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## PPEC MEMBERS DONATE \$12,639 TO 12 LOCAL GROUPS



United Way of Paulding County's Lora Lyons had a little helper in the office after receiving their \$1,000 check from PPEC. The funds will be used for a school supply drive, which includes headsets and backpacks.

The Coronavirus pandemic has distanced people physically - but Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative members' hearts are more united than ever. A total of \$12,639 in first-quarter donations was distributed to 12 local organizations through the

co-op's Operation Round Up program.

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

The most recent donation recipients include:

Van Wert Area Performing Arts Foundation; \$500 toward their Niswonger Speaker Series

Power2Change, Latty;  
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## ANTWERP VFW POST 5087 AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS



Antwerp VFW Senior Scholarship Winners were (L-R) Julia Steiner, Heather Oberlin, and Alyvia Devore, presented by Keith West (Alex Philips, absent).

The Antwerp VFW Post 5087 presented the following seniors with scholarships: Alyvia Devore, Heather Oberlin, Julia Steiner, and Alex Philips. The amount was in-

creased this year according to presenter, Keith West. In recent years, the amount had been \$500 for each senior and this year the amount was increased by 100% to \$1000.

Over the last 10 years, since the scholarship program was created, the Antwerp VFW post 5087 has given away over \$25,000.

This donation comes from the Ohio Charities account that all Ohio VFW are required to be a part of. Each year seniors may apply for  
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## 2020 PAULDING COUNTY FAIR OFFICIALLY SHUT DOWN

The 2020 Paulding County Fair is only 4 weeks away. The Senior and Junior Fair Boards have been working on this fair since the close of 2019, then Coronavirus hit. The State of Ohio has been under a stay at home order since March 15th, 2020 and was extended twice to May 29th, 2020. This also included a mandate for no "Fairs,  
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## NEW RESPONSIBLE RESTARTOHIO OPENING DATES

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine, Lt. Governor Jon Husted, and Dr. Amy Acton, MD, MPH, provided the following sector opening dates established as part of the Responsible RestartOhio plan.

**CHILD CARE: MAY 31**  
Beginning Sunday, May 31, childcare providers in Ohio will be permitted to reopen if these providers can  
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- May 22
- Vantage Career Ctr. Virtual Awards Ceremony, online @ 6:30pm
- May 23
- Woodburn Lions Club Donut order pick up, Woodburn Plaza, 7-11a
- May 24
- AHS Virtual Graduation, online @ 2pm
  - Antwerp Senior Parade, starting @ Field House Drive, 4pm
- May 26
- WT Senior Parade @ 5:30pm, starting at Payne Park
- May 28
- JPHS general meeting @ 6:30pm
- June 4
- Paulding Chamber Off the Clock w/Wagner Metals, 5-6:30pm
- June 6
- Les Weidenhamer & Todd Switzer Memorial Bike Run @ JPHS, 9:30am
  - Habitat For Humanity Annual Golf Outing @ Auglaize GC, 9am
- June 7
- WTHS Virtual Graduation, online @ 2:30pm
- June 9
- FW Community Band @ Foellinger Theater, FW
- June 27
- United Way Purse Bingo @ OSU Ext. bldg., Paulding, 6pm
- July 10
- Paulding Chamber Golf Outing @ Auglaize GC, 10am
- July 17
- Health, Business & Industry Fair @ OSU Ext. bldg., 11a-2p
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this local grant from the Antwerp VFW and it's quite simple. Upcoming seniors, will want to contact Antwerp's Guidance Counselor, Diana Hammer, for more information. It's never too early to start planning your future.

Diana Hammer stated that she was very thankful to the Antwerp VFW and all of the scholarship contributors who make the young people's future education possible in our area. If you would like to have a scholarship available to students in the Antwerp School district, you need to contact Diana Hammer and she can help get this setup for your organization.

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Festivals or Parades" which have not been lifted and only groups of 10 people allowed. On May 11th both the Senior and Junior Fair board had a Zoom meeting, with the Paulding County Health Department and Paulding County Commissioners. It was decided by all parties, that for the safety and well-being of the Paulding County residents, the 2020 Paulding County Fair cannot happen this year. Based on recent COVID-19 trends in Ohio, we, as a collective group, had to make this hard decision for the community.

The Senior and Junior Fair boards are still looking at ways to have a Virtual "Add-on" auction and do have packers lined up for all the animals, if the youth choose to go that route to help with compensation of their completed projects. The youth do need to complete Quality Assurance and Skillathon, then they are considered a completed project, and are then able to sell their animal to the packers we lined up. We are also hoping to have a Fun Day sometime in the fall for all the 4-H/FFA youth of the county, once this has all calmed down.

We are one, Paulding Strong!

# RAILROADS & THEIR FORGOTTEN TOWNS: CINCINNATI NORTHERN



Winters Bros., Artists, Paulding, Ohio

Photograph of Dague taken by Winter Bros. photographers of Paulding circa 1890. Dague once was a flourishing railroad town between Latty and Haviland. Photo courtesy Paulding County Bicentennial Committee.

By: Kim Sutton; Paulding County Bicentennial Committee

Part of a series

PAULDING - All aboard as we continue with the history of Paulding County railroads and their forgotten towns!

The second railroad to cross Paulding County ran north and south through Cecil, Paulding Furnace, Holcombeville, Paulding, Latty, Dague, Folmer, Haviland and Scott. Four of these settlements along the railroad no longer exist. They are the forgotten towns and will be the focus of this article.

When fully completed, the line ran from Cincinnati through Van Wert and on to Mackinaw, Michigan. It carried numerous names throughout the years, but was more popularly known as the Cincinnati Northern. Today, the only part of the track that remains runs beside Lafarge and into Cecil connecting onto what was once the Wabash Railroad.

This major north-south line had a very meager beginning. It started out as a short track made of strap iron, built by the owners of the Paulding Furnace and ran from Cecil, past the Paulding Furnace, and on southward for two miles. Paulding Furnace was located on the north side of the Wabash Erie Canal. Today, we would locate it on CR 180 (Canal Road) at CR 105. The track was used by the company for the hauling of wood from the forests to the kilns.

Paulding Furnace was established in 1864-65 by Evans, Rodgers & Co. because of the abundance of old growth forests and access to the Wabash Railroad and the Wa-

bash & Erie Canal. Iron ore was brought in from the Lake Superior ore deposits, first traveling by lake to Toledo, then to Paulding Furnace by the canal or railroad. The ore was smelted by the burning of charcoal, which was made in the numerous beehive kilns.

The furnace unquestionably aided in the settlement of our county. The company purchased vast amounts of land, cleared off the timber, and then leased the cleared land to farmers. Paulding Furnace employed about 250 men, clearing thousands of acres of woodland.

Although Paulding Furnace was not incorporated, nor did it have a post office (mail was received at Cecil) the early newspaper archives tell of its "neighborhood news." Church services were held here, and there was a blacksmith shop and a store. People are referenced as living at Paulding Furnace and in the Paulding Gazette, May 12, 1887, it was announced that Miss Mary Schaffer would be teaching school at Paulding Furnace.

Henry Howe gave us the best description of what Paulding Furnace looked like in his book, Howe's Historical Collections of Ohio. He tells us that about a mile and a half south of Cecil, stood a huge brown building with a 40-foot stack and beside it, 23 structures shaped like beehives, about fifteen feet high. They were as white as snow, made of brick and plastered with lime. They were kilns used for the burning of wood to make charcoal which was used for burning to smelt the ore shipped in from Lake Superior.

In 1877, George W. Potter, prominent businessman and banker, understanding the importance of having a railroad run to Paulding, purchased a narrow gauge railroad, which had been in operation in Columbus but was taken up because the line had been condemned. The material was brought to Paulding and work commenced on constructing a railroad from Cecil to Paulding. However, there was only enough to reach Possum Run, about one-half mile from Paulding. From there on, it was made of wooden plank and horses were used to pull the cars on into Paulding.

In 1879, John Evans, superintendent of the Paulding

Furnace, with the aid of the citizens from Paulding and Cecil, constructed a standard gauge railroad connecting Paulding to the Wabash Railroad. The first train ran over it into Paulding on September 1, 1880.

In 1881, the rail line passed into the hands of the Paulding and Cecil Railway Company, with S. Frank Eagle as president, and was operated by that company until 1884, when it was sold to the Cincinnati, Van Wert and Michigan Railway Company.

In 1887 S. Frank Eagle leased the Paulding Furnace and it became known as the Bertha Furnace. It is interesting to note that on May 19, 1887, about a month after the Reservoir War, which was the dynamiting of the abandoned reservoir and locks along the Wabash & Erie Canal, Ohio Governor Foraker visited Antwerp. After the Governor made a personal inspection of the reservoir and spoke to the citizens, he boarded the train in Antwerp on his way to Toledo. Upon arrival in Cecil, he was met by a carriage and taken to Paulding Furnace where the distinguished Governor and his party remained overnight with S.F. Eagle, superintendent of the Bertha Furnace.

A dark cloud of misfortune seemed to settle upon Bertha Furnace in the summer of 1887. On August 5, an employee was severely burned by escaping gas caused by what is known as a "jump" of the furnace. On September 22, the bell (an operational component) fell into the furnace and necessitated a shut down for several days. On September 29, the inner wall of the stack fell in and resulted in seriously burning the face and head of the foreman. The week of October 13 an accidental explosion of gas severely injured a workman about the head.

In addition to these misfortunes, the Wabash & Erie Canal was never the same after the dynamiting, and the Bertha Furnace had trouble receiving shipments in or out by canal. As a result, by October it was announced that the Bertha Furnace was shutting down operations. This little settlement would no longer exist.

The establishment of the connection from Paulding to the Wabash Railroad opened up new business opportuni-

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."

Hebrews 6:10 NIV

ties and growth. One such business was started by Major A.B. Holcombe and called the Holcombe Stave Factory which grew into a small com-

school were T.J. Spriggs and James A. McBride.

By March 1891, a community had grown enough to warrant a post office. The



One of Paulding County's "ghost towns" is Dague, located on the old Cincinnati Northern Railroad in Blue Creek Township. The community, platted in the early 1880s, boasted a three-story factory and a skating rink. Today, no traces remain.

munity that was known as Holcombeville.

The Antwerp Argus dated March 8, 1888 had this to say about the factory; "Major Holcombe, at his hoop and stave factory North of Paulding, is just rushing things, and making the sawdust fly, both day and night. He has in his yard nearly three million feet of elm logs, and has made contracts with foreign parties for the sale of 300,000,000 staves."

Holcombeville, sometimes called Holcombe, was a known settlement located on CR 144 (Gasser Road) at the intersection of Road 103. It was spoken of in the Paulding newspapers as early as 1887. Today, in 2020, it is the approximate location of Schweller Electric Co. The town had a large general store, a blacksmith shop, a boarding house for workers, several residences, and a ball club. Church services were held by two different ministers at different times in the school house. Known teachers at the

Paulding Democrat informs us: "A post office has been created at Holcombe, a mile northwest of this place, with Major Holcombe as postmaster and Earle Travis, the store-keeper, as deputy. The new office is called Morrison, in honor of U.S. Chief Justice Morrison R. Waite, a member of the firm of A.B. Holcombe & Co. The Cincinnati, Jackson and Mackinaw will also put in a telegraph office and make a regular station of the place. Hurray for Morrison."

The stave mill closed down on the 10th of June, 1893. The Paulding Democrat published on June 22, 1893, tells us: "Holcombeville, until recently a very busy mill town, is as quiet as quiet can be. The saw-mill and bolt cutters are through and as soon as the stave joiners finish their work and the stock is shipped Farmer Holcombe will be able to add several acres more to his 80 acre corn patch. The operatives are leaving and soon all but help about the yards and farm hands will

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have accepted places elsewhere. The quiet prevailing at Ho'cum is oppressive."

The Morrison Post Office was ordered to be closed in 1894; the residents would be receiving their mail at Paulding. The little town was done, but the stove mill was converted into a tile mill and continued operation until the death of Major A.B. Holcombe in 1898.

Another little town to pop up along the Cincinnati Northern was named Dague. When the railroad was put in, it went through H.C. Dague's farm. Hamilton Chauncy Dague laid out 38 lots in the original plat of Dague in the early



An example of a beehive kiln, similar to ones located in Paulding County in the late 1800s. Paulding Furnace covered theirs with lime plaster, making them "white as snow."

1880s. It was located about five miles south of Paulding on Road 72 and along the east side of the railroad tracks.

As the railroad became popular, the post office was moved to Dague in 1882 from Pleasant Point, another forgotten community, a half-mile east. A stone building was also moved from Pleasant Point, to Dague to be used as a school house and church. Dague soon built a new school house and the stone building was taken over by the United Brethren church.

At one time Dague was a thriving community with a train depot, two general stores, a hotel, barber shop, church, school (1888 school census shows there were 130 children in attendance), doctor's office, blacksmith shop, saloon and more than a few homes. There was a shop that

made hickory chairs. The bowl factory of Capt. C. Neff stood beside the chair shop. It was three stories high and turned out 40 dozen bowls per day, made out of cottonwood. Dague even had a skating rink!

As the timber ran out, Dague started to dwindle. The post office closed March 15, 1905 and mail was then received through Latty. The old railroad bridge over Blue Creek is still visible, south of Road 72 about half a mile across the field.

The next little town we are going to visit was about two miles south of Dague and laid out on Road 48 between U.S. 127 and MacDonald Pike, along the Cincinnati Northern Railroad. The town was called Folmer, which has been spelled many different ways throughout the years. The small community was founded by Andrew Follmer, a German immigrant. The railroad went through Andrew Follmer's farm. Mr. Follmer started a town and called it Folmer.

Folmer had a church, train station, a hotel, grocery store and a school. The post office of Folmer opened on March 8, 1882. The known postmasters were S.G. Bowyer and Levi A. Fast. The Paulding Democrat reported the news of Folmer under a column titled "Folmer Facts." From this column we learn that Folmer had a pretty good ball team, church suppers and entertainment, and school events.

The post office closed December 31, 1896, and residents then received their mail through the post office in Haviland. Folmer went the way of the other railroad towns. The last mention of Folmer in the newspapers was reports from the Folmer Bethel Church in 1917.

Next time: We will continue with part three of the Railroads and Their Forgotten Towns.

More information on the bicentennial can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PauldingCounty200.

ment of Job and Family Services' website soon.

Governor DeWine also announced that Ohio will fund a research project to study best practices for controlling the spread of COVID-19 in child care settings. Information gathered from the study will continue to inform child care regulations moving forward.

The reopening date of May 31 also applies to day camps that can meet required safety protocols. A detailed list of guidelines and best practices for day camps will be available soon at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

**CAMPGROUNDS: MAY 21**

Beginning Thursday, May 21, campgrounds in Ohio will be permitted to reopen if these facilities can meet required safety protocols.

To ensure that campgrounds operate in the safest manner possible, Governor DeWine's Outdoor Recreation Advisory Group created a detailed list of guidelines and best practices for day camps to follow. The full list of mandatory and recommended best practices for both campgrounds and campers is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

**OHIO BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES (CERTAIN SERVICES): MAY 26**

Beginning Tuesday, May 26, Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) locations in Ohio will be permitted to reopen for certain services if these facilities can meet required safety protocols.

Services that can be accomplished online should still be done online. More details on online BMV services can be found at oplates.com.

To ensure that each deputy registrar location operates in the safest manner possible, the BMV is creating a detailed list of guidelines and best practices for deputy registrars to follow. A full list of mandatory and recommended best practices will be available soon at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

**GYMS, FITNESS CENTERS: MAY 26**

Beginning Tuesday, May 26, gyms and fitness centers in Ohio will be permitted to reopen if these facilities can meet required safety protocols.

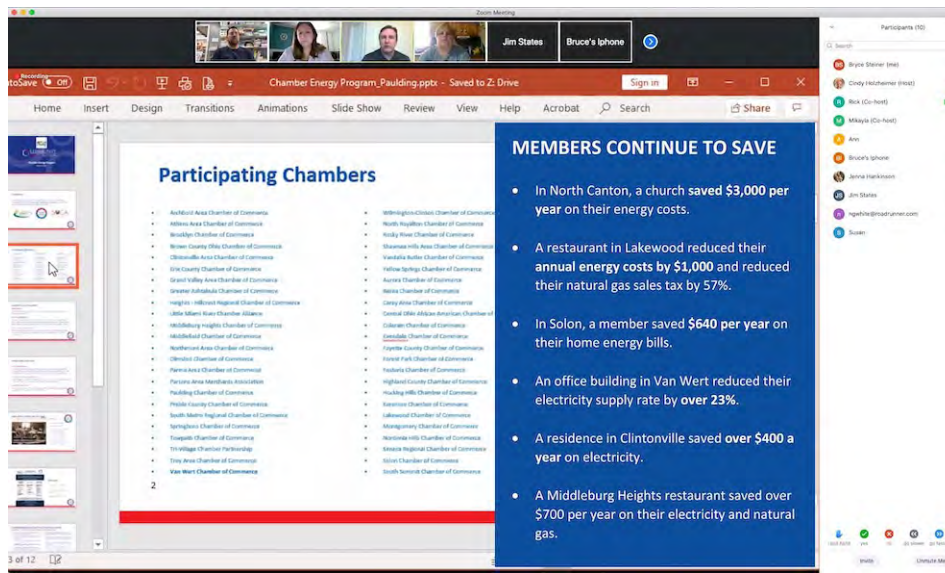
To ensure that these establishments operate in the safest manner possible, Governor DeWine's Gyms Advisory Group is creating a detailed list of guidelines and best practices for gyms and fitness centers to follow. A full list of mandatory and recommended best practices will be available soon at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

**SPORTS LEAGUES (NON-CONTACT, LIMITED CONTACT): MAY 26**

Beginning Tuesday, May 26, sports leagues in Ohio will be permitted to operate if these leagues can meet required safety protocols. This applies only to non-contact and limited-contact sports.

To ensure that non-contact and limited-contact sports leagues operate in the safest manner possible, Governor DeWine's Large Venue Advisory Group is creating a detailed list of guidelines and best practices for sports leagues to follow. A full list of mandatory and recommended best practices will be available soon at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

**PAULDING CHAMBER MEETS TO DISCUSS ENERGY SAVINGS FOR COMPANIES**



The Paulding Chamber met on Friday, May 15 over Zoom to discuss the Chamber's focus on energy panels. The host was Mikayla Pieper, Chamber Director, and she introduced Rick Davidson who brought up several issues that are currently facing businesses are in the energy sector. The system now is you must choose your electric provider is and they bid on the rates to give you. Rick stated that some

are not as honest as they should be and the contract you sign still must be compared to the bill, as unscrupulous salesmanship will increase the numbers if you are not carefully checking.

Several business and organizations have saved quite a bit of money using this chamber program and he can evaluate if you are getting the best deal that you intend to get. This does not apply only to business, but

also to employees of businesses. Rick stated it does not just apply to Ohio as we are on the state line, there are Indiana residents who work on this side of the state line.

If you have questions, you can contact Mikayla Pieper at the Paulding Chamber and she can help you get your information in order to send in for this chamber energy evaluation.

**THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY THREATENS SANCTIONS AGAINST REP. BANKS**

The Chinese Communist Party is mulling adding more than a few U.S. lawmakers to their sanctions list, according to a story published by the Chinese government's propaganda outlet, the Global Times. Rep. Jim Banks (R-IN) is named alongside Sens. Blackburn (R-TN) Cotton (R-AR), Hawley (R-MO), McSalley (R-AZ) and Scott (R-FL), and fellow House lawmakers Rep. Crenshaw (R-TX) and Rep. Gooden (R-TX) as some of the lawmakers China is most concerned about in Congress.

Quotes attributed to "sources" in the Global Times article state: "Those Representatives who have been harshly criticizing China and inflaming this 'holding China accountable' political farce will face severe consequences."

"The Chinese government is lashing out at those in the U.S. who are appropriately trying to hold them accountable for intentionally misleading us about the nature of the novel coronavirus, where it was spreading and how quickly things were getting out of control. I consider their threats a badge of honor," said Rep. Banks.

Rep. Banks introduced a resolution in the U.S. House of Representatives that makes clear that the Chinese government is ultimately responsible for our current pandemic. That resolution has 54 co-sponsors.

Rep. Banks was the first lawmaker to suggest China should pay reparations for the damage being done to individual lives and the U.S. economy. He posited China cancelling the \$1 trillion in U.S. debt they hold, adding additional tariffs to Chinese imports and bringing a case against China in the International Court of Justice.

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meet required safety protocols.

To ensure that these establishments operate in the safest manner possible, Governor DeWine's Early Childhood Advisory Council created a detailed list of guidelines and best practices for childcare centers to follow. The full list of mandatory and recommended best practices can be found at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

"Our goal is to have the safest child care system in the nation - one that nurtures the health and continued growth and development of our children and one that protects

the health and safety of our child care workers and teachers," said Governor DeWine. "Moving forward, child care is going to look different for children, parents, and teachers. But we must get this right, or we run the risk of exposing more people to COVID-19."

To assist in the reopening of child care centers, Ohio will use more than \$60 million in federal CARES Act funding to provide reopening grants to all of Ohio's childcare providers, including family childcare, childcare centers, and both publicly-funded and private providers. More information on how to apply will be posted to the Ohio Depart-

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**HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TEACHER, MRS. ROSS, RETIRES**



**Carolyn Ross**

The Harlan Christian School community would like to take a moment to recognize Mrs. Carolyn Ross and her forty-one years of service to the Harlan Christian School. Mrs. Ross taught the Pre-K and Kindergarten classes at HCS; and many fond memories have been created with Mrs. Ross. Students and parents have enjoyed visiting Safety Village, singing songs like Suzy Snowflake or Kids Under Construction, and memorizing their presidents. Thank you, Mrs. Ross, for everything you have contributed to the Harlan Christian School; we love you and will miss you.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

By: **Dr. James Bachman**

*Dear Parson,  
If evolution is true, where are all the transitional forms between the species?*

As a thinking person you are on to something that every non-believing scientist would love to produce if they could. These are not true scientists. Science is knowledge ascertained by observation and experiment, critically tested, systemized, and brought under general principles. The facts and the theory of evolution do not fit. A few similarities do not prove origin. Because an orange and a baseball are both round, we cannot automatically assume one came from the other.

The fact is there are huge gaps between the species.

If evolution was true, there would be billions of transitional forms going on today and available in the fossil records.

The facts line up perfectly with the Creator's explanation in Genesis 1:21, 24-25. v. 21 - "And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good." v. 24-25 - "And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good."

Real scientists, instead of theoretic scientists, agree with the Bible's explanation. The idea of improvement through mutations is also unscientific because testing shows that mutations are detrimental to species and not beneficial.

Darwin himself admitted the lack of many true transitional forms was the biggest downfall of his theory. True science can only prove the Bible right.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

**WAYNE TRACE HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCES TOP SCHOLARS!**

Wayne Trace High School Virtual Graduation Ceremony is scheduled for June 7. The following students were named Valedictorians of the Class of 2020 for Wayne Trace High School.

**Miriam Sinn** of Haviland, daughter of Tim and Marlene Sinn.

Academic Awards, Groups, Activities include: Freshman year awards included Physical Education, Geometry, Computer Science, 4.0 GPA. Sophomore awards included Algebra II and 4.0 GPA, and Junior year



**Miriam Sinn**

was a 4.0 GPA, too. She was in the NHS junior and senior years (vice-president). Volleyball and basketball all four high school years, as well as track - sophomore year.

"The thing that I will miss the most about Wayne Trace is the sports. The teams that I was a part of were my second families. I grew to have some great relationships with my teammates and coaches. Additionally, I always looked forward to Friday night football or basketball games where there was so much excitement and energy that you could not help getting swept up right along with it! I love the sportsmanship and competition that grew over the years between my team and our rivals, and our fans were always so supportive! I will also miss the friendly relationships I have with my teachers and academic mentors at Wayne Trace, who increased my knowledge and gave my one of the best academic experiences!"

Jobs: Miriam had her first job milking cows at her dad's dairy farm (TRT Sinn Dairy); summer help at Grover Hill Elementary from June 2019 to August 2019; comcession



**Nathan Gerber**

worker for the Payne Ballpark Association; honey extractor for Stoller Honey Farms.

She plans on attending Northwest State Community College for nursing (two-year associate's degree). In 10 years she sees herself having completed college and holding down a steady job as a nurse working in either a hospital or private clinic. She also hopes to be married with a few children.

**Nathan Gerber** of Latty is the son of Shawn and Shane Gerber.

Academic Achievements & Awards include: Department Awards - Physical Science, Pre-Calculus, Chemistry; Americanism Test Award: (two years)

He was Student Council President; and helped with the following fundraisers - Relay for Life and Toys for Tots. He participated in the following sports: Football - 4 years; Basketball - 4 years, 1st team All-district, 1st team All-conference, GMC co-player of the year

He received the Capital Presidential Scholarship, and was involved in the National Honor Society, Church Youth Group, and Latty Baseball Association.

Nathan plans to attend Capital University in Columbus and study Biomedical engineering, and get into medical school



**Andrew Sinn**

**Andrew Sinn** of Haviland is the son of Joy Sinn and Steve Sinn

Awards & Achievements for Andrew include: 4.0 GPA, Track, four year member of student council, two year

member of NHS.

"The thing I will miss most about high school is how close I was to everyone and being able to see my friends every day."

Andrew is employed by InSource in Paulding. He plans to attend University of Toledo for a degree in Biochemistry, and in 10 years he hopes to end up working in a lab doing research.



**Max Laukhuf**

**Max Laukhuf** of Haviland is the son of Michael and Lisa Laukhuf.

"When it comes to my academic awards, I have been on the honor roll every year, and have also earned my academic letter all four years of high school. I have had perfect attendance once in high school. I have been involved in NHS for the past two years of high school as well. I have been in high school band since I was in eighth grade, and joined the choir two years ago. For four years, I have helped backstage in Wayne Trace's musicals, and was in the musical this year. It was an honor to be a part of the 2020 class, I will miss being with my friends, and being in band. I will also miss lunch."

Last summer and again this summer, Max will be taking care of his township's cemeteries. He also works for my neighbor taking care of his cows.

After high school, Max plans on earning a Bachelor's degree at Purdue University Fort Wayne majoring in business management or finance.

In ten years, Max sees himself in Michigan doing something with agriculture, and maybe working with music.

Officer.

Heart attack, stroke and cardiac arrest symptoms are always urgent and it is highly recommended to call 911 without hesitation. Emergency workers know how to protect and care for patients exhibiting these symptoms. Emergencies will not stop for COVID-19.

"Safety always remains our highest priority and we are taking serious action to enhance infection prevention, restrict access to our facilities and support social distancing to maintain a safe environment for patients who need urgent medical care," stated Natalie Seaber, RN, CNML, Regional Chief Nursing Officer.

Among the precautions currently implemented throughout the network, all individuals who enter any LHN facility, including staff, will be screened. Additionally, employees, physicians and patients are expected to wear masks. Care for any individuals with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 is delivered in a restricted, isolated area away from other patients. Cleaning and disinfection are emphasized in caregiving areas and throughout the facility, including high-touch items like door handles, elevator buttons, tables and chairs.

Receiving urgent medical treatment could be the difference between life and death. LHN urges the community to pay close attention to the signs of a health emergency and act quickly. Call 911, go to the hospital and get the help you need.

**KNOW THE SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS:**

**Heart Attack**

- Chest discomfort
- Discomfort in other areas of the upper body.
- Shortness of breath.
- Other possible signs include breaking out in a cold sweat, nausea or lightheadedness.

Signs for women - Women's most common heart attack symptom is chest pain. Some women are more likely to experience shortness of breath, nausea/vomiting and back or jaw pain.

**REMEMBER TO ACT F.A.S.T. FOR STROKE:**

- Face drooping; Does one side of the face droop or is it numb?
- Arm weakness;
- Speech difficulty; Is speech slurred, are they unable to speak, or are they hard to understand?
- If the person shows any of these symptoms, even if the symptoms go away, call 911 and get them to the hospital immediately.

**Cardiac Arrest**

- Cardiac arrest occurs when the heart malfunctions and stops beating unexpectedly.
- Within seconds a person becomes unresponsive, is not breathing or is only gasping.
- Survival depends on getting immediate CPR.

The foundation of Lutheran Health Network is built on an experienced team of more than 7,000 employees working together with the more than 800 physicians who compose its medical staffs. The network's more than 100 access points in northern Indiana include physician offices, urgent care clinics, outpatient centers and eight hospitals.

**LHN URGES COMMUNITY TO SEEK CRITICAL CARE WHEN NEEDED**

Lutheran Health Network is urging the local community to seek emergency care when it is needed - without delay. If you experience a medical emergency, such as chest pain that may be a heart attack or stroke symptoms, receiving care in a timely manner will support the best possible outcome. LHN is taking extra precautions in response to COVID-19 by going above and beyond normal efforts to keep our facilities clean and safe for our patients and caregivers.

The latest campaign by the American Heart Association (AHA) - Be Certain In Uncertain Times - reinforces the critical need to secure treatment as soon as possible. The AHA is working to remind everyone that heart attacks, strokes and cardiac arrests don't stop for COVID-19.

"Seeking immediate care at the local hospital or with a health care provider if it is needed is so incredibly important," said Vishal Bhatia, MD, Regional Chief Medical



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**I SURVIVED**

**Penny For Your Thoughts**  
by: Nancy Whitaker  
Part 1: THE VIRUS STRIKES

2020 brought us a new virus called Corona or COVID-19. This unknown illness ravaged the whole world with a vengeance, taking lives, closing down states, countries and cities. The only good way to protect yourself was to Stay Home; wash your hands; and practice social distancing.

COVID-19 infections mounted through the months of March and April, and deaths were in the hundreds of thousands on a daily basis. Calls went out for hand sanitizer; face masks antiseptic wipes, hospital beds and ventilators.

The thing about this virus was that no one knew anything about it and there was no known cure. It also had the ability to spread very quickly infecting thousands and leaving behind a death toll that rose daily.

Many steps were taken to contain the virus and keep it from spreading, including quarantines, face masks, and social distancing.

Closures of restaurants, clubs, salons, fitness studios, theaters and retail stores became the new "norm."

Schools were closed, along with graduations, proms and sports. States closed up and only essential businesses were allowed to be open.

With a quarantine in place and the Stay at Home protocol, life was unlike anything we had ever experienced.

While some people were fortunate enough to work from home, others worked with Corona virus patients, exposing themselves and their families to the unknown enemy.

Other essential workers put in hours of labor in fast food or grocery stores.

Daily press conferences were held and the Stay at Home order was extended until May 29.



**A lot of stay at homers kept busy sewing and making masks. Some pretty cool masks were designed by locals including Ohio State ones; Michigan; flamingos, school colors bright colors. Pictured below is me with a pink pleated mask. I think I look like a bank robber ... send me a picture of yours!**

Thinking two weeks was a long time to stay home; it was unimaginable to even consider going another month all cooped up.

Most people did follow the "stay at home" protocol which made changes to our every day lives.

Online schools and lessons were available to students and it is unknown when schools will open again.

If you wanted family time, this was the opportunity to do things together.

If you lived alone, it was a time to practice either cooking, sewing or crafting or whatever else you wanted to do.

Churches and worship services were closed and pastors took to the internet to bring Sunday services into homes.

TV hosts and shows were televised from their homes and everyone was told to stay at least 6 ft away from each other. What will we do?

**WT LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES 5/11/20**

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on May 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. by Zoom Video Conferencing

The meeting was live streamed on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/Wayne-Trace-Local-Schools-102256411441905/>

The following members were present: Mr. Pat Baumle, Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mrs. Rhonda Stabler, Mr. Dick Swaary

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Superintendent, Ben Winans.

Roll Call was taken by Treasurer, Lori Davis.

Correspondence, Recognition of Guests, Hearing of the Public\*

\*Thirty minutes of public participation will be permitted. Each person addressing the Board will give their name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted 3 minutes until the total of 30 minutes is used. During that period no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have the opportunity to do so.

\*All statements should be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

Ben Winans, Superintendent announced that anyone wanting to have public input need to call (419)263-2415. The board waited a few minutes to see if anyone called in. No participation from the public. Mr. Winans also announced that Tim McDonough from the Crescent News was streaming the meeting on facebook and would be publishing the meeting in the newspaper as always.

**Report of the Treasurer**  
Treasurer, Lori Davis reviewed the 5 year forecast and appropriations and revenue changes with the board.

Consent Agenda Items:  
One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following consent agenda items:

Motion by: Mr. Baumle; Seconded by: Mr. Swary

A. to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2020 and the April 27, 2020 Board meetings;

B. to approve the investment report and payment of bills for April 2020 as presented by the Treasurer;

C. to approve the cash reconciliation for April 2020;

D. to approve the budget/revenue comparison for April 2020;

E. to amend appropriations and revenues for FY20;

F. to approve the 5 year forecast as presented by the treasurer.

\*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Roll call vote: Mr. Baumle, Mr. Swary, Mrs. McClure, Mr. Sinn, and Mrs. Stabler, aye.

Nay, none. Motion passed.

**Vantage Report:**  
Mr. Pat Baumle reported that Vantage Career Center reviewed and approved the 5 year forecast. The Vantage board had a lot of discussion on planning not only on the current year but how next year will look. Junior enrollees for next school year are at 360.

Report of the Building Principals - Each building gave their updates. Each of them were in agreement on how great the staff has been and how supportive the community has been during the school closure.

**Superintendent's Report:**  
A. Curriculum

• We have currently put our Math curriculum purchases on hold as the Math department can utilize their current curriculum materials for the 2020-2021 school year. We will reexamine their curriculum needs in the coming year.

• We are also working to streamline the number of online curriculum platforms we are currently using in the district to better serve our student population. Mr. Manz has put a survey out to staff to gauge what they are currently using and how we might be able to combine some platforms.

B. Personnel

• Consent items A and B represent employees who have resigned supplemental positions with the district.

• Item C is my recommendation to employ Mark Lange as the WTGHE Principal. Mark comes to us with roughly 20 years' experience in education, in both the classroom and administrative setting.

• Brittany Kahle is my recommendation for the open intervention position at WTGHE. A recent BGSU graduate, she has spent her field experience at the preschool and 2nd grade level (Consent item D).

• Both Paul and I are recommending we in voluntary transfer Rachel Hire and Matt Wilhelm from their current position to those listed in consent items E and F at WTPE due to enrollment changes.

C. Buildings and Grounds

• Our lighting project continues to move forward. Crews have the majority of the WTPE building completed and are beginning work at WTGHE. There will be final punch items in each building, but overall the project is moving along at the expected pace.

• Maintenance staff across the district have begun their summer work early since the buildings are not being used at this time.

D. Events

• We held our last lesson pick up on Monday May 4th and again had a great turn out by our students and parents. A reminder these lessons will be due back to the schools on May 14th.

• We have information posted on the school website in regard to our students coming to claim personal items and drop off all school items on May 19th, 20th, and 21st.

• Our virtual graduation ceremony will be shown on Sunday June 7th at 2:30 p.m.

E. Operations

• Enrollment: Currently at 1004 students, up nine students from last May.

• Lori has received quotes on copiers for the district and we are asking for your approval to stay with Perry Pro Tech for our district copiers in consent item G.

• Item H is our three-year agreement with NOACSC, who provides support for district needs in regard to student data, financial, e-rate funding, and back up of records.

• OHSAA membership: Each year we are required to renew our membership with the Ohio High School Athletic Association. We will not be adding any new sports for the 2020-2021 school year (consent item I).

• With the mandated closure of school item J represents an MOU with our association to allow evaluation dates to be extended.

• We have again been asked to allow the Paulding County Board of Elections to use the junior high gymnasium as a polling place for upcoming elections (consent item K).

• Consent item L and M, are to thank the Scott Lions Club and Fred and Marcia Pond for their generous donation.

• I am asking you to approve a waiver for career-technical education at the junior level for the 2020-2021 school year (consent item N). This is a yearly waiver we must do if we choose not to participate. We will continue to examine the possibility of coursework in the future.

Mr. Ben Winans spoke on Mr. Craig Miller's resignation and service to the Wayne Trace Boys Basketball. Mr. Miller has coached for many years and was a big part of preparing the boys for the Varsity level of ball.

I. Consent Agenda Items

One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following consent agenda items:

Mr. Duane Sinn asked that Item I be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Motion by Mr. Sinn; Seconded by: Mr. Baumle

A. to accept the resignation of Craig Miller as Junior Varsity Boys Basketball coach;

B. to accept the resignation of Vicky Carter from her position of Boys and Girls Faculty Manager;

C. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent to approve Mark Lange as the Wayne Trace Grover Hill Elementary principal and offer him a three-year contract;

D. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and WTGHE Principal to offer Brittany Kahle a one-year contract for the PK-3 Intervention Specialist position at WTGHE;

E. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the WTPE Principal to involuntary transfer Rachel Hire from her current 2nd grade position to a 3rd grade position for the 2020-2021 school year at WTPE due to enrollment changes;

F. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the WTGHE Principal to involuntary transfer Matt Wilhelm from his current 6th grade position to a 5th grade position for the 2020-2021 school year at WTPE due to enrollment changes;

G. to approve the copier lease agreement with Perry Pro Tech;

H. to approve the service agreement with Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) for the 2020-2021 school year;

I. to authorize membership in the OHSAA for the 2020-2021 school year;

J. to approve an MOU with the Wayne Trace Education Association in regard to evaluation date changes due to the current pandemic;

K. to continue the MOU with the Paulding County Board of Elections in regard to using the junior high gymnasium as a polling place;

L. to thank the Scott Lions Club for their donation of \$400 to assist our students who struggle to cover the cost of lunches each day;

M. to thank Fred and Marcia Pond for their donation of \$100 in memory of Lonnie Miller to assist our students who struggle to cover the cost of lunches each day;

N. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and JH/HS Principal, to approve the following resolution: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of the Wayne Trace Local School District, a majority of its full membership therein concurring, with recommendation from the Superintendent to opt out of the career-technical education for the 2020-2021 school year in grades seven and eight for the Wayne Trace Junior High School in order to review and develop a program in conjunction with the Vantage Career Center for the 2021-2022 School Year, be approved."

\*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Item I removed.

Roll call vote: Mr. Sinn, Mr. Baumle, Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Stabler, and Mr. Swary, aye. Nay, none. Motion passed.

8:12 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by: Mr. Swary; Seconded by: Mr. Sinn

"Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) and Section 121.22(G)(4) a motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of specified employment matters of public employee/official (excluding elected officials)."

Roll call vote: Mr. Swary, Mr. Sinn, Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Stabler, and Mr. Baumle, aye. Nay, none.

Board in Executive Session. 9:43 p.m. Regular Session called back to order.

New Business - None Adjournment. Motion by: Mr. Swary; Seconded by: Mr. Baumle To adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Mr. Swary, Mr. Baumle, Mrs. McClure, Mr. Sinn, and Mrs. Stabler, aye. Nay, none. Meeting adjourned.

The next Board meeting will be held June 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

**WHY SHOULD YOU SEE A FINANCIAL ADVISOR?**



**Bryan Post, Edward Jones Financial Advisor**

The social distancing and stay-at-home orders necessitated by the coronavirus have led many of us to feel isolated. Still, we've fought back through social media, "virtual" gatherings and walks in the neighborhood, where we could greet friends and neighbors (from 6 feet away). But when you're dealing with the financial effects of the virus and you're investing alone, you could encounter some problems that may prove costly.

Of course, with so much investment-related information available online, on television and in any number of periodicals, it's not surprising that some people feel they can invest without any assistance. But the volatility of the financial markets over the past few months has also pointed to the dangers of going solo in the investment world. And you might find that a professional financial advisor can help you in several ways, including the following:

Taking emotions out of investing. During this period of market turbulence, many self-guided investors are letting their emotions drive their investment decisions. As a result, they sell investments when their price is down, "locking in" their losses. Furthermore, if they then stay out of the financial markets, they will miss out on the eventual recovery - and some of the biggest gains in market rallies usually occur right at the beginning. But if you work with a financial advisor who has helped you develop a personalized investment strategy based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon, you will be far less likely to react to extreme market conditions by making ill-advised decisions.

Maintaining perspective. When you're putting away money for the future and you suddenly have a lot less of it, you might start to wonder if that future is somehow in jeopardy. But if you've been working with a financial advisor and following your investment strategy, you'll know that you don't have to immediately cash out those investments that have lost value, and you may not need to liquidate them for decades if they were designed for a long-term goal, such as retirement. By the time you do need to sell them, their value may well have appreciated significantly. And if you've got a well-constructed portfolio, you'll also own shorter-term, less volatile investments to help meet your current cash flow needs.

Understanding the history of investing. The recent market instability is unique in the sense that its cause - a worldwide pandemic - is so highly unusual, and it hopefully will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience. Typically, prolonged market downturns are triggered by explainable financial or economic factors, such as the bursting of the "dot-com" bubble in 2000. However, market drops of 20 percent or more - generally referred to as bear markets - are not at all unusual and have happened every few years over the past several decades. Financial advisors are well aware of this history and share it with their clients. And for many people, the knowledge that "we've been here before" is reassuring and makes it easier for them to continue following their investment strategies.

The road to your financial goals is a long one, with many twists and turns. So you might like to have some experienced company along the way.

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**BAT MASTERSON**

By: Stan Jordan  
New York City  
Journalism career

By June 6, 1902, Masterson was in New York City, where he and two other men were arrested on a bunco charge. Masterson and his companions were accused of fleeing George H. Snow, a Mormon elder, out of \$17,000. Two days after his arrest, Masterson complained to a reporter, "This fellow Gargan who arrested me is a warm baby - in his mind. He thinks all people are suckers. That's the trouble with these mush-headed coppers. Give them a political job to keep from starving and they think they own the earth." No sooner had these charges been dropped than on June 15, 1902, Masterson was arrested again for carrying a concealed weapon. A friend, journalist, Alfred Henry Lewis, persuaded his brother, William Lewis, to provide Masterson with employment as a columnist for William's newspaper, the New York Morning Telegraph. His column, "Masterson's Views on Timely Topics," concerned sports in general and boxing in particular. The column appeared thrice weekly from 1903 until his death in 1921. In 1905, Alfred Henry Lewis published *The Sunset Trail*, a fictionalized biography of Masterson.

Lewis encouraged Masterson to write a series of sketches about his adventures, which were published by Lewis in *Human Life* magazine. In 1907, Masterson provided five biographical studies of Ben Thompson, Wyatt Earp, Luke Short, Doc Holliday and Bill Tilghman.

Masterson explained to his audience what he felt were the best properties of a gun-fighter. Other articles were supposed to be in Masterson's *Human Life* series, which had appeared under the title of "Famous Gun Fighters of the Western Frontier", but the next three issues of *Human Life* came and went without a Masterson article. In the November 1907 issue, editor Alfred Henry Lewis assured the readers that Masterson would resume the series by explaining that Masterson's reasons for "breaking off the output" were "wholly of an idle, indolent, midsummer sort, which the managers of this magazine hope to overthrow so soon as a cooler temperature comes to the assistance of their arguments." Lewis offered this apology as part of his own article called

"The King of the Gun-Players: William Barclay Masterson." Lewis met with only limited success. Masterson provided only one more article, on Buffalo Bill Cody, which was his final *Human Life* contribution.

Concurrent to his career as a newspaper writer, Masterson served as the timekeeper for many prize fights, most notably for the Jack Johnson - Jess Willard title fight in Havana, Cuba, on April 5, 1915. A newsreel featuring the then 61-year-old Masterson's introduction in that role was included in a documentary called *Legendary Champions 1882-1929*.

Presidential appointment  
Alfred Henry Lewis introduced Masterson to President Theodore Roosevelt, and the two formed a friendship that resulted in Masterson being a frequent White House guest and also included regular correspondence. President Roosevelt arranged for Masterson's appointment as deputy U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of New York. On February 2, 1905, Roosevelt wrote Masterson a letter which concluded with the lines: "You must be careful not to gamble or do anything while you are a public officer which might afford opportunity to your enemies and my critics to say that your appointment was improper. I wish you to show this letter to Alfred Henry Lewis and go over the matter with him." Masterson served in the position, earning \$2,000 per year (equal to \$56,911 today), until 1909. Theodore Roosevelt did not seek a third term in 1908, and his successor, William Howard Taft, did not share Roosevelt's enthusiasm for Masterson. President Taft had his attorney general conduct an investigation of Masterson's employment as a deputy U.S. Marshal, which resulted in Masterson being terminated on August 1, 1909. For the remaining 12 years of his life, Masterson covered the major boxing events of that era for the *New York Morning Telegraph*.

On April 5, 1915, the 61-year-old Masterson was in Havana, Cuba, attending the heavyweight championship fight between Jack Johnson and Jess Willard. As he arrived, he posed for a newsreel cameraman. In the brief film clip, he doffs his hat, smiles for the camera, and dons his hat. Later that day, in the official film of the fight, Masterson can be seen as one of the seconds for Jess Willard, climbing through the ropes just prior to the fight.

Final days  
On July 2, 1921, Masterson attended his last heavyweight championship fight, the so-called "Million Dollar Gate", promoted by George "Tex" Rickard, in which Jack Dempsey defended (and retained) his title of heavyweight champion of the world. Three months later, on October 7, silent-screen cowboy star William S. Hart visited Masterson. They were photographed standing together on the roof of the *New York Morning Telegraph* building and went back to Masterson's office where he asked Hart to sit in his chair and pose for a second photo with him. According to Hart: "I did so, and he stood beside me. Mr. Masterson was sitting in that same chair eighteen days later when he heard the last call." Hart subsequently cast a

**A GOOD OLD PICTURE**

By: Stan Jordan

This photo of the Antwerp Parlor Furniture was taken by Mr. Ehrhart in 1941 sometime in the summer.

In case you didn't know about it, I will tell you about this fine building.

It was built for J.B. Johnson Furniture about 1924

and most local people called it The Chair Factory.

You will notice it reached from Railroad Street all the way over to Daggett Street and covered ½ city block. That is where the VFW is now. This picture was taken from the elevator porch.

The car that appears to be under the truck is a 30 or 31

Ford Coupe, then a 28 Model 'A' and I think that bigger car is a 1941 Chevrolet. I'm not too sure of a lot of it.

This is a fine farm truck, it also has some tomato crates on the top. It has been down to the tomato dock, which is now the St. Mary Center.

See ya!

**OUR LITTLE CORNER**

By: Stan Jordan

I have shown this picture of this corner before, but it was never this good or clear.

A little in review, this corner, until 1930, was Tom Foster Clothing Store, it was sold and torn down. Sometime between 1930 and 1936/37, this white building was built on this corner and I assume this photo by Mr. Ehrhart was taken in 1939 or 1940.

This restaurant was operated by Eddie Gordon. You will see a sign on the post about Equity Ice Cream, well Sam Griswold owned an ice cream store in Payne called The Equity and Eddie married one of Sam's daughters, all very nice people. Now, the girl on the chair might be Dorothy or Helen, Eddie's sisters, as they worked for Eddie. Sometime later as the war was on, Eddie moved to Edgerton, Indiana and had a good garage business.

After the end of WWII, Carl and Wilbur Langham

had a Chrysler/Plymouth dealership and auto repair here on this corner. After Carl passed away, Wilbur operated this corner and a body shop down on the corner of Cleveland and Archer Drive for many years. After the building was torn down, a Standard Oil Station was in there for years, then a couple of car dealers and some other shops and West Bend News has been on this corner since 2005.

This first big building was Schilb's Furniture for years, then that alley and the wooden building was June's Beauty Salon, June was June Donat West. After a few years that building was torn down and a new building was put up right next to Schilb's and the alley was moved to the north.

The brick building was a meat market for Harry Ely for years. The next building, on the ground floor, was the Bee-Argus paper and the second floor was Ehrhart Studio.

Then the studio was moved south on Main Street sometime in 1941. For years the temporary Lutheran Church occupied one of those three buildings.

The next store has been a number of restaurants, The Green Pantry, The Sugar Bowl, maybe a card room, a spa, etc. The little lower building was the Gordon Hardware for years, but was sold to the Gaisford brothers, then in February of 1941 it was destroyed by fire.

The last store is the grocery store of Frank Reeb, but over the years a number of men owned and operated it. After WWII or in the early 1950's that became the home of The Bee-Argus. The last car has an outside built-in trunk and then the spare tire and wheel. I have no idea of the make of that car or the year.

It just goes to prove to a lot of people, I don't know everything.

See ya!

lookalike as Masterson in his biographical film *Wild Bill Hickok*, which was released in 1923.

Death and burial  
On October 25, 1921, at age 67, Masterson died at his desk from a massive heart attack after writing what became his final column for the *Morning Telegraph*. About 500 people attended Masterson's service at Frank E. Campbell's Funeral Church at Broadway and 66th Street. Masterson's honorary pallbearers included Damon Runyon, Tex Rickard, and William Lewis. Runyon was a close friend of

Masterson's and offered this memorable eulogy: "He was a 100 percent, 22-karat real man. Bat was a good hater and a wonderful friend. He was always stretching out his hand to some down-and-outer. He had a great sense of humor and a marvelous fund of reminiscence, and was one of the most entertaining companions we have ever known. There are only too few men in the world like Bat Masterson and his death is a genuine loss."

Masterson was buried at Woodlawn Cemetery in the Bronx. His full name, Wil-

liam Barclay Masterson, appears above his epitaph on the large granite grave marker. Masterson's epitaph states that he was "Loved by Everyone".

\*Information for the Bat Masterson articles came from Wikipedia

**TO ME ... HORSERADISH!**

By: Stan Jordan

As I understand, there is a motion in Washington to give each family up to \$6000 in stimulus.

To me, that is asinine, crazy, dumb and un-American.

**UNLOCK THE LOCKOUT**

By: Stan Jordan

Back in March when New York City got blasted with COVID19 and the powers that be put on a blanket lockdown, I went along with it and I'm sure it helped somewhat, but I'm convinced that it should be lifted soon. Yes, it will be risky, but all decisions have a degree of risk, but to get the country back on track, we have to start now.

On January 1st, 2020, the unemployment in America was 2%. If we started back to work tomorrow, the unemployment figure would be over 20%. It will be at least 10 years or longer to get that number back again. People want to live like they did for years and we can't do that while the lockdown is in effect. They want to be free! That's what America is, free!

COVID19 blindsided America and like in a fight game, we are flat down on the mat and the count is going on. We have to make efforts like getting back up. It looks like the first thing we have to do is get the people who work in supplying the food back to work, like meats and all vegetables. There is probably a good supply of corn and wheat, but there is going to be a bad shortage of some foods if we don't get the workers back to work... and soon!

I'm sure we will have some shortages and with that also comes higher prices. I have been through a depression, a recession, a rationing, a shortage, an inflation, a round of office of price administration and too much government control of all things you can't imagine.

I feel that we should get the country opened up soon, but to get the meat plants open and the help to the grower and mover of foods, they should be first. I think that is as important as keeping the lockdown on and the masks. The risk of 350 million people starving is more important than 1 million being sick.

See ya!

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## Antwerp Conservation Club

# Event Schedule

1) JUNE 7TH - Monthly IDPA match. Registration opens at noon. Starts at 1pm

2) JUNE 11TH - Monthly Meeting at 7pm

3) JUNE 13TH, 10:30 am - Youth Wing Shoot, Shotguns & ammo provided. Ages 10-17; register name and age to garyamabis@gmail.com;

4) JUNE 14TH - Monthly Trap Shoot at 1pm

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# COMMITTEE SEEKS PHOTOS OF EVENTS, VETERANS FOR UPCOMING BOOK



**BICENTENNIAL PHOTO OF THE WEEK** - This photo shows part of Paulding County's celebration of its centennial in 1939. Photos, slides and other images of events and activities in the county are wanted for an upcoming bicentennial history book.

PAULDING - Photos are needed for Paulding County, Ohio: A Pictorial History Volume III, which is planned for publication by the John Paulding Historical Society later this fall. The book committee is asking for images - including photographs, snapshots, slides, drawings, maps, paintings and printed memorabilia - covering circa 1820 to 2020 from the public to help make this project a success. With so many people currently staying home, it's a perfect time to dig out your old photo albums and storage boxes and search for images that contribute to a comprehensive history of the county and the stories of its residents to commemorate the county's 200th birthday. Subject areas needed in-

clude:

- Events and Activities - Parades, political rallies, strikes, barn raisings, county fairs, picnics, class reunions, festivals, dances, holidays, recreational activities (fishing, boating, bowling, hunting, adult softball, parks etc.), theaters, concerts, gatherings, ribbon cuttings, street scenes, etc.
- Military and Veterans - Military units, veteran organizations, soldiers from all eras and conflicts, reunions, etc.

Other categories include agriculture, farming, businesses, churches, disasters, organizations and clubs, families, schools and transportation. Images are needed from every area of the county and every decade up to the present time.

The book committee is looking for photos of several subjects. Do you have any of these: vanished towns (ghost towns), canals, Reservoir War, railroads, pre-1900 courthouse photos, covered bridges, building and store interiors, early industries, Paulding County Fair, people at work. Images may be color or black-and-white. Individuals may scan their photos and email them as an attachment to Kim Sutton at dkmax@windstream.net, Bob Iler at ethanm@twc.com or Melinda Krick at tmekrick@yahoo.com. For details and guidelines about scanning ads, visit facebook.com/jphsmuseum or facebook.com/Paulding-County200.

than \$60 billion to construction and maintenance projects for at least the next 20 years to improve and maintain Indiana's state highways, finish major projects, and plan for the future. The plan fosters partnerships between the state and Hoosier cities, towns, and counties to deliver high-priority local road projects. Next Level Roads is enhancing Indiana's economic edge and the quality of life for all Hoosiers. View our interactive Next Level Roads construction map at [www.nextlevelroads.com](http://www.nextlevelroads.com).

About the Indiana Department of Transportation Over the past 100 years, INDOT has transformed the state of Indiana into the Crossroads of America we know today. With six district offices and 3,500 employees, the agency is responsible for constructing and maintaining more than 29,000 lane miles of highways, more than 5,700 bridges, and supporting 4,500 rail miles and 117 airports across the state. Indiana once again ranked #1 in the U.S. for infrastructure in CNBC's 2019 "America's Top States for Business" ranking. Learn more about INDOT at [in.gov/indot](http://in.gov/indot).

### ODOT HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways for the week of May 18th, 2020. All outlined work is weather permitting.

**Defiance County**  
River Drive and Fort Street in the city of Defiance: The Clinton Street bridge, which carries state Routes 15, 18, and 66 over the Maumee River in downtown Defiance, has been replaced with a structure that carries four lanes of traffic. The new structure also provides better access across the bridge for pedestrians, bicyclists and those with disabilities. The new structure was dedicated as the Purple Heart Bridge and reopened on Dec. 2, 2019. Additional work around the structure will continue through summer 2020. The Great Lakes Construction Company, Hinckley, serves as the general contractor. For more information see the project page.

**CONTINUING IMPACTS**  
West River Drive west of Clinton Street is closed.  
East River Drive from Clinton Street to High Street is closed with access maintained to Pontiac Park.  
Fort Street from Clinton Street to Wayne Avenue is closed.  
State Route 18 in the village of Hicksville will close for railroad repair on Tuesday, Mar. 31 through May 2020. Safety Services Supply, Cloverdale, serves as the general contractor.  
Detour: Elm Street to Meuse-Argonne Road/Hicksville Edgerton Road to Industrial Drive to SR 49 to SR 2 back to SR 18 (see map).  
State Route 66 between Steinberger Road (Road 56) and Flory Road (Road 68) will close June 1 for a culvert replacement. The work will be performed by the ODOT Defiance County maintenance garage.

**NEW IMPACT**  
Detour: SR 6 to U.S. 24 back to SR 66  
**Paulding County**  
State Route 500 between

the Indiana state line and the village of Paulding will be restricted through the work zone for crack sealing operations. The work will be performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage.  
State Route 637 between township Road 156 and township Road 168 will close June 1 for five days for pavement repairs. The work will be performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage.

**NEW IMPACT**  
Detour: SR 613 to SR 66 back to SR 637 (see map).  
State Route 637 between county Road 111 and State Route 111 will be restricted through the work zone for drainage repairs. The work will be performed by the ODOT Paulding County maintenance garage.

**Putnam County**  
State Route 634 between Ft. Jennings and state Route 15 will be restricted through the work zone for berm maintenance. The work will be performed by the ODOT Putnam County maintenance garage.

**Van Wert County**  
U.S. 30 in both directions, near Middle Point Wetzel Road, will have lane restrictions for pavement coring. The work will be performed by the ODOT Van Wert County maintenance garage.

U.S. 30 in both directions, at U.S. 127 will have lane restrictions for pavement repairs. The work will be performed by the ODOT Van Wert County maintenance garage.  
U.S. 127 between the city of Van Wert and the Mercer County line will be restricted through the work zone drain-

age repairs. The work will be performed by the ODOT Van Wert County maintenance garage.  
Jefferson Street between Main Street and Crawford Street, just south of Central Avenue in the city of Van Wert will close on May 11 for approximately 90 days for a bridge replacement. The work will be performed by Eagle Bridge Co., Sidney.

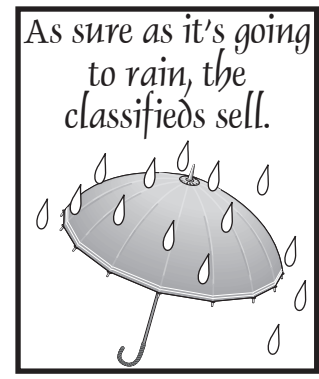
**NEW IMPACT**  
Detour: Main St. to Jefferson St. to Central Street to Washington Street to Crawford Street.

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### GREEN STREET LANE RESTRICTION (CITY OF NEW HAVEN)

Beginning Monday, May 18, 2020 Green Street between Summit Street and Bell Avenue will be restricted to one lane of traffic. This closure will last through Friday, May 22, 2020. This is in conjunction with the Lateral Replacement Program (3R).

**\*\*Proceed with caution.**



Whoever thought that idea up was on too strong of coffee. America didn't get where it is by government handouts. It got there by work...a job...a weekly paycheck. When I was in school, each American owed \$1400 as his/her share of the national debt, but with all this stimulus paid out, your new baby owes \$90,000. I agree this last \$1200 was needed badly, but no more! We can't afford to have anymore handouts, any red blooded American will tell you that. He wants to work, so let him! Let these factories open up...little, middle and big ones. Let the workers go back

to work, now. I know about everyone is broke or hard up, so let the boss or the company lend that worker a couple of hundred dollars for food and gasoline to drive to work, then take that money he owes out of his paycheck a little at a time, that way we all work and the country survives. We have to let the people go back to work. Yes, they want to. Our nation will not last very long at the present way of operation. Ben Franklin told me a long time ago that the best place to find a helping hand, is at the end of your arm. I am Stanley W. Jordan, 6/27/24; AHS 1942 See ya!

### UPCOMING LANE CLOSURES ON U.S. 24 IN ALLEN COUNTY

Allen County, Ind. - Contractors for the Indiana Department of Transportation will close on U.S. 24 in Allen County between S.R. 101 and the Ohio state line on Tuesday, May 19 for pavement sensor installation. The closures will occur between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Work is weather dependent. Motorists should slow down in the work zone and watch for highway workers as well as slowed or stopped traffic.

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Motorists in Northeast Indiana can monitor road closures, road conditions, and traffic alerts any time via:  
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Friday June 12  
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Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Annual Town-Wide Garage Sales

Friday, June 12th 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, June 13th 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

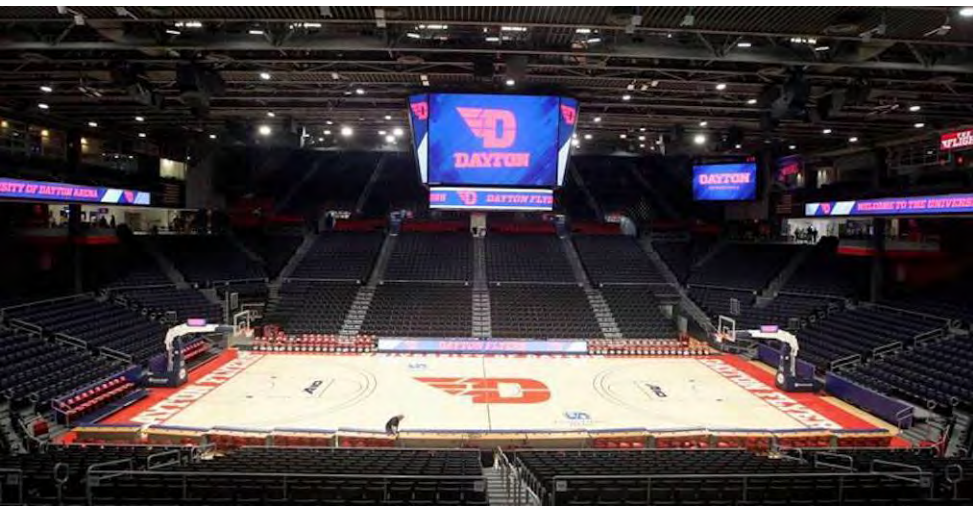
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Cost is only \$5.00 to have your garage sale on the map and be advertised. Send your \$5.00 to the Antwerp Chamber at PO Box 893 or drop it off in an envelope with this form at West Bend News. Your payment must be received by June 5th. Any questions? Message at Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page.



# OHSAA GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT MOVING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON



COLUMBUS, Ohio – The University of Dayton Arena will host the Ohio High School Athletic Association girls basketball state tournament for the next three years, OHSAA Executive Director Jerry Snodgrass announced Tuesday. Having hosted 125 NCAA basketball tournament games, UD Arena has been the home court for March Madness more than any other facility in the country.

Renovated in 2019, UD Arena has a seating capacity of 13,000 and has played host to many OHSAA basketball tournament games, along with Atlantic 10 Conference and NCAA tournament games. During the regular season, it is the home of the very successful University of Dayton Flyers women's and men's basketball teams.

"We are very excited to sign a three-year agreement for our member schools to experience UD Arena," Snodgrass said. "Southwest Ohio

loves and supports basketball and the people at the University of Dayton have made it clear that they really want this state tournament on their campus. We believe that we have found a great home for the girls basketball state tournament."

UD Arena recently completed a transformation project that was the largest construction effort in the University's history. It is regarded as one of the nation's premier basketball facilities to go along with fan support that consistently ranks among the best in college basketball.

"We're very proud that the OHSAA has entrusted us to host the girls basketball state tournament at the University of Dayton Arena for the next three years," said Scott DeBolt, Senior Associate Athletics Director at the University of Dayton and Executive Director of UD Arena. "The same ingredients that make UD Arena the ide-

al place for the NCAA First Four – community support and excitement for the game of basketball, our facilities, staff and tournament hosting experience – will help create lifelong memories for the young women who come to Dayton to play in the state tournament and their school communities."

In the 45 years of the OHSAA girls basketball state tournament, it has been hosted at The Ohio State University 44 times (all but 1986 when it was hosted at the University of Akron). However, there are now a limited number of dates available to use OSU's Jerome Schottenstein Center or St. John Arena in March.

The 2021 girls basketball state tournament is scheduled for March 11-13. The 2021 OHSAA boys basketball state tournament will be played at St. John Arena March 18-20. There is currently no host site in place for the boys basketball state tournament in 2022.

## GMC ANNOUNCES SPRING 2020 ALL-CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETES

Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All Conference Scholar Athletes for the 2020 spring season. To be eligible for this honor, the athlete must be a senior, participate and letter in a recognized sport or cheerleading and have a 3.5 GPA or better after 7 semesters.

**ANTWERP:**  
Alyssa Fuller, Blake Schuette

**AYERSVILLE:**  
Noah Fisher, Isabella Joseph, Alexis Laker-Sierra, Logann Schlachter, Caden Brown, Kryshel Dales, Isaac Schindler

**EDGERTON:**  
Eric Gruver, Madison

Smith, Connor Thiel, Coral Picillo, Emma Siebenaler, Jaron Cape, Cheri Hulbert, Josh Apt, Elliot Roth, Casey Lempelmeier, Ally Cape, Nolan Swank, Faith Herman

**FAIRVIEW:**  
Cade Polter, Ethan Thompson, Trey Scantlen, Brayden Kolb, Noah Gibbs, Garrett Bennet, Riley Mealer, Kendall Baker, Victoria Bauer, Sam Vance

**HICKSVILLE:**  
Nathalie Swenson, Janice Green, Josh Swift, Ephrain Delagrang, Nathan Sullivan, Kennedy Villena, Sommer Reinhart

**HOLGATE:**  
Brandee Littleton-Miller, Laura Nienberg, Rylie Schuller, Ruth Wenzinger, Raena Willett

**TINORA:**  
Christopher Ferguson,

Gabriella Garcia, Mikia Jimenez

**WAYNE TRACE:**  
Andrew Sinn, Miriam Sinn, Reid Miller, Tyce Homier, Chloe Thompson

## VANTAGE WILL HOLD VIRTUAL SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY ON FRIDAY, MAY 22

Vantage Career Center will hold their Senior Awards Ceremony virtually, by video production, available for streaming at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 22nd via the Vantage YouTube Channel and Facebook. The video will feature senior and alumni speakers, as well as scholarship and award recognitions, followed by the presentation of the career passports to the

seniors in each program.

Vantage invites all students and their families, and the Vantage communities to join in the celebration of our 2020 Vantage seniors. To watch the awards ceremony on Facebook, go to <https://www.facebook.com/vantagecc/> and to watch on YouTube, go to [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsSvWcOXukEWORpMF\\_LL8Xw?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsSvWcOXukEWORpMF_LL8Xw?view_as=subscriber).

For a special virtual highlight, we are asking our Vantage families to share videos of them celebrating with their Vantage Senior as their name is called during the presentation. All videos can be submitted to [social.media@vantagecareercenter.com](mailto:social.media@vantagecareercenter.com), or uploaded to Facebook with @vantagecc tagged, to be highlighted and shared on Vantage social media platforms!

Congratulations to our Vantage seniors, Class of 2020!

## FAIRVIEW FFA HOLD ANNUAL RECOGNITION BANQUET

Every year, the Fairview FFA Chapter holds its annual recognition banquet. This year, the chapter came up with the alternative to make a series of videos recognizing members, put them together, and to post them on social media. Members who would have had a speaking part at the banquet recorded themselves saying their part. Then, members put the videos together so the video could be posted. Many awards were given to members to recognize their hard work and dedication that they have put into this year to make the chapter a success.

## Career Development Events

Participation awards were given to all members who took part in career development events. These events include: Rural and Urban Soils, Dairy Foods, Dairy Cattle, Job Interview, Public Speaking, Farm Business Management, Greenhand, General Livestock, Wildlife, Nature Interpretation, and Meats. Some of our members excelled in their competitions and placed at the district level. When a member of a team places in the top 3 at district competitions, they receive an award. In the event of public speaking, Carrie Zeedyk, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Cassie Mavis, and Tristan McGuire all advanced to the district level. Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Carrie Zeedyk, and Cassie Mavis all participated in a district job

interview. The Greenhand and Meats team also both received recognition at the district level.

## Chapter Proficiency Awards

Proficiency awards are earned by having an outstanding supervised agriculture experience (SAE). These students have put in so much time and dedication to their projects and record books and will be receiving chapter proficiency awards.

Agriculture Education: Cassie Mavis, Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance- Placement: Blake Smith, Agricultural Mechanics Repair and Maintenance - Entrepreneurship: Ryan Richards, Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication: Garrett Bennett, Agricultural Sales: Cadee Brown, Agricultural Services: Tristan McGuire, Agriscience Research: Cassie Mavis, Beef Production: Clair Shining, Dairy Production: Blake Miller, Diversified Agricultural Production: Carrie Zeedyk, Diversified Livestock Production: Ashley Betz, Environmental Science, and Natural Resources Management: Jason Barker, Fiber and Oil Crop Production: Carrie Zeedyk, Food Science and Technology: Garrett Bennett, Forest Management and Products: Colton Saylor, Grain Production: Cassie Mavis, Home and Community Development: Dakota Shaffer, Landscape Management: Evan Saylor, Poultry Production: Blake Zeedyk, Service Learning: Hunter Streeter, Sheep Production: Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Small Animal Production: Brooke Phillips, Swine Production: Carrie Zeedyk, Turf Grass Management: Brayden Price, Vegetable Production: Brook Mavis, Wildlife Production and Management: Dakota Shaffer.

## District and State Proficiency Awards

At the district level, Garrett Bennett placed first Ag Mechanics Repair and Fabrication, Tristan McGuire placed first in Ag Service, Colton Saylor placed first in Forest Management, Blake Zeedyk placed 3rd in poultry production and Kaitlyn Zeedyk placed 2nd in sheep production. At the state level, Garrett Bennett placed 2nd and Colton Saylor placed first in his proficiency area.

## State Convention

Also at the state convention, Cassie Mavis received a silver rating on her treasurer's book as well as Brook Mavis and Kaitlyn Zeedyk receiving

a gold rating on the reporter's book. State Degrees were awarded to Cassie Mavis and Clair Shining. The chapter would also like to recognize Rose Zeedyk and Logan Smith, who will be receiving their American Degrees, the highest degree possible in the FFA organization, this fall.

## Creed Award

At the beginning of the school year, we issued a challenge to the freshmen to be the fastest person in the class to memorize the creed. Carrie Zeedyk memorized the creed the fastest this year and received a garment bag donated by Advisor Jessica Nagel.

## Adult Appreciation Awards

The success of our chapter would not have been possible without the guidance from these adults. These adults and organizations have guided our chapter members and have supported us while putting on events.

Tiffany Betz, Tara Shining, Russell and Susan Zeedyk, Mike and Michele Zeedyk, Scott and Jenny Mavis, Principal Mr. Tim Breyman, Ethan Wirik, Scott Highland, Superintendent Mr. Steve Arnold, Arps Dairy, Hillandale Farms, Fairview Young Farmers, Craig Bowers, and The Wonderly Family.

## Thank You Awards

To honor the hard work of all these behind the scenes individuals, the chapter will be handing out thank-you awards. All of these members are what makes our chapter a success.

Thank you awards were distributed to Tristan McGuire, Garrett Bennett, Brooke Hardy, Blake Smith, Cassie Mavis, Clair Shining, Brook Mavis, Ryan Richards, Brooke Phillips, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Ashley Betz, Kacie Betz, Adrianna Martinez, Carrie Zeedyk, Molly McGuire, Robbie Bennett, Cooper Wiemken, Levi Sudholtz, and Bailey Schooley.

## Blue and Gold Awards

Blue and Gold awards are handed out each year to the members who work so hard behind the scenes while having a positive mindset and attitude. The members who received blue and gold awards were Hannah Colbert, Molly McGuire, Brooke Phillips, Ashley Betz, Brookie Hardy, Brook Mavis, Brookie Hardy, and Garrett Bennett.

## Academic Achievement Awards

Academics play a huge role in any organization, especially FFA. The following members have maintained all A's and B's throughout the school year: Robby Bennett, Molly McGuire, Levi Sudholtz, Carrie Zeedyk, Jace Chapman, Colt Osmun, Brooke Phillips, Dakota Shaffer, Blake Zeedyk, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Brook Mavis, Cassie Mavis, Ryan Richards, Colton Saylor, Clair Shining, and Garrett Bennett.

## AET Awards

AET is our computerized record-keeping tool. When our students have quality record books, AET awards them with Badges. They can earn either blue badges or gold badges based on how well their books stack up. Members who earned blue badges include Garrett Bennett, Kennedy Hill, Brook Mavis, Cassie Mavis, Molly McGuire, Tristan McGuire, Brooke Phillips, Clair Shining, Blake Smith, Hunter Streeter, Carrie Zeedyk, and Kaitlyn

## EMS WEEK

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**Star Awards:**  
Star Greenhand - Carrie Zeedyk  
Star in Agribusiness- Colton Saylor  
Star Farmer - Cassie Mavis  
Installation of Officers  
President - Clair Shiningier  
Vice President- Cassie Mavis  
Secretary - Kaitlyn Zeedyk  
Treasurer - Colton Saylor  
Reporter - Carrie Zeedyk  
Sentinel - Ryan Richards  
Student Advisor - Blake Zeedyk  
Historian - Molly McGuire

The 2020 Fairview FFA Banquet ended with closing ceremonies and a thank you for all who have supported us this year. In addition to posting banquet on social media, the chapter also posted a virtual tractor day video as well as a senior memories slideshow.

**OHIO FFA PUT TOGETHER VIDEOS TO RECOGNIZE MEMBERS**

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Ohio FFA State Convention could not be held in Columbus as it usually is. Ohio FFA put together a series of videos to recognize and congratulate Ohio FFA Members for their hard work and success.

These videos were then uploaded to Facebook so chapters and members across the state could watch them. On Tuesday, May 5th state convention started with the Proficiency awards. Proficiency awards are given to those members across the state that have an outstanding SAE or supervised agricultural experience.

To apply for a proficiency award, members must record and journal what they are doing to gain skills for their projects. The Fairview FFA had two members who applied for proficiencies at the state level, Garrett Bennett and Colton Saylor. Garret received second place in the state for Agricultural Mechanics Design and Fabrication. Colton Saylor won at the state level for Forest Management.

On Wednesday, May 6th, it was announced that Brook Mavis, received a gold-rated reporters book and that Cassie Mavis earned a silver rating on her treasurers' book. On Friday, the Ohio FFA announced this year's state degrees. State Degrees are given each year to the top 2% of FFA members in the State of Ohio.

In order to receive the degree, members must earn \$2500 through their supervised agriculture experience, as well as have outstanding leadership and participation in the FFA chapter. This year, Cassie Mavis and Clair Shiningier both received their State Degree. Throughout the week, members varied and participated in various workshops and other learning experiences. The chapter would like to thank everyone who helped with members' books and projects. We truly appreciate your support.

**ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL HONORS TOP SCHOLARS!**

Antwerp is proud to announce that the Class of 2020 will host a virtual graduation ceremony on May 24, 2020 online using the school's website, ALSTV youtube channel, or the school Facebook page. The following students have been named valedictorian and salutatorian of the Class of 2020 of Antwerp High School.

**Alyssa Fuller** of Antwerp is the daughter of Trisha Fuller and Jim Fuller. She earned a 4.0 GPA. Alyssa earned Top of Class for the following classes: Spanish I, Chemistry, Algebra II, Geometry, Spanish II, and Biology; GMC Scholar Athlete (2019), and District Seven All Star Volleyball Division IV; All-Academic Team (2019); National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She participated in softball, volleyball, and statistician for the football team. During the summer, she worked for the school's Student Technology Services program and Bowling Green State University Communication Sciences and Disorders. In the future, she plans on working in schools as a speech pathologist.

"I see myself working in a local school as a speech pathologist, while living in Antwerp with my family. I will miss being in such a welcoming and comforting environment, surrounded with people that genuinely care about each other. Being able to go

to a K-12 school has allowed me to build relationships with a variety of people, whether it be the students in my own grade, the first graders that I have the privilege to help, or the teachers that are always willing to share advice or a laugh. Having small classes really allowed me to grow closer to so many people in this school, and I will miss everyone in this supportive

school greatly." **Madison Boesch** of Cecil, OH is the daughter of Jim and Laura Boesch. She earned a 3.987 GPA, honor roll all through high school, honor's diploma, and top of class in English freshman, sophomore, and junior year. Madison participated in FCA, Yearbook, Quill and Scroll, National Honor Society Volleyball, Theater, and Show Choir. She is employed at the Root Beer Stand. Madison plans to attend Ohio University and major in Nursing. "I plan to work as a registered nurse and maybe even sign with a traveling program to work in places that need extra help. I want to eventually go back to school to either become a nurse practitioner or pediatrician. In ten years, I see myself with a family. I see myself with a steady career as a nurse and paying off my student loan debts. I will miss the close-knit community that the school provided me. I knew that no matter what, I could get the help I needed

whether it be from a friend or a staff member." **Blake Schuette** of Antwerp is the son of Shawn and Sara Schuette. He earned a 3.9875 GPA, was named Top Student for Modern World History and Spanish I, was on Honor Roll, held a Gold pride card, Academic A Club member, Green Meadows Conference Scholar Athlete, earned the Rotary Award, and Academic All District VII Basketball. Blake was a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and Mount Calvary youth group. He participated in football, basketball, and baseball. "I worked on Antwerp's Student Technology Services team throughout high school. I will be attending the University of Findlay and majoring in biology. After my undergraduate studies I will go on to more schooling to become an optometrist. In ten years, I hope to be back in the area practicing as an optometrist. The thing I will miss

most about going to Antwerp are all of the relationships I have built. The community support that the entire town, teachers, and coaches have given all of the teams I have been a part of over my four years is something incredible. I am so grateful to have such great people surrounding me for the first steps of my life, I will really miss all of their support."

**PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL HONORS TOP SCHOLARS!**

Paulding Panthers Class of 2020 walked the aisle this past weekend and became graduates of Paulding High School. It was a far cry from a traditional graduation, but they made it! The following are three graduates who had the privilege to be named Valedictorian and Salutatorian.

**Savannah Shepherd** - Valedictorian - GPA: 4.199  
"I plan to attend the University of Saint Francis for their Physical Therapist Assistant Program. I am so excited to see all of the great things that being a PTA can bring into my life. I'm a person who loves getting to know new people and being a physical therapy assistant will allow me to do just that. As a physical therapist assistant. I will be able to see improvement and recovery in the patients that I treat. Being able to see the smile on the face of a patient who is finally released after weeks of therapy will be an unexplainable feeling that I cannot wait to experience. Helping patients recover to become their best self is something that cannot wait to do because I love helping people and seeing their improvement. Being a physical therapist assistant is a great career choice for me because it offers everything that I'm looking for in a job and I cannot wait to pursue it in the near future."

Extracurriculars: Varsity Cross Country, National Honor Society secretary, church youth group  
Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships: 4.0+ honor roll, perfect attendance, Franklin B. Walter All-Scholarship recipient, Lafarge MegaWatt Scholarship recipient, Paulding County Hospital Foundation Scholarship recipient  
Hobbies/interests: Spending time with friends and family, painting, shopping  
Most Memorable: I would have to say that these last few months of my senior year would have to be my most memorable high school experience. I have never had something like this happen and it all so crazy to go through ... an entire quarter of classes online, no senior prom, a virtual graduation ceremony and so much more. COVID-19 has definitely had a big impact on my senior year and this is something I will definitely never forget.

Parents: Aaron & Jennifer Shepherd

Parents: Matt and Suzy

Parents: Randy and Brooky Tressler

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**Kaylie Tressler**  
Strayer  
Co-Salutatorian - Kaylie Tressler - GPA: 4.07

Kaylie plans to attend the University of Northwestern Ohio to achieve a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Equipment Supervision. "I will spend two years learning more about agricultural equipment, and two years learning the business side. This will help me achieve my goal of opening my own agricultural equipment shop in the future."

Extracurricular/community activities: Varsity Soccer, Paulding FFA, Student Council, Paulding County Junior Fair board, Vantage FFA, Vantage Student Ambassador, Night to Shine Prom

Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships: Paulding FFA Star in Agriscience (2018), Excellent Rating at the State Science Fair (2017) National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, The President's Volunteer Service Award, Elks Student of the Month, Elks Student of the Year

Certifications: Briggs & Stratton MST, OSHA 10-Hour, ASE Medium/Heavy Duty Truck Electrical, Inspection, Diesel Engines, Brakes, and Steering & Suspension

Hobbies/interests outside of school: In my free time, I enjoy judging poultry, going camping, spending time with my friends, and bowling in a non-school league with my parents.

Most memorable High School experience: Making new friends at Vantage that will last a lifetime.

Parents: Randy and Brooky Tressler

Katelyn Strayer

Co-Salutatorian - Katelyn Strayer - GPA: 4.07

"I plan to attend the Ohio State University to major in nursing. I am a very sociable person, and the healthcare field has always peaked my interest, so I wanted to enter a field where I felt i could do both."

Extracurriculars: Varsity volleyball, basketball, and track & field, varsity quiz bowl, Ohio Model United Nations, drama, student council, senior class president, National Honors Society - community representative, Van Wert Peony Pageant

Awards/ Recognition/ Scholarships: District 7 All-Academic Team, volleyball and basketball, Ohio State Alumni Association Scholarship, Van Wert Health Scholarship

Hobbies/Interests: Art, painting, watching movies, writing

Most Memorable HS experience: My most memorable high school experience was throwing tons of baby powder in the air when we scored at my last Black Swamp bowl.

Parents: Matt and Suzy

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**OHIO STATE LIMA NAMES  
2020 RUDD SCHOLARS**

**Five future Buckeyes receive full- and half-tuition scholarships**

Five soon-to-be Buckeyes will receive a full- or half-tuition scholarships from The Ohio State University at Lima. The awards to incoming freshman were made possible by a generous gift by Arthur and Marian Rudd.



**Elena Gamble Johnson** of Botkins High School.



**Mikaia Jimenez**

The Arthur and Marian Rudd Scholarship Fund provides full- and half-tuition scholarships each year to



**Elyjah Roa**

The full-tuition winners are **Elyjah Roa** of Wapakoneta High School, and **Isabella Torsell** of St. Marys Memorial High School.



**Isabella Torsell**

Half-tuition winners are **Elena Gamble** of Lima Central Catholic High School; **Mikaia Jimenez** of Tinora High School; and **Joshua**



**Joshua Johnson**

students for whom such an award will make a significant financial difference. The scholarships are renewable for four years. At current tuition

levels, the full scholarship will be worth about \$8,236 per year and \$32,944 over the life of the scholarship.

**PAULDING JR FAIR BOARD MEETS TO DISCUSS UPCOMING EVENTS**

The Paulding JR Fair-board meets on Thursday, May 14. Michael Schweinsberg hosted the informational meeting on Zoom. Tony Miller stepped in and explained how the decisions were made about this year's fair and then told the schedule to everyone in the meeting. Older kids (that would have aged out) will be able to present their animals next year as they would this year before moving up. Kids have to bring back the animal they signed up with. He said that after talking with Virtual Show judges it is not recommended for Jr Fair because the rules cannot be enforced very well. So it has been decided that there will be no virtual shows.

The county queen and king coronation contest will still happen so we can still be represented down at the state competition. The dates are not going to be announced yet because details are not finalized. (See Sr Fair meeting notes for those details).

Extra scales will be lined up for the rabbits and poultry to keep everything moving quickly. If you sell your project now you won't be allowed to do add-ons.

Dan Howell said that a lot of businesses have come forward to help these kids out and that is why it's very important to finished these

projects and the skillathon.

Once the participants get done bringing their animals in, they are required to finish out everything and then leave immediately.

It's very important to make sure the animals do not have any medications in them or if they did they must complete the withdrawal period.

On August 15, a family fun day is planned for 4H and FFA kids at the Fairgrounds.

**Q&A:**

If there are multiple animals of the same species, they can be brought and sold.

What if someone wants to buy their animals back, do they have to go through the entire process? It seems there is no problem with just using the average price and not going through the auction process. This way they can get out of everyone's way quickly.

What if you have already paid for a camping spot? It will go toward next year's reservation unless you asked for a refund.

The commission fees for this year are dropping from 4.5% to 2.5%

Is this a traditional auction or something else? It will just have buyers in the rings. You will get market price for the animals. As the packets are sent out add-ons can then be included.

Is there a date for Skillathon? This year's Skillathon is all online and the last Monday in May (25th) is the last day to get a link for it. They will have until May 29 to complete their project. The following week, a survey will be sent out that would normally be in the book.

What if you want to drop your projects? Contact Michael Schweinsberg to make a request.

For those who drop their projects, they still must continue with their clubs.

If you are not getting emails from the 4H online or Clover Connection, then you need to contact Michael. A text notification can also be sent out.

Is there a set date for book turn in? Project books must be complete, but books cannot be turned in until July 6. Advisors are going to ask their youths to show their books to the advisors over their scheduled zoom meetings. It's not a great option, but it seems to be the only way to do it this year.

Currently, the market price per pound is not known and the price per pound will be not known until the week of the fair.

The rabbit price is based on per pound and they need to get them heavier quickly. There is no reason for under weight rabbits according to Tony. Feed and water is critical for weight gain.

If there are any questions, the fair board contacts are just a call away.

How long are add-on bids being accepted? That date has not been decided yet, but maybe the end of June. It was communicated that it needs be in before then.

Can a buyer send in add-ons before? Yes. The add-on list should be available next week.

Is there a way that last year's are being thanked? Perhaps Facebook or YouTube could be utilized for this or to use the local news-

paper.

Are DUNF (Drug Use Notification Form) forms still needing to be filled out?

What if the animal is on medication? It cannot be put in the auction.

If people are buying their own animals, do they need to fill out the DUNF form? They want them completed but it's not being sold, exhibited or shown so it is not required. If it is being sold to someone else, then the form must be filled out.

Can every buyer get a list of all projects and when will those be available? The information will be released as the surveys received by the end of next week. Don't delay because that will hinder the availability to buyers.

Is Ebel's holding butcher spots for the poultry? Best practice is to call Ebel's yourselves and schedule yourself.

The video of the zoom meeting is available to watch to see other questions or if details that were not printed are available.

If there are extra rabbits, what needs to be done once you get to the auction? Poultry and Rabbit extras will just be brought in and weighed in even if they are not part of the project.

If you plan on buying back your animals, you do not need to bring them to the fairgrounds. It just needs to be verified for add-ons.

The leaders encouraged everyone to keep on working hard on your projects.

**MULTISYSTEM INFLAMMATORY SYNDROME IN CHILDREN (MIS-C) ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19**

**Summary and Action Items**

On May 14, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued a Health Advisory about Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C) associated with COVID-19.

The Director of the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) has issued a Director's Journal Entry with reporting requirements to include MIS-C.

For confirmed or suspected cases of MIS-C, healthcare providers or any individual having knowledge, should notify their local health department (LHD) within 24 hours of identification.

LHDs who are notified of confirmed or suspected cases of MIS-C should notify ODH within 24 hours of

identification via entry into the Ohio Disease Reporting System (ODRS). A new reportable condition is being created in ODRS for MIS-C. Case Definition for MIS-C: An individual aged 21 years presenting with fever, laboratory evidence of inflammation, and evidence of clinically severe illness requiring hospitalization, with multisystem (≥2) organ involvement (cardiac, renal, respiratory, hematologic, gastrointestinal, dermatologic or neurological); AND

No alternative plausible diagnoses; AND

Positive for current or recent SARS-CoV-2 infection by RT-PCR, serology, or antigen test; or COVID-19 exposure within the 4 weeks prior to the onset of symptoms

Fever ≥38.0°C (100.4°F) for ≥24 hours, or report of subjective fever lasting ≥24 hours; Including, but not limited to, one or more of the following: an elevated C-reactive protein (CRP), erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR), fibrinogen, procalcitonin, d-dimer, ferritin, lactic acid dehydrogenase (LDH), or interleukin 6 (IL-6), elevated neutrophils, reduced lymphocytes and low albumin

Additional comments Some individuals may fulfill full or partial criteria for Kawasaki disease but should be reported if they meet the case definition for MIS-C

Consider MIS-C in any pediatric death with evidence of SARS-CoV-2 infection

Contact

Report all confirmed or suspected cases of MIS-C to the local health department in the jurisdiction in which the case resides. To locate a local health department, please visit <https://odhgateway.odh.ohio.gov/lhd/informationssystem/Directory/GetMyLHD>.

For general questions related to COVID-19, healthcare providers and facilities should contact their local health department. Ohio local health departments should contact the ODH Bureau of Infectious Diseases at 614-995-5599.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Dear Editor,**  
I am writing to wake up our American politicians. I may not have studied politics or held an office, but I was a member of our American workforce for over 50 years. So to my American politicians, please reconsider this extra \$600 that the federal government is giving out in unemployment.  
This plan is not well thought out for the following

reasons:  
1.) People will linger on unemployment as long as it is jacked up, and the end date for the \$600 boost is scheduled to be late July. Why would someone regain employment if they were making more money sitting home?  
2.) Although an extra boost may help certain families, long term that money will hurt our federal budget and cripple our American businesses, which the burden will be passed down upon.  
3.) Our essential workers caring for our elderly or washing out bedpans in our Covid 19 wards are earning less than someone on maximum unemployment. We are presently paying our "working heroes" about \$10 less per hour than the laid-off, unemployed, non-essential workers.

Even with the Covid 19 shutdowns, there are still help wanted ads out there offering jobs. Let Americans do what our grandparents did in the early 1900's and what we did in the recessions of the later 1900's, work extra jobs!  
Stop handing out freebies as today's workers already struggle with the understanding of a "hard days work". Increasing the need of enhanced work ethic instead of giving more handouts, is what will long-term strengthen both our economy and country. Stop the \$600 boost to unemployment.  
Thank you for reading,  
—Curt T Horbas,  
Kewaskum, WI

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The 2020 Census form can be filled out by mail, and is available in 12 different languages online or over the phone. Those with video accessibility can also use American Sign Language.

How important is this Census? The 2020 Census determines \$ 675 Billion in Federal funding, representation in Congress, and community development and resources for the next 10 years. The distribution of this \$ 675 billion will in part go to grants to support States, Counties, and Communities based on the Census data. Funding is spent on hospitals, public works, roads, schools, senior programs and other vital programs.

Ohio is projected to lose at least one seat in Congress after the 2020 Census.

That is one less voice to share our Ohio values and policy interests in national decision making. Census determines how local governments use money for Public safety and Emergency preparedness.

The United States Census Bureau also ensures that your privacy is protected, because it is against the law for the Census Bureau to publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household for 72 years. The law also states that your responses cannot be used against you, and can only be used to produce statistics. This information cannot be shared with law enforcement. Paulding County has over 606 reported so far!

Paulding County residents, let us all be counted!!!  
Sincerely,  
—Mark Holtsberry,  
Paulding County Commissioner

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**WORLD DISEASES - "SPANISH FLU" OF 1918**

By: **Caroline Longardner**

As we, as a world nation, continue to deal with the COVID19 Virus here in Paulding Co., over 82,000 people have died in the United States by this date of May 12, 2020. Two persons have tested positive on the staff at the White House in Washington, D. C. There is a new strange disease that is showing up in children.

Hair salons and restaurants started opening up with certain restraints in this country May 11. Customers are asked to respect "distances" and wear masks where possible.

Many people still feel that the public should not be out and about. Crowds should be avoided. We have been warned to wear good masks religiously and pay attention to distancing, especially inside buildings. People need to protect themselves (and others). Are you Covid19 positive? Wash your hands often and with good soap. Wear your mask; Stay at home if possible...yet! People are still dying every day of this epidemic!

1918 SPANISH FLU — this influenza pandemic virus infected 500 million people worldwide and killed an estimated 20 million to 50 million victims. That was more than all of the soldiers and civilians killed during WWI combined.

Even though this was a global pandemic which lasted for over 2 years, most of the deaths happened during the fall of 1918. Historians now believe that the Spanish Flu's "second wave" was caused by a mutated virus which was of fatal severity and was spread by wartime troop movements. At first in March 1918 it seemed like just seasonal flu, however it was highly contagious and a virulent strain. It spread at Camp Funston in Kansas through the Army installation to 54,000 troops. By the end of March, 1,100 troops had been hospitalized and 38 had died with pneumonia.

When the U.S. Troops deployed for the war effort in Europe they took the Spanish Flu with them. During April 1918 and the spring of 1918, the virus had spread through England, France, Spain, and Italy. An estimated 3/4 of the French military was also infected and as many as half of the British troops. The first wave of the flu

did not seem to be particularly deadly, with fever and other malaise usually lasting about 3 days. It seemed that mortality rates were similar to the seasonal flu.

The "Spanish flu" got its name because Spain was neutral during WWI and it didn't impose wartime censorship on its press like other countries. The other countries weren't allowed to report anything that could harm the war effort including news that a crippling virus was sickening and killing the troops. However, the Spanish journalists were some of the only ones reporting about the flu outbreak in the spring of 1918, therefore, it became known as the "Spanish flu". By some sources, it seemed that the Spanish Flu dropped off over the early summer months of 1918, and it seemed to have ran its course. However, a mutated strain had emerged in Europe.

In August 1918 as military ships departed from Plymouth, England with infected troops who unknowingly carried a new, more deadlier strain of Spanish Flu virus to Europe that could kill perfectly healthy young persons within 24 hours of showing the first signs of infection. By late Aug. 1918 troops were unknowingly carrying this deadlier strain from England to France, the USA and West Africa. The second wave of the global pandemic had begun.

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"From Sept thru Nov. of 1918 the death rate from the Spanish flu greatly increased. In the USA alone, 195,000 Americans died from the Spanish flu in JUST THE MONTH OF OCTOBER. And unlike a normal seasonal flu, which mostly claims the very young and very old, the 2nd wave of the Spanish Flu exhibited what's called a "W curve" --high numbers of deaths among the young and old, but also a huge spike in the middle composed of otherwise healthy 25-to 35 year-olds in the prime of their life. " Info from the Hist. Channel

Not only was it shocking to lose so many young healthy persons by the millions worldwide, but they were dying with fevers, nasal hemorrhaging, and pneumonia and drowning in their fluid-filled lungs. This condition was identified decades later as "cytokine explosion". This flu was called a H1N1 strain and it triggered a dangerous immune over-reaction and fatal buildup of fluids in some people. British military doctors conducting autopsies on soldiers killed by this second wave of the Spanish flu described the heavy damage to the lungs as akin to the effects of chemical warfare.

The lack of quarantines allowed this flu to spread and grow. In Britain the government never did a strict lockdown keeping people home from the munitions factories and out in public. They were just expected to "carry on" during the pandemic. The USA had a shortage of nurses as thousands of nurses had been deployed to the military camps and front lines. The shortage was worsened by the American Red Cross's refusal to use trained African American nurses until the worst of the pandemic had already passed.

Medical science was not up-to-date during the 1918 outbreak. The microscopes could not even see the tiny virus (until the 1930's). ( At first the scientists thought the flu was caused by a bacterium nicknamed "Pfeiffer's bacillus." About 1890 a German Dr. Richard Pfeiffer found that all of his infected patients carried a particular strain of bacteria called "H. influenzae". (Testing for that cure proved a waste of money.) By Dec. 1918 a 2nd wave of the flu had passed but was not over. A 3rd wave erupted in Australia in Jan 1919 and worked its way back to Europe and the US. It was believed that Pres. Woodrow Wilson contracted the Spanish Flu during the WWI peace negotiations in Paris in April 1919. The mortality rate of the 3rd wave was just as high as the 2nd wave, but the end of the war in Nov. 1918 removed the conditions that allowed the disease to spread so far and so quickly. Global death from the 3rd wave while still in the millions, was not as high as the 2nd wave of the flu. Ref. - Info from History Channel

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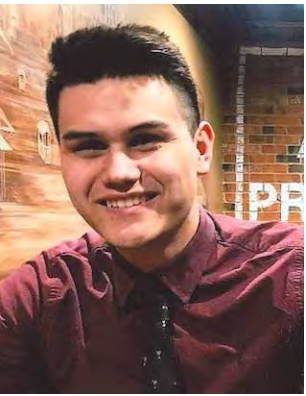
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**Christian Raab**

Christian D. Raab, Payne, Ohio, graduated with a Master of Science in electrical engineering from Purdue University, Fort Wayne, IN in May 2020. Due to the COVID-19 virus, there will be no commencement held this year.

Christian is a 2012 graduate of Wayne Trace High School and a 2016 graduate of Indiana Tech with a Bachelor of Science in electrical engineering.

Christian is the son of Daniel Raab of Payne, OH and Maria Gillespie of Merrillville, Indiana. He is currently employed as a electrical and software engineer at Raytheon Corporation in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Christian currently resided in Payne, Ohio.

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*NOTE: Due to Covid-19, this year's Buckeye Boys State has been canceled. However, we wanted to recognize the candidates that had been chosen and were to attend this program.*

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Sons of the American Legion Squadron 454, Ridgeway Corners, OH have selected Dylan Hines to participate in American Legion Buckeye Boys State. Amer-



**Dylan Hines**

ican Legion Buckeye Boys State is an eight-day intensive education program on Ohio government for high school students where each participant becomes a part of the operation of a local, county and state government. Dylan Hines, a Junior at Antwerp High School, and is the son of Ryan and Lori Hines

At American Legion Buckeye Boys State, participants are exposed to the rights, privileges, duties and responsibilities of a franchised citizen. The training is objective and practical with a city, county and state government operated by the students elected to the various offices. Activities include legislative sessions, court proceedings, law enforcement presentations, assemblies, a band and recreation. High School juniors are selected by local American Legion posts.

American Legion Buckeye Boys State was to be held June 14-21, 2020, Campus of Miami University, Oxford OH but was canceled due to Covid-19

# PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

## Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Jason L. Banks**, Payne, OH; Reckless operation; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; 27 days reserved; ALS vacated immediately; Pay all fines and costs today; DIP compliance date is 10/30/20

**Jason L. Banks**, Payne, OH; Left of center; Case dismissed at state's request

**Carlos J. Tinoco**, Crawfordsville, IN; Speed 94/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Garcia Efrain**, Pasadena, TX; Speed 96/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gloria J. Boye**, Paulding, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gloria J. Boye**, Paulding, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Cameron G. Starr**, Cecil, OH; Stop sign; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**John M. Wojewuczki**, Fort Wayne, IN; Speed 90/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Tristin J. LaFountain**, Wauseon, OH; Marked lanes; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Brooke R. Bockey**, Spencerville, OH; Speed 68/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Sylvia R. Thompson**, Harper Woods, MI; Speed 81/65; Guilty; Defendant waived traffic citation

**Hannah E. Moreno**, Edgerton, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant removed from diversion; Placed on standard probation; Complete all diversion requirements; Fines waived if completed within 90 days

**Hannah E. Moreno**, Edgerton, OH; Resisting arrest; Guilty; Complete all diversion requirements ordered within 90 days to suspend fine

**Hannah E. Moreno**, Edgerton, OH; Obstructing; Guilty; Complete all diversion requirements within 90 days to suspend fine

**Yahya Y. Yakot**, San Antonio, TX; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Kandi M. Snyder**, Melrose, OH; Domestic Violence; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived warrant shall be recalled

**Caleb Rocha**, Wauseon, OH; Possession of marijuana; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

**Caleb Rocha**, Wauseon, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

**Emily C. Banda**, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

**Emily C. Banda**, Toledo, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

**Kayana J. Greer**, Terre

Haute, IN; Speed 96/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Alliyah Campbell**, Indianapolis, IN; Speed 87/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Alliyah Campbell**, Indianapolis, IN; Display plates; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Audrey L. Downey**, Fort Worth, TX; Guilty; Speed 91/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Zachary A. Weaver**, Defiance, OH; Speed 80/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Lindsey Ebaugh**, Sherwood, OH; Speed 79/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Tasha L. Reid**, Indianapolis, IN; Speed 96/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Kenyon I. Sears**, Paulding, OH; Speed 82/65; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Tony L. Stephey**, Oakwood, OH; Speed 70/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Victoria A. Mitchell**, Las Vegas, NV; Speed 80/55; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

### AUGLAIZE TWP

5/11/20 Lafountain Rheta C to Ellis John R Ellis Michelle R; 16341 Rd 153 Defiance Oh 43512; 5.007 acres; Ptw 1/2 Se1/4 Of Can & Pt Ne1/4 Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-13

5/14/20 Vanvlerah Sharon M to Vanvlerah Levi; 18642 Rd 218 Defiance Oh 43512; 5.053 acres; Pt N 1/2 Se 1/4 Auglaize Twp S-13

5/8/20 Dolt Blake & Dolt Christina to Dolt Christina; 15627 Rd 1037 Oakwood Oh 45873; 0.414 acres; Lot 82 Revised Hartzog Auglaize Allot#2 Auglaize Twp S-19

5/8/20 Dolt Blake & Dolt Christina to Dolt Christina; Rd 1037; 0.4351 acres; Lot 81 Revised Hartzog Auglaize Allot Auglaize Twp S-19

5/8/20 Dolt Blake & Dolt Christina to Dolt Christina; Rd 1037; 0.4351 acres; Lot 80 Revised Hartzog Auglaize Allot Auglaize Twp S-19

5/8/20 Dolt Blake & Dolt Christina to Dolt Blake; Rd 1037; 0.4351 acres; Lot 79 Revised Hartzog Auglaize Allot Auglaize Twp S-19

5/8/20 Elston Eric S Le & Elston Karen K Le to Beaty Robert J Beatty Doering Tracey L; 14833 Rd 191 Oakwood Oh 45873; 2.825 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Ne1/4 Auglaize Twp S-28

### BENTON TWP

5/11/20 Young Brothers Farms LLC to Scheiner Austin Tyler Scheiner Jessica Lee; Brian Dr; 0.277 acres; Lot 15 Young Subdiv Ph I Payne Vill

**BLUE CREEK TWP**  
5/12/20 Stoller Alan R & Stoller Charlene L to Stoller Charlene L; Rd 71; 80 acres; W1/2Nw1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-8

5/12/20 Poston Jeanette S Et Al to Poston Jeanette S Et Al; Rd 72; 59.113 acres; Pt W1/2Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-12

5/12/20 Bowersox Steven P to Bowersox Steven P Bowersox Shirley J; 11344 Sr 114 Haviland Oh 45851; 1.09 acres; Pt Ne Cor Nw 1/4 S-26 Blue Creek Twp

### BROWN TWP

5/8/20 Tritsch Norman E Jr to Cohan Merrill F Iii; 12745 Rd 189 Oakwood Oh 45873; 5.102 acres; Pt N1/2

Nw1/4 Brown Twp S-4 Easement Ref V 585 P 0344

5/12/20 Carnahan Corey A to Moore Jeffrey L; 7133 Rd 165 Paulding Oh 45879; 2.958 acres; Pt Se1/4Se1/4 Brown Twp S-31

5/8/20 Stucky Phillip R Stucky Charlene R to T3 Properties Llc; 111 Harmon St; 0.1 acres; Lot 125 W1/2 O.p. Oakwood Vill

5/8/20 Stucky Phillip R Stucky Charlene R to T3 Properties LLC; Harmon St; 0.1 Acres; Lot 124 W1/2 O.p. Oakwood Vill

5/14/20 Brenneman Claribel Le & Mccullough Diana K to Mccullough Diana K; 104 W Jackson St; 0.167 acres; Lot 15 A Outlots S-27 Oakwood Vill

### CARRYALL TWP

5/12/20 Mcdorman Arron M & Mcdorman Sara J to Mcdorman Arron M; 1674 Rd 250; 0.413 acres; Lot 7 Pt Se1/4 Maumee River Bend Add Carryall Twp Sec 31

### CRANE TWP

5/14/20 Schwab Denise E to Schwab Denise E; 10718 Rd 192 Cecil Oh 45821; 2.6 acres; Pt Se1/4 Crane Twp Sec 10

5/14/20 Schwab Denise E to Schwab Denise E; Rd 192; 27.796 acres; Te1/2Sw1/4&Ptw1/2Se1/4 Crane Twp Sec 10

5/12/20 Wendt Roy to State Of Ohio; 208 N Main St; 0.1136 acres; Lot 14 N1/2 O.p. Cecil Vill

### HARRISON TWP

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 0.27 acres; Lot 19 Horney Riverview Park Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 0.22 acres; Lot 18 Horney Riverview Park Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 0.2 acres; Lot 17 Horney Riverview Park Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 0.14 acres; Lot 16 Horney Riverview Park Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 0.22 acres; Lot 15 Horney Riverview Park Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; Riverview Dr; 3.52 acres; Ne1/4 Se1/4 Less Rr Harrison Twp S-35

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; W Merrin St; 1.047 acres; Lot 54 Gibson's Subdiv Outlots Payne Vill

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio;

W Merrin St; 1.07 acres; Lot 53 Gibson's Subdiv Outlots Payne Vill

5/12/20 Edwin Rex Horney Trustee to State Of Ohio; W Merrin St; 0.325 acres; Lot 52 W1/2 Gibson's Sub Div Outlots Payne Vill

### JACKSON TWP

5/14/20 Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints to Mercer Landmark Inc; Sr 613; 39.009 acres; Pt Nw1/4 N Of Rr Jackson Twp Wt Dist S-32

5/14/20 Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints to Mercer Landmark Inc; Sr 613; 16.614 acres; Pt Nw1/4 N Of Rr Jackson Twp Wt Dist S-32

5/14/20 Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints to Mercer Landmark Inc; 14260 Sr 613 Paulding Oh 45879; 4.4 acres; Pt Nw1/4 N Of Rr Jackson Twp Wt Dist S-32

5/14/20 Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter-Day Saints to Mercer Landmark Inc; 14260 Sr 613; 19.982 acres; Pt Nw1/4 N Of Rr Jackson Twp Wt Dist S-32

5/11/20 Gloor Randy L Trustee & Gloor Ronnie L Trustee to Kline Nathan Paul Kline Haleigh Christine; 0.68 acres; Lot 2 S Center Pt 100X300outlots Paulding Vill-Jackson Twp

5/8/20 Kessler Shelley J Life Est @ (2) to Bowers Mandy J; 13375 Nancy St; 0.2376 acres; Lot 109 E 42.9Ft & Lot 108 W 26.48Ft Noneman Em Acres Allot#3 Paulding Village

### LATTY TWP

5/14/20 Bollman Charity C to Mycumortgage Llc; 3020 Us 127 Haviland Oh 45851; 0.337 acres; Ptswcorsw1/4 S-19 Latty T

5/8/20 Shrider Christine E to Rickerd Mary Ann; 2631 Sr 637 Grover Hill Oh 45849; 0.5 acres; Pt Se1/4 Ne1/4 Latty Twp S-26

### PAULDING TWP

5/8/20 Gross Eric J & Gross Nicole K to T3 Properties Llc; 725 N Main St; 0.1515 acres; Lot 26 Cullen Add Paulding Vill

5/8/20 Church Of God Of Paulding to Elick Stanley A Bryan Robert B; 501 W Perry St; 0.2015 acres; Lot 58 Dix 15t Add Paulding Vill

5/8/20 Speakman Richard & Speakman Sharon to Pease Derrick Pease Andrea; 810 Meadowbrook Dr; 0.2966 acres; Lot 12 Hartzog's Country Side Espaulding Vill

5/8/20 Pease Derrick P to Dobbelaere Britney L Adams Babette R; 744 N Dix St; 0.2241 acres; Lot 54 & S 20Ft Lot 55 Noneman 2Nd Add Paulding Vill

### WASHINGTON TWP

5/8/20 Sakosits Kenneth J to Noffsinger Jesse A Noffsinger Caressa L; 2773

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

## IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes: **LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,** vs. **TODD E. RUNYAN, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 19 068

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

**TRACT ONE: 307 Perry Street, Melrose Parcel Number: 09-09S-006-00**

**TRACT TWO: Village of Melrose Parcel Numbers: 09-03S-043-00 (Lot 195); 09-03S-044-00 (Lot 197); 09-03S-045-00 (Lot 199); 09-03S-046-00 (Lot 201); 09-03S-047-00 (Lot 202); 09-03S-048-00 (Lot 203); 09-03S-049-00 (Lot 209); 09-03S-050-00 (Lot 208); and, 09-03S-051-00 (Lot 207)**

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

Total amount of judgment is Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred One and 12/100 (\$11,701.12) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:00 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 25th day of June, 2020. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 9th day of July, 2020 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
www.pauldingohsheriff.com  
Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney



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Rd 197 Cloverdale Oh 45827; 6.489 acres; Pt Ne1/4 Washington Twp Sec-27

### HIDDEN LAMP POST AT ANTWERP VILLAGE COMPOST SITE



A lamp post was recently discovered at the Village of Antwerp's compost site in the branch pile. The compost site is to be used only for vegetation in the form of branches, leaves, straw, and garden waste. The Village will review the camera video and if it can be determined who dropped this lamp post off the info will

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
The Paulding County Carnegie Library Board meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2020, has been cancelled due to COVID19 restrictions.  
—Ellen Williams  
Director  
PCCL

### LEGAL NOTICE 2020 PAULDING COUNTY COLD MIX PAVING PROJECT

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding, Ohio, at its office in the Court House, 115 N. Williams Street, Rm. B-1, Paulding, Ohio, 45879 until **9:45 A.M., D.S.T. on June 3, 2020.**

**PROPOSAL:**  
Cold Constructed Asphalt Paving of various roads in Paulding County, Ohio.

The owner intends and requires that the project be completed no later than **August 28, 2020.**

**Engineer's Estimate = \$146,874.20**

Each bidder is required to furnish with its proposal, a Bid Guaranty and Contract Bond in accordance with Section 153.54 of the Ohio Revised Code. Bid security furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety.

Each Proposal must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the proposal and all persons interested therein. The owner intends and requires that this project be completed as listed above.

All contractors and subcontractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9 shall be required.

Bidders must comply with the prevailing wage rates on Public Improvements in Paulding County as determined by the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, Wage and Hour Division, (614) 644-2239.

All contractors shall follow all applicable Federal and State OSHA regulations. The contractor shall also hold the County Engineer harmless for any violations or fines received while engaged in this project.

All contractors must provide current Certificate of Liability Insurance Coverage for \$1,000,000 along with a current Certificate of Worker's Compensation Coverage, before they can be hired to perform any type of work for Paulding County.

**All materials shall conform to the 2016 version of the State of Ohio Department of Transportation Construction and Material Specifications.**

Sealed bids shall be in writing and in accordance with specifications furnished by Paulding County and on file in the Offices of the Paulding County Engineer and Commissioners.

Bids are to be sealed and addressed to the Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, and bids on the above-named items to be marked:

**PROPOSAL: "2020 Paulding County Cold Mix Paving Project"**

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received.

be turned over to the police department for possible charges. Please do not use this site as a dump.

### FLEEING SUSPECT STOPPED IN ALLEN COUNTY

Allen County – On May 14, 2020, troopers from the Lima Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol, along with Allen County Sheriff's deputies, apprehended a Lima man after he led law enforcement on a high speed pursuit for several miles.

The driver, Barry Stevens, 54, of Lima, fled from the Findlay Police Department on Thursday afternoon after he was suspected of trespassing and burglary related activity. Stevens fled south bound on Interstate 75 where the pursuit was terminated due to weather. Troopers from the Lima Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol spotted Stevens south of the village of Beaverdam and attempted to stop him when he fled, reaching speeds exceeding 115 mph.

Allen County Sheriff's deputies were able to successfully deploy tire deflation devices near mile post 128, flattening one of the suspect's tires. Units converged on the suspect's vehicle near mile post 126, where he was taken into custody.

Stevens was transported by Bath Township EMS to Lima Memorial Hospital for precautionary evaluation. He faces multiple felony charges as a result of his actions.

The Ohio State Highway

Patrol reminds motorists to remain vigilant when driving and always pull to the side of the road when observing emergency lights and sirens.

### JOB SKILLS TRAINING LEADS TO LONG-TERM REDUCTION IN DRUG ABUSE

Job skills training for low-income youth does more than just help them get better jobs – it makes them significantly less likely than others to use some illicit drugs, even 16 years later.

These positive effects on drug use were seen in those who received job-specific skills training, but not in youth who received only basic job services, such as help with job search or a General Education Development (GED) program.

Results showed that the use of illicit drugs such as cocaine and heroin (not including marijuana) declined for youth who received job-skills training, down to 2.8 percent after 16 years. However, illicit drug use increased for those who received only basic services, up to 5.2 percent in the same time.

"We have to look at what kind of job services we provide low-income youth, because they don't all provide the same level of benefits," said Sehun Oh, lead author of the study and assistant professor of social work at The Ohio State University.

"There were positive spill-over effects from job training on drug misuse, which we did not see in youth who were provided only more basic services."

The study appears in the June 2020 issue of the American Journal of Public Health.

The results are important because the federal and state governments emphasize a "job-first" approach that focuses on helping adults in the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program obtain immediate employment, Oh said.

Under a "job first" approach, people usually receive only basic services, which alone were not found to be helpful in preventing drug misuse in this study.

The study uses data about young people from around the country who participated in the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1997. The NLSY97 interviewed people who were between the ages of 13 and 17 in 1997 and then interviewed the same people 17 times until 2016. The NLSY is conducted by Ohio State's Center for Human Resource Research for the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The researchers identified 581 people from NLSY97 who participated in government-sponsored employment programs for low-income youth and adults.

About half reported receiving job skills training services, such as vocational training, on-the-job training, work experience, and other classroom training for a specific job. The other half received only basic services, such as a GED program or job-search assistance.

Results showed that binge drinking decreased significantly among both the basic services and job skills train-

ing groups, with no group differences found in the trends.

Slightly more than 40 percent of both groups said they engaged in binge drinking (5 or more drinks on one occasion in the past month) at the start of the study, which declined to 30 percent in year 16.

Marijuana use was relatively steady for both groups over the entire period of the study, with 11 to 16 percent of the groups reporting they had used the drug in the past year.

The reduction seen in the use of illicit drugs like cocaine and heroin is an advantage of job skills training programs that has not been studied before, Oh said.

"Substance misuse is a significant public health problem in the United States," he said.

"Giving people the skills needed to get good jobs is one way to help fight that crisis, and one that doesn't come from a 'jobs-first' approach."

The research was supported by the Society for Social Work and Research.

Co-authors on the study were Diana DiNitto, professor of social work, and Daniel Powers, professor of sociology, both at the University of Texas at Austin.

**URL: <https://news.osu.edu/job-skills-training-leads-to-long-term-reduction-in-drug-abuse/>**

### RHODES STATE COLLEGE RADIOGRAPHY ASSOC PROGRAM RECEIVES MAXIMUM REAFFIRMATION OF ACCREDITATION

The Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) approved an eight year period of accreditation for the Rhodes State Col-

## THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

lege Radiography Associate Degree and online delivery option at a meeting held on March 24, 2020.

JRCERT is the only agency recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) for the accreditation of traditional and distance delivery educational programs in radiography, radiation therapy, magnetic resonance and medical dosimetry. Specialized accreditation awarded by the JRCERT offers institutions

significant value by providing peer evaluation and by assuring the public of quality professional education in the radiologic sciences.

"Rhodes State has a great group of instructors dedicated to excellence and consistently work on behalf of the students to provide the highest level of quality education. This accreditation affirms this commitment and further prepares students entering the workforce," said Angela Heaton, Assistant Dean of Health Sciences with Rhodes State.

### VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2020-08 on May 4, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY MEASURES IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the implementation of emergency measures to address the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to, giving the Mayor authority to declare a state of emergency.

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

### Real Estate Taxes Are Due Wednesday, July 15, 2020

### Mobile Home Tax Will Be Due Friday, July 31, 2020

### Failure To Receive Tax Bill Will Not Avoid Penalty or Interest Charges.

Due to the Covid19 pandemic, tax collection will be somewhat different for the second half collection this year. Our goal is to make collections as seamless and smooth as possible; and safe for you, the land owner as well as the staff in the Treasurer's Office.

If you would like to bring your payment into the office, there will be restrictions that will be necessary to follow:

- A. Your temperature will be checked at the door by the Security Deputy Sheriff
- B. We are "strongly recommending" that you wear some type of facial covering
- C. Please respect the Social Distancing, maintaining 6' between customers
- D. No more that 2 people will be allowed in the office at one time
- E. Please refrain from bringing children into the office
- F. If you need to visit another office while in the courthouse make sure you call ahead to set up an appointment
- G. **OUR OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 4:00 PM**, to clean & sanitize (notice the time please)

You still have the option of mailing your payment. We accept check and/or money order. If you require a receipt, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If this is not included, we will not mail you a receipt. Also, there is a drop box located on the west door of the courthouse.

I would also like to share a new option for you to pay your taxes online. I have partnered with Point & Pay, an online payment system, this option does include fees to the landowner, but if you are interested please visit pauldingcountytreasurer.com for more information.

**Paulding County Treasurer • Lou Ann Wannemacher**  
Phone: 419-399-8280  
Office Hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

**BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO**  
Heather Barnhouse  
Clerk, Board of Commissioners



## NSCC COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY RECOGNIZES 270 GRADUATES

Northwest State Community College celebrated the 2020 graduating class at its 50th Commencement Ceremony this past weekend. Due to the effects of COVID-19, the ceremony was presented as a pre-recorded video on the College's official YouTube channel. The ceremony recognized 270 graduates who completed an Associate degree or certificate program with the College during fall, spring or summer term, comprising a total of 280 awards (237 associate degrees and 43 short-term certificates). Three students graduated with associate degrees via College Credit Plus, before they officially graduate from high school. Lana Snider, NSCC Vice President of Enrollment Management & Student Affairs, noted that 87% of the graduating class lives in the six county service area of Defiance, Fulton, Hen-

that the celebration would be done in this way." Thomson assured students that



**Chancellor Randy Gardner of the Ohio Department of Higher Education provided the keynote address during the NSCC pre-recorded commencement ceremony, this past Saturday, May 9th.**

the College will organize a larger in-person ceremony when it is safe to do so.

Chancellor Randy Gardner of the Ohio Department of Higher Education delivered the keynote address through a recorded video message. Gardner praised Northwest State for its ability to prepare graduates for workforce readiness, noting the College has graduated 3,400 medical professionals, and noted the 94% passage rate for national nursing exams as a symbol of excellence. "No virus can diminish what this achievement truly means," Gardner noted. The Chancellor's remarks concluded with a heartfelt congratulations to graduates.

As part of the graduate listing at the conclusion of the event, NSCC recognized its 18 Award of Merit recipients. For over 25 years, Northwest State has recognized graduates within the degree programs for their academic achievements. Award of Merit recipients are chosen by faculty from the respective divisions based on leadership involvement, special talents or abilities in their academic field, and significant contributions to Northwest State.

**MERIT LIST**  
Kaitlin Chylinski, Criminal Justice, Hicksville; Fallon Radcliffe, Human Resource Management, De-

fiance; Julie Eitniet, Paraprofessional, Bryan; Rebecca Addington, Pre-Kindergarten, Bryan; Ruth Baumgartner, Business Management, Swanton; Randal Shaver, Business Management, Defiance; Kristi Phillips, Human Resource Management, Hicksville; Kylee Bell, Medical Assisting, Stryker; Laura Moore, LPN to RN, Pioneer; Katelyn Smith, Associate of Arts, Edgerton; Spencer Sunderland, Electro-Mechanical Engineering Technology, Bryan; Autumn Scher, Computer Science Technology, Hicksville; Bradley Sampson, Electrical Engineering Technology, Bryan; Matthew Siegel, Mechanical Engineering Technology, West Unity; Elliot Wannemacher, Computer Programming, Defiance

## MEET THE EACS 2019-20 GOLDEN APPLE AWARD WINNERS



**Tammy Spinelli**

**Tammy Spinelli, New Haven Primary**

Miss. Tammy Spinelli has worked in EACS for 43 years in several schools including Paul Harding, Meadowbrook, EACS Alternative School and Highland Terrace/New Haven Primary School. According to those who nominated her for this award, Tammy has a servant's heart, is a lifelong learner, and is a team player. As a paraprofessional, she takes her job seriously working with the children and staff and taking on new roles with interventions in Kindergarten. She has also been known to bake cookies for the staff at Christmastime, knit scarves as gifts, and sew christening bonnets for new babies. Tammy is a hidden gem at New Haven Primary and deserves this honor.



**Gary Cobb**

**Gary Cobb, Woodlan Jr/Sr. High School**

Mr. Gary Cobb is both a Special Education Paraprofessional and the Girls' Varsity Basketball coach at Woodlan. Coach Cobb actively works to build relationships with all students by coming in early to spend time with students and staff. He is kind and patient with students and players and helps them to find their own strengths. Coach Cobb volunteers to coach Woodlan's Unified Basketball team, which is a combination of both students from the general education and special education population

at Woodlan. He shows kindness and compassion to his students. Woodlan Junior/Senior High School is a better place because of Coach Cobb.



**Denny McCreary**

**Denny McCreary, Cedarville Elementary**

Mr. Denny McCreary is an evening custodian at Cedarville Elementary School. Denny is known for his love of the Indiana Hoosiers and keeping the atmosphere light-hearted with the staff members. He is professional and exemplifies dedication, hard work, going above and beyond, and remembers we are all here for the kids. He has a listening ear that supports and encourages, and a heart of a servant. Denny entertains students with jump-shots into the trashcan during basketball season and connects with them by listening and sharing stories. With Denny, our student and staff health and emotional well-being are better each day. Denny brings more joy into the lives of Cedarville Cubs! He will be greatly missed in his retirement.

## MEALS TO YOU TO SERVE 5 MILLION MEALS A WEEK TO RURAL CHILDREN

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced a major expansion of Meals to You, USDA's innovative partnership with the Baylor University Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty, McLane Global, and PepsiCo, to feed low-income kids in rural areas. The initiative will now serve nearly 5 million meals per week to rural children impacted by COVID-19-related school closures - five times its original goal.

"Uncertain and difficult times call for unprecedented actions and big picture ideas. Rural children affected by school closures faced food insecurity, but these great American groups and companies stepped up to help their fellow countrymen by delivering boxes of food across the country," said Secretary Sonny Perdue. "This program has been so successful and faced such high demand that we are expanding to five million meals a week. Our partnership to feed kids embodies President Trump's whole of America approach to tackling the coronavirus by utilizing the best of America - private sector ingenuity with public sector backing."

"We are grateful to be a part of an innovative team made up of both the public and private sectors motivated by the strong desire to help our neighbors in need. We hope that the boxes of food will nourish children and communicate to their families that they are not in this tough circumstance alone," said Jeremy Everett, Executive Director, Baylor University Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty.

"This USDA-funded program has been a lifeline to

thousands of students across rural America that would otherwise go hungry during this challenging period," said Denton McLane, Chairman of McLane Global. "We've shifted to a 24-hour production schedule across all locations to meet the demand, and couldn't be prouder of our partners, employees and the people on the ground working to ensure these meals get to those who need it most."

"We're proud to partner with the USDA and Baylor to deliver meals directly to students who need them now more than ever," said Matt Smith, Senior Director of Food for Good at PepsiCo. "Since 2009, we've been operating a U.S. nutrition program within PepsiCo called Food for Good that has delivered more than 30 million nutritious meals to children through afterschool and summer programs. In this time when millions of children are affected by school closures, it is a privilege to bring our scale and experience to this innovative partnership to serve our neighbors in need nationwide."

**Background:**

Initially, Meals to You aimed to deliver nearly 1 million meals per week to students eligible for free and reduced-price meals in a limited number of rural schools closed due to COVID-19. But that goal has been quickly surpassed. Meals to You has already shipped nearly 3.5 million meals to the homes of children in 12 states: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia.

USDA is hearing directly from families about how much this program means to them. "I just wanted to say 'An Unmeasurable Amount of Thank You's' are being sent to you and the entire teams it took to coordinate, prepare, and distribute these meals across my community," said a mother from rural Texas. "I sincerely appreciate the incredible amount of effort it took for this to happen and I'm indebted to you and your teams! Thank you for making a difference in my household without even knowing who I am (we're a family of 5 with one parent working with reduced wages)."

In the last few weeks, 23 additional states and Puerto Rico have requested to participate in Meals to You, so the partnership is now quickly ramping up to serve five million meals per week to help meet growing demand. With the initial weeks of the program having been a huge success, USDA worked closely with partners to substantially increase capacity. Thirteen of those states are approved and have families either enrolling or in the final stages of verification, while ten additional states and Puerto Rico have recently started the application process.

Meals to You boxes contain 20 nutritious meals - 10 breakfasts and 10 lunches - to cover the meals children would normally receive at school over two school weeks. Foods contained in the boxes meet USDA's Summer Food Service Program meal standards and may include items like milk, fruit cups, cereal, whole-grain crackers, and chili. Boxes are delivered directly to children's doorsteps via the U.S. Postal Service and other delivery services.

The Baylor University Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty continues to work closely with states interested in the initiative and can now add more states to the program to meet continued demand. In the meantime, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) continues to provide additional options and flexibilities to feed children during the COVID-19 outbreak. Some examples include:

Issuing 21 nationwide waivers for child nutrition programs to allow for innovative methods of meal service and distribution during this unprecedented crisis pandemic;

Launching the Meals 4 Kids site finder in both English and Spanish to help families across America find free meals for kids during the public health emergency; and

Approving Pandemic-EBT in 19 states, which provides food assistance to families of children eligible for free or reduced-price meals dealing with school closures.

To learn more about FNS's response to COVID-19, visit [www.fns.usda.gov/coronavirus](http://www.fns.usda.gov/coronavirus) and follow us on Twitter at @USDANutrition.

FNS administers 15 nutrition assistance programs that leverage America's agricultural abundance to ensure children and low-income individuals and families have nutritious food to eat. FNS also co-develops the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, which provide science-based nutrition recommendations and serve as the cornerstone of federal nutrition policy.



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## WILHELM RETIRING FROM SYNERGY



SYNERGY Learning Center would like to wish the very best of luck in the future to Mr. Terry Wilhelm. Mr. Wilhelm served as Assistant Director for the past 3 years at SYNERGY Learning Center, and has worked in the Alternative Education field for the past 20 years. He has had a positive impact on hundreds and hundreds of students during that time. Congratulations Mr. Wilhelm, we've really appreciated you!!!

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We want to extend our gratitude to Central Insurance Company for thinking of the Chamber of Commerce and our members as we begin to #reopenohio! Your support is amazing and we appreciate your generosity!

## JUNE FEEL GOOD FRIDAY CONCERTS IN FOUNTAIN PARK CANCELED

The Van Wert Area Performing Arts Foundation presenting Van Wert Live events, regrets to inform that the June 2020 Feel Good Friday Concerts in Fountain Park have been canceled due to the Ohio ban on mass gatherings. This includes Walden (6/5), Farewell Angelina (6/12), Rumours (6/19), and The Way-

farers (6/26.) These popular concerts have been rescheduled for June 2021. July 2020 concerts, beginning with 4th of July Live On The Lawn at the Niswonger, are still scheduled as planned. The Van Wert Live team is working to ensure a safe live-music experience when the Ohio ban on mass gatherings lifts.

## McCOLLEY, ROEGNER ANNOUNCE LEGISLATION TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN OHIO

State Senators Rob McColley (R-Napoleon) and Kristina Roegner (R-Hudson) announced introduction of Senate Bill 311, legislation that will immediately end the shutdown of the state. This legislation includes language similar to what was adopted last week by the Ohio House as an amendment to McColley and Roegner's legislation, Senate Bill 1.

Like Senate Bill 1, the legislation establishes common-sense limitations on the Director of Health's discretion to issue orders such as stay-at-home or stay-safe directives during crises like the COVID-19 pandemic. While current law prescribes no limit to the length of such directives, the amendment caps the duration at 14 days. If necessary to protect the public safety, the Director of Health can request that the legislature, through the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, extend the order as needed.

Senate Bill 311 takes the additional steps of opening Ohio now. The bill strengthens the language that was adopted by the House by requiring that the governor personally sign any such order restricting the freedom of Ohio businesses and families for purposes of a health emergency. Additionally, the bill ensures that local input will be considered by JCARR when reviewing an extension of a stay-at-home or business closure order. The bill further improves on the House language by adding an emergency clause, ensuring that it will go into effect upon passage rather than after 90 days.

Beyond the provisions added by the House to Senate Bill 1, this legislation takes the additional steps of opening Ohio now. The bill rescinds any existing order closing state businesses and directing Ohioans to stay at home directly upon passage. Additionally, the bill enables local school districts, in consultation with local health experts, to determine whether or not in-person graduations can be safely conducted on a case-by-case manner that is tailored to the individual circumstances of each district, rather than on a one-size-fits-all statewide basis.

"Our government was not set up for one branch to have the authority to disrupt the general public's lives and businesses for this long without some form of check or balance. The time has come to reflect the will of many Ohioans by restoring balance to our government," added McColley. "It is imperative we reopen our state now to try and limit any further societal damage this virus has caused to our state."

"This has gone on long enough. Ohioans came together to flatten the curve

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of this pandemic and we did it successfully. Now we need to open our state before the damage is irreparable," said Roegner. "I believe that Ohioans, if given the freedom, will rise to the occasion and take the necessary steps to keep their families, employees and customers safe, while conducting the commerce that is so critical to our economy."

## REP. BANKS TO VOTE NO ON PELOSI'S BLUE STATE BAILOUT

Ahead of the expected vote on H.R. 6800, Rep. Jim Banks (R-IN) released the following statement:

"Cash-strapped Americans don't want to pay for abortions, send cash to illegal immigrants or have their hard-earned cash used to subsidize coastal elites and failing blue state pension systems! If passed, this bill would dramatically grow the size of government, meaning higher taxes, joblessness and an economic depression for up to a decade. I emphatically oppose Speaker Pelosi's 'Blue State Bailout!'"

## USDA EXTENDS FLEXIBILITIES, PAVES THE WAY FOR MEALS FOR KIDS TO CONTINUE THROUGH SUMMER

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the extension of three nationwide waivers, giving child nutrition program operators the flexibility they need to continue to feed children while promoting social distancing and keeping families safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

"USDA has been extremely aggressive in expanding flexibilities to ensure Americans who have been impacted by the coronavirus continue to receive the food they need for themselves and their families," said Secretary Perdue. "As our nation reopens and people return to work, we want to continue to be flexible since there is not a one size fits all approach to feeding kids. Extending these waivers throughout the summer ensures local operators can make plans that best suit their communities and keep children fed."

Throughout the pandemic, schools and local program sponsors have used flexibilities provided by USDA to find creative ways to feed kids, such as setting up drive-thru pick-ups and delivering meals on bus routes. With the extension of these waivers, these innovative models can continue, without interruption, while state and local social distancing orders remain in place.

Background:

Since March, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has made maximum use of existing program flexibilities and new authorities granted by Congress to make it as easy as possible for children to receive food through the department's nutrition assistance programs during the national health emergency. Today's announcement extends three key flexibilities that will allow current operations to continue without disruption and ensure states and program operators have time to plan for continued operations throughout the summer.

FNS is extending the following waivers nationwide through August 31, 2020:

**Non-Congregate Feeding:** FNS is allowing meals to be served to children outside of the normally-required group setting to support social distancing.

**Parent Pickup:** FNS is allowing parents and/or guardians to pick up meals and bring them home to their children.

**Meal Times:** FNS is waiving requirements that meals be served at certain standard times to allow for grab-n-go options. This also allows for multiple days-worth of meals to be provided at once.

In addition to granting significant program flexibilities through both nationwide and individual state waivers, FNS is rapidly approving states for Pandemic-EBT, which provides food-purchasing benefits, equal to the value of school meals, to households with

## Sudoku solution from page 13

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

children who would otherwise be receiving free or reduced-price meals at school. FNS has approved 26 plans and continues to review new plans as they are submitted.

These actions and more are part of FNS's critical response to the COVID-19 outbreak. To learn more, visit [www.fns.usda.gov/coronavirus](http://www.fns.usda.gov/coronavirus) and follow FNS on Twitter at @USDANutrition.

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## FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY BAND CANCEL JUNE & JULY CONCERTS

The Fort Wayne Area Community Band's June and July concerts at Foellinger Theater in Franke Park have been cancelled because of the Covid-19 pandemic. The August 11 concert will be performed as scheduled with the downbeat at 7:30 p.m. July's concert has been moved to September 8 and will feature the band's assistant conductor, David Blackwell, playing the role of the "March King" John Philip Sousa. The program will be performed in the manner of a Sousa concert in the early 1900s and will include many of his most famous marches.

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# PAULDING COUNTY SR FAIR BOARD ANNOUNCES SALE SCHEDULE FOR LIVESTOCK

The meeting of the Paulding County Fair Board was held on May 13 over Zoom.

Dan Howell hosted the meeting. It was brought up by Gus Davis that a Hydrant had broke at the horse barn and was running right into the tile. He stated it was now fixed.

A price for a new fence was received. Aaron Timm said they could use some of the equipment to possibly install this and the grant covered everything except hydrants and a couple clamps and fencing. The grant is from the Ohio Horseman's Association.

The tractor won't be able to be fixed right now as the parts are being delayed due to the COVID-19 issue.

The Fair board made a motion to officially vote to cancel the Paulding County Fair as the previous vote on Monday, May 11 was not valid due to lack of public notice. The motion was made by Guy Dasher and Randy sec-



onded it. The motion passed.

Tony Miller updated on the Jr Fair activities for the auctions. He said that after talking with Virtual Show judges it is not recommended for Jr Fair because the rules cannot be enforced very well. Older kids (that would have aged out) will be able to present their animals next year as they would this year before moving up. Tony also stated that for the Jr King and Queen there are no King applicants this year, only queens.

Tony also updated on the livestock sales:

On Thursday, June 18, Market Steers will be run through from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The animals will be weighed in and put in the steer barn.

On June 18, Lambs will be run through from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The animals will be weighed in at the cattle scales and placed in the Hog Barn.

On June 18, Goats will be run through from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The animals will be weighed in at the cattle scales and placed in the Hog Barn.

On June 18, Market Hogs will be run through from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The animals will be weighed in at the cat-

tle scales and placed in the Hog Barn.

These animals will be



ready to be picked up by 9:00 p.m.

One kid and one parent will be allowed so there will be not crowding. The animals will be unloaded, weighed, tagged and then leave. This will all be streamed live on Facebook.

On Saturday, June 20 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon, rabbits and poultry will be weighed in and put in cages at the show arena.

There will be a live auc-



tion for the feeder calves on June 17 from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The livestock will be unloaded, weighed and tagged. The seller will be able to walk in with their animal to the steer barn, tie up and leave. Buyers will be able to look over the stock. The live auction will start at 7:00 p.m. The buyer will pay and take the animal that night.

Guy Dasher suggested that a picture be taken of the kid with their livestock.

Michael Schweinsberg stated that kids will still have to fill out their DUNF forms. They are intending to have the kids complete the form after their animals are tagged. For liability reasons, this needs to be done. They will be asked if they gave medications to the animals. If not, they are fine. If they did, they will be asked if the withdrawal period was completed or if they are still on the medications.

Michael announced that kids could still do their additions. Heather Cooper asked if any had contacted Michael on not doing their project. Michael said several had called and said they would not be finishing their proj-

ects.

Bruce asked if there would be a veterinarian at the site of the animal auctions to ensure the health of the animal. Dan stated he didn't think so, but that he would get confirmation to him next week.

Dan said that Lisa McClure would like to help with the kids by raising money through the Paulding County Area Foundation. Members seemed to like the idea and approved it.

Heather asked how many kids there were in 4H. Michael said that he believes there are about 450-500 with over 100 in FFA and 4H having 360.

Dan Bowers put in a request for the Horsepower Holiday to be at the fairgrounds in October rather than in May. He requested October 24. It was approved by the board and welcomed Dan's event.

It was asked if camper registrations for the fair would be refunded. It was decided to allow refunds for those who asked and to carry over the reservation to next year for those that do not.

On May 29, the Relay for Life asked to use the fairgrounds as a drive thru for the shirt sales and fundraiser.

The Gun Raffle drawing was changed to August 15.

The Grandstand project with new concrete, siding, and other renovations will be on hold until a certain grant is confirmed and received.

The meeting was adjourned.

## PURDUE FORT WAYNE TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR NEW GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Purdue University Fort Wayne is now accepting applications from students hoping to be among the first to earn a graduate degree in speech-language pathology via its new program.

The university received approval in 2019 to offer this graduate degree and subsequently applied for professional accreditation from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. As the final step in the accreditation process, an onsite assessment of the program was conducted in February. A final decision on the program's accreditation status will be made by the association in July.

"Our accreditation site visit was very positive," said Stacy Betz, chair of the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. "Although we will not receive a final decision about our accreditation status until July, we are now accepting applications so we can accommodate those students interested in starting the program as early as this fall."

Prospective students can apply now for the fall semester; applications will be reviewed immediately as part of a process that will continue until the program meets its target class size of 15 students.

"Despite the challenges higher education has faced in recent months because of COVID-19, our decision to move forward with this new program is a sign that the Purdue Fort Wayne campus continues to innovate and

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**SYNERGY Learning Center Staff Members were excited to accept a \$1,000.00 check from Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative's Operation Round Up Board. This money will be used for students' food, clothing, supplies, and reward programs.**

\$1,000 for program supplies and books for those struggling with addiction, working alongside Paulding's Drug Court

United Way of Putnam County; \$750 for children's books for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program

CIN/Putnam County Special Olympics; \$500 for event supplies and assistance

Paulding County EMA; \$600 for mass casualty trailer awning and LED night lights

Fort Jennings Volunteer Fire Department; \$1,939 for a calibration and bump test

machine

Synergy Learning Center, Van Wert; \$1,000 for food, clothing and reward program supplies for students

Western Buckeye Educational Service Center, Paulding; \$1,250 for student speaker series on leadership

Middle Point Fireman's Association; \$1,600 for high-visibility neon jackets

United Way of Paulding County; \$1,000 for school supply drive, including headsets and backpacks

Putnam County Habitat for Humanity; \$1,500, Criti-

cal Home Repair Program

Paulding Schools FFA; \$1,000 for hygiene supply closet for students

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

provide students new opportunities for high-quality education and career paths that will benefit the community," added Betz.

Information for students interested in applying to the program can be found on the speech-language pathology web page. Betz may also be contacted at betzs@pfw.edu for more details.

## WOODBURN LIONS CLUB DONATES TO LOCAL FOOD BANK

The Woodburn Lions Club appreciates the community's generous donations to our Food Bank Donut project. The Woodburn

and area residents waited for over an hour in line to get their donuts and make their donation for our Food Bank. We started serving at 7:00 am and the line started shortly thereafter. We made close to 500 dozen and served the last customer just before noon. We presented a check to the Woodburn Food Bank for just over \$3,600. 100% of all monies collected went to the food bank. The Lions Club donated all the flour, oil, sugar and bags for the day. With your help they will be able to keep their shelves stocked and help the area families in need. One of the most satisfying things about the day is that not one person com-

plained about the long wait in line.

We will be making donuts again on Saturday, May 23. From 7 - 11 am at the same location. Proceeds will benefit the 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. We are happy that you the Lion's Club in helping serve the community.

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