lockdown and after 6-8 weeks they begged to go back to work, but the medical people cried 'wolf'. All the governing medical people were against the people going back to work and they painted a very bleak picture for the nation if they went back to work too early. If I remember right, the United States stayed on this lockdown till way late in the fall of 2020.

I was able to go back to work, I was a repairman for hydraulic robots, but I opted to stay on unemployment check and \$600 per week from the government and by golly, why should I have gone to work when I got that much per week for not working. Being I wasn't working, everyone thought I was poor and destitute, but I wasn't.

I paid all my bills, except the rent and I held off for months. Then they came to evict me and I acted sick in bed and they could not throw me out because I was sick. So, I went over to the county court house in a wheel chair and the Poor People League paid all my back rent and assured me they would pay the rent for some time. They also gave me a new van and an electric gizmo to ride around in because I couldn't walk anymore.

They also insisted that I take food stamps. They fig-

ured I was destitute and the local food stores insisted that I needed help. With all of the help and a whole lot more, I was in a pretty good shape financially. I didn't owe anybody, I didn't have a credit or debit card. I was able to put a little away each week and I had a pretty good savings account at the local Asbestos Bank. Oh yes, I was in good shape.

In looking back, I haven't worked a day since the big lockdown back in the year 2020. I have taken advantage of all the help from people and the government. I enjoy a good life and the people at the bank call me 'mister'. In a few years I can retire on disability.

See ya!

**AS I SEE IT**

**By: Stan Jordan**

A few weeks ago, I wrote a column entitled "As I see it". Well I haven't changed my mind much. We are caught between the devil and a hard place. The big picture over all is a little better in some areas.

I think maybe that some of our high-up medical people are putting out a 'scare round' claiming that maybe there is a second round of COVID19.

Well we know for sure that we always have a round of the flu every winter. We should worry about that when that comes.

Ben Franklin told me one time, don't worry about burning yourself, till after you build a fire.

The medical people are stirring up 'what could be' and we have enough problems now. One big problem is getting the nation back to work. Now that is a bigger problem than you think. Yes, the other big problem is for the COVID19 to reach a peak and go down the other side and out. There is hardly a light at the end of the tunnel.

If you think about it, when America does go back to work, it will be different than when the lock-in started. For instance, the availability of all the foods will be short because what the farmer raised he couldn't sell and he couldn't get help to start the other crop planting. People had to run their milk down the drain.

It will be months before

a new supply of vegetables come around. The gasoline suppliers are up against it now, but not for long. They can't sell what they refine so you can bet they will close down a few refineries. When this lockdown is over and people need gas again, gas will go up to \$3.00 or more and they will leave those refineries closed to make gas scarce and higher in price.

If and when this lockdown is over, it won't be like it was in the super markets and stores. I'm afraid that a good number of stores, restaurants and mom & pop businesses that closed will not open back up. The longer they stay closed the more the people will be hurt.

I don't mean to paint a bleak picture, but there it is.

See ya!

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**Cecil:** Maramart, Vagabond

**Charloe:** Charloe Store

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

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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

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

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

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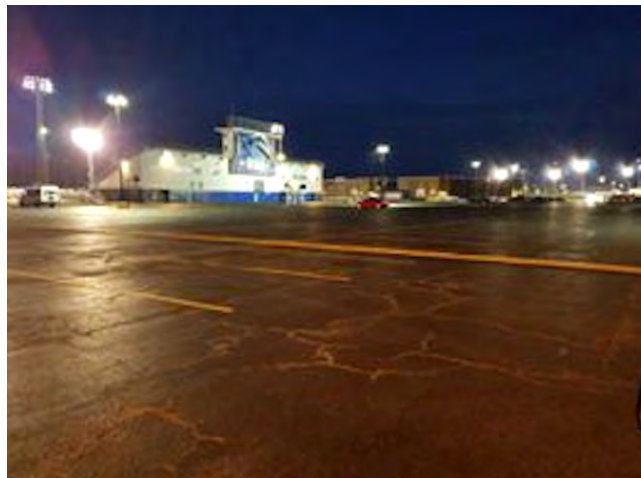
Archer Field in Antwerp.



Socialization has taken on a new definition amidst this Stay At Home order. Here is a few families observing the lights at the Archer Field in Antwerp.



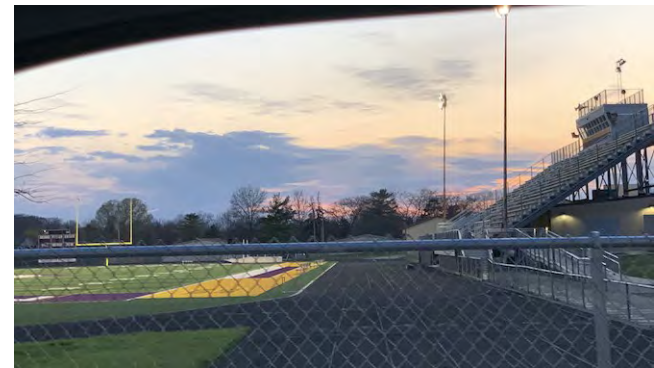
Congratulations to All Seniors of 2020!



Defiance High School Football Field

With the spring sports season canceled and distance learning ending out the 2019-20 school year, students, parents, and school faculty alike are embarking on new territory and setting new academic standards.

To the Senior Class of 2020: Let the month of May be

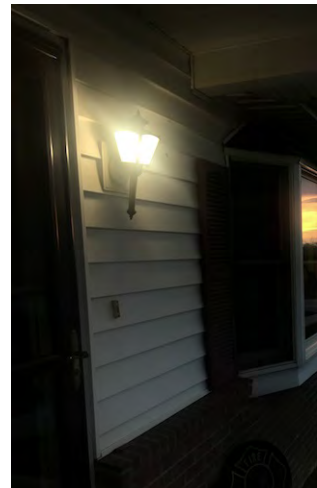


New Haven High School Football Field

a time of reflection, a time of making memories — not the memories you thought you were gonna make, but memories none the less. There may be virtual ceremonies instead of live ones; recorded speeches; air hugs, and card showers instead of public parties. And just think of the stories you can all share at your 20 year class reunion!

There is an anonymous quote that is a perfect fit for this year's graduating class:

"At some point you just have to let go of what you thought should happen and live in what is happening."



Paulding HS lights were on (Kaela Lucas)!

## OHSAA CANCELS SPRING SPORTS AS SCHOOL FACILITIES TO REMAIN CLOSED

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Ohio High School Athletic Association informed member schools Monday, April 20, that spring sports are now cancelled. OHSAA Executive Director Jerry Snodgrass sent the memo to school administrators following Governor DeWine's press conference. For weeks, the OHSAA has communicated with schools that spring sports would be canceled if school facilities were closed. In addition to facilities not being opened, it would be impossible to ensure the health and safety of all individuals and support personnel involved in practices and contests at all member schools.

"As we have stated in our previous communications, today's announcement by Governor DeWine to close schools for the remainder of the 2019-20 school year also will now result in the cancellation of OHSAA-sponsored spring sports seasons including tournaments," Snodgrass wrote Monday.

The OHSAA's mandatory no-contact period for all interscholastic sports remained in effect until at least May 3, which could be extended. Coaches and school administrators are encouraged to have non-mandatory electronic and online communications with their student-athletes. The closure of school facilities includes all athletic facilities for any interscholastic training, practice or competition.

In an interview Monday afternoon, Snodgrass reflected on the unprecedented times that the pandemic has brought to the nation and the impact it has had on schools and interscholastic athletics.

"I've heard from so many people who have said 'You really need to understand what this means to our kids,'" Snodgrass said during the interview. "I'm a parent. I was a coach. I grew up every day as a player and a coach wanting to play high school sports and get to the state tournament. So I do think I understand that. I also have

to go with the fact that my number one concern that I have, over everything, is the health and safety of everyone involved. It's not just our student-athletes. It's the parents, coaches, umpires, officials, the scorekeepers. All those things enter into this. It's a tough decision and it's one that I and all the other Executive Directors of the other states never thought we would have to do. Never did I think this would be the case, but I've tried to be as prepared as I could every step of the way."

Snodgrass also addressed the summer and start of fall sports in the interview.

"July is a very physical month for our student-athletes entering fall sports, so we have already started looking at, if this continues through the summer, we'll have the potential of having a lot of kids who haven't had the physical activity that they would normally have going into a fall season. So for the health and safety of everyone, we have to look at the acclimation periods going into the fall, if that happens. We have to be prepared for that. We're also talking about that, if this does go through the summer, what is the likelihood that a student can get in to get a physical (annual medical exam). We have a sport medicine advisory group that is looking at that. They are looking at all aspects such as whether artificial surfaces need to be treated. We are relying on the advice of experts in our decision making.

The OHSAA will continue to communicate throughout the spring and summer regarding any adjustments to OHSAA off-season regulations, academic eligibility standards, sports medicine updates and more.

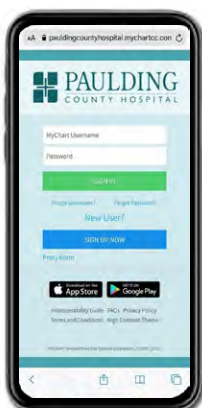


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# ANTWERP CHAMBER PAYS TRIBUTE TO AHS CLASS OF 2020



Antwerp Chamber of Commerce recently asked the H2O Water Store to borrow the use of their windows on South Main St. to pay tribute to the Antwerp High School Class of 2020. The Antwerp Yearbook staff provided the photos, West Bend Printing provided the prints and banner.

## OHSAA ANNOUNCES DIVISIONAL ASSIGNMENTS FOR FOOTBALL, SOCCER AND VOLLEYBALL

The Ohio High School Athletic Association has announced new divisional assignments for the upcoming fall sports of football, soccer and volleyball. Details were sent to member schools following action taken by the OHSAA Board of Directors during their April meeting. The Board also approved new regional assignments

for football. The new divisions and regions are posted at the link below. No divisional changes will occur for the fall sports of golf, cross country, girls tennis and field hockey (one division), as those sports are not affected by the OHSAA's competitive balance process. The upcoming 2020-21 school year will be the second year of the two-year cycle using base enrollment numbers provided by the Ohio Department of Education in October 2018. A new

two-year cycle of base enrollment numbers will begin with the 2021-22 school year. 2020 Football Division and Region Assignments <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Football/Football-2020> 2020 Girls and Boys Soccer Division Assignments <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Soccer/Soccer-2020> 2020 Volleyball Division Assignments <https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Volleyball/2020-Volleyball> Overall divisional breakdowns for the 2020-21 school year are posted at: <https://www.ohsaa.org/School-Resources/Divisional-Breakdowns-2020-21-School-Year>

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## FAIRVIEW FFA WRITES LETTERS TO LOCAL ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES

**By: Carrie Zeedyk, Fairview FFA**  
Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, visitors are not allowed in assisted living facilities or nursing homes. The residents may feel very lonely at times so, Fairview FFA sent out notes of positivity to spread cheer to the residents. FFA Members were asked to write a quick note to let the residents know that someone is thinking of them. Over 30 encouraging letters and notes were sent out to facilities across Defiance County. The Fairview FFA Chapter challenges community members to take part in this act of kindness.

## US NEWS RELEASES TOP HIGH SCHOOLS RANKINGS

The U.S. News recently released their rankings for Top High Schools across the nation. The following listings are the Top High Schools in our readership area in OHIO and Indiana.

- OHIO:**
- #93 Tinora High School;
  - #113 Crestview High School;
  - #140 Antwerp Local High School;
  - #147 Hicksville High School;
  - #170 Patrick Henry High School;
  - #204 Van Wert High School;
  - #229 Paulding High School;
  - #255 Bryan High School;
  - #276 Delphos Jefferson High School;
  - #277 Elida High School;
  - #327 Liberty Center High School;
  - #335 Ayersville High School;
  - #346 Allen East High School;
  - #349 Parkway High School;
  - #367 Fairview High School;
  - #407 Wayne Trace High School;
  - #432 Defiance High School
- INDIANA:**
- #20 Carroll High School;
  - #26 Homestead High School;
  - #74 Leo High School;
  - #103 East Allen University;
  - #157 Snider High School;
  - #231 Northrop High School;
  - #259 Heritage High School;
  - #271 North Side High School;
  - #279 Woodlan High School;
  - #291 Wayne High School

## LAWN CARE FOR THE HOMEOWNER

**Weed & Feed Products**  
Now that warmer weather is finally here, the time has come to feed your lawn. In this article, I'll give you some information about pesky perennial weeds, picking a good weed & feed, and application tips to make your chosen product more effective.

Perennial weeds, such as dandelion, plantain and clover, are present in the lawn all year long. In winter, the plants may wither and disappear, but their root systems are still alive and well. These noxious roots are lurking beneath the surface of your lawn, and waiting for warm spring weather to reappear as eyesores in the lawn. When warm weather (finally) arrives, new leaves begin to grow, and begin their "crowding out" tactics to take over the lawn. Summer annual weeds, such as chickweed, oxalis, spurge and purslane also begin to invade. Control of these pesky

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weeds is done by applying a post-emergent weed control. Unlike digging or pulling weeds, weed controls get rid of weeds from the roots to help ensure the weeds cannot grow back from root stubs that may be left in the soil. This is not accomplished overnight. Instead, the weeds slowly disappear over a period of a few weeks as the weed control kills the roots. Weed controls come in both liquid and granular form. Whether liquid or granular, the weed control needs to have an opportunity to adhere to the leaves of the plant in order to be effective because the ingredients enter the weed primarily through the surface of the leaves.

For those who prefer a non-granular, fertilizer free post-emergent control for spot treating small areas, liquid controls provide an ideal option. Some are water-proof in hours. The ready-to-use and concentrate versions are effective for treating a host of broadleaf weeds without harming the lawn. Because the weed control is already in a liquid form, it adheres to the plant and absorbs into the weed more quickly than the granular versions.

The granular forms of the weed controls are typically combined with a grass fertilizer to feed your lawn—hence the name weed & feed. All granular applications should be made on a damp lawn in order to help the weed control adhere to the weed plant. Application after a light rainfall or early morning dew is ideal. Additionally if it's possible, apply the granular weed & feed to a freshly cut lawn. If within 24 hours of mowing, it will help the granules of nutrients and weed control absorb in the fresh cuts on grass and weeds alike. After application, avoid foot traffic on the lawn and hope the weatherman was right in predicting no rainstorms for 24-48 hours. The heavy rain and foot traffic with the 24-48

hour window could dislodge the granules and make the weed control less effective.

The timing of post-emergent weed control application is important if the lawn is to get the maximum benefit from the product. As a general rule, the application should be made when the weeds are actively growing. Application for the most northern part of the U.S. is recommended in mid- to late-spring. For our area this means an application should be made sometime in late April or early May when air temperatures are between 60-90 degrees F. Another time for applying weed controls is in the early fall. From mid-September to early October, weeds are actively growing. Weeds are susceptible to the weed controls in the fall because they are naturally translocating nutrients to their roots in preparation for winter dormancy.

Make sure to space out your feedings. You need a period of at least 6 to 8 weeks between feedings. Otherwise you maybe mowing your lawn more than you want to be. If you have broadleaf weeds coming up and you just fed your lawn, use a granular or liquid weed control that doesn't have fertilizer to get rid of those eyesores.

The only times weed controls should not be used is on newly planted grass. Once that new grass has had time to grow and be mowed at least four times (approximately 20+ days), then you can apply a weed control to the newly seeded area. If you've already applied a weed control but need to overseed, it is best to wait one month after your last application. Whether liquid or granular, using a weed control will help ensure your lawn stays weed free in the warmer weather to come!

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

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Polar Plunge, youth group, and National Honor Society. David's intended major is finance.

The Chapman Scholarships were first presented in 2009; the first Doermer Distinguished Scholarship in 2012. Between the two, more than 60 students have received these full scholarships.

"The Chapman Scholars Program continues to grow each year, and the Summit Scholars Competition con-

tinues to draw high-quality students. The candidates who competed in February 2020 were no exception—the selection committees all stated that the caliber of candidates this year was higher than ever," said Kelsey McQuillan, Chapman Scholars program director, Summit Scholars Competition coordinator, and a 2010 Chapman Scholarship recipient.

For more information, contact McQuillan, at 260-481-0535 or Kelsey.McQuillan@pfw.edu.

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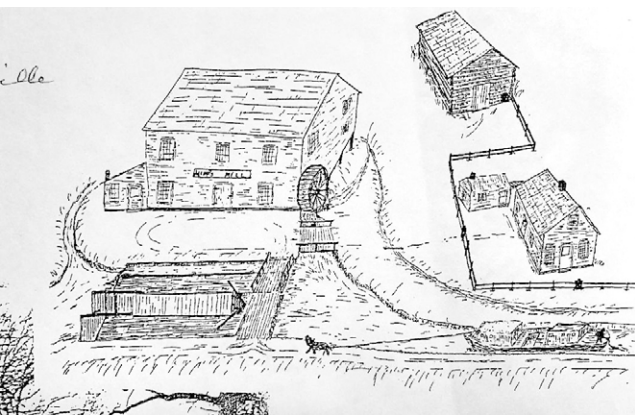
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## TRAVEL THROUGH TOWNS ON THE MIAMI &amp; ERIE CANAL



Timberville, also known as Hipp's Lock, was a canal town in Washington Township. Timberville was awarded a post office in 1868. Other towns on the Miami & Erie Canal that had post offices, by order of the earliest, were Charloe (1840), Junction (1842), Doylestown (1851), Murat (1852), Hammer (1857), Royal Oak (1864), Melrose (1882), and Mandale (1892).



After much of the great timber was cleared and the railroad moved in, the structures that were vital to the early canal towns were demolished and the land claimed for farming. The remnants of a couple of locks and aqueducts, a structure or two, and the cemeteries with stones marking the graves of the canal era pioneers are all that remain of the Miami & Erie Canal. Lock 21, located south of Junction, is now part of the Buckeye Trail. Photo courtesy Paulding County Bicentennial Committee.

By: Jane Nice

Paulding County Bicentennial Committee

Part of a series

PAULDING - If you can trace your Paulding County family history to the mid-1800s, your roots are likely in the canals, either in their construction or the early settlements that dotted the routes.

Originally known as the "Miami Extension Canal" because it extended the route built between Cincinnati and Dayton, the Miami & Erie Canal opened from Dayton to Junction in 1845, cutting a north and south path in eastern Paulding County through Auglaize, Brown and Washington townships.

More than a dozen small towns and ports were established on the canal's course, and an important part of the Great Black Swamp's history - the clearing of the great forests - rests on these now defunct waterways that hauled timber, its biggest natural resource, away to other markets.

Climb aboard a packet boat in the mid-1800s where the Wabash & Erie Canal meets the Miami & Erie in northeastern Paulding County. The canal era is booming and you are along for the ride. Your boat will be pulled along by rope attached to horses or mules that walk along a towpath running parallel to the canal at an average speed of four miles an hour, so as not to damage the canal's banks.

Being the point where the two canals meet, Junction is bustling. Daily packet lines run on both canals, and many passengers are transferred here. Two or three hotels, three or four large dry goods or grocery stores, and about half a dozen saloons, as well as a brewery and a distillery serve the public here.

Junction's wharves are lined with canal boats loading and unloading grain and freight. Toll collector James G. Haley's office is near the port. Three large grain warehouses and a gristmill help manage local commodities,

and William K. Daggett operates a sawmill one mile north of town with power furnished by the canal's water.

Wave good-bye to the biggest port in the county and head south on the shallow waters. The next burg, just one and a half miles south of Junction, is Germantown. A stone aqueduct is near the site of this settlement, whose glory days are brief, and a likely example of canal worker Fred Myers' recollections in a 1922 interview about how most of the towns along the canal were small, "but all were there when it came to noise and furnishing amusement and pleasure for the boatman and passengers alike."

Slow down and experience Lock 21 in Brown Township and the thrill of the water being raised or lowered by the lockkeeper who manages the gates so that the boat can continue its journey. Greet locals standing on the banks who have come to watch this interesting process.

As you head into Oquaxa's Reserve, be sure to peer into the dense forest to look for Indians. It is said that some could still be spotted in Paulding County during the canal era. Also watch for people fishing and swimming in the canal, as many use the waters for recreation.

Next, you will pass near Charloe, a village picturesquely situated between the canal and the Auglaize River. Canal activities are regularly watched in this populated area when Charloe is the county seat, with a brick courthouse, a hotel and stores, and a population of 400-500.

Bystanders are entertained by the passing of vessels such as the Arabella, the Polar Star, the St. Andrews, the Vettie Cook, the Dreadnot and the Ulazepa. When two boats meet on the waterway, protocol is for them both to slow to two miles per hour to safely pass.

About a mile south of Charloe sits Canalport. This village is more of a "paper town," plotted for home lots and buildings that never came. It does, however, serve an important role on the canal route besides being an export spot for timber. Between 1858-1868 large blocks of magnesium limestone are cut into building blocks at the Noble Stone Quarry and carried to the canal by a half-mile long tramway.

Canalport was commonly called "Exchange Bridge" or



This mill is believed to be that of Bob Harvester located about 1 mile east of Timberville on the Canal and mentioned on Pg. 277 of the History of Grover Hill by Laurence Hipp. Photo courtesy of John Paulding Historical Museum and part of the Bicentennial photo project in the Courthouse.

"Change Bridge." Up to this point on your journey the towpath has been on your right, but here the mules cross the canal on a bridge and the towpath will be on your left for the remainder of your journey. Near the canal, a large barn houses rested mules and horses ready to be exchanged and take a turn towing the boats.

Before you come to Melrose, you will pass one of the earliest towns established on the canal. St. Andrews was founded in 1850, but the town could not compete with Melrose to its south, and will be abandoned by 1881.

Although it is laid out in 1854, Melrose will not become much of a town until the railroad comes through in 1881. Even earlier, this dock served as a supply spot for the canal builders. As you pass, watch for massive timbers banked on its shore, waiting to be floated in the canal to ports in Toledo and beyond.

On the waterway, be on the lookout for the canal packet Willie, which regularly carries travelers from Melrose to Defiance on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and to Delphos on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The last port on the Miami & Erie in Brown Township is Newburgh, which is spelled a variety of ways, but it does not matter. Most refer to the town as "Royal Oak" after A.L. Darling, who came from New York with a stock of supplies to start a grocery store, crudely wrote "Royal Oak Grocery" with a piece of charcoal on a board from a box and hung it on an oak tree outside of his cabin, where he sold groceries out of the front room. Darling marries Sarah Hoover in 1860, dies two years later in the Civil War, and is buried in the Little Auglaize Cemetery.

View a beautiful stone aqueduct near Royal Oak, a busy town with a school, church, two stores, a post office, a hotel and a wagon shop. It is also a banking point for timber and a shipping point for lumber, staves, cordwood and hoop poles.

Wave at Captain Gleason if you pass him. His steam packet carries passengers and light freight from Royal Oak to Defiance and Delphos at speeds of up to six miles per hour. Captain Gleason is known for his punctual schedule, and once left his own wife in Defiance when she had not returned to the dock at the appointed hour after a shopping expedition.

Drift out of Brown and into Washington Township, and pass Murat, an early canal town that is platted in 1853 with 44 lots on each side of the canal. The "Knox" School is located in Murat, as well as a store and a sawmill.

Admire the bridge here that is so high it allows boats to travel beneath it without having to be opened, as well as the wider waterway, which serves as a canal boat turnaround. Much timber leaves the banks of Murat.

About a mile further on the waterway you will encounter the bustling village of Timberville, which is more commonly known as "Hipp's Lock." In 1863 John Hipp establishes a store and a gristmill, and the few settlers who live for miles around come to Hipp's Mill to have their cornmeal ground. Two stores, a hotel, a blacksmith shop, a tavern and a post office serve settlers and travelers alike at this location.

Much stave timber, cord and bolt wood leaves this canal port, as well as massive ship timber cut by French Canadian woodsmen and exported to make boat masts in Europe, or ships built for use by the North in the Civil War.

Travel south through Doylestown, named for Samuel Doyle Sr., who operates a packet line that carries mail from Cincinnati to Toledo, and owns 240 acres west of the canal. According to The History of the Maumee Valley, 1872, Doyle and a partner were the first to establish regular packet lines on the canals. Knapp writes, "Samuel Doyle was the first to experiment with steam on the Miami Canal, having built in 1845, the propeller 'Niagara,' at a cost of \$10,000....and proved a failure financially."

Past Doylestown is a log and supply depot for the canal crews, that will later become the village of Mandale. Next, in the southwestern corner of Paulding County, less than a mile from the Putnam County line, is the village of Hammer. Plotted in 1848 with 37 lots on three streets, Hammer is Paulding County's southernmost canal town. It has a school, a church, a sawmill, a general store, a freight warehouse, a blacksmith shop, and a post office.

Next time: The Wabash & Erie Canal and the Reservoir War.

More information on the bicentennial can be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/PauldingCounty200](http://www.facebook.com/PauldingCounty200).

### PAULDING CO. BICENTENNIAL NOTES-INDIAN TREATIES AND LAND CESSIONS

By: Caroline Longardner (part 3 of 4)

One successful technique of overcoming tribal opposition to a treaty followed a pattern: (1) incite dissension between factions, (2) recognize one for the purpose of accepting the treaty, and (3) hold the entire tribe bound by the

treaty. PUCKSHENUBBE, a CREEK chief, was soundly beaten by his tribe for his subservience to Gen. Jackson, long after the treaty was concluded. Exchange of gifts between tribes were a long-established Indian custom. The practice was adopted by European nations and the U.S. as an integral part of treaty negotiations. Keen rivalry among the European nations brought costly and showy gifts to the Indians and more and more gifts of the white men greatly exceeded those of the Indians. After a while, the gifts became "bribes" to chiefs and leaders of tribes for whatever particular advantages that were gained, such as preservation of peace, or indemnity for loss of game, etc. These early gifts were the basis for the annuities granted later in some cases.

The "quid pro quo" for the Indians was sometimes more abstract than tangible. The CHEROKEE Treaty of 1819 cites the preservation of the tribe as the reason for cession of tribal lands. The CHICKASAW Treaty of 1805 states that lands were being ceded for funds enabling the tribe to liquidate debts to traders. The Florida Treaty is 1823 provided for cession of ancestral lands, except each part of these lands as should be allotted to the tribes by the United States. The objective of the cession of the Pottawatomies in 1827 was, so the treaty preamble states, to enable the tribe to move as far away as possible from white men. In the CHICKASAW Treaty of 1832, past calamities and the gloomy outlook for the future are cited as reasons for tribal cessions.

The satisfaction derived by the POTTAWATTOMIE tribe to making a gift to the palefaces accounted for the cession of the Michigan Road land in 1826. The Shawnee Treaty of 1825 indemnified the Tribe for losses of hunting grounds occupied by homesteading white settlers. One the other hand, the Creek Treaty of 1814 ceded the Creek territories as a "quid pro quo" for the cost and inconvenience to the US government in conquering the tribe. By the CHEROKEE Treaty made at Doak's Stand, the tribe was ceded lands in Arkansas in return for tribal lands, but when the CHEROKEES attempted to possess their new holdings, citizens of Arkansas had already occupied these lands. Usually a tribe was permitted to hunt in adjacent and ceded land while unoccupied by white men.

For a half century the idea of Indian removal became a mania with some politicians and military diplomats. In the Northwest, the evacuation of Indian land by Gen. Harrison was unprecedented. Within 7 years he had negotiated 8 Indian treaties, which brought 29 million acres of land (mostly in Indiana) under white control.

The removal of the Indian tribes was seldom accomplished without great misery and hardship. When the POTTAWATTOMIES of northern Indiana were removed to Kansas the rigors of the sad journey was unusually severe. More than 1/5 died on the trail, with the mortality particularly heavy on the aged and children.

The Indian tribes of Indiana made no less than 41 treaties and the last one was in 1841. The listing of out-

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standing negotiators of Indian treaties in Indiana were General Wayne; Gen. Harrison; Gen. Cass; Colonel John Tipton, goy. James B. Ray; Jonathan Jennings, and Benjamin Parke.

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## ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS



On April 7, an owner of a white Boxer was attempting to catch his dog that escaped his apartment. Three officers were assisting to catch the dog as residents witnessed and joined in the pursuit. By the time the dog was captured there were approximately 13 people participating. The dog was caught by one of those assisting to bring the dog back to its owner. It was nice that people were willing to help in this small town.

On April 7, a resident reported they lost their dog. The officer started to locate the dog. About a half hour later the resident called back and said they located the dog.

On April 7, employees of a downtown business reported that a customer had called on the phone sounding agitated and attempted to threaten. The customer was contacted by the police. The business was told that if they had any future contact with that customer they should contact the police.

On April 11, a resident of Main Street called in reference to her boyfriend locking himself in the garage and refusing to leave her home. It was found that both parties lived at the home for several years. Nothing physical occurred between the two, simply an argument. It was explained that this was a civil matter and one needed to file an eviction notice.

On April 16, a resident reported that there was a green car that was sitting at the North Garden Apartments without plates. The vehicle was investigated and found that it was expired, but since the BMV is closed people

cannot renew their plates.

On April 20, a resident of River Street reported that she and her boyfriend who were living together were not getting along and that she wanted him to leave the residence. Both she and the boyfriend were informed by the officer that this was a civil matter.

On April 20, there was a report of a go-cart being driven in Leinard's Mobile Home Park. It left going down Oak Street. The officer attempted to locate the go-cart in the Village limits, but was unable to find it. This is a reminder that Leinard's Mobile Home Park is considered Private Property and it's illegal to operate any go-carts or unlicensed vehicles on any roadways.

On April 21, a resident of North Gardens Apartments received a call of theft of prescription medication. The case is under investigation.

On April 21, the Antwerp Police was contacted in reference to a possible suicidal suspect. The police department assisted this person with the getting help he or she needed.

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

## PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

### Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Aaron Griffiths**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Shannon T. Ogarzalek**, Evergreen Park, IL; Speed 77/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Todd A. Moats**, Oakwood, OH; Prohibition ATV; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Antonio David Byndom Worley**, Fort Wayne, IN; Speed 73/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Courtney J. Bord**, Anderson, IN; Speed 80/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Arreba T. Jawed**, Indianapolis, IN; Speed 100/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Joseph A. Lyon**, Sheridan, IN; Speed 82/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gerald Kehn Jr**, Detroit, MI; Stop sign; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jeffrey B. Davis**, Fort Wayne, IN; Stop sign; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Monroe McCoy**, Montpelier, OH; Traffic device/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Yuridiana Toledo**, Carol Stream, IL; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per diversion agreement, with prejudice

**Gunner L. Kerr**, Columbus Grove, OH; Criminal damage; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs waived per diversion agreement

**Mayah N. Nance**, Defiance, OH; Theft; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs waived per diversion agreement

**Joshua W. Janes**, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**George Zevgolis**, Montreal, QC; Speed 90/65; Guilty; Defendant waived traffic citation

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

### AUGLAIZE TWP

4/20/20 Grimes Martin E & Grimes Michelle A to Burger Anthony R; 20490 Sr 637 Oakwood Oh 45873; 1.567 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Nw1/4 Auglaize Twp S-29

4/23/20 Ankney Charles L Ankney Marilyn D to Ankney Charles L; 19385 Rd 1021 Defiance Oh 43512; 0.145 acres; Lot 15 Ball Subdiv Auglaize Twp S-30

4/23/20 Ankney Charles L Ankney Marilyn D to Ankney Charles L; Rd 1021; 0.145 acres; Lot 14 Ball Subdiv Auglaize Twp S-30

**BLUE CREEK TWP**  
4/23/20 Speelman Kenneth L Le to Speelman Christopher A; 457 N Sherman St; 0.2 acres; Lot 32 O.p. Scott Vill

**CRANE TWP**  
4/22/20 Grunden H Ronald to Home 4 You Llc; 10884 Rd 192 Cecil Oh 45821; 5.924 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Crane Twp Sec 10

4/23/20 Wr Farms Llc to Cth Rentals Llc; Rd 230; 118.979 acres; W1/2Se1/4 Less .863A & Sw1/4 Ne1/4 Crane Twp-Ant Dist S-5

4/23/20 Wr Farms Llc to Cth Rentals Llc; Rd 424; 108.258 acres; Nw1/4 Se1/4 & W1/2 Ne1/4 S Of River Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 17

4/22/20 Greenwood Dustin to Arnold Keith A Arnold Suzanne M; 7923 Rd 206 Antwerp Oh 45813; 1.79 acres; Ept Spt Sefrl/4 Eof River Crane Twp S-18

**HARRISON TWP**  
4/23/20 Harp Elaine L to Harp James D; 6724 Sr 500 Payne Oh 45880; 1.65 acres; Lot 1 Snellenbergers Parcels Harrison Twp Sec 25

4/20/20 Singer Bryan K Singer Teresa L to Warnimont Cody J Warnimont Priscilla J; 3017 Rd 96 Payne Oh 45880; 1.395 acres; Sw Cor Sw 1/4 Nw 1/4 Harrison Twp Sec 28

4/20/20 Paulding County Land Reutilization Corporation to Wilhelm Michael I; 126 Ash St; 0.1814 acres; Lot 126 & E1/2 Vac Alley Gibson 1St Add Payne Vill

**JACKSON TWP**  
4/20/20 SS&S Interior Specialists Inc to Kennedy Jeffrey A Jr; 1010 Emerald Rd; 0.2721 acres; Lot 5 & Par Behind Lot 5 Noneman Em Ac Allot#1 Paulding Village

**PAULDING TWP**  
4/22/20 Price G Robert &

Price Jo Ellen to Price Chad Robert; 11051 Rd 93 Paulding Oh 45879; 1.252 acres; Pt E1/2 Sw1/4 Paulding Twp S-10

4/23/20 WR Farms LLC to CTH Rentals LLC; 9194 SR 500 Paulding Oh 45879; 21.247 acres; Pt Sw1/4 S-21Paulding Twp

4/23/20 WR Farms LLC to CTH Rentals LLC; SR 500; 25.695 acres; Pt Sw1/4 Sw1/4 S-21Paulding Twp

**WASHINGTON TWP**  
4/22/20 Defiance Area Youth For Christ Inc to Fetter Jack L Fetter Karen J; 20700 Rd 48 Grover Hill Oh 45849; 23.103 acres; Pt W1/2Ne1/4 Washington Twp S-20

## RAISING CANE'S OHIO PARTNERS WITH OHSAA

COLUMBUS, Ohio - Restaurant chain Raising Cane's Ohio has entered into a partnership with the Ohio High School Athletic Association to provide funding for student-athlete scholarship programs and support for postseason tournaments. With 36 locations across Ohio, Raising Cane's is well known for its chicken finger meals and customer satisfaction.

The three-year partnership will kick off Thursday, April 30, when all Raising Cane's restaurants across Ohio will donate 15 percent of sales from 4 p.m. to close to the OHSAA. All sales will be made at the drive-thru due to the current coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic that cancelled the OHSAA's winter state tournaments of wrestling, ice hockey and basketball along with all spring sports.

The annual OHSAA scholar-athlete scholarship program, which annually provides more than \$175,000 to college-bound seniors, had to be cancelled this spring due in part to the OHSAA's lack of revenue from the tournaments.

"We cannot begin to thank Raising Cane's enough for stepping up during these unprecedented times to help give back to the student-athletes across Ohio," said Jerry Snodgrass, executive director of the OHSAA. "Our mission at the OHSAA begins with 'to serve' and we will be able to continue to do just that with partners like Raising Cane's, who are committed to both education and active lifestyles. We get to see firsthand how those two directly impact communities, schools and students across Ohio. We're really excited to kick off this three-year partnership and forge what will be a special effort to positively impact students statewide."

Currently Raising Canes operates in Central, Northeast and Southwest Ohio.

"Active lifestyle and education are two of our pillars of community involvement, when we found out various programming and scholarships could be lessened or taken away due to cancellations of championships from the COVID-19 pandemic, we immediately reached out to the OHSAA to see how we could help," said Matt Salts, director of marketing at Raising Cane's Ohio. "We're committed to team up with the OHSAA to help provide support for

# THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

the next three years to help keep these key programs available to athletes across the state of Ohio."

**WHAT:** Raising Cane's Ohio and the OHSAA partnership to provide funding for student-athletes.

**WHERE:** All Raising Cane's locations in Ohio, a full list of Ohio Raising Cane's locations can be found here.

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 30, 2020.

**ABOUT RAISING CANE'S**

Founded by Todd Graves in 1996 in Baton Rouge, La., RAISING CANE'S CHICKEN FINGERS has more than

420 restaurants in 24 states, Bahrain, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates with multiple new restaurants under construction. The company has ONE LOVE®—quality chicken finger meals—and is continually recognized for its unique business model and customer satisfaction. Raising Cane's vision is to have restaurants all over the world and be the brand for quality chicken finger meals, a great crew, cool culture and active community involvement. More information is available at raisingcanes.com.

## VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-01** on April 20, 2020, entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF NECESSITY TO LEVY A REPLACEMENT WITH AN INCREASE OF AN EXISTING TAX IN EXCESS OF THE TEN-MILL LIMITATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND OPERATING A CEMETERY (R.C. §§ 5705.03, 5705.19(T), 5705.191, 5705.192, and 5705.25)." This Resolution declares the necessity of levying a replacement with an increase of an existing tax for maintaining and operating a cemetery, which replacement with an increase levy is outside the ten-mill limitation so approval must be certified to the County Auditor and a request made of the County Auditor to certify to Council the total current tax valuation of the Village and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by one-mill.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07** on April 20, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1 OF ORDINANCE NO. 2012-18 ESTABLISHING A REASONABLE METHOD TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND TIME, PLACE AND PURPOSE OF SPECIAL AND EMERGENCY MEETINGS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance amends Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2012-18 to update the website address for publishing notices of meetings.

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

## LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO  
Judge: Beckman, Tiffany  
Case No. CI20400

Wells Fargo Bank NA., as Trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC4 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates,  
PLAINTIFF

VS

Julia A. Wagoner, et al.

DEFENDANTS,

The Defendants, Julia A. Wagoner and Unknown Spouse, if any, of Julia A. Wagoner, whose current addresses are unknown, will take notice that on March 25, 2020, the Plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank N.A., as Trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC4 Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, filed its Complaint in Case No. CI 20 040, in the Court of Common Pleas of Paulding County, Ohio, seeking a foreclosure of its mortgage interest in the real property located at 205. N Main Street, Grover Hill, OH 45849, Permanent Parcel No. 26-07-020-00, ("Real Estate"), and alleged that the Defendants

have or may have an interest in this Real Estate

The Defendants, Julia A. Wagoner and Unknown Spouse, if any, of Julia A. Wagoner are required to answer the Plaintiffs Complaint within twenty-eight (28) days after the last date of publication of this notice. In the event that the Defendants, Julia A. Wagoner and Unknown Spouse, if any, of Julia A. Wagoner failed to respond in the allotted time, judgment by default can be entered against them for the relief requested in the Plaintiffs Complaint.

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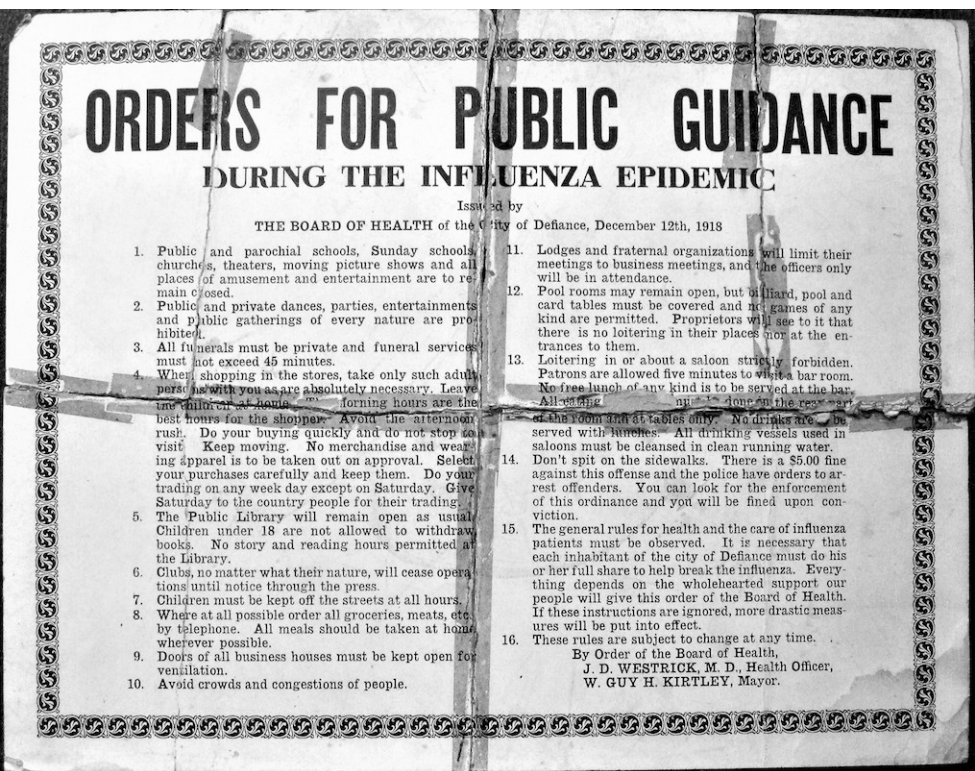
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# DEFIANCE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND MAYOR ISSUE LOCK-DOWN ORDERS - HISTORICAL ARCHIVE



There is a saying that Solomon uses in the book of Ecclesiastes, "What has been will be again, what has been done will be done again; there is nothing new under the sun." Many of us are experiencing this pandemic as something new, but in the grand scheme of this world, pandemics have come and gone throughout history. For example, the above picture is a Public Health Order for the City of Defiance during the Influenza Pandemic of 1918. It was provided to West Bend News by Louis Simonis. This pandemic was a tragic piece of history killing 25-50 million people around the world. The world

of 1918 was in vast contrast to 2020. The development of public health nurses, health education, personal hygiene, and advancements in vaccines and epidemiology all came as a result of this destructive virus. Since the image is somewhat difficult to read, the Orders For Public Guidance are listed below for your perusal. During the Influenza Epidemic Issued by The Board of Health of the City of Defiance, December 12th, 1918

1. Public and parochial schools, Sunday schools, churches, theaters, moving picture shows and all places of amusement and entertainment are to remain closed.
2. Public and private dances, parties, entertainments and public gatherings of every nature are prohibited.
3. All funerals must be private and funeral services must not exceed 45 minutes.
4. When shopping in the stores, take only such adult persons with you as are absolutely necessary. Leave the children at home. Morning hours are the best hours for the shopper. Avoid the afternoon rush. Do your buying quickly and do not stop to visit. Keep moving. No merchandise and wearing apparel is to be taken out on approval. Select your purchases carefully and keep them. Do your trading on any week day except on Saturday. Give Saturday to the country people for their trading.
5. The Public Library will remain open as usual. Children under 18 are not allowed to withdraw books. No story and reading hours permitted at the Library.
6. Clubs, no matter what their nature, will cease operations until notice through the press.
7. Children must be kept off the streets at all hours.
8. Where at all possible order all groceries, meats, etc. by telephone. All meals should be taken at home, wherever possible.
9. Doors of all business houses must be kept open for ventilation.
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11. Lodges and fraternal organizations will limit their meetings to business meetings, and the officers only will be in attendance.
12. Pool rooms may remain open, but billiard, pool and card tables must be covered and no games of any kind are permitted. Proprietors will see to it that there is no loitering in their places nor at the entrances to them.
13. Loitering in or about a saloon strictly forbidden. Patrons are allowed five minutes to visit a bar room. No free lunch of any kind is to be served at the bar. All eating and drinking is done at the room and at tables only. No drinks are to be served with lunches. All drinking vessels used in saloons must be cleansed in clean running water.
14. Don't spit on the sidewalks. There is a \$5.00 fine against this offense and the police have orders to arrest offenders. You can look for the enforcement of this ordinance and you will be fined upon conviction.
15. The general rules for health and the care of influenza patients must be observed. It is necessary that each inhabitant of the city of Defiance must do his or her full share to help break the influenza. Everything depends on the wholehearted support our people will give this order of the Board of Health. If these instructions are ignored, more drastic measures will be put into effect.
16. These rules are subject to change at any time.

By Order of the Board of Health,  
J. D. WESTRICK, M. D., Health Officer,  
W. GUY H. KIRTLEY, Mayor.

# NSSC BOARD APPROVES THE COLLEGE'S 2020-2023 STRATEGIC PLAN



NSSC President Dr. Michael Thomson discusses NSSC remote operations with the Board of Trustees during the public meeting held Friday, April 24 via Zoom conferencing technology.

The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, April 24 in a virtual meeting, using Zoom technology as the College operates remotely due to COVID-19. As part of the meeting, the Board approved the College's 2020-2023 Strategic Plan. The new plan succeeds the 2016-2020 plan, which is set to expire June 30, 2020.

**CHARTING A COURSE FOR SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE**

NSSC President Dr. Michael Thomson noted that the strategic planning committee has done extensive work to develop a new strategic plan, which includes representation from all College governance committees. As part of the process, an environmental scan was completed in the areas of demographics, political and social values, education and technology and economics and labor markets to inform the creation of a new strategic plan. Thomson noted, "Because of the strong work of our stakeholders, we have a very solid strategic plan. As we build our tactical plan, we will incorporate the impact of recent events into specific action steps that will serve our community well as we face the 'new normal' that lies ahead. NSSC is committed to listening to and serving the 77,000 families in Northwest Ohio to keep our communities strong."

The next steps in the process are developing teams and activities to create and execute a tactical plan that will help the College realize these five strategic goals, which are represented by foundational pillars (see graphic below):

1. Pillar One: Life Changing Education (high-quality, transformative and safe educational environments)
2. Pillar Two: Learning for All (collaborative partnerships)
3. Pillar Three: Organizational Excellence (for a sustainable and high-performing organization)
4. Pillar Four: Empowered Team (sustained positive culture, fulfilling mission)
5. Pillar Five: Engaged Community (continue to strengthen stakeholder and community relationships)

"We will celebrate the accomplishments of our learners on May 9, as scheduled. Instead of gathering personally, we will use the technological tools available to provide our learners with an experience that honors their hard work and achievements. I especially appreciate that ODHE Chancellor Randy Gardner is speaking to us as we celebrate the 50th Commencement anniversary. We would ask the communities to help us celebrate our learner's accomplishments as you learn more in the days ahead." Robbin Wilcox, NSSC Executive Foundation Director, noted the date of the virtual Scholarship Awards event is not yet determined, adding "Our Community is dedicated to education and it is demonstrated through their continuous outpouring of financial support. A BIG thanks to our area Businesses, Donors, Alumni and Faculty & Staff." Wilcox confirmed that over \$650,000 in scholarship dollars are set to be awarded to approximately 300 students during the 2020 NSSC event.

**ENROLLMENT AND ACCREDITATION**

Todd Hernandez, Executive Vice President at NSSC, then shared an update with the Board regarding enrollment and accreditation. Hernandez said, "The college faculty, staff, and administration has performed wonderfully in regards to supporting our learners with advising, technology, and flexibility during this crisis. In fact, the vast majority of our learners will complete classes this term and remain on their academic journey. The college is still projecting an enrollment increase this academic year." Hernandez also mentioned that the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), NSSC's accrediting body, was scheduled to perform a comprehensive review as part of the College's 10-year cycle in October, 2020. Due to the college shifting mission in support of the public health crisis, the HLC approved a request to postpone the visit to February, 2021.

In other Board action:

- Approved the promotion of Jennifer Thome to Interim Chief Fiscal and Administrative Officer
- Approved the employment of Madline Fagan, Assistant-Financial Aid, and Isaac Benner, Resource Counselor-Financial Aid
- Approved the application process for NSSC to join the "Achieving the Dream" Network through the College's Graduation Pathways

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By Order of the Board of Health, J.D. Westrick, MD, Health Officer; W. Guy H. Kirtley, Mayor

Many of these directives should sound familiar since we have been living them for about 6 weeks now. Basic hygienic and distancing measures to stop the spread are still the best course of action — they worked in 1918 and they will work again in 2020.

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MAJOR EVENTS GOING ON AS SCHEDULED, IN A VIRTUAL WAY

Dr. Thomson also provided some updates on upcoming scheduled events at the College — Scholarship Awards Night and Spring Commencement. On Commencement, Thomson noted:



to Success Initiative, using funding by the College's Title III Strengthening Institutions Program Grant

• Approved miscellaneous employment contracts, as well as three resignations and one termination of employment

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MEETINGS ON ZOOM**

CHP Hospice of Paulding is hosting meetings on Zoom to serve those in need of bereavement support at this time.

Meetings on Zoom are offered every other Thursday from 2 - 3 p.m. beginning Apr. 23. The meeting is open to anyone who has experienced recent loss and is dealing with issues related to grief.

Those interested must call (419) 238-9223 Ex. 1114 to get the access codes to join online or by phone.

The goal of the monthly "Hope for Tomorrow" group is to empower the grieving with a new perspective through sharing with others in similar circumstances. The group normally meets monthly on the first Wednesday at CHP Home Care & Hospice in Paulding.

**AUDIT FINDS VILLAGE OF UNION CITY FIRE CHIEF AND FIREFIGHTERS OVERPAY THEMSELVES OVER \$75,000**

Columbus - Auditor of State Keith Faber released the 2018 audit of the Village of Union City (Darke County), which issued a total of \$75,835 in findings for recovery against former Fire Chief Pamela Idle and EMT/Firefighters, Craig Idle and Brian Stump.

Ohio's first responders exemplify the best in each of us, putting the well-being of those in need above their own well-being on a daily basis," Auditor Faber said. "When someone undermines their reputation and the respect they have earned through sacrifice, we will pursue those individuals to ensure they pay for the damage caused by their selfish acts."

From January 2010 to August 2016, Pamela Idle falsified her bi-weekly payroll time sheets to included EMS runs, short transports, and long transports that either did not occur, or for which there were no underlying EMS billing records. Also, no knowledgeable supervisor approved her time sheets. Her falsifications led to the village overpaying her \$31,305.

Auditors found that Craig Idle, Pamela's husband, also falsified his bi-weekly payroll timesheets during this period. The timesheets, which Pamela approved, included EMS runs and transports that never occurred or lacked supporting documentation. This resulted in the village overpaying him \$33,240.

Also during this period, Brian Stump falsified his weekly timesheets to include runs that never occurred or didn't have any documentation. The village overpaid him \$11,290.

In all three of these cases, no documentation existed to support that the Village Council was aware that the individuals falsified their

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timesheets or approved the overpayments with such knowledge.

Auditor Faber issued findings for recovery against all three individuals in favor of the Village of Union City Fire/Rescue Fund. The total amount in findings for recovery is \$75,835.

**FIRST FEDERAL BANK AND HOME SAVINGS BANK ANNOUNCE UPCOMING NAME CHANGE TO PREMIER BANK**

First Federal Bank of the Midwest ("First Federal Bank") and Home Savings Bank, announced the upcoming unification of their banking businesses under the new name of Premier Bank. This announcement was planned as part of the strategic merger and upcoming integration of the two bank systems set to be complete in July of this year. At that time, both banks will begin operating under the name Premier Bank.

"I'm truly excited to announce this upcoming name change that will bring together all of our branches under one brand," stated Donald P. Hileman, CEO of First Federal Bank and Home Savings Bank. "We achieved our goal of selecting a name that represents and honors the commitment both banks have made to our customers and communities by providing the best in financial partnerships for over a century."

The combined 77 branches will begin adopting the Premier Bank name and new branding in June with the transition being complete by mid-July. "Whether our customers walk into a First Federal Bank branch or a Home Savings Bank branch today, they know they can count on us to provide them with the banking products and services they need and greet them with familiar, friendly faces who have their best interest at

heart," explained Gary M. Small, President of First Federal Bank and Home Savings Bank. "This name change will bring additional consistency throughout our entire footprint and an elevated promise to deliver the best in community banking."

Executive Vice President and Chief Banking Officer, Head of Community Banking, Vince Liuzzi, added, "We made sure our employees and customers had a voice during this rebranding process to ensure our outcome would reflect what sets us apart in the communities we serve. We know that our customers value us as their trusted advisors known for the local decision making, quick answers and flexibility that our unique market leadership structure provides. The Premier Bank name and brand are a reflection of our commitment to helping customers, employees and our communities achieve their best."

Additional details of the new brand will continue to be developed and released in the coming months.

About First Federal Bank and Home Savings Bank.

First Defiance Financial Corp. (Nasdaq: FDEF), headquartered in Defiance, Ohio, is the holding company for First Federal Bank of the Midwest and First Insurance Group. United Community Financial Corp. merged with First Defiance Financial Corp. on January 31, 2020. The combined organization operates 77 branches, 12 loan offices and 3 wealth offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia. Currently, 33 branches, 3 wealth offices and 11 loan production offices continue to operate as Home Savings Bank.

**Sudoku solution from page 7**

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

**USDA AND DOL ANNOUNCE INFORMATION SHARING TO ASSIST H-2A EMPLOYERS**

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced a partnership between the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) to help facilitate the identification of foreign and domestic workers that may be available and eligible to transfer to other U.S. agricultural sector employers to fulfill critical workforce needs within the U.S. under existing regulatory authority during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Ensuring minimal disruption for our agricultural workforce during these uncertain times is a top priority for this administration," Secretary Perdue said. "President Trump knows that these workers are critical to maintaining our food supply and our farmers and ranchers are counting on their ability to work. We will continue to work to make sure our supply chain is impacted as minimally as possible."

"American farmers and ranchers are at the frontlines of maintaining the nation's food supply," Secretary Scalia said. "In these unprecedented times, it is critical for them to have the workforce they need. This new partnership between USDA and DOL will help support our farmers, ranchers, and American families."

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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:

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# OHIO & INDIANA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE PPEC WINS NATIONAL AWARD FOR FAMILY FOCUSED "MY REASON WHY" SAFETY CAMPAIGN



The photography for this award winning project was shot locally by Erika Pease Photography and the agency was West Bend Printing with Sarah Klingler, the graphic designer.

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC) recently took a first-place gold title in the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Spotlight on Excellence Awards for the "Best Individual Ad" category. The ad campaign featured four PPEC linemen during intimate moments with their families, revealing the message that they work safe so they can go home to their families every day.

The ads were run on billboards last year in Paulding and Putnam counties, as well as in the cooperative's monthly magazines, Ohio Cooperative Living and Indiana Connection, and on social media. Other internal employees were also featured with their families.

Featured linemen included Paulding native Corbin Rhonehouse and his infant son, Luke; Paulding native Zak Kausar and his wife, Megan; Antwerp native Brandon Burelison and his family; and Columbus Grove native Andrew Hermiller and his family. The campaign was organized by PPEC's Marketing and Economic Development Manager Erika Willitzer of Cecil, Ohio, and Communications Coordinator Samantha Kuhn of Defiance, Ohio.

"Safety is always our main priority here at Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative because we want each and every one of our employees to make it home safe to their families every day," says CEO George Carter. "It's a team effort. We are a family-oriented cooperative, and this campaign real-

ly hit home as a reminder why we all need to keep safety top of mind."

In addition, PPEC's linemen have signed pledges committing themselves to safe protocol and tailgates before each job, and they regularly attend safety meetings and trainings from PPEC's Ohio and Indiana statewide organizations. During the Coronavirus pandemic, PPEC has prioritized safety by deploying a limited staff rotation in late March, with employees rotating between office and remote work. Social distancing protocols are in place, employee's temperatures are recorded daily, and frequently touched surfaces are sanitized often. CEO George Carter's wife, Debbie, even made masks for employees who wanted one.

Send PPEC your COVID-19 safety photos to be featured online!

PPEC wants to extend the campaign to the community posing the same question: What (or who) is YOUR reason why you're being safe during COVID-19? Why are you wearing a mask, social distancing, or taking other virus protection measures? Send your photo to Samantha Kuhn at skuhn@ppec.coop to be featured online!

More information about the award

The Spotlight on Excellence Awards program recognizes a body of outstanding work in 16 categories produced by electric cooperative communication and marketing professionals from across

the country. PPEC's listing can be found under category 14 here.

NRECA represents more than 900 consumer-owned, not-for-profit electric cooperatives, public power districts, and public utility districts in the United States.

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

## CITY OF NEW HAVEN UPDATES ON CITY SERVICES & BUILDING ACCESS DUE TO COVID-19



New Haven, Indiana - As the Coronavirus (COVID 19) continues to dominate the news, the City of New Haven is extending the closure of City Hall to the public till Friday, May 8, 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 most full-time employees. We will continue to monitor COVID 19 and take additional action as needed. We will continue to follow guidelines and recommendations from the local health department along with state and federal experts and authorities.

Earlier this month, we launched the Neighbor Helpline. If you need help or would like to volunteer to help a neighbor, please call 748-7079 or email us at info@NewHaven.IN.gov.

We continue to encourage everyone to remain proactive and prepared. As a reminder all essential services of the city of New Haven continue to operate including our 911 dispatch center, Police, Fire and EMS. If you have an emergency call 911. For non-emergency, you can reach the New Haven Police Department at 260- 748-

7080.

We will continue to take proactive measures to protect our city employees and the public and guarding against any disruption of city services. New Haven will continue to follow the guidance from the State of Indiana and CDC to ensure the health and safety of our employees and the public.

## TEMPORARY CLOSURES TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH MAY 8, 2020

Utility Payments: The City of New Haven Utility Office continues to be closed to the public. We are urging you to use one of the payment options below:

- Pay online on our website ([www.newhaven.in.gov](http://www.newhaven.in.gov))
- By phone (1-866-670-3036)
- Check or money order can be mailed or placed in the drive up drop box
  - o Drive up drop box located in the east parking lot
  - o Mail to PO BOX 570, New Haven, IN, 46774
- We offer auto debit, a free and convenient monthly service

We want to continue providing the best service we can and will maintain regular hours (8:00 am - 12:00 noon, 1:00pm - 5:00pm) to answer your phone calls and e-mails. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Office of Mayor Steven S. McMichael, 815 Lincoln Highway East • New Haven, Indiana 46774 (260) 748-7070 • [www.NewHaven.IN.gov](http://www.NewHaven.IN.gov)

Community Center: The Community Center in New Haven continues to be closed to the public. This includes the Fitness Center, Senior Room and public meeting rooms. The City of New Haven Park Office will not be open to the public but will take telephone calls. For any questions, please contact the Park Office at (260) 749-2212.

New Haven Police Department: The Police Training Room at New Haven City Hall continues to be closed to the public. This includes all public group meetings. Fingerprinting will no longer be performed until further notice. We are encouraging the public not to come into the office in person to protect the community and staff so that we can continue business as usual. Background checks that can be completed online at <https://www.in.gov/ai/appfiles/isp-lch/>.

Fire/EMS: The Training room will not be available to the public. Member of the public are not able to walk-in and have their blood pressure checked.

New Haven Planning Department: The Planning Department will continue to accept applications for Improvement Location Permits and other planning services. Applications may be obtained online at [www.newhaven.in.gov](http://www.newhaven.in.gov). Payment may be made via check at the utility drop box Attn: Planning Department.

New Haven City Council and Board of Public Works: We will update the city's facebook page with all scheduling changes. In the event of the need of either of these meetings the public will be able to watch via facebook live, as City Hall will continue to be closed to the public.

Waste Collection Proto-

col: Garbage and recycling crews will collect only Receptacle Services issued containers. Workers will not pick up additional items left outside the containers. Additionally, workers will not pick up personal containers, yard waste, bags, boxes, or bulk items. We are continuing to suspend the large item and bulk sticker program for the month of May. Please do not place any items at your curb that do not fit in the 96-gallon dumpster as they will not be picked up.

New Haven: We have many government services available online at [www.newhaven.in.gov](http://www.newhaven.in.gov) including utility bill payments, permitting and access to City Council and Board of Public Works meetings.

If you have any questions or non-emergency issue, please contact the City of New Haven at (260) 748-7000 or by email at [info@newhaven.in.gov](mailto:info@newhaven.in.gov).

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

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention: Center We will continue to follow the CDC to ensure the health and safety of city employees and the public. This is our top priority. You can visit their website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

CDC.gov.

Allen County Health Department: For questions throughout Allen County, visit their website at [www.allencountyhealth.com](http://www.allencountyhealth.com). For further information, please contact Elizabeth Hoffman at the Mayor's Office at 748-7019.

## LIONS CLUB DONUT DAYS SERVING THE COMMUNITY

The Woodburn Lions Club will be holding two Donut Days in May. On Saturday May 9th, we will be making donuts from 7:00-11:00 a.m. or until we run out. We will be located by the Woodburn Plaza. We are asking for a free will donation if you wish. 100% of all money collected will be donated to the Woodburn Community Food Bank to assist them in serving the needs in the Woodburn Community. We asking you to limit your family to two dozen so that we can serve more families. Drive thru and walk up service will be available.

We will also be making donuts on Saturday, May 23. From 7:00-11:00 a.m. at the same location. Proceeds will benefit Woodlan 6th Grade project, Mrs.Price's class, to help fund the "Wishing Rock" to be located at the Woodburn Plaza. Drive thru and walk up service will be available. Thank you for helping the Lion's Club in helping serve the community.

Joshua Garmater  
garmatertrenching@gmail.com

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

## ATTENTION PAULDING COUNTY

We need to work together to help keep all of us safe. Please communicate the symptoms you are experiencing to the following agencies:

- **1st Responders**
  - o During initiating of contact or 911 call
  - o Upon entering your residence
- **Hospital or clinic locations**
  - o During initiation of contact, please call facilities prior to your arrival
  - o Upon entering a hospital or clinic location.

HELP US PROTECT THOSE WORKING TO HELP YOU!



**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.

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