

STOKES ARTWORK TO BE VIEWED IN ONLINE GALLERY



Congratulations go out to Wayne Trace High School Senior Della Stokes whose artwork, "Visions of the Past" was selected for the Annual Juried High School Art Exhibition at Otterbein University.

Like many other art shows this year, this one will be virtual with her work being on view in an online gallery starting November 9.

The West Bend News website has many pictures of area events. Be sure to visit www.westbendnews.net

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PAULDING COUNTY UNOFFICIAL ELECTION SUMMARY

Paulding County is certainly a red county when it comes to the national elections, but in the county the results go both ways.

The most contested races appeared to be for the County Commissioner seat, where Clint Vance took the lead, winning by a 67% of the vote over Tom Sinn. The other seat was between Roy Klopfenstein and Franklin Robey Jr. Klopfenstein came out on top by 78% of the vote.

Other seats retained by Joe Burkard, Ann Pease, Jason Landers, Carol Temple, Lou Ann Wannemacher, Travis McGarvey, and Joseph Kuhn as they were all unopposed.

Paulding County voters at the state level Diana Fessler got the seat for the State Board of Education, as she ran unopposed. Sharon Kennedy took the seat for the Justice of the Supreme Court by a nearly 68-32% margin. Judi French took the seat at 52% vs Jennifer Brunner at 47%. The Court of Appeals went to Mark Miller as he was unopposed.

Antwerp Cemetery re-

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CIERRA MORAN APPOINTED FOR VICTIM'S ADVOCATE



Joe Burkard, Paulding County Prosecutor, announced a position being moved into his office - Victim's Advocate. It just so happens that Cierra Moran has been hired in to take this

position. Moran graduated from Defiance High School in 2010 and then from Bluffton University in 2014. Her parents live in Hicksville and she resides in Paulding with her husband, Jacob.

Previously, Cierra Moran worked at the Paulding County Sheriff's office as a Dispatcher for 2.5 years and a Deputy for about 2 years. She then worked at a factory for a few months in Butler before coming back to work in the county.

The position of Victim's Advocate was previously in the Paulding Municipal Court, under Judge Suzanne Rister, but is now in the Prosecutor's Office.

A Victim's Advocate is exactly what the title sounds like. Moran explained how she has been on the front side

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WHY IS SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY IMPORTANT?

The goal of Small Business Saturday is to remind consumers that they play a key role in helping the small businesses in their community thrive, and encourage them to get out and shop and dine

at local businesses.

Every time you take an exercise class, get your hair cut and colored in town, or buy a birthday gift at one of the shops you are shopping small and making a difference in your community.

Every dollar spend at a small at a small business, approximately 67 cents stays (Continued on Page 3)

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Community Calendar

November 10

- Paulding Co. Democratic Party meeting @ Paulding Eagles, 7pm

November 11

- Christmas for Kids sign up @ PC Sen. Ctr, 9a-4p
- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

November 12

- Open Mike Night @ Defiance Co. Coon Hunters Club (Hoffman Rd), 6-8:30pm

November 14

- Annual Craft Bazaar @ Martini Lutheran Church, NH, 9a-2p
- JPHS Jr. Historian Meeting @ JPHS, Paulding, 2pm
- Girl Scout Info Day @ Camp Libbey, 11a-1p

November 15

- Campfire @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm

November 18

- Credit Class @ EC Development Small Innovation Ctr, Paulding, 3-4:30pm
- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

November 19

- Thanksgiving Grab & Go Lunch @ Def. Sen. Ctr, 11:30a-12p
- Open Mike Night @ Defiance Co. Coon Hunters Club (Hoffman Rd), 6-8:30pm

November 22

- Living Water Band @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm

November 25

- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

November 28

- SHOP SMALL SATURDAY -- Paulding, Antwerp, Woodburn



To add your event to the calendar email info@westbendnews.net
Continual Events must be resubmitted once per month

OBITUARIES

GRABILL, IN
Edna Lengacher, 88, of Grabill, Indiana passed away Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at Auburn Village. Dooley Funeral Homes of Antwerp and Payne Ohio served her family.
CONVOY, OH
Irene Ellen Adams, 95, of Convoy, OH passed away at 5:45 PM on November 07, 2020 at Vancrest of Van Wert. Arrangements have been entrusted to Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home & Crematory.

OHIO ALZHEIMER'S & DEMENTIA DEATHS TRENDING HIGHER DURING THE PANDEMIC

Tillie Day's beautiful brown eyes looked blank into the glass window.

Then there was terror. Distress. She holds a phone not knowing what to do with it.

She cries, her worn hand covering her face.

She purses her lips and looks down as nursing staff try to get her to look up to see her daughter Deneen, a constant fixture on the other side of the glass.

That was Deneen Day's experience as an Alzheimer's caregiver with a mother in an assisted living facility. For four months, Day saw her mother decline. Tillie Day died on July 8, one week before her 83rd birthday.

Since the coronavirus pandemic began, people with Alzheimer's and dementia have been dying in numbers higher than the five-year average for this time frame.

According to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data, there have been at least 31,047 more reported deaths due to Alzheimer's or another dementia through September. That above average number far exceeds all other disease categories reported by the CDC, according to an Alzheimer's Association analysis.

In Ohio, there have been 1,164 deaths above the average through September and that represents a 14 percent increase.

"This is alarming," said Eric VanVlymen, Regional Leader for the Alzheimer's Association in Ohio. "We must continue to push for the safety of people with Alzheimer's both in the home and in facilities because we know they are more at risk."

Reasons for the increased deaths are varied and VanVlymen said more analysis is needed to learn why. The Association has created guidelines to help protect those living at home from getting

COVID-19 and guidelines to help long-term care facilities. They can be found at: <https://www.alz.org/>

"Our state has taken measures to help deal with this, but it is terrible to see people with Alzheimer's who already suffer to actually be burdened even more as well as their families," VanVlymen said. He urged families with questions about care that can help protect their loved ones to call the Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900.

According to an AARP Nursing Home COVID-19 dashboard, more than 33 percent of Ohio nursing homes reported having less than a week's worth of PPE on hand over the four-week period ending Sept. 20, and some 35 percent of Ohio nursing homes also reported staffing shortages in direct care workers during this period. Both were higher than national averages.

Although Day said it was heartbreaking knowing she could not directly help her mother the way that she did prior to COVID-19, she was thankful for the staff and the hospice nurse assigned to her mom, who tried to compensate for the absence of family help. The staff "they became their family, they became their daughters, they became everyone to them," Day said.

Currently 220,000 Ohioans live with Alzheimer's disease. Nationwide, according to the 2020 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures report:

- Forty-two percent of residents in residential care facilities have Alzheimer's or other dementias.

- Forty-eight percent of nursing home residents have Alzheimer's or other dementias

"As an Association, we are here to support Alzheimer's caregivers whatever their caregiving situation is," said Pamela Myers, Program Director for the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio and Central Ohio Chapters. "Imagine how you would feel if you thought your parent was declining yet despite your strongest desires, you couldn't touch them or advocate strongly in person for them."

To document her COVID-19 caregiver journey and to honor her mother, Day created a five-minute video that started in March with window visits at her mother's assisted living facility and ended after she died. "I wanted to be able to tell a story to honor others going through

this to say 'I see you. I get it.'" What people need to see and understand is "not just dying of COVID but dying during COVID and what families are going through," she said.

COVID-19 IN PAULDING COUNTY

The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency would like to address the increasing numbers of positive cases of Coronavirus and worse yet, number of Deaths in Paulding County. It took five months to reach 118 positive cases and only 26 days to double that number. Currently Paulding County has 348. Paulding County now ranks 5th, in the state of Ohio with positive cases in the last two weeks per population, per 100,000. That is an increase of active cases in just 141 days. The death toll in Paulding County has reached (6) in the last 22 days, with the first death coming on October 14th.

With the weather changing and activities moving inside, COVID-19 cases will be increasing and have an impact on the United States, the states of Ohio and Paulding County. The number of hospitalization will be increasing with influenza entering the picture. The Paulding County Hospital as well surrounding hospitals. The impact is not the number of beds being occupied, but it is the number of staff to take care of Influenza / COVID-19 and other unrelated patients.

The Paulding County Commissioners are forming a COVID-19 Task Force in the county and it is being created with various county agencies, public and private sector as well. The primary focus of the Task Force will be to get the message out to the 18,600 plus residents in Paulding County that the pandemic and influenza are real and the need to follow Ohio Dept. of Health orders and guidelines:

Ohio Dept. of Health orders and guidelines:

1. Wear a Face Covering out in Public
2. Social Distancing of 6 feet or more
3. Get a Flu Shot
4. Wash your hands frequently
5. Avoid crowded areas
6. If you are sick Stay Home

The Paulding County EMA will be sending out guidance to our religious communities with the upcoming holidays and religious services. Speaking of the upcoming holidays; Thanksgiving, holiday parties, Christmas and New Year's Eve, these are the recommendations that should be considered, because we do

not want to have our family gatherings to be a spreader event.

1. Limit the number of family and friends to your home for gatherings.

2. Have multiple gatherings with your family, your son's family one day or your daughter's family another and so on.

3. Have hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes and encourage washing your hands frequently.

4. If you are sick stay home and don't spread it to the vulnerable

5. Please being vigilant when it comes to these measures and you can make a difference.

We all have a role to play in the coming months, it will be our responsibility to reduce the spread, lower the spiking numbers, so hopefully, and once 2021 arrives we can all get back to some sense of normalcy once Spring arrives. Wearing face coverings, social distancing, avoid crowded places, wash our hands frequently, and stay home if you're sick, will be important! As it has been said since the Pandemic hit the states, Ohio, We are in this Together.

LATTA: RECORD-BREAKING GROWTH RATE A POSITIVE SIGN FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) provided the following statement after the release of the Bureau of Economic Analysis report showing that the economy grew at annualized rate of 33.1% during the 3rd quarter.

"The U.S. economy shattered records and exceeded expectations during the 3rd quarter as Americans got back to work and small businesses reopened. Our nation's path to recovery is far from over, but an annualized growth rate of 33.1% shows that the right policies are in place to return our economy to where it was before the pandemic. There is still more that can be done. For instance, we could make the remaining Paycheck Protection Program funds available to small businesses. This action has bipartisan support and simply needs Speaker Pelosi to put it on the floor. So far, she has refused negotiate with House Republicans on any relief. That being said, the pro-growth policies that have been implemented over the previous four years have built an economy that is resilient and strong, and this report shows why it's so important that we continue along that path."

the Municipal court.

The Victims Assistance Unit will carry out the special needs of the crime victims/survivors and their right to be treated with compassion, respect and dignity. A victim assistance advocate is a person who works and acts as a support/liaison to victims of crime by offering a variety of services and help between the courts and law enforcement. Assistance will be available immediately after the crime occurs or is reported. She will also help guide the victim through the legal process each step of the way. In Paulding County Cierra can be reached at 419-399-4476.

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of initial confrontations and she is now ready to help those who have been hurt in these situations in a different way. She will help with emotional support, emergency services, court appearances, and more.

Burkard stated, "Cierra is a person who puts 110 percent into her work. She has a passion to assist people who are in need, and her law enforcement experience is a plus when working in the Court system. She is a great addition to our team here at the Paulding County Prosecutor's office."

This position is paid for by two grants and 20% match by

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."

Isaiah 1:18 NIV

COVID-19 & FLU IN 2020



This fall and winter will be a challenge as both influenza and COVID-19 viruses circulate among people in Paulding County. The good news is we know steps that can significantly reduce the spread of both illnesses. Both COVID-19 and flu are respiratory illnesses caused by different viruses. They have symptoms in common, such as fever and/or chills, cough, sore throat, headache, runny or stuffy nose, fatigue, muscle pain or body aches, vomiting and diarrhea. Some people with COVID-19 report a distinct loss in taste or smell, which isn't typical with flu. Influenza symptoms may also arrive more suddenly, while COVID-19 illness can appear anywhere from 2-14 days after infection. Both illnesses are more likely to lead to severe complications in older people and people with other medical conditions. If you think you might be sick, contact your health care provider to discuss your symptoms and ask if you should be tested for flu or COVID-19.

COVID-19 spreading at the same time as influenza creates new challenges we haven't experienced during a typical flu season. Influenza viruses begin circulating every year around this time and often peak in January or February. Each year, thousands of people are hospitalized with flu, and some die due to the illness. If hospitalizations increase for one or both illnesses, the risk grows that medical care won't be available for everyone who needs it, and more people could suffer severe illness or death. You can help lessen potential strain on our community's health care system this fall and winter by getting a flu shot. Getting a flu vaccine means you're less likely to get sick or spread flu viruses to others. It helps protect your family, friends and people around you, and it means you're less likely to have symptoms that could be mistaken for COVID-19. Fewer people with the flu means hospitals can more

easily treat patients with COVID-19 and other illnesses and medical emergencies. Hospitalization from flu is more common in older people, but young people can still become seriously ill.

Each person has a role to play, and it's all of our duty to help reduce COVID-19 cases and keep them low. We're all anxious to get back to the "good old days," and we will, but right now we have to hold fast and keep doing everything we can to keep COVID-19 from causing more illness and death. We can control how COVID-19 spreads, and we are the key to changing how this progresses. It's not only about vaccines, treatments, or rules. It's us. It's each action we take that can either spread or stop the spread of the virus. Wearing masks, maintaining distancing, washing hands often, and staying home if we're sick will all be critical as people spend more time indoors and potentially gather with family and friends over the holidays. Being vigilant about these actions now will help reduce COVID-19 and influenza cases and cause less illness to be spread over the next few months.

Start making plans for how you will do the holidays and other celebrations differently. Everyone has to continue to adapt, because we can't do the same things we've always done in the past and expect to beat COVID-19. We can't have large family dinners or holiday parties or even football watch parties. But we can find new ways to connect and enjoy each other's company. People have done a remarkable job when we've been forced to adapt our lives to the challenges of this pandemic. We've learned how quickly we can find new ways of doing things, especially activities from a distance, with a mask or online. Many of us have learned new technology, like virtual meetings and contactless purchasing. Brainstorm ideas to start new traditions with your family, friends and coworkers.

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I WANT TO RUN

Penny For Your Thoughts By: Nancy Whitaker

As we are making our plans for the upcoming holidays, it is always nice (well sometimes) to look back at past years and see the changes in our life whether it be good or bad.



Time is something we just can't stop and it seems like the clock is ticking way too fast.

If you are like me, it seems as if one day you are holding your babies, then grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Why and how did the years pass so quickly?

To me my four children will always be my babies. I don't care if they are 40 years old, I will always be worrying and praying for them.

I still hope they wear a warm coat or ate a good breakfast. That is just what moms do.

We have a lot to be thankful for as parents, grandparents and great grandparents.

I am thankful that my kids are all working and have children of their own. I am happy I have 10 grandchildren and the last few years have brought me 5 greats. (And another in the oven)

Life is not always easy. Memories can be bitter-sweet. We lose loved ones, friends, jobs and when we age we may just lose our own mobility.

A couple of years ago, I realized that I am not 15 anymore. My brain said I was, but my body said otherwise. I still don't know how I did it, but some how I

twisted my back and wound up with a pinched sciatica.

I don't think I ever had so much pain in my life. (Even childbirth was not as painful.)

I bought braces, hot patches, rubs and even a tens unit to help ease the pain.

I went to the chiropractor, doctors, and also took physical therapy.

I tried living a somewhat normal life style, but there were a lot of things I simply could not do.

Simple tasks such as tying my shoes, doing laundry, taking out trash and cooking became obstacles, yet goals, that I wanted to reach.

A great guy came into my life about 5 years ago.

He worked and lived in Delphos, but came over every night that my back hurt so bad and when I thought I was going to die, he would say, "Just relax. You are going to be fine."

He did the things I longed to do. Believe it or not, I longed to carry in my own groceries, cook, do dishes and sweep my floors.

And oh, I even longed for the day when I could just sit through a 2 hour movie or watch a two hour TV show.

You never miss things unless you lose them and I found out just how important mobility is.

The first day I went back to just driving to the Beauty Shop was a red letter day for me. I said, "Thank you Jesus for helping me get this far."

Now I really appreciate those things I can do. I never want to take anyone or anything for granted. Life is just too short.

I did have to forget running the Boston marathon and entering that 24 hour dance contest. Oh well, you never know.

Have you ever been unable to do even small chores?

And please tell me what you have done for a pinched nerve. If you do, I'll give you. Penny for Your Thoughts.

PAULDING COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 9/28/20

This 28th day of September, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present:

Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry and Heather Barnhouse, Clerk; absent: Tony Zartman

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS:

Warrants documented as 2635021 through 263570 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2020 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 283)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2020 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Rosedale Ditch (Fund 283), to-wit:

283-001-00003/Rosedale Ditch/Note Principal

AMOUNT: \$29.80

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2020 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 283)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2020 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit:

FROM: 283-001-00004/Rosedale Ditch/Admin. Fee

TO: 283-001-00003/Rosedale Ditch/ Note Principal

AMOUNT: \$50.64

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2020 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 068)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2020 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Sheriff Reserves (Fund 068), to-wit:

068-001-00006/Sheriff Reserves/Equipment

AMOUNT: \$8,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2020 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 041)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2020 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit:

FROM: 041-001-20205/WIC/Supplies

TO: 041-001-20201/WIC/Salaries

AMOUNT: \$9.00

FROM: 041-001-20204/WIC/Postage

TO: 041-001-20201/WIC/Salaries

AMOUNT: \$179.00

FROM: 041-001-20203/WIC/Travel

TO: 041-001-20201/WIC/Salaries

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within the local community so when you shop on Small Business Saturday and all year long, you can help create a huge impact within your community.

In 2019, shoppers supported their local communities and the 10th Annual Small Business Saturday hit a record high with approximately \$19.6 billion dollars spent within the Small Business community.

AMOUNT: \$ 637.09
FROM: 041-001-20206/WIC/Phone
TO: 041-001-20201/WIC/Salaries

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

• Claudia Fickel, County Auditor, discussed with the Commissioners distribution of CARES ACT in reference to HB614/HB481.

• Jennifer Born and Amber Zartman Scarberry voiced their complaints about Haviland Energy. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry spoke of the smell coming from Haviland Energy is horrendous. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry also expressed that they are suffering from medical issues (such as migraines, seizures, sinus infections and vomiting) that her physician said is probably due to the odor coming from Haviland Energy. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry also reported that children were vomiting at the bus stop, smell is in their homes, water and it keeps them up at night. Ms. Born also added that she suffers from migraines and sinus infections and it is hard for her child to be outside playing because of the smell makes them sick to their stomach. Ms. Born also said that her water system she put in her home cannot take the smell and taste out of her water. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry also added that she knows the owner has tried to buy people out due to their complaints against the facility and their property value has gone down since Haviland Energy moved in. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry also explained that she has contacted Blue Creek Township who told her that there is nothing they can do because it is agriculture. Commissioner Klopfenstein explained that they have no authority or jurisdiction in this matter and any complaints/concerns residents have the best avenue is to contact the EPA. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry asked if there was a way to get their water tested and she is positive they are suffering from Hydrogen Sulfide poisoning. Commissioners informed her to call the Health Department that they can test the well and they will report to the EPA if there are any findings. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry stated that the mayor reported that the cost to test the village would be too much. Commissioners replied that a couple wells could be tested and if there are findings then the EPA would get those results. Ms. Zartman-Scarberry also was concerned if Haviland Energy even had permits to operate and dump. Commissioner Klopfenstein replied that most likely they have permits and you can possibly find them on the EPA website. Commissioners reiterated to voice their complaints/concerns to the EPA and document as much as they can.

Protect your computer and your key data. Keep your antivirus software updated. And don't install bootleg or unlicensed software, which could infect your computer with a virus. Also, back up your important data.

Watch out for fake websites or apps. When making financial transactions, be sure you're on the website of your bank or financial institution – and not on a fake site established by hackers. Your financial statements should have the legitimate website, so bookmark it and use it when doing anything with your accounts. Also, be careful when downloading apps – stick with those from established providers such as Google Play or the App Store.

Avoid "over-sharing" on social media. Cyberthieves constantly stalk social media platforms for information they can use to commit their crimes. You can help stymie them by limiting what you share online. It's a good idea to keep your full name, address and birthday private.

We all have our favorite small business that we can't imagine living without. The early part of 2020 with the COVID-19 epidemic has put an incredible strain on our small businesses. Across the nation fewer small businesses are opening and staying open. To be successful requires grit, determination and passion.

Please come out on November 28th and support the small businesses in your community.

PROTECT YOUR FINANCES FROM "CYBERTHIEVES"

You've no doubt heard reports of personal data being stolen and used for financial fraud – anything from online shopping on your credit cards to actual theft from your financial accounts. This problem won't go away anytime soon – but you can take steps to defend yourself.

Here are a few suggestions:

Use multifactor authentication or other extra security options with online accounts. Many of your online accounts offer extra security by giving you the option to prove your identity in different ways. With multifactor authentication, you must provide at least two different factors to prove your identity when you log in to an account. This additional layer of security provides you with much greater protection.

Be creative with passwords. Create different passwords for work, financial services sites, social media and email – and give each password some length and complexity. Consider passphrases – actual words combined with symbols and numbers (for example, "ThisIsAPassphrase!2468"), for sites that allow them.

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You might also avoid discussing your plans for upcoming vacations. And review your privacy settings periodically so that only people you know or approve can see your information.

Limit use of public Wi-Fi. Hackers often set up their own Wi-Fi networks in public areas, such as the computers found in hotel business centers. Ask an employee for the name of the legitimate network. And even when you use it, log off when you're finished.

Don't take the bait of "phishers." Cyberthieves go "phishing" for sensitive information – usernames, passwords and account numbers – by sending communications, such as emails, purporting to be from a business or financial institution with which you often do business. They may claim your account was "suspended" or that an "unauthorized transaction" was made, and you'll be asked to click on a link that takes you to what appears to be the company's website.

If you go along with this request, you could find malicious software being downloaded on your computer. But legitimate businesses generally won't ask for account numbers or passwords unless you initiate the transaction. Other signs of phishing include threatening language, "urgent" requests, misspelled words or odd word choices. If an email does look suspicious to you, delete it without opening it.

This list is not exhaustive, but by putting these steps to work, you can at least reduce the risk of becoming victimized by cybercriminals.


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HAPPENINGS AT ANTWERP MANOR

Welcome to Antwerp Manor Assisted Living. We are located at 204 Archer Drive in Antwerp, Ohio. We are accepting new residents at this time and we would welcome new friends to our facility.



Pictured is our local seamstress and crochet expert, Mrs. Ruth Ann Witt. Ruth also enjoys playing Bingo and was very excited when she earned her 100th Bingo Buck! When asked how she wanted to spend her "bucks" Ruth thought a sewing machine would be a good investment. Now Ruth can not only crochet in her apartment, but she can sew using her new machine. So far Ruth has crocheted quite a collection of American Girl Doll clothes. She often uses patterns but sometimes does her own designing. Ruth is holding an American Girl Doll dressed in one of her latest designs. Her crocheted doll clothes are for sale here in Antwerp at &Junque, located at 3982 Road 192.



Also pictured is Mrs. Mary Ellen Walk. Mary Ellen has shared her beloved button collection with the residents. These buttons have drawn great interest here at Antwerp Manor and have been a wonderful source of entertain-

ment. Many crafts have been created using Mary Ellen's button collection.

If you are interested in Assisted Living care please contact us at 419-258-1500. We would love to help answer any questions that you might have about our facility.

MIX, MINGLE & JINGLE

The Church Basement Ladies of Christ Lutheran Church, Woodburn In. are planning their Mix Mingle & Jingle Christmas Event. This will be the fourth year for this fun gathering.

It started six years ago when the Basement Ladies wanted to do a style show.

We noticed all the local talent that was in the area, so we decided to add vendors.

It has turned into a wonderful morning of shopping and fun. We will be offering lunch and carryout is available.

Christ Lutheran Youth will have yummy bake goods to help raise money for upcoming events.

BRIGHTEN YOUR LIFE WITH SONG

By: Doris Applegate

Have you ever woke up in the morning with a song on your heart? The other morning I had this song strongly impressed on my mind and heart when I awoke from a good night's sleep. "He leadeth me, Oh blessed thought, Oh words of heavenly comfort wrought. Where ere I go, where ere I be, it is God's hand that leadeth me! He leadeth me, He leadeth me His faithful follower I will be, for by His hand He leadeth me. Every morning I ask the Holy Spirit to guide me and help me to do God's will and so this was a special song to wake up to! It was not on the radio etc. but it was in me. As we walk with the Lord Jesus, He promises to be with us and another song I enjoy singing is: "No never alone, no never alone, He promised never to leave me, He claims me as His own" What joy, peace and comfort to know Jesus Christ. May all who read these lines experience the same thing. As a child I grew up singing. My sister, Barbara, and I sang wherever we were, walking to school, riding in the car, doing dishes and before and

while we were in bed. At vacation Bible school they heard us sing and put us on a radio program. We sang "For God so loved world. He gave His only son, to die on calvary's tree, from sin to set us free. Some day, He's coming back, what glory that will be, wonderful, His love to me, (you too if you have come to accept Jesus Christ as your Savior). As a pre-teen I lived with my aunt and sang every evening popular songs while my cousin played the piano. She knew them ALL so I sang them ALL. Most folks today would NOT know them but 'Sentimental Journey', 'Long ago and far away', 'The white cliffs of Dover', 'Time waits for no one' and all the great WWII songs such as 'When Johnny comes marching home again' and 'God is my co-pilot' of course this gives my age away, but hey, life is good, whatever the age and I can truly say that my life is and has been not only good, but GREAT. The songs I sing are now of God's love and goodness. 'The praise of God will always be on my lips'. God is worthy of our praise and He loves it when we are thankful. With a song in our heart and praise on our lips, we will be healthy and wealthy and wise. 'God dwells and lives among our praises.' When we sing praise to the Lord, sadness departs, joy comes and we walk in newness of life. So let's just praise the Lord and honor Him. If you think you can't carry a tune, then just hum, whistle or turn on Godly songs, clap your hands and do a dance unto the Lord. Amen

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,
I'm a senior citizen and have watched the USA continually lose more freedoms through oppressive government, immorality, crimes, dishonesty, etc. How can we regain our freedom?

We must faithfully vote, but that doesn't mean our candidate will win or that they will do what they promised if they do win. We can, however, have more control over our own inner freedom right now by surrendering completely to God and His will for our lives. John 8:31-32 - "Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." Here are some men that proved this works:

- Paul and Silas were innocently found in prison, bound and bleeding, but were expressing their inner joy and freedom by singing and praising God (Acts 16:19-36).

- Elisha in II Kings 6:11-23 was surrounded by a great host of the Syrian army who wanted to kill him. He asked God to strike them blind. Then Elisha single-handedly led them into the presence of their enemy, Israel. He then asked God to open their eyes and told the king of Israel not to kill them but to feed them and send them home. The Syrian army returned home and stopped fighting against Israel. Elisha's inner freedom through faith also brought some national freedom.

- Noah, though right-

eous, was hated by the rest of the world. God gave him grace and inner freedom through obedience, and make life and freedom available to everyone born since the flood.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

KIDS' KORNER

Hi there! I hope you're doing well.

Did God command Israel to harvest their fields right up to the edge? No. They were, in fact, to let the corners and edges stand so that anyone walking by who was hungry could get some food.

That says a lot to us about how we should treat others. We do well to help others who are in need, whether it's someone next door or the other side of the world. Most of us have all that we need and then some. God would have us to share the abundance of blessings He gives to us to help others.

That quiz was an easy to one answer. For next week, another easy one: According to Mark, what was Jesus doing during the great storm?

See you next week!

—Pastor Tim
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SAFE HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

With the COVID-19 pandemic still a major issue in my area, how can I celebrate the holiday season while keeping myself and my family safe?

The COVID-19 pandemic is still a major issue in many areas, with the nation reporting more than 100,000 new cases in a day this week. In Ohio, for example, 4,229 new COVID-19 cases were reported Tuesday.

With that in mind, health experts have released guidance on how to have safe holiday celebrations in the midst of the pandemic. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has offered recommendations on what people need to know before traveling, hosting, attending parties, or gathering with family and friends during the holiday season.

When planning to host a holiday celebration, the CDC says the most important thing is to assess the current COVID-19 levels in your community to determine whether to postpone, cancel, or limit the number of attendees to your gathering.

Also, if you are hosting or attending a holiday gathering, the CDC says you should do the following:

Host outdoor activities rather than indoor activities, if possible. If hosting an outdoor event is not possible and you choose to host an indoor event, avoid crowded, poorly ventilated, or fully enclosed indoor spaces. Also, wear a mask when around people outside of your household.

Increase ventilation by opening windows and doors to the extent that is safe and feasible based on the weather.

Host activities with only people from your local area, if possible. The fewer people you are with, the lower the overall risk.

Limit the number of attendees. Keep your indoor get-together under 10 peo-

OSU EXT. EDUCATOR SCHWEINSBERG PRESENTS AT KIWANIS



OSU Extension Educator Michael Schweinsberg recently provided an update to the Kiwanis Club of Paulding County. He discussed a newer, flexible program available through Ohio 4-H - a SPIN club. A 4-H SPIN

club is a special interest club where young people meet for 6-8 weeks (either virtually or in-person) with volunteers to learn about a topic of interest. Chris Johnson was the program chairman.

ple, and limit it to one hour.

Have supplies on hand to help you and others stay healthy, including masks and hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.

If you are planning an in-person holiday gathering with people outside of your household, consider asking all guests to strictly avoid contact with people outside of their households for 14 days before the gathering.

Try staggered eating times so that people from the same household can eat together at the same table. Consider eating with spaced-out seating.

Use paper plates and disposable utensils, as they are safer to use than regular dishes and flatware.

Wipe and sanitize common areas.

Avoid having multiple people pass dishes to one another.

Use single-use options or identify one person to serve sharable items such as salad dressings, food containers, plates and utensils, and condiments.

Avoid any self-serve food or drink options such as buffets or buffet-style potlucks, salad bars, and condiment or drink stations.

Additionally, make sure that everyone washes their hands with soap and water

for 20 seconds before and after preparing, serving, and eating food, said Jenny Lobb, a family and consumer sciences educator for Ohio State University Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

While holidays are times when families and friends gather to celebrate, the lowest risk for contracting COVID-19 is to celebrate the holidays with members of your own household, Lobb said. However, there are other ways to celebrate without being in the same location, she said.

"One way to include members outside of your household in your celebration is to share recipes with family and friends and have a virtual dinner using a digital platform such as Zoom," Lobb said. "Create new, virtual traditions like hosting a virtual game night or watching your favorite holiday movie simultaneously using a service like Netflix Party."

"And remember, make sure to include healthy food and beverage options such as fruits and vegetables, lean proteins, whole grains, and low- or no-calorie beverages to help you and your family maintain good health."



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The church is accepting donations of gently used clothing, furniture, and household items beginning on November 30th. Mattresses, televisions, or electronics will not be accepted. Items may be dropped off at the Antwerp United Methodist Church, 202 East River Street, Antwerp on the following dates:

**Monday, November 30th from 9:00 a.m. until noon
Tuesday, December 1st from 9:00 a.m. until noon
Wednesday, December 2nd from 9:00 a.m. until noon
Thursday, December 3rd from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.
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PURDUE FORT WAYNE ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR SPRING SEMESTER

Purdue University Fort Wayne has chosen to stay the course for the spring 2021 semester by offering primarily in-person instruction. Like

the fall semester, some classes will also be delivered in either hybrid or online formats. The plan, which was finalized with input from senior administrators, faculty leaders, and students, was shared with the campus community on Monday by Chancellor Ronald L. Elsen-

baumer.

"Our goal in maintaining current operations for spring is to create as little disruption as possible for current students and to offer a traditional college experience to students who are joining us for the first time," Elsenbaumer said in an email dis-

tributed to students, faculty, and staff. "We want all of our students to have access to a high-quality education, and we are committed to ensuring a campus environment that puts their health, safety, and well-being first and foremost."

With just over two months

to go until the Jan. 11 start of the spring semester, priority registration for seniors, degree candidates, graduate students, juniors, honors students, student-athletes, and students with disabilities is already open. The same opportunity, which includes access to preferred class times that tend to fill quickly, will be made available to sophomores beginning Nov. 9 and freshmen and others Nov. 16.

Driven to safely accommodate students who have overwhelmingly expressed their preference to receive instruction face-to-face in the classroom, Purdue Fort Wayne will continue to follow best practices and recommended protocols from the CDC, Indiana Department of Health, and other public health officials. The university also continues to rely on the significant expertise of its senior leaders and colleagues, the PFW Prepared Committee, and the Purdue University system.

Steps taken in advance of the fall semester that will carry over to the upcoming spring semester include:

- strict adherence to face mask and social distancing guidelines in all buildings on campus and a strong recommendation to follow the same practices in other high-density locations outdoors
- distribution of additional cloth face masks on top of the 20,000 that have already been passed out free of charge to students, faculty, and staff

- reconfigured classrooms
- hand-sanitizer stations, sanitizing wipes, and other disinfecting supplies located in all classrooms and throughout campus buildings
- enhanced protocols for deep-cleaning, sanitizing and air quality
- the cancellation or postponement of external rentals and large-scale community events on campus - now extended through May 31

"It's a credit to our faculty and staff - their creativity and passion - that we've been able to effectively keep an eye on the future while still addressing the needs of our students today," said Carl Drummond, vice chancellor for academic affairs and enrollment management at Purdue Fort Wayne. "Everything we've learned over the past nine months has helped us move beyond the initial uncertainty of what needs to be done to make this work. We want current and prospective students to know that our desire to help them earn a Purdue degree is backed by a campus community that remains confident in its approach and energized to deliver to the greatest extent possible the university experience they expect."

Complete details regarding all aspects of the university's operations and protocols in response to the coronavirus pandemic can be viewed on the regularly updated PFW Prepared website.

The Future of Free and Fair Elections

By: Bryce Steiner

I'm down in Nashville enjoying the beautiful day on Saturday and I get a message on my iPhone saying, "Fox declares Biden Winner." I then see AP's headline repeating basically the same thing. I was certainly surprised because none of the states had declared such a thing. Could it be true? Did the Biden - Harris ticket win?

The roller coaster ride of the election this year, that still is not over, had the mainstream media (MSM) putting out these declarations, but nothing happened between Friday and Saturday that changed anything, that I knew of. Then again, you don't get investigative news content anymore from the national news. Most of what you hear is nothing more than a pandering echo chamber, repeating false information, until everyone believes it.

Interestingly enough, after investigating, something did happen on Friday night, but it wasn't a declaration of a winner in Pennsylvania. Instead it was a declaration from the US Supreme Court Justice, Samuel Alito, that all ballots received after 8 pm on November 3rd must be set aside. Most people never heard that. So, with that huge declaration, how can the media cover that up by automatically declaring Biden as the winner? The law stated that all votes had to be in by that time, while the Pennsylvania Supreme Court had rewritten state law to arbitrarily extend the deadline to November 6th. This could change the results of the entire election.

Just to be clear - the media does not get to declare the winner of an election. AP can only state their opinion as a first amendment right, but that does not mean it's correct or that you have to accept it. The states must certify the election results, and with the ongoing legal battle ensuing, this isn't happening anytime soon. Did you also know that the counts are so close in many of these states that automatic recounts are required?

If we recall back in 2000 something similar happened. The mainstream media declared that Al Gore was the winner of the election, then some had switched their call to Bush. As the exit polls came back and the polls closed, it was Gore that was labeled as the winner. Some in the MSM were still declaring it up to 37 days after the election day. This became a battle in the court room and recounts with overseers (remember hanging chads?).

Even though the media, Donald Trump, and Joe Biden have all declared victory, as of this time, all are wrong. None have won. With all of the potential fraud and voting irregularities that have taken place, much has to be sorted through. This will be decided in court.

On October 24, Joe Biden himself stated, "We have put together, I think, the most extensive and inclusive voter fraud organization in the history of American politics." Trump ran with this on Twitter, but the question is, was that a gaffe or did Biden speak about something he knew and didn't realize he was being recorded? Surely, no one reading from a script would say such a thing.

With Biden's words out there and news organizations saying there is no credibility to these claims, should there be a concern over the suppression of the whistleblowers at the USPS? Several postal workers in different locations have come forward of how they were ordered by post-

masters to stamp November 3rd ballots received after that date, so they could still be counted. And what about the 138,000 votes that magically appeared in the wee hours of November 4 during an update but no other candidate received any. It was then revealed as "just a typo". It was supposed to be 13,800 according to the poll location. This doesn't make sense either as it is nearly impossible to have that many votes go to one candidate and none to any other on the ballot. This does not ensure confidence in the results, when the public has to point this out before corrections are made.

Writer Stephen Kaufman stated, "And again, every claim of fraud, every claim of corruption to this point has been debunked." Kaufman is an election attorney for the Al Gore campaign. The problem is, the people are only told they are debunked, yet no one answers the questions that have been raised, such as why so many dead people have voted this year, and why is it acceptable that signatures don't have to match and ballots still be counted? - Another one that will certainly be going to the Supreme Court.

Corey Lewandowski provided evidence to the media said, "I draw you to the attention of an obituary listed for Denise [inaudible] of Allegheny County. Born 9/10/1946, deceased 10/22/2020. Her application to vote was received on 10/23, the day after she died. It was then mailed by the county back to her on 10/24/2020, two days after she had legally passed away and then the ballot was received back at the county office on November 2nd, 2020 and when you go to the Secretary of State's website today, it says that she voted in this election, effective November 2nd 2020, a full nine days after ... passed away.", and what about this: "World Champion Boxer Joe Frazier Voted this Year in Pennsylvania - But He Skipped Campaigning for Joe Biden Because He's Been Dead Since 2011". Many people born before 1902 have a vote cast for them in Michigan, and Pennsylvania, because voter rolls are wrong. Yet, the MSM says there is no widespread fraud!

On November 3rd in Philadelphia, you actually had poll watchers refused entry into the ballot processing area, even with the proper paperwork that was signed. There are videos of this happening. The MSM portrayed this as an honest mistake. How honest is it when it happened over and over, even after a judge in the city required the entry of the watcher, and it was still refused. People are dishonest by nature. Over 350,000 mail in votes were counted without state law required observers in Michigan, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Arizona and Nevada. This is specifically why there are poll watchers on both sides to help ensure that there is no manipulation of the vote tallies. It was Joseph Stalin who said, "I consider it completely unimportant who in the party will vote, or how; but what is extraordinarily important is this - who will count the votes, and how."

On Sunday, November 8, it was revealed the Dominion software that runs the ballot machine counting is majority owned by Diane Feinstein's husband. How is this not a conflict of interest? Not only that but during the counting of the ballots, when the numbers were skyrocketing in Trump's favor in Michigan and Wisconsin, they had to shutdown the machine counters so an up-

date could be applied. After the update it was then found 6000 votes in one location were then applied to Biden's count, when they were actually marked for Donald Trump. It was another error, but it was being corrected. How many more did this happen to that were not caught? Another Dominion glitch was in Oakland County, Michigan. Adam Kochenderfer was told he lost by a 104 vote margin to opponent Melanie Hartman, according to the Detroit Free Press. Kochenderfer conceded the race, but was later revealed the software screwed up and he won by nearly a 1000 vote margin. The Dominion software quality was put in question before the election took place because of the security and integrity problems that had been found in the system, and yet, it was still used.

Clearly, the entire computer counting system will need an audit, or people will not trust the results, especially when they all seem to go in the favor of one person. Are we trusting the process now when the entire results can be controlled by a programmer? And along the lines of improbabilities with software, The Washington Sentinel reported that 353 counties in 29 states that now exceed 100% registration rate. How does that happen?

Dominion Software also received a major grant to push these machines out to other countries such as Barbados, South Africa and more, by none other than the Clinton Foundation. I understand that people own and run business but when we are talking about politics and people who are politicians for one party being directly tied to the company, appears to be very dirty.

At a Wayne County (Detroit), Michigan polling location all absentee ballots were in place by 8 pm on Tuesday, November 3, as required by law. However, at 4 am on November 4th, Chen Schmidt, a registered Election Challenger at the precinct was there to watch the processing of ballots, said a large van rolled in with 61 flats of new ballots even after the the deadline took place at 8 pm the previous day. She saw one vehicle, but believes there were 3 other vehicles that also arrived containing ballots. The poll workers were specifically told to not process them as the new shift would handle them at 5 am. The workers were surrounded by guards while the boxes arrived and told not to ask questions. When questions were asked, the people were treated poorly and asked racist questions, such as how they got into this country.

Why are there so many problems in certain states? It comes down to Voter ID and voter rolls. In Michigan and Pennsylvania - both of the highly contested states - you do not need voter ID. Michigan's website states, "Michigan does have a voter identification requirement at the polls. Voters are asked to present an acceptable photo ID such as a Michigan driver's license or identification card. Please note that voters who do not have an acceptable form of ID or failed to bring it with them to the polls still can vote. They simply sign a brief affidavit stating that they're not in possession of a photo ID." it goes on to say, "The ID does not need your address." As you know, in Ohio you must present your ID and you must state your address. States that do not have require-



ments are rife for voter problems. Those opposed to Voter ID laws make the false accusations that it harms minorities and the underprivileged. ID helps protect people. According to a study put out by Harvard Business School in 2019, "Strict ID laws have no significant negative effect on registration or turnout, overall or for any subgroup defined by age, gender, race, or party affiliation." The same study also states that voter ID requirements, "do not decrease the participation of ethnic minorities relative to whites." For those who believe I'm wrong, the study is in the links below if you choose to read.

This is not about getting Trump re-elected or Biden in office. This is about the integrity of the election system as a whole, and how the media has really made this a dirty game. They refuse to report on matters of significance, replacing it with their agenda. They demand your attention and require your allegiance. Well, times have changed. The real, on-the-ground reporters are out there and they are exposing the major media. They are on the internet and YouTube. These reporters may not be dressed in suits or wear makeup for the cameras, but they are doing the real reporting. Gone are the days when news is filtered for dissemination only by the MSM. The truth can be found but only when free speech is not censored.

If either Joe Biden or Donald Trump are confident in their win, then both should be happy to allow all the anomalies to reconcile and let the process work, ignoring the mainstream media until the states declare the winner.

No matter whether it's Biden or Trump who wins, we all need to be ensured that the election is conducted fairly and accurately and every legitimate vote is counted. It is one thing when 3 or 4% of the people do not believe the process is fair, but it's completely something else when 35-50% of the people believe the system was rigged. Elections must be completely transparent. Dead people must be removed from the voter rolls immediately, and prosecute anyone who voted under that name of a dead person. Every record must be verified by at least two people. Every voter must have an ID. If we don't have consistent voting standards between states, the fraud will never end, and the country will descend into chaos, and states will leave the Union.

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Paulding County approved of Donald Trump by 74%. There were 9371 vote casts out of 12811 - 73% voter turnout.

Statewide, Donald Trump won 53.36% of the vote while Joe Biden won 45.19%. Joe Jorgenson won 1.13% of the vote. Bob Latta defeated Nick Rubando 68-32%. Sharon Kennedy won 55% over John O'Donnell and Jennifer Bruner Defeated Judi French by 55%.

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By: Stan Jordan

A fly was buzzing along one morning when he saw a lawn mower someone had left out in their front yard. He flew over and sat on the handle, watching the children going down the sidewalk on their way to school.

One little boy tripped on a crack and fell, spilling his lunch on the sidewalk. He picked himself up, put his lunch back in the bag and went on. But he missed a piece of bologna. The fly had not eaten that morning and he sure was hungry. So he flew down and started eating the bologna. In fact he ate so much that he could not fly, so he waddled across the sidewalk across the lawn, up the wheel of the lawn mower, up the handle, and sat there resting and watching the children.

There was still some bologna laying there on the sidewalk. He was really stuffed, but that baloney sure did look good.

Finally temptation got the best of him and he jumped off the handle of the lawn mower to fly over to the baloney. But alas he was too full to fly and he went splat!, killing him instantly.

The moral of the story: Don't fly off the handle when you are full of baloney.

By: Stan Jordan

Two old guys are pushing their carts around Walmart when they collide. The first old guy says to the second guy, "Sorry about that. I'm looking for my wife, and I guess I wasn't paying attention to where I was going."

The second old guy says,

"That's OK, it's a coincidence. I'm looking for my wife, too. I can't find her and I'm getting a little desperate."

The first old guy says, "Well, maybe I can help you find her. What does she look like?"

The second old guy says, "Well, she is 27 yrs old, tall, with red hair, blue eyes, long legs, and is wearing short shorts. What does your wife look like?"

To which the first old guy says, "Don't remember, let's look for yours."

Received from Natasha Jones; courtesy of www.gcfi.net

CALEB'S NO GOOD, VERY BAD JACK OF A DAY

By: Stan Jordan

Caleb McHerford was driving on the Blue Tick Road just outside of Fairview, OK when he had a flat tire on his pick-em-up truck.

He got out and looked and made a diligent search inside and all over that truck but he couldn't find the jack nor the handle. He had a good spare tire and lug wrench, but no jack.

He had a problem here, he had to raise the flat tire wheel up off the road to get his spare in place.

He looked this situation over good and he realized he had to get a jack from somewhere.

There was a house about a quarter of a mile on down the road on the right hand side. Caleb was not one to borrow anything, but right now he had to jack up his truck and change the tire.

As he walked on down the dusty road he started to think about what kind of people lived in this house. They were probable very nice people and would gladly let him use their jack.

Oh, gee, we'll probably become good friends and they will want to come over to our house and visit and play cards. They will probably want us to come over to their house. Gee, whiz, they will want to meet on Wednesday night and I always go to the Herford Cattle Raisers Meeting on that night, darn it.

They probably will want to play Euchre and I hate that game. She will probably serve that new type of raspberry flavored coffee and I hate that stuff. We'll all get to be friends and he will want to borrow my prize bull for free, no way! They probably got one of those new HDTV sets and will want to show it off. They've probably got a young

daughter who will make big eyes at our boy and a lot can come out of that. Since he loaned me his truck jack he will probably want to borrow my truck. By golly, he can use his own tie down straps.

Caleb was getting closer to the farm house and he was getting more frustrated by the minute. I suppose this fellow is a fisherman and a hunter. Oh, holy smoke, he will want to borrow my coon dog and that ain't going to happen, no way, no time, no how! My Nellie made the second page of the Oklahoma Coon Hunter's Gazette and by golly, I'm not letting anyone hunt with Nellie except me. That's the last straw, I'm done with 'em.

Caleb was on the porch now and made three distinct knocks on the door. As a nice lady opened the door Caleb spun around on his heel and as he left he said, "You can keep your darned old jack!"

See Ya!

COVID-19 SPIKING IN RURAL OHIO

During one of the most significant COVID-19 surges in Ohio, the state's rural counties have the highest rates of new cases.

Counties in northwest Ohio lead the uptick. Putnam County, north of Lima, tops the state's list of counties ranked by the rate of cases reported in mid to late October. Auglaize and Mercer counties are listed second and third.

Though state and health officials have required everyone to wear face masks and avoid large gatherings, some have resisted, particularly in rural Ohio, which until October had largely been spared high numbers of COVID-19 cases.

What seems to be a rural-urban divide over mask-wearing can become glaring to Sam Custer when he leaves his home in Darke County and drives about a half hour away to Dayton.

The interim assistant director of Ohio State University Extension notices how in Dayton, everyone or nearly everyone in stores or outside is wearing a mask. Yet within Darke County, Custer sees far fewer people wearing masks in stores or in public. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

"It's very concerning to me that people feel that they don't need to wear their masks, and that we have so much confusion about the facts around COVID-19 and around the safety steps we need to take to have the best quality of life as possible," Custer said.

Custer is recovering from COVID-19, having caught it recently, despite consistently wearing a mask, avoiding gatherings, and frequently washing his hands. He hopes more people will begin to take the illness seriously.

"There's a mentality out there that everybody is going to get it, so we might as well go ahead and get sick and get it over with," Custer said.

But no one knows exactly how COVID-19 will affect them. They could have mild or no symptoms. They could be placed on a respirator or even die, and there's a whole lot of variation in between.

And as weddings, funerals, and other get-togethers continue, people have a hard

time saying no, said Denny Riethman, an educator with OSU Extension in Mercer County.

"Mercer County is very family-oriented," Riethman said. "There's a lot of large families here. When people get together as a family, it's easy to let your guard down."

At family gatherings, as well in the public, county residents don't always wear masks, Riethman said.

People resist wearing a mask either because they don't like someone telling them what to do, or they're skeptical that the threat is as significant as doctors and scientists say it is.

And sometimes the reasons are political. Messages downplaying the potential danger of the illness, some put forth by politicians, have spread on social media, working against efforts urging caution.

"That doesn't really help," Riethman said.

Even those who may not be convinced COVID-19 is a huge risk might appreciate how wearing masks can protect people working on the farm from inhaling pesticide vapors or dust from fields or grain elevators. The virus can be inhaled just like those vapors and dust.

Regardless of any skepticism someone could have about how important it is to take precautions, having COVID-19 or being quarantined for possible exposure can change someone's mind, Riethman said.

"The risk of getting COVID takes on a whole new meaning."

TRUMP ADMINISTRATION INVESTS NEARLY \$4MILLION IN HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND IN RURAL INDIANA

BROWNSTOWN, Ind., Oct. 6, 2020 - The Trump Administration today announced that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is investing nearly \$4 million to provide broadband service in unserved and underserved rural areas in Indiana. This investment is part of the \$550 million Congress allocated to the second round of the ReConnect Program.

"I'm so glad to see this investment in infrastructure in my home state of Indiana," said USDA Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs Ted McKinney. "In my conversations with our overseas trading partners, we often speak about the important role of innovation to global agriculture. But innovation depends on access to reliable, high-speed internet. I'm hopeful that investments such as ReConnect can help farmers operate more effectively and efficiently to deliver their products to those across Indiana - and, indeed, across the world."

Jackson County Rural Electric Membership Corporation will use a \$1.9 million loan and a \$1.9 million grant to deploy a fiber-to-the-premises network to connect 4,881 people, 198 farms and 36 businesses to high-speed broadband internet in Indiana's Jackson and Lawrence counties.

Background: In March 2018, Congress provided \$600 million to USDA to expand broad-

REP. BANKS STATEMENT FOLLOWING ELECTION VICTORY



After an overwhelming victory in the race to represent northeast Indiana in the U.S. House of Representatives next year, Congressman Jim Banks released the following statement:

"It has been an honor to be your representative in Washington the last four years, and it is a privilege to be sent back and continue our mission of being a conservative fighter for Hoosiers for another two. The next two years will be critical for our nation, and I promise to be your conservative fighter in Washington working to stop the insane agenda of the radical Left that would reshape our country permanently for the worse. Tonight's victory belongs to the voters, and all of the peo-

ple I serve.

"Members of the radical Left want to strip you of your religious freedom, censor you on social media, raise your taxes to pay for their socialist agenda, waste your hard earned tax dollars, and, on top of it all, they want to defund the troops and law enforcement agents that keep you safe. That's why I'm running for chairman of the Republican Study Committee, the largest conservative caucus in Congress, to champion conservative, Hoosier values and ensure our rights remain protected. But I can't do this alone and hope Hoosiers will continue to stand with me to protect our country and the values which make it great."

band infrastructure and services in rural America. On Dec. 13, 2018, Secretary Perdue announced the rules of the program, called "ReConnect," including how the loans and grants will be awarded to help build broadband infrastructure in rural America.

On April 20, 2020, USDA announced the Department has received 172 applications for \$1.57 billion in Round Two of the ReConnect Program.

The second round will enable USDA to implement innovative new solutions to rural connectivity by leveraging financial options with our partners and continuing the success of the first round of funding. The application window for Round Two closed on April 15.

In Round One of the ReConnect Program, USDA invested \$698 million to bring high-speed broadband e-Connectivity to approximately 167,000 households, 17,000 rural small businesses and farms, and more than

500 health care centers, educational facilities and critical community facilities located in 33 states. To learn more about individual investments, read USDA's Broadband ReConnect Program report.

USDA received 11 Round Two ReConnect Program applications that are eligible for the \$100 million Congress allocated to the program through the CARES Act.

To learn more about ReConnect Program eligibility, technical assistance and recent announcements, visit www.usda.gov/reconnect.

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

Antwerp Conservation Club

Event Schedule

Nov 12th - Monthly Meeting at 7pm.

Dec 10th - Monthly Meeting at 7pm

Dec-12th Concealed Handgun class - Offered by McDougall Firearms. Call 419-258-1373 for more information or to register.

Jan 1st - Annual Meat Shoot - Starts at Noon. Funds raised goes towards our scholarship program.

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Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op members are willing to support their local communities. Members have donated \$12,675 to 11 local organizations, with the help of the Operation Round up Program.

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. Participating members round up their monthly electric bill to the next dollar, with the extra pennies being used to help fund charities and groups in their commu-

nities. Each quarter, the funds are dispensed to local causes that applied for funding.

The most recent donation recipients include

- Leipsic Community Center; \$2,000 for summer breakfast/lunch program
- Putnam Co. HomeCare & Hospice; \$2,000 for low-income patient program
- Antwerp Ball Association; \$1,500 for concrete & turf in batting cage



PPEC's Operation Round Up Program recently donated \$2,000 to Leipsic Community Center for their summer breakfast/lunch program. Pictured here is Director Kristen Pickens holding her check.

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MAV Youth Mentoring

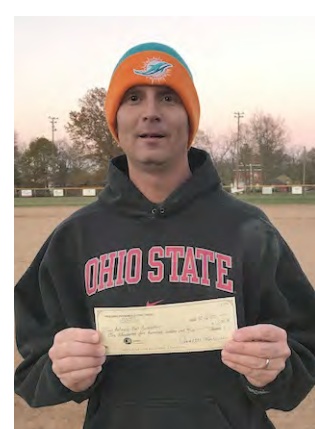
top & lift harness

- Lima Symphony Orchestra; \$1,000 for a young person's concert



Putnam Co. HomeCare & Hospice

- MAV Youth Mentoring; \$1,000 for lunch & supper clubs, mentors
- Paulding FFA Alumni; \$1,000 for scholarships, school trips, & contest fees



Antwerp Ball Association representative Reggie Clem accepts a \$1,500 check from PPEC's Operation Round Up program for concrete and turf in the ball cages.

- Paulding Co. Amateur Radio Club; \$800 for portable

RHODES STATE FALL COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER

Rhodes State College's Division of Workforce Development and Innovation Community Education programming classes are inspiring many new hobbyists this fall to learn a new activities and skills.

Arts and craft class Cricut Make & Take II: Family Name Sign will be held on November 12 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Rhodes State College. Instructor Stephanie Emerick with Bliss Made will help participants create a keepsake family name sign. The cost to attend is \$49 per person.

On December 3, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Nicole Sweeney with The Meeting Place on Market will instruct students on the special spiral technique to make a one-of-a-kind 22-inch, deco-mesh holiday wreath. The A Festive Affair: Candy Cane Wreath Creation class will be held at the Meeting Place, and the cost to attend is \$59 per person.

Rhodes State College's Continuing and Communi-



Paulding FFA Alumni Association received \$1,000 for scholarships, school trips, and contest fees from PPEC's Operation Round Up program. Pictured here is Kelli Schatter.

generator & converters

- Friends of the Paulding County Park; \$575 for picnic tables/benches from bottle caps
- Enouf Cats (formerly Nips N Snips) of Payne; \$500 for spay & neuter program

Organizations can apply for Operation Round Up assistance by contacting Paulding Putnam Electric Co-op's Communications Coordinator Samantha Kuhn at skuhn@ppec.coop or visit www.ppec.coop/operation-round-up. If you want to participate by rounding up your monthly bill, call our office at 800-686-2357 for more information.

ty Education Program is an extension of the mission to provide "life-long learning" to the community as participants learn new skills through interactive non-credit courses designed for hands-on, fun and educational memories. Those interested should contact Heather Seddelmeyer at WDI@RhodesState.edu or call (419) 995-8464.

USDA ANNOUNCES FIRST SET OF GREAT AMERICAN OUTDOORS ACT PROJECTS

U.S. Department of Agriculture announced it has delivered to Congress its priority list of deferred maintenance projects for Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) funding in fiscal year 2021. The GAOA will protect and enhance the economies of numerous gateway communities that surround our public lands by restoring and maintaining critical access and infrastructure. The bill was a part of a strong push by President Trump to prioritize the conservation and stewardship of our public lands. Congress passed the bill in July and the President

signed it into law in August.

"Each year our nation's forest network connects approximately 300 million Americans to federally managed public lands. The Great American Outdoors Act gives us an historic opportunity to make significant improvements to our visitor facilities, roads, bridges, trailheads, campgrounds, and other recreational sites and to secure and improve access to public lands for generations to come," said U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. "USDA is hitting the ground running to implement the Great American Outdoors Act. We are working with states, local communities, and partners to enhance the quality of the visitor experience in a way that boosts local economies, creates employment opportunities, and reduces our maintenance backlog."

The project list breakdown, now available on the agency's website, will help the Forest Service reduce its \$5.2 billion deferred maintenance backlog and improve access and visitor experience by repairing and restoring roads, trails, bridges, recreation sites, and other facilities on national forests and grasslands. Working with state and local governments and other partners in a Shared Stewardship framework, these projects will benefit from millions in partner contributions that will further bolster the funding provided under GAOA.

After the GAOA was signed into law in August, the Forest Service spent several weeks reviewing project proposals from national forests and grasslands nationwide. The agency analyzed project proposals based on seven criteria:

- Reduce deferred maintenance
- Promote management of America's forests
- Improve visitor experience
- Contribute to rural economic development
- Improve visitor access
- Ensure health and safety
- Leverage partner contributions and resources

After a careful analysis of all project proposals, the Forest Service worked with local communities and stakeholders to identify over 550 shovel-ready projects that, if fully funded, will give federal land managers resources to take aggres-

sive steps in repairing and restoring facilities and infrastructure the American people depend on when visiting their national forests and grasslands.

Read more from Secretary Perdue on the Great American Outdoors Act in his op-ed "Opening and Accessing America's Great Outdoors," featured on the on the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation website.

BOB LATTA RE-ELECTED TO CONTINUE SERVING OHIO'S FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT IN CONGRESS

U.S. Representative Bob Latta (R-Bowling Green) provided the following statement after being re-elected by the people of Ohio's Fifth Congressional District to continue serving on their behalf in the U.S. House of Representatives:

"It is an honor and privilege to have the trust of the people in Ohio's Fifth Congressional District to represent and serve them in the U.S. House of Representatives. The residents of Northwest and West Central Ohio have shared with me what is most important to them since I was first elected in 2007. They are the reason why I am able to work on their behalf in Congress to find solutions to their most pressing challenges through casework or legislation. I'd like to thank my constituents for providing me the opportunity to be their advocate in Congress, and I remain committed to serving every person who calls Ohio's Fifth Congressional District home."

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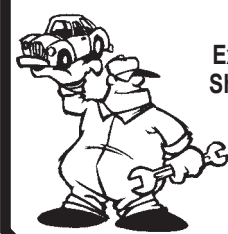
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RAILROADERS HOLD OFF LATE WARRIOR RALLY



Senior Alicia McMahan scores from the free throw line after being fouled on the shot in the first quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

WOODBURN - Visiting Garrett opened a double-digit lead at the end of three quarters and then held off a late Woodlan rally for a 45-39 win in girls basketball action Thursday night outside of Woodburn.

The Lady Railroaders jumped in front 13-3 at the end of one quarter but Woodlan trimmed the deficit to 20-17 at the midway point of the contest. Garrett, though, answered by outscoring the Warriors 13-3 in the third quarter for a 33-20 advantage entering the final stanza.

Woodlan scored 19 fourth

quarter points but it was not enough as Garrett bucketed a dozen to hold on for a 45-39 win in non-league action.

Bailey Kelham topped the Lady Railroaders with 20 points and Taylor Gerke chipped in a dozen markers. Natalee Armstrong added six points for Garrett while Sadie Best totaled five and Abby Weaver picked up two points.

Dakota Krohn topped the Lady Warriors with 13 points and Avah Smith chipped in 11 for Woodlan. Taylor Knuebuhler chipped in six markers followed by Abbey Gentz (four), Addie Wasvick

(three) and Alicia McMahan (two).

Avah Smith also hauled down nine rebounds while dishing out a pair of assists with McMahan grabbing eight boards. Wasvick, Krohn and Knuebuhler all had five rebounds for the Lady Warriors and Knuebuhler also posted two assists and recorded four steals. Ella Smith posted three rebounds and two steals as well for Woodlan, which falls to 1-1 on the season.

Woodlan returns to action with a road trip to Bellmont on Thursday.

AREA GIRLS SQUADS FIND OUT DISTRICT BASKETBALL LOCATIONS

The Northwest District Athletic Board of the Ohio High School Athletic Association recently released the district tournament assignments for girls basketball as local squads found out their locations for the 2020-2021 seasons.

In Division II, schools battling to take part in the district tournament at Paulding include Bryan, Celina, Defiance, Elida, Lima Bath, Lima Shawnee, Maumee, Napoleon, Rossford, St. Marys, Toledo Central Catholic, Toledo Rogers, Toledo Scott, Toledo Woodward and Van Wert.

Kenton, of the Western Buckeye League, is amongst a field of 15 schools hoping to qualify for the district tournament at Ashland High School.

Division III district action will take place at Elida where teams hoping to make the district include Allen East, Coldwater, Delphos Jefferson, Fairview, Fostoria, Liberty Benton, Lima Perry, Ottawa Glandorf, Paulding, Riverdale, Spencerville, Tinora and Van Buren.

Schools squaring off to qualify for district action at Anthony Wayne High School in Division III are Archbold, Delta, Eastwood, Elmwood, Evergreen, Genoa, Lake, Liberty Center, Montpelier, Northwood, Otsego, Swanton and Wauseon.

Division IV district action will be held at Defiance, Ottawa Glandorf and Wapakoneta High Schools locally. Teams battling to get to

Defiance will be Antwerp, Ayersville, Crestview, Edgerton, Edon, Fayette, Hicksville, Hilltop, Lincolnview, North Central, Ottoville, Pettisville, Stryker and Wayne Trace.

Squads hoping to qualify for the Ottawa Glandorf district are Arlington, Bluffton, Columbus Grove, Continental, Cory Rawson, Delphos St. John's, Fort Jennings, Holgate, Kalida, Leipsic, McComb, Miller City, Pandora Gilboa and Patrick Henry.

Lastly, girls basketball teams looking to advance to the district at Wapakoneta include Ada, Fort Recovery, Hardin Northern, Lima Central Catholic, Marion Local, Minster, New Bremen, New Knoxville, Parkway, Ridgemont, St. Henry, Upper Scioto Valley and Waynesfield Goshen.

WBL ALL LEAGUE FOOTBALL

1ST TEAM OFFENSE:

Center - Turner Witten, Van Wert

Guard - Eli Kline, Van Wert; Dylan Harmon, Elida

Kicking Specialist - Brandon Bowers, St. Marys

Offensive Flex - Brennan Blevins, Ottawa

Quarterback - Owen Treece, Van Wert

Running Back - Nate Jackson, Van Wert; Jaxson Silliman, Celina

Tackle - Bryan Ward, St. Marys; Tyler Leopold, Ottawa

Tight End - Will Kaufman, Ottawa

Wide Receiver - Dru Johnson, Van Wert; Jayden Cornell, Kenton

1ST TEAM DEFENSE:

Defensive Back Pos. - Tanner Howell, St. Marys; Jayden Cornell, Kenton; Dru Johnson, Van Wert

Defensive End - Dylan Harmon, Elida; Lucas Prichard, Bath

Defensive Flex - Noah Ambos, Wapak

Defensive Int Line - Hunter Fultz, St. Marys; Keith Houser, Wapak; Tyler Leopold, Ottawa

Linebacker - Owen Treece, Van Wert; Garrett Siefring, Wapak; Will Kaufman, Ottawa

2ND TEAM OFFENSE CENTER:

Center - Chase Jacobs, St. Marys

Guard - Stash Patterson, St. Marys; Canyon Poling, Bath

Quarterback - Jacob Balbaugh, Ottawa

Running Back - Ethan Wedding, St. Marys; Tommy Spyker, Shawnee; Andrew Etzkorn, Elida

Tackle - Cullen Dunn, Van Wert; Keith Houser, Wapak

Tight End - Keaton Cooper, Shawnee; Lex Boedicker, Bath

Wide Receiver - Zac Swaney, Kenton; Jayden Irons, Elida

2ND TEAM DEFENSE:

Defensive Back Pos. - Luke Cowan, Shawnee; Caleb Kuhlman, Ottawa; Jayden Irons, Elida

Defensive End - Trace Mabry, St. Marys; Reece Bagan, Shawnee

Defensive Int Line - Johnny Norris, Shawnee; Cullen Dunn, Van Wert; Turner Witten, Van Wert

Linebacker - Brandon Paul, St. Marys; Jaxson Silliman, Celina; Brennan Coleman, Bath

WINNERS OF WOODBURN'S HALLOWEEN CONTESTS

The members of the Woodburn Main Street Or-



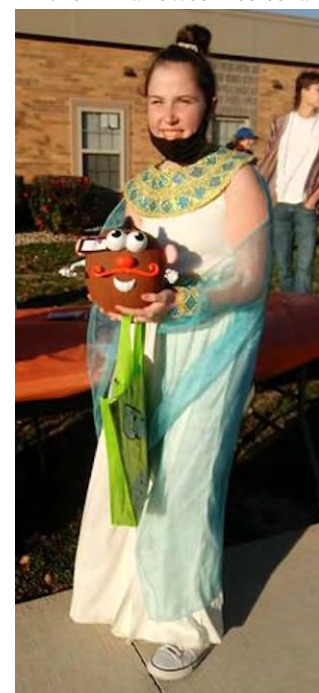
ganization would like to give a shout out to all the Woodburn businesses and the children who took part in our Halloween contests



this year. We would also like to acknowledge the Phoenix Manor and their residents for hosting and judging our Children's Pumpkin Decorating Contest at their lo-



cation. Our organization appreciates the Woodburn Lions too for letting us share in their Halloween celebra-



tion this year.

The Winners of the 3rd Annual Woodburn Main Street Children's Pumpkin Decorating Contest are:

Grades K-6th: 1. Addison Prichard and 2. Hunter Jeffus

Grades 7th - 12th: 1. Ava



Harris, 2. Riley Jeffus and 3. Jade Lichty

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1. Indiana Wild, 265 votes
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ANTWERP HS NAMES GOLF AWARD RECIPIENTS



The Antwerp boys golf team recently held its awards night with three individuals receiving special awards on the evening. Pictured (L-R)

are Gaige McMichael, Eric Thornell and Ethan Lichty after receiving their awards. McMichael was named the squad's Most Valuable Player

while Thornell won the Rotary Award and was a 4-Year Letterman. Lichty was named the Most Improved Player for 2020.

PATRIOTS PICK UP SECOND STRAIGHT WIN TO OPEN SEASON

MONROEVILLE - In a battle of squads from the East Allen County School District, it was host Heritage who held off a fourth quarter rally by visiting Leo for a 44-36 win in non-league girls basketball action Thursday night.

The Lady Patriots opened a 15-8 advantage after eight minutes of action before expanding the margin to 23-10 at the intermission. Heritage then pushed the lead to 37-22 at the end of three periods.

Leo outscored the Patriots 14-7 in the fourth quarter but Heritage held on for the eight-point victory.

Sophomore Leah May stopped the Lady Lions with 13 points while junior Katharine Scrogam added eight markers. Other scorers for Leo were senior Lilian Simcox (five), sophomore Haylee Schott (four), senior Jocelyn

Roth (three) and sophomore Lena Viggiano (three).

Scrogam also hauled in six rebounds for Leo while adding three steals while Roth brought down five boards. May chipped in four rebounds, five steals and a pair of assists with Viggiano recording three boards and two assists. Schott finished with three boards while Simcox totaled two rebounds and two assists.

Heritage was paced by junior Ella Bickel with 16 points and junior Shelby Schane chipped in eight markers. Junior Abby Zelt (seven), sophomore Claire Bickel (six), sophomore Lydia Schultz (four) and sophomore Kendall Zelt (three) completed the list of Patriots who found the scoring column.

Ella Bickel posted a double-double on the night, grabbing a dozen rebounds to go along with her 16 points, while also adding three assists and three steals. Abby Zelt picked up seven boards

and a pair of assists with Schane posting five rebounds and two assists. Kendall Zelt recorded three rebounds and two steals while Claire Bickel chipped in two rebounds, two assists and two steals. Raelyn Mullins also hauled down three boards for Heritage, which improves to 2-0 on the season.

Heritage hits the road for the first time on Tuesday with a road trip to Prairie Heights before hosting Garrett on Thursday and welcoming in Lakewood Park on Saturday. Leo hosts Churubusco on Tuesday before following that up with a home game against Fort Wayne Wayne on Wednesday. The Lady Lions will visit Fort Wayne Blackhawk on Saturday.

TRIO GARNERS FIRST TEAM ACAC HONORS

The ACAC announced its 2020 all-league volleyball team recently with three local athletes garnering first team honors.

The Heritage due of Ella Bickel and Ali Richman both picked up first team honors as did Woodlan's Evelyn Shipley.

Joining that trio on the first team ACAC list were Adams Central's McKenna Dietsch, Bluffton's Lauren Stout, Jay County's Alana Kunkler and South Adams' Carly Sealscott.

Girls receiving second team all-ACAC awards were Kate Zellers of Heritage, Avah Smith of Woodlan, Amelia Schultz of Adams Central, Maggie Miller of Bluffton, Madison Dirksen of Jay County, Natalie Bluhn of Adams Central and Gabriella Bailey of South Adams.

LADY WARRIORS OPEN WITH WIN OVER BULLDOGS

NEW HAVEN - The 2020-2021 girls basketball season started on Tuesday night at New Haven High School where visiting Woodlan posted a win over the host Lady Bulldogs.

Dakota Krohn led the way for the Lady Warriors with 15 points in the contest while Alicia McMahon and Avah Smith added 14 and 11 markers, respectively. Taylor Kneubuhler

chipped in six points for Woodlan, which also got four points each from Ella Smith and Abbey Gentz.

Sonecia Nard bucketed 16 points to top the New Haven lineup with Kayla Williams chipping in 11 markers and Tamara Wade posted ten.

Woodlan returns to action on Friday with a road trip to Belmont. New Haven has a pair of games this week with road trips to Fort Wayne Canterbury Tuesday night before traveling to Fort Wayne Blackhawk Friday night.

PIRATES SWEEP NWC BOYS SOCCER AWARDS

The Northwest Conference released the 2020 boys soccer all-league awards recently with the Bluffton duo of Jon Schriner and Steve Smucker taking the Player and Coach of the Year awards.

Smucker was named the Coach of the Year in voting the by the conference's coaches while Schriner was selected as the Player of the Year.

Paulding's Chelsea Bullinger garnered all-NWC first team honors to lead the Panthers.

Other NWC first team selections went to Ada's Jacob Poling, Allen East's Braelin Houston, Bluffton's Jude Spallinger, Lincolnview's Dylan Schimmoeller, Bluffton's Simon Derstine, Spencerville's Will Gallaspie, Ada's Tyler Jameson, Allen East's Silas Gillespie, Lincolnview's Clayton Leeth and Bluffton's Collin Oglesbee.

The Panthers' Jonathan Clapsaddle received second team all-NWC honors along

with Allen East's Braylen Kennedy, Ada's Ian Dellifield, Lincolnview's Fletcher Collins, Bluffton's Eli Lemley, Spencerville's Emerson Layman, Bluffton's Nic Essinger, Allen East's Ashton Neff, Spencerville's Joel Van Gorder, Bluffton's Tayton Kleman and Ada's Isaac Williams.

Paulding's Hailey Weidenhamer also garnered honorable mention.

LANCERS SWEEP NWC VOLLEYBALL AWARDS

Northwest Conference champion Lincolnview also claimed the special awards in all-NWC voting with Kendall Bollenbacher and JaNahn Evans being selected as Player and Coach of the Year for the 2020 season.

Lancer teammates joining Bollenbacher on the first team were Brianna Ebel and Madison Williams while the Crestview duo of Bailey Gregory and Laci McCoy picked up first team honors as well.

Paulding senior Sadie Estle was named to the first team along with Bluffton's Kylie Stackhouse and Columbus Grove's Alayna Ricker.

The Lady Panthers' Leigha Egnor garnered second team all-NWC honors as did Lincolnview's McKayla Blanke-meyer, Delphos Jefferson's Delaney Duwel, Bluffton's Taylor Schwab and Ada's Megan Light. The Allen East duo of Kristen Whitley and Soraya Jackson were named to the second team as well.

Maroon and white players picking up honorable mention were Jalynn Parrett and Janae Pease.

LATTA: WE MUST HOLD CHINA ACCOUNTABLE

U.S. Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) provided the following statement in support of the China Task Force Act:

"The 137 bills included in the China Task Force Act will help secure our supply chains and ensure American leadership in the race for technological innovation. The Chinese Communist Party (CCP) perpetuates violations of human rights in China and around the world. The Chinese regime's abhorrent actions not only harm their own citizens, but they have destabilizing repercussions across the globe - as evidenced by the proliferation of COVID-19 due to their deceitful behavior. The China Task Force Act is a tangible set of solutions seeking to end the CCP's monopoly on power, and I'm proud that four different pieces of legislation I've authored were included in the bill. This legislation will secure our country from foreign threats and provide for a stronger, more self-sufficient America."

The China Task Force Act is a comprehensive legislative blueprint for U.S. foreign policy with the Chinese Communist Party that includes 137 bills and other provisions recommended by the China Task Force. Two-thirds of these measures have bipartisan support and more than a third have already passed the House or the Senate.

The CTF Act includes legislation authored by Congressman Latta: The SELF DRIVE Act, The SMART IoT Act, The Advancing Unmanned Delivery Services Act, and The Nuclear Prosperity and Security Act.



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'HEAVEN'S TEARS' SHED IN 1894: THE MURDER OF ASHBY AND ELSIE GOOD



By: Jane Nice, Paulding County Bicentennial Committee Part 1 of 2

PAULDING -On Sunday morning, November 4, 1894, siblings Wilson "Ashby" Good, age 8, and his sister Elsie, age 5, went outside to play near their house three and one half miles northwest of the village of Paulding.

Their mother, who was homebound with a 17-day-old baby, grew alarmed when the children had not returned by late morning. She sent her 11-year-old daughter Clara out to look for them. Clara came home around noon and reported no sighting of her brother or sister.

Unable to shake the feeling of dread, Mrs. Good asked her husband to look for Ashby and Elsie, but Mr. Good felt less concerned and waited until after lunch to go out with Clara and continue the search. The pair spent the afternoon canvassing the area and asking their neighbors if they had seen the children. None had.

By evening, when he returned to his house and learned that Ashby and Elsie still had not found their way home, Mr. Good shared his wife's fears. At 8 p.m. he fired the shot to signal to his neighbors to join him for a search of the woods. About 20 men set out on horseback and foot with lanterns, but shortly after midnight, with their lamps out of oil, the effort was suspended until morning.

The Good family endured a long night of worry. What could have happened to the children? Were they lost in the great woods near their home? Had an animal harmed them?

Rain was falling when the search resumed at 9 a.m. on Monday. The men divided themselves up into groups to fan out and scour a 600-acre tract of woods first before heading into a smaller, 160-acre wood near the Good family's home. If Ashby and Elsie were not found in either of those two places, the search would continue in the nearby 2,000 acres of heavy timber that the locals referred to as the "Northwood."

Before heading out to look, the men agreed to fire a shot when the children were found. About an hour into the search, a shotgun blast rang out. Charles "Charley" Hart was the signaler.

Hart and two other men, who would later implicate Charley as a suspect in the children's murders, had seen small footprints in the soft earth leading to a brush pile. Charley stayed back as the two men approached the charred heap. There, they discovered the mutilated and burned bodies of the children, with Ashby piled upon Elsie.

Those two searchers later testified to a grand jury that they had found Charley's behavior suspicious. They said that Charley made no reply to their exclamations when they located the bodies, nor did he come near enough to see the children. Instead, Charley turned and slowly walked toward his own home, a mere 400 feet from the crime scene. There, he fired his father's gun to signal to the entire search party that the Good children had been found.



This headstone in Live Oak Cemetery reads, "In memory of Ashby and Elsie Good murdered by Charles Hart Nov. 4, 1894." On the side is inscribed, "Charles Hart executed 4-12-1895." Photo courtesy Paulding County Bicentennial Committee.

Then Charley mounted a mule, rode over the Cincinnati, Jackson & Mackinaw Railroad track, and spoke to the men searching there. Charley seemed to have knowledge of the state of the children's remains, which cast a shadow of guilt over him after the first two men claimed that he had not gone near enough to see the bodies. How could he know?

The horrific state of the children's bodies was reported by The Paulding County Republican later that week: Elsie "was lying face downward upon the ground. Her shoes had been removed, and all save the upper portion of her trunk was nude. The fire had burned her flesh in many places, and her head had been all but severed from her body. On one side of her face was the mark of a bludgeon, the blow from which had probably caused her death. Her feet

were tied at the ankles with a piece of tar red twine, such as farmers use in binding corn fodder, and the murderer, who had first satisfied his unholy passions, had completely disembowled (sic) her.

"Lying across the body of little Elsie was the charred corpse of her 9-year-old brother. The boy's hands were tied behind his back, and his trunk and lower limbs had been literally cooked by the fire ignited to destroy the evidence of the crime, but which had failed to accomplish its purpose because of the rain - Heaven's tears shed because of the cruel fate of two of its bright gifts to mankind. Little Wilson's temple bore the mark of the bludgeon, and his throat was cut to the bone. His body bore evidence of the same devilish butchery (sic) as that of his sister, and when found was nude save for a little clothing about his shoulders."

News of the crime spread quickly. Sheriff Ed Staley and the coroner were called to the scene, and soon around 500 people from Cecil and Paulding gathered. By the time the sheriff arrived, several men had congregated around the home of Charley Hart. Sheriff Staley sized up the vengeful tone of the crowd, and after questioning Charley, promptly arrested him and took him to the Paulding County Jail.

Later that day, Sheriff Staley also arrested Charley's brother-in-law, Clarence Brindle, and another man, Levi Cain, who was reportedly hanging out with Charley the day before when the children had gone missing.

The children's bodies were examined by the coroner and taken to Thompson Undertakers where hundreds came to view them. "It was a sight that made strong men grow weak and women to weep," reported the Paulding Democrat on November 8, 1894, under the headlines, "Child Murder Most Foul," "At Our Very Doors the Most Appalling Crime in the History of Ohio is Committed," "Jack-the-Ripper' Outdone is Fiendish Deviltry," and "The Baby Girl was Outraged."

The Paulding County Republican ran with "Horrible! Paulding County's Fair Name Disgraced by One of the Foulest Crimes Ever Committed" and "Two Children Literally Butchered by Fiends in Human Form."

The story made national news, and was followed to its conclusion by reporters from prominent newspapers throughout the state of Ohio.

Next time: Charley Hart's confessions, trial and execution.

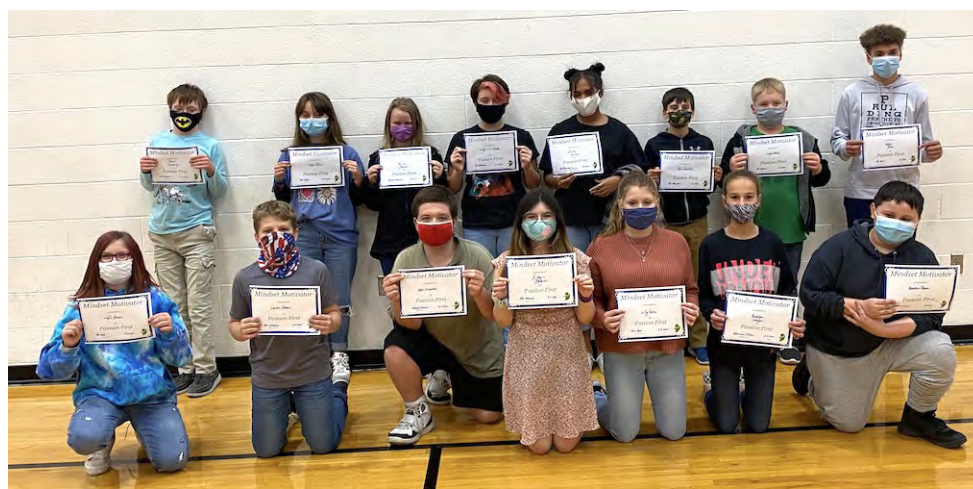
More information on the bicentennial can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PauldingCounty200.

CITY OF WOODBURN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 10/19/20

The meeting for the city of Woodburn council began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins as well as Councilmen Voirol, Martin, Gerig, Thompson, and Watts. Superintendent Walls and Chief Parker were not present. The Woodburn Fire Chief, the New Haven Fire Chief, and other fire fighters were also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL MINDSET MOTIVATORS



This year Paulding Middle School is implementing the 7-Mindsets' curriculum to address the social and emotional needs of students. Shown in the picture are Paulding Middle School's Passion First October Mindset Motivators.

report.

Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor discussed with the Council about reaching out to INDOT regarding the intersection at Bull Rapids and Main. He would like to address the walkability at that location among other sites within the City limits.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the October 5th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the October 5th meeting as corrected, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor.

Councilmen's Report: Nothing to report.

Audience: The Woodburn Fire Chief and the New Haven Fire Chief gave an update to the proposed fire territory with assistance from the other fire fighters present. The Mayor had asked Reliance to prepare a quote for several additional electronics to be implemented in the modern COVID environment, to be reimbursed through CARES Act money, for City Council, Board of Works and Public Safety, and other employees as needed. The Board of Works and Public Safety approved this idea at their meeting earlier tonight. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to proceed with the prepared quote in the amount of \$33,256.91, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 9:01pm.

Go to www.cityofwoodburn.org to see previously approved minutes and recent community news.

PERSPECTIVE ON 2020 ELECTION

The Ohio Association of Election Officials (OAO) praised Ohio voters for a successful election

"We are so grateful for the record number of Ohio voters who turned out to vote through our three secure methods of voting: absentee voting by mail, in-person absentee voting, and Election Day voting," said Michelle Wilcox, president of OAO. "Nearly 5.8 million Ohioans have already made their voices heard for everything from the President of the United States, to local liquor

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Paulding Middle School's October Students of the Month. From left to right are Jackson Laker, Lilly Lamond, Megan Manz, Hopeful Rose, and Mya Cutlip.

option issues," stated Wilcox.

Ohio appears poised to eclipse previous turnout records with 5.76 million votes having already been counted and 311,000 outstanding absentee and provisional votes yet to be reconciled. This compares to 5.6 million voters in 2016, 5.63 million in 2012, 5.77 million in 2008 and 5.72 million in 2004.

"Voters were pleasant, happy and respectful," according to Lisa Welch, First Vice President of OAO. "Once again Ohio election officials rose to a daunting task and our voters responded. Yesterday can only be deemed an unqualified success."

Brian Sleeth, second vice president of OAO added, "We just threw a big party for nearly six million people that lasted for 28 days! While exhausted, local election officials could not be more thrilled with how this election was administered. None of the doomsday predictions came true and Ohioans can be confident that their will was reflected in the results."

The election continues as absentee ballots postmarked

by November 2nd and received by boards of elections by November 13th will be verified and counted. Provisional ballots will also be reconciled and valid provisionals will be included in the official vote totals, which are expected to be released on November 18th.

The Ohio Association of Election Officials is a bipartisan organization representing Ohio's 88 county boards of elections and their staff members. Its mission is to promote fair, accurate and reliable elections through the education of its members, advocating for sound election policies, and communicating accurate information regarding the administration of elections.

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2 - CLAIMS ASSISTANCE - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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400th ANNIVERSARY OF LANDING OF MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS — PART 5

By: **Caroline Longardner**

MAYFLOWER DEPARTURE FOR THE NEW WORLD — William Bradford turned 21 in 1611 and was considered one of the leading members of the Christian congregation in Leiden. He was a “fustian”(-corduroy worker) and married Dorothy May and 4 yrs later they had a son, John. They all worked from dawn to dusk and they felt that their children were losing touch with their English ancestry. The Pilgrims decided it was time to start over again. Elder Brewster whom they had depended upon for guidance and support was, for the time being, out of the picture.

The Pilgrims then looked to their deacon, John Carver and Robert Cushman to help with negotiations with the right officials in London to secure a patent from the Virginia Company. They got the patent, but could not figure out how they were going to finance the whole thing. Bradford sold his house on faith in the undertaking in the spring of 1619.

After several other attempts with other representatives in Holland, the Pilgrims met a smooth-talking merchant from London named Thomas Weston who represented a group of investors known as the MERCHANT ADVENTURERS, a group of about 70 London merchants who looked on the colonization of America as both an investment opportunity for themselves as well as a way “to plant religion”. Some had spiritual leanings and some wanted nothing to do with

the radicalism of the Pilgrim Separatist beliefs. The Pilgrims had secured the patent the year before the Merchant Adventurers obtained a patent of their own for a settlement on the northern portion of Virginia at the mouth of the Hudson River. Weston seemed to be a Godsend to make their dreams come true. He proposed that they enter into a “joint stock company”.

The Adventurers would put up most of the capital and once the Pilgrims were settled in America and making profits thru cod fishing and fur trade, they could pay back what they owed. The Pilgrims would each be given a share in the company valued at ten pounds. For the next 7 years they would work 4 days a week for the company and 2 days a week for themselves and worship on the Sabbath Day. What they owed would not be due until after the 7 years was up and the Pilgrims would own their houses and lots free and clear.

As the spring of 1620 came around, many had sold their homes and gotten ready to depart for the New World. At that time it became apparent that Weston wanted to change “the original agreement”. Even though it was not possible, he had hoped to secure a fishing monopoly for the settlement. He said that many of his “Adventurers” were inclined to back out. The terms would have to be changed.

Weston said that if the merchants in London were to come forward with the necessary funds, The Pilgrims would have to work every minute laboring for the Adventurers. Robinson and the Pilgrims in Leiden strongly objected saying they did not

want “to be slaves”. (To make matters worse, the group found out that Robert Cushman, one of their negotiators, had agreed to Weston’s new terms without consulting with the rest of them back in Leiden.)

The next negative discovery was that Weston had not arranged any transportation for the group to American by June of 1620. If they wanted to reach the mouth of the Hudson River by winter, they must depart as soon as possible. While Weston hunted for a ship in London the Pilgrims purchased a small sailing vessel of their own in Holland. They felt it could be help for fishing, exploring the coast in America and in worst case be a means for the survivors to return to England.

THE “STRANGERS” JOIN THE PILGRIMS — The Adventurers insisted on adding some passengers of their own. They were non-Separatists from London. Some of them were known to the group and some were unknown. How they would get along with these “Strangers” was of deep concern to the Pilgrims. The Pilgrims purchased a 60 ton vessel named the SPEEDWELL. It was in Southampton that they met these “Strangers” to take the places of those who had chosen to remain in Holland.

Weston had hired the MAYFLOWER. It was a 180 ton (meaning that her hold was capable of accommodating 180 casks of “tuns” of wine). She was approx. 3 times larger than the SPEEDWELL and was about 100 ft. in length. The Mayflower’s commanding officer was Christopher Jones, who was about 50 years old and part owner of the ship. He had been the master of the MAYFLOWER for the last 11 years sailing trips across the English Channel between France and London with English woolens and French wine. He transported other goods to Norway and may even have taken the Mayflower on a whaling voyage to Greenland. Jones was one of the most sought-after officers of the MAYFLOWER. In Southampton, Jones had secured, John Alden, a 21 yr. Old cooper because of his youth and skills. He stayed on with the Pilgrims in America.

When it came time to leave Southampton, it was found that the SPEEDWELL was not “speedy”. After considerable repairs and when they were 200 miles out to sea she sprang another leak. It was now early Sept. They went back to Dartmouth and crowded as many passengers as they could into the MAYFLOWER. One September 6, 1620, the MAYFLOWER set out again with what William

Bradford call “a prosperous wind.” The original plan had been to relocate the entire congregation to the New World. Now there were just 50 or so of them. Less than a sixth of their total number, and only about half of the MAYFLOWER’S 102 passengers. Continued - Part 6

NSCC OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCES NEW THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

Archbold, Ohio – Northwest State Community College and the Professional Association have officially reached a new three-year agreement. The new agreement has been ratified by a vote from the professional staff and by the Board of Trustees.

NSCC President Dr. Michael Thomson remarked, “We are very pleased that the faculty ratified a collective bargaining agreement for the professional staff at NSCC. This three-year agreement provides the professional staff with additional investments in salaries, benefits, and compensation. In these uncertain times, it is important to do everything possible to reduce uncertainty where possible. I want to thank the two negotiating teams who worked through the issues over the last seven months. COVID did not make that task easy, and the teams persisted until an agreement was reached.”

A FAIR PROCESS

The NSCC administration team and the Professional Association both noted that the negotiation process was smooth, and that the result was fair and equitable to both sides. Colin Doolittle, NSCC engineering faculty and Professional Association representative, said the new contract “the result of mutual respect and teamwork,” noting that despite the uncertainties of COVID-19, both sides did what is best for the College. Katy McKelvey, Vice President of Human Resources and Leadership Development at NSCC, echoed Doolittle’s sentiments: “Negotiations can sometimes be challenging, but this process showed how a positive work environment made that process much easier.”

The agreement provides

PHS NOVEMBER HOUSE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School November House Students of the Month are from left to right: Palmarium-Ella Cook, Excellentia-Hailey Weidenhamer, VVV- Cameron Laker, and Stupendum-Carla Manz.

on average a 2.3% annual wage increase over each of the next three years to NSCC faculty, a total of 7% over the three-year agreement.

Northwest State Community College is an accredited two-year, state-assisted institution of higher education that has served northwest Ohio since 1969. Northwest State is committed to providing a quality, affordable education with personal attention and small class sizes. The College offers associate degrees with numerous transfer options, short-term certificate programs, and workforce training programs designed to meet the needs of local businesses and industries. For more information, visit NorthwestState.edu or call 419.267.5511.

LATTA LEADS LETTER ADVOCATING FOR INCREASED FLEXIBILITY IN CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND

BOWLING GREEN, OH – U.S. Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) sent a letter to Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Neal and Ranking Member Kevin Brady requesting their support to amend the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) program in order to extend the amount of time states and local governments have to use the funding to obtain products and services.

The CARES Act established the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) program to direct financial assistance to

communities to make any expenditures that were necessary to combat COVID-19. Currently, funding can only be used for expenses that were incurred during the period between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020.

Ohio Congressmen Latta, Bob Gibbs (R-OH7), Warren Davidson (R-OH8), David Joyce (R-OH14), and Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH16) are requesting to extend the deadline to include expenses that were incurred during the period between March 1, 2020 and December 31, 2021.

“After speaking with the Treasury Department, it is clear this restriction also applies to the delivery of products or the rendering of services,” the lawmakers wrote. “For example, if a township purchases an Emergency Medical Service vehicle with CRF assistance and that vehicle is not delivered until after December 30th, it would be deemed an illegal purchase. Due to the increase in demand for certain products, we are experiencing slower response times for private industry to process, manufacture, and deliver orders. We believe Congress should amend the CRF program to extend the amount of time states and local governments have to use the funding to obtain products and services to December 31, 2021. As the country continues to navigate the spread of COVID-19, we must build upon the work we accomplished together in the Spring in order to provide more flexibility to our local communities.”

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

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

Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General

Cecil: 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village

Charloe: Charloe Store

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

Defiance: Newman’s Marathon Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid

Edgerton: Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Valero Gas, Marathon

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

Hicksville: Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway

Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

Ney: Marathon

Oakleaf: Rhees’ Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General

Paulding: Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff’s Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospi-

tal, Paulding Kwik Mart

Payne: Blueberry Pancake House, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty’s Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza

Sherwood: Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium,

Scott: Scott Post Office

Van Wert: CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Family Video

INDIANA LOCATIONS

Fort Wayne: Hahn Systems, Walmart, Walgreens, Great Clips & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Golden Years Nursing Home, Golden Years Assisted Living

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

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank

Hoagland: Mel’s Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

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

New Haven: New Haven Tan McDonalds, Ken’s Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS, Richard’s Restaurant

Woodburn: Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Bob’s Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop

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ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS

On October 21, assisted the Hicksville Police Department in reference to a vehicle stolen in Hicksville and owned by a resident in Antwerp.

On October 21, a resident of Stone St. reported reckless driving. The case is under investigation.

On October 22, a motorcycle was stopped on South Erie Street. The driver of the motorcycle did not have a driver's license nor a motorcycle endorsement. The driver was also found to have a warrant for Defiance County. The driver was arrested and transported to the County Line and turned over to the Defiance County Sheriff's Office.

On October 22, a person contacted the Antwerp Police Department to report suspected drug activity in the Village limits. The information is being investigated.

On October 24, a resident of North Gardens Apartments reported that a fellow resident was trespassing. The officer arrived and the person was no longer in that apartment. The officer suggested to both of them they stay away from each other.

On October 24, a call was received by a resident from a potential scammer who claimed the person needed their signature for social security and if they did not give the information they

asked they would issue a warrant for their arrest.

On October 25, a report of suspected child pornography was reported to the Antwerp PD. A search warrant was obtained, and an individual's residence was searched. A computer was seized and forwarded to BCI&I for inspection.

On October 30, a resident reported receiving a fraudulent call. The voice-mail left was saying it was from the Social Security office and they needed his signature. The officer called the number back and talked with someone who asked for private information. The officer asked for his location at the Social Security office and his employee ID number. The scammer then hung up the line. There were 4 reports of this scam targeting Antwerp residents in this two week period.

On October 30, the Antwerp Police assisted the Paulding County Sheriff Office with an alarm that was located out in the county.

On October 30, a dispute between 2 residents at the North Garden Apartments was reported. An officer responded and was able to rectify the situation.

On October 31, a parent contacted the Police Department of inappropriate words on candy their child received during Trick or Treat. The case was investigated and found that the candy was mistakenly switched from a bachelorette party.

On October 31, several members of the Antwerp Police Department patrolled the village for the Annual Trick or Treat event.

On October 31, a cell phone was turned into the Antwerp Police Department. The owner of the phone was located and the officer returned the phone.

On October 31, a domestic dispute was reported on North Main St. The call was

investigated and nothing physical occurred. The report is being forwarded to the Prosecutor.

On November 1, a vehicle was reported missing by the owner. The officer investigated and found the vehicle had been parked at a residence and the property owner had the vehicle towed.

On November 2, a resident of Woodland Drive reported a salesman going door to door. The office located the sales person and reminded him the order that you must have a permit to go door to door in the Village.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Antasia T. Robinson, Mount Vernon, IL; Possession of marijuana; 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 arresting agency

Alisha M. Shepherd, Defiance, OH; Weapon while intoxicated; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and cost; Maintain general good behavior; Placed on standard probation; Submit an evaluation, complete counseling; No unlawful contact with victim; 20 hours community service; Risk assessment; Third party child exchange

Terrance J. Landwehr, Defiance, OH; Domestic violence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Placed on standard probation; No contact with victim; 20 hours community service; Submit an evaluation; Complete online classes; Gain employment; Complete hands down book; Risk assessment

Trenton A. Besgrove, Millbury, OH; Failure to control; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 3/26/21

Trenton A. Besgrove, Millbury, OH; Reckless operation; Pled no contest, found guilty; ALS vacated immediately; Defendant may attend DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; Must complete DIP by 3/26/21; Motion to suppress hearing is vacated

Rafael Diaz Jr., Opdyke, IL; Seat belt/drive; Case dismissed at state's request

Rafael Diaz Jr., Opdyke, IL; No tail lights; Case dismissed at state's request

Jason L. Mitchell, Van Wert, OH; FRA suspension; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs at \$40.00 per month commencing 12/18/20; Pay or collect 10/29/21; Must provide proof of insurance by 11/6/20

Jason L. Mitchell, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 10/29/21

Williams Flores Montes, Louisville, KY; No operator's license; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/31/20

Gerald J. Rogers, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Amber L. Baumgardner, Antwerp, OH; Receiving stolen property; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs paid

Sarah E. Hodson, Latty, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs to be paid by defendant

Sarah E. Hodson, Latty, OH; Domestic violence; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs to be paid by defendant

Rafael Diaz Jr., Opdyke, IL; Driving under suspension-non fra; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Allen Buck, Toledo, OH; OVI/under influence; Guilty; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; Must provide proof of insurance by 11/6/20

Allen Buck, Toledo, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 11/6/20

Treavor W. Gross, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No contact with victim; Third party child exchange; continue with counseling

Joshua R. Blair, Napoleon, OH; OVI/breath(low); Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 7/30/21; Successfully complete intra-lock license suspension - 6 months

Joshua R. Blair, Napoleon, OH; OVI/under influence; Case dismissed at state's request

Joshua R. Blair, Napoleon, OH; Marked lanes; Case dismissed at state's request

Justin L. Zielinski, Mount Clemens, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David A. Labiche, Toledo, OH; OVI/under influence; Pled no contest, found guilty; ALS vacated immediately; Defendant to report to jail on 11/9/20 and 11/16/20 for five days each

Timothy R. Bowers, Defiance, OH; Traffic device/sign; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Marqell J. Campbell, Redford, MI; Possession of marijuana; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant

Jarrood W. Childs, Payne, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No contact order in this matter is hereby vacated

Marqell J. Campbell, Redford, MI; OVI/under influence; Guilty; Defendant may complete DIP by 6/25/21 in lieu of jail days; Proof of financial responsibility provided; Defendant shall pay \$100 per month

Marqell J. Campbell, Redford, MI; Seat belt/drive; Case dismissed at state's request

Nicholas D. Burgoon, Van Wert, OH; Driving under suspension (OVI); Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/25/21; Defendant to report to jail on 11/13/20 @1:00 p.m. for ten days

Tanner J. Larocque, Pierceton, IN; Driving under non fra suspension; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today; Proof of financial responsibility was provided

Christopher L. James, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alexander C. Duffey, Antwerp, OH; Stop for school bus; Guilty; Pay or collections 12/18/20

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

AUGLAIZE TWP

11/2/20 Blockberger Darren E & Blockberger Jason D to Blockberger Darren E Trustee Blockberger Jason D; 13403 Rd 171 Defiance Oh 43512; 3.725 acres; Pt E1/2 Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-31

11/2/20 Blockberger Darren E & Blockberger Jason D to Blockberger Darren E Trustee Blockberger Jason D; 13453 Rd 171 Defiance Oh 43512; 1.741 acres; Pt Se1/4 Ne1/4 S-31 Auglaize Twp

11/2/20 Blockberger Darren E & Blockberger Jason D to Blockberger Darren E Trustee Blockberger Jason D; 13453 Rd 171; 6.18 acres; Pt Se1/4 Ne1/4 S-31 Auglaize Twp

11/2/20 Blockberger Darren E & Blockberger Jason D to Blockberger Darren E Trustee Blockberger Jason D; Rd 171; 0.566 acres; Pt Nw1/4

Sw1/4 S-32Auglaize Twp

11/2/20 Blockberger Darren E & Blockberger Jason D to Blockberger Darren E Trustee Blockberger Jason D; Rd 171; 0.037 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Sw1/4 S-32Auglaize Twp

BENTON TWP

11/5/20 Black Jeanette L to Black Jeanette L Black Susan K; Carlyle St; 0.5 acres; Pt Ne 1/4 Benton Twp S-3

11/5/20 Black Jeanette L to Black Jeanette L Black Susan K; 510 Carlyle St; 0.227 acres; Lot 7 Anspach Subdiv Payne Vill

BLUE CREEK TWP

11/3/20 Savage Diana L & Savage Michael to Red Clay Real Estate LLC; 201 N Harrison St; 0.1653 acres; Lot 101 O.p. Haviland Vill

11/3/20 Savage Diana L & Savage Michael to Red Clay Real Estate LLC; N Harrison St; 0.1653 acres; Lot 102 O.p. Haviland Vill

BROWN TWP

11/2/20 Blockberger Dar-

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681

Revised Code, Section 2329.26

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

vs.

RUTH A. GROH, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. Cl 20 007.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 3rd day of December, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., the real estate located at:

18674 County Road 218, Defiance

Parcel Number: 01-01A-012-00

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

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

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 17th day of December, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers

Paulding County, Ohio

www.pauldingohsheriff.com

Douglas A. Haessig, Attorney for Plaintiff

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Judge Tiffany Beckman

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER

PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,

vs.

Michael D. Geiger, et. al., Defendants,

TO: Michael Geiger & Kerry A. Geiger fka Kerry Hunt;

Freedom Property Interests, LLC

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Michael Geiger & Kerry A. Geiger

fka Kerry Hunt- 301 E. Plum Street, Cecil, Ohio 45821;

Freedom Property Interests, LLC 621 Centra; Ave., Cheyenne,

WY 82001

Case No. Cl 20-105

Please take notice that an amended complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Michael D. Geiger and Kerry A. Geiger fka Kerry Hunt, to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by you; Freedom Property Interests has a Memorandum of Agreement on said real estate and recorded in Volume 586 Page 733 of the Paulding County Records.

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

Situated in the Village of Cecil, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio and described as follows:

Lot Number Five (5) of Guerin's Addition to the Village of Cecil, Paulding County, Ohio. Subject to all easements, zoning restrictions, assessments, and highways apparent or of record.

Auditor's Parcel #15-02S-007-00

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of your real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts,

Courthouse, 115 N.

Williams St., Paulding,

Ohio 45879.

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

By: *[Signature]*
Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
[Signature]

Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio

Prosecuting Attorney
120 S. Walnut Street
Paulding, Ohio 45879

419-399-8270

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.

EDWARD A. MILLER, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. Cl 20 049

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

103 East Mervin Street, Antwerp

Parcel Number: 12-04S-027-00

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

Total amount of judgment is Three Thousand Six Hundred Seventy and 96/100 (\$3,670.96) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:05 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 3rd day of December, 2020, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 17th day of December, 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

CRANE TWP

11/4/20 Hounshell Chris-
tine L to Hounshell Chris-
tine L; 9203 Rd 192 Cecil Oh
45821; 14.5 acres; Pt Swfr1/4
Crane Twp-Ant Dist Sec 4
11/4/20 Gordon Daniel W
Gordon Marjorie L to Head-
ley Brandon G; 8548 Rd 192
Cecil Oh 45821; 1.72 acres;
Pt E1/2 Se1/4 Crane Twp-Ant
Dist S-8

JACKSON TWP

11/5/20 Merriman Jan M
to Buerkle Joseph A; 13039
Rita St Paulding Oh 45879;
0.2342 acres; Lot 75 Noneman
Em Acres Allot#3 Paulding
Village

LATTY TWP

11/3/20 Russell Frances E
to Stoller Haleigh R; Jackson
St; 0.0061 acres; Lot 2 East 2'
S-24 Meyer Add Grover Hill
Vil

11/3/20 Russell Frances
E to Stoller Haleigh R; 305
E Jackson St; 0.2 acres; Lot 3
S-24 Meyer Add Grover Hill
Vill

PAULDING TWP

11/2/20 Wilhelm Michael
A to Nelson Sabrina Reed
Thomas; 12227 Rd 87 Pauld-

ing Oh 45879; 2 acres; Se1/4
Sec 4 Paulding Township

11/3/20 Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal to Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal; 201 Harrison St; 0.1
acres; Lot 78 N 1/2 Dix 1St
Add Paulding Vill

11/3/20 Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal to Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal; 209 S Coupland St;
0.1 acres; Lot 78 S 1/2 Dix 1St
Add Paulding Vill

11/3/20 Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal to Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal; Coupland St; 0.1
acres; Lot 77 S 1/2 Dix 1St
Add Paulding Vill

11/3/20 Mott Glenn Wil-
liam Etal to Combs Bailey D;
Harrison St; 0.1 acres; Lot 77
N 1/2 Dix 1St Add Paulding
Vill

11/4/20 History Matters
Inc to Mcguire Lewis Mc-
guire Linda; Coupland St; 0.1
acres; Lot 52 S1/2 Dix 1St Add
Paulding Vill

11/4/20 Dublin Pacific Llc
to T3 Properties LLC; 415 W
Jackson St; 0.2015 acres; Lot
26 Dix 1St Add Paulding Vill

11/4/20 T3 Properties Llc
to Hubbell Heather N; 708 N
Cherry St; 0.2 acres; Lot 14
Gasser Subdiv Paulding Vill

WASHINGTON TWP

11/3/20 Wilmoth Tom Le
to Landwehr Paul E; 2978
Sr 66 Cloverdale Oh 45827;
0.1273 acres; Lot80&Ptr-
nrthoflot80 Mandale
Washington Twp Sec 25

11/3/20 Wilmoth Tom Le
to Landwehr Paul E; Sr 114; 1
acre; Pt Nw1/4 Rofw W Of Rd
Washington Twp Sec 25

11/2/20 Stahl Donna Le to
Buehrer Penny L; 2740 Rd 165
Grover Hill Oh 45849; 1 acre;
Pt Sw1/4 Nw1/4 Washington
Twp S-29

MERCY COLLEGE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PROGRAM APPROVED

Mercy College of Ohio's
Master of Physician Assis-
tant Studies program has
received approval from
the Accreditation Review
Commission on Education
for the Physician Assistant
(ARC-PA) to launch its first
class in May of 2021. Physi-
cian Assistant (PA) program
admission is highly compet-
itive and Mercy's program
will accept 20 students in its
first class.

Susan Wajert, PhD, Pres-
ident of Mercy College, says,
"I'm happy to announce that
Physician Assistant will be
our third graduate program.
I am grateful to the Mercy
College community who has
worked diligently, especially
Dawn LaBarbera, PhD, PA-
C, the Founding Director,
who has led this effort for
the last two years."

Physician Assistants are
medical professionals who
diagnose illness, devel-
op and manage treatment
plans, prescribe medica-
tions, and often serve as a
patient's principal health-
care provider. The new pro-
gram is 118 credit hours
and will be offered at Mer-
cy College in Toledo with
preceptored clinical expe-
riences at Mercy Health
and other healthcare facili-
ties throughout the United
States. The seven-semester
program will prepare stu-
dents to sit for the Physician
Assistant National Certifi-
cation Examination.

"The COVID-19 pan-
demic has further empha-
sized the need for expertly
trained clinicians that care
for our communities," said
Bob Baxter, president, Mer-
cy Health - Toledo. "A new

Physician Assistant pro-
gram is not only exciting for
the Mercy College team and
its prospective students but
for our entire community."

Mercy College's PA pro-
gram also provides an un-
dergraduate Pre-PA Direct
Entry Admission that pro-
vides academically talented
freshman the opportunity
for direct entry admission
into the PA program after
successful completion of the
Mercy College Pre-PA Biol-
ogy major.

Information about Mer-
cy College's PA program in-
cluding admission require-
ments, curriculum, and
frequently asked questions,
is available at www.mercy-college.edu/mpas.

The ARC-PA has granted
Accreditation-Provisional
status to the Mercy College
of Ohio Master of Physician
Assistant Studies sponsored
by Mercy College of Ohio.

Accreditation-Provision-
al is an accreditation status
granted when the plans and
resource allocation, if fully
implemented as planned,
of a proposed program that
has not yet enrolled students
appear to demonstrate the
program's ability to meet
the ARC-PA Standards or
when a program holding
Accreditation-Provisional
status appears to demon-
strate continued progress
in complying with the Stan-
dards as it prepares for the
graduation of the first class
(cohort) of students.

Accreditation-Provision-
al does not ensure any sub-
sequent accreditation status.
It is limited to no more than
five years from matricula-
tion of the first class.

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP (NHEG) ANNOUNCES A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH SELF CARE SUPPORTS

Allene Yue, a volunteer
with NHEG and President
of the NHEG Student Lead-
ership Council, is Founder
and Executive Director of
this organization.

Self Care Supports is a
student-run organization
whose mission includes
connecting, motivating and
aiding teens while bringing
awareness to mental health
through free, educational
and helpful resources. Self
Care Supports is a website
designed to motivate and
encourage individuals to
help improve their mental
health. By connecting teens
with each other to create
friendships, and by also pro-
viding free resources and
recommendations, our goal
is to bring more awareness
to mental health issues and
mental illnesses.

Pamela Clark, Executive
Director, stated, "Ms. Yue
is a bright and upcoming
star. We are so proud of her
and are proud to be part of
her new organizations. This
is our second partnership
with Ms. Yue; we recently
partnered with her other
organization titled Empow-
ering Youth in Business,
otherwise known as EYB,
which is a student-run or-
ganization that strives to offer
underprivileged youth in
the United States with free
business, entrepreneurship
and economics resources
and opportunities."

You can learn more by
visiting her websites.
<https://www.selfcaresup-ports.org/>

THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

Good News doesn't just happen. It's made!

Send us your good news and let everyone know of the
great things happening in your community

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is
requesting a **PROPOSAL FOR MOWING THE LOTS** at the Eaton
Cemetery, 5 Span Park, the old county hospital cemetery, Extension
Hall and (6) Auglaize River Sewer Pump Stations during January 1,
2021, thru December 31, 2021. All inquiries must have a certificate of
liability included with their bids. Specifications for county lots may be
picked up in the Commissioners' office in the basement of the
courthouse, Room B-1, Paulding. The proposal shall be marked
"2021 Paulding County Mowing and Trimming" and addressed to the
Clerk of the Board. The proposal must be received at the office of the
Board of County Commissioners not later than 9:30 a.m. on the 25th
day of November, 2020. The Board of County Commissioners' office
hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Board
of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any
and all proposals. Should you have any questions, please contact the
Paulding County Commissioners' Office at 419-3998215.

HEATHER BARNHOUSE,
CLERK BY ORDER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
TONY ZARTMAN
ROY KLOPFENSTEIN
MARK HOLTSBERRY

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is
requesting a **PROPOSAL FOR MOWING, LANDSCAPING AND
GROUND MAINTENANCE** for the Paulding County Courthouse
Square, 120 S. Walnut St., 303 W. Harrison St., Paulding County
Annex Building and Board of Elections during January 1, 2021, thru
December 31, 2021. All inquiries must have a certificate of liability
included with their bids. Specifications for county lots may be picked
up in the Commissioners' office in the basement of the courthouse,
Room B-1, Paulding. The proposal shall be marked "2021
Courthouse Square, Annex Building, Board of Elections, Walnut and
Harrison St. Mowing and Ground Maintenance" and addressed to the
Clerk of the Board. The proposal must be received at the office of the
Board of County Commissioners not later than 9:30 a.m. on the 25th
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids may be submitted before 4:30pm local time on
the date of December 8, 2020, at the Paulding Soil and
Water Conservation District Office, 900B Fairground Drive,
Paulding, Ohio 45879 for the following project:

Reconstruction of JOHN WOLLAM DITCH PAULDING COUNTY

Bids shall be opened & bid prices publicly read at the
Paulding Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
on December 9th at 8:00am.

Bid documents, including contract terms & conditions, will
be available from the Paulding Soil and Water Conservation
District office on weekdays between 8:00am and 4:30pm,
excluding holidays. There is a \$10 fee for a copy of the Bid
Book.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

PAULDING COUNTY

Heather Barnhouse, Clerk
Paulding County Commissioners
Bid Advertisement Date:
November 4, 2020 and November 11, 2020

Engineer's Estimate: \$81,666.59

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP ACCEPTING BIDS

The Village of Antwerp is ac-
cepting bids for 14 new SCBA,
Harnesses and facepieces
along with 28 air cylinders.

Bid packets can be picked
up at the Antwerp Village hall
or can be mailed by making a
request at mmcd2053@gmail.com
or by calling 419-258-
1832.

All bids must be returned
by Nov 16, 2020. Bids will be
opened at 6pm on November
18 at the Antwerp Fire Station
located at 203 S. Cleveland St.
Antwerp, Ohio 45813

PUBLIC NOTICE

LOCKERS FOR SALE

Bids being accepted for
3 sets of lockers
w/ 6 lockers per set

No minimum bid required
Sold as is to highest bid –
All 3 sets must go.

Bids accepted through 11-19-20
CALL 419-786-9339 to place bid

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-09** on
October 19, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, AND
PARAGON TEMPERED GLASS, LLC FOR THE SUPPLY AND PURCHASE
OF WATER AND PROVISION OF SEWER SERVICE." This Ordinance
authorizes an agreement by and between the Village and Paragon Tempered
Glass for the Village to provide water and sewer service at the contracted
rates.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-15** on
October 19, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING
ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO TO ADD NEW
SUBSECTION (B) TO SECTION 905 ENTITLED "TEMPORARY BUILDINGS"
TO INCLUDE REGULATIONS REGARDING PORTABLE STORAGE
CONTAINERS, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This
Ordinance amends the Village's Zoning Ordinance to regulate the use of
portable storage containers on residential properties, including the time, place,
and manner of use for such containers.

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

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is
requesting a **PROPOSAL FOR CLEANING THE COURTHOUSE
AND OTHER COUNTY OFFICES** during January 1, 2021, thru
December 31, 2021. Specifications may be obtained in the
Commissioners' office in the basement of the courthouse, Room B-
1, Paulding. The proposal shall be marked "2021 Paulding County
Courthouse and other County Offices Cleaning" and addressed to
the Clerk of the Board. The proposal must be received at the office
of the Board of County Commissioners not later than 10:30 a.m. on
the 25th day of November, 2020. The Board of County
Commissioners' office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.
to 4:30 p.m. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right
to accept or reject any and all proposals. Should you have any
questions, please contact the Paulding County Commissioners'
Office at 419-399-8215.

HEATHER BARNHOUSE,
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, is
requesting a proposal for snow removal for the Paulding County
Courthouse, County Parking Lot, Board of Elections, 303 W. Harrison St.
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11TH GRADE: Rachel Stoller, Malia Wittwer, Faith Meraz, Cameron Sinn, Nathan Sinn, Abbie Stoller, Tatum Tigner, Therin Coyne, Kate Laukhuf, Jeremiah Molitor, Carly Blankenship, Ethan Noggle

12TH GRADE: Jacob Stouffer, Isaiah Rittenhouse, Natalie Schultz, Tiffany Sinn, Morgan Hefner, Gabrielle Donis-Jackson, Maria Stoller

First Honors 3.999-3.67

7TH GRADE: Clay Stoller, Emma Stouffer, Lucas Morehead, Addison Stoller, Mylie Wittwer, Caitlyn Mead, Lily Boyd, Whitney Boroff

8TH GRADE: Braden Miller, Tyson Gerber, Allison Noggle, Lorie Sinn, Serenity

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9TH GRADE: Caitlyn Thomas, Nathaniel Guyton, Kaitlin Slade, Paige Alber, Lucas Kennedy, Tucker Antoine, Breven Anderson, Raelyn Schweinsberg

10TH GRADE: Anna Miller, Elizabeth Mohr, Elise Miller, Laura Stoller, Mal-lory Moore, Jared Pierce, Ca-dence Baker

11TH GRADE: Brayson Parrish, Madison Farquhar, Haylee Finrock, Alexander Kohart, Christina Graham, Elijah Spinner, Joel Reinhart, Kyle Klinker, Trevor Sinn, Anastasia Crates, Alexa Campbell, Carson Laukhuf, Brenna Moore, Jackson Newman

12TH GRADE: Alena Denny, Ryan Wenninger, Matthew Doan, Julie Sinn, Kenadie Daeger, Katie Stoller, Carlee Mead, Allison Dyson, Katrina Stoller, Cara Davis, Garrett Wiliamson, Riley Stoller

Second Honors 3.3-3.666

7TH GRADE: Brayden Treece, Lance Maenle, Rae-gan McGarvey, Toree Sinn, Carter Clemens, Ryan Park-er, Griffin Williamson, Au-bree Miller, Kaden Wilcox, Micah Sinn, Deklyn Sch-weinsberg, Amber Stoller, Blake Dunn, Jack Schoe-nauer, Justin Lyons, Xander Bartley, Hunter Lyons, Mya Endicott, Tanner Laukhuf, Jordan Hale, Natalie Richie, Myleigh Sheets, Eric Rein-hart, Lexi Moore

8th Grade: Jarrett Jew-ell, Corbin Kimmel, Isabel-la Knowles, Blake Schultz, Tyler Sanderson, Jericho Guyton, Christian Bohland,

Morgan Elliott, Cheyene Go-ings, Brady Miller

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12th Grade: Jacob Gra-ham, Owen Manz, Selena Guyton, Hannah Sand-erson, Madeline Miesle Stokes, Emma Crosby, Emily Zamarripa, Kassidy Camp-bell, Joseph Munger, Chloe Parker, Ethan Moore, Isaac Head, Misti Klopfenstein, Victoria Bowman

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CORN AND SOYBEAN COVER CROP MANAGEMENT

As fall harvest progresses, farmers are looking ahead to next year's crop. Corn and soybean farmers utilizing no-till and/or cover crops may need to make different management decisions than conventional tillage farmers. Enclosed are tips for managing cover crops and making fertilizer adjustments.

Legumes and clover cover crops are usually planted before corn because they make nitrogen (N). Legumes and clovers maximize N production (85-90%) at blooming, so terminate these cover crops before they set seed and the N is ties up. Most organic N is in the leaves and becomes available to the next crop 2-5 weeks after they decompose.

Most no-till farmers add 40-60# N in a corn start-er to stimulate early corn growth, when soil microbial communities are lower and recovering after a cold win-ter. Microbial populations increase exponentially with moisture and warmer soils in late spring and early summer, recycling soil nutrients to the next crop. Long-term N stud-ies show that 20-50% of corn N comes from the decompo-sition of native soil organic matter (SOM). Starter corn fertilizer should be 25% ni-trate to stimulate vegetative growth followed by ammoni-um forms which stimulate re-productive growth. Add thio-sulfate in a 10:1 (N:S) corn starter mixture.

Cover crops increase SOM 0.1-0.15% and require 100-150#N to stabilize the SOM. Soil microbes and decom-posing SOM residue ties up N, so in a no-till corn system, adjust N rates to compensate for this N tie up. Legume and clover cover crops before corn may add 50-150# of organic N to your soil profile. Minimize using only high carbon to ni-trogen ratio (C:N) cover crops (grass cover crops like cereal rye) in front of corn due to the additional N needed for decomposition.

Cereal rye has certain toxins (allelopathic effects) that comes from cover crop leaf and stalk decomposition under wet soil conditions. To minimize corn planting problems, selectively cut or harvest above ground bio-mass to reduce toxins and add manure or N fertilizer to reduce the C:N ratio to de-compose the residues. If you cannot harvest it, kill it early, and wait three weeks to plant corn. Soybeans are not affect-ed by cereal rye allelopathy. Cereal rye makes phosphorus plant available to soybeans, shades the soil, and reduces weed pressure.

Most corn and soybean diseases (Phytophthora, Fu-sarium, Pythium, and Rhi-zoctonia) thrive under wet soils. Cover crop roots dry the soil profile to reduce disease pressure. Using glyphosate (Roundup) to kill your cover crops decreases manganese availability and may promote Fusarium. Cereal rye before soybeans reduces Phytoph-thora and Rhizoctonia while winter oats reduces Fusarium

and makes manganese avail-able, counteracting glypho-sate. Annual ryegrass and ce-real rye also reduce soybean cyst nematodes 80-90% if planted early in the fall when soil temperatures are above 500F. Some no-till farmers plant green and use crimp-er crop rollers to terminate cover crops or use alternative herbicides to minimize these problems.

The best weed fighting cover crops are Sorghum Sudan grass, radish, cow-pea, buckwheat, cereal rye, annual ryegrass, and oats; which out compete weeds for space, water, sunlight and nutrients and/or have natural herbicides (glucosinates) that bio-fumigate the soil. Farm-ers should avoid tillage which preserves and replants weed seeds.

To increase predators for destructive insects, plant summer cover crops that flower and provide nectar to beneficial predators. Flow-ering plants with small open flowers promote nectar for predators in early spring (dandelion, henbit), midsum-mer (buckwheat, sunflower, flowering legumes and clo-vers) and late fall (Wild car-rot, Goldenrod). Minimize the use of insecticides and fungicides. Beneficial insect predators need long-term no-till and large chunks of residue as shelter to survive the winter. Plant cover crops along end rows, grass water-ways, road ditches, creeks, and buffer areas to increase beneficial predator popula-tions. Ground beetles (Ca-rabidae) and lightning bugs (Coleoptera) are natural predators of soft body insects like aphids, slugs, cutworm, and army worm. Ground beetles eat their weight daily in weeds seed and soft body insects. Slugs like Daikon radish but slugs cannot digest the glucosinates and sulfur in radish, so they bloat or "get sluggish" and die!

To get cover crops plant-ed earlier, consider planting earlier maturing corn and soybeans varieties so cover crops can be planted earlier. Ohio corn and soybean re-search shows that yields are related to timing of precipita-tion at pollination more than crop maturity. Diverse cover crops and continuous long-term no-till associated with grain crops create a resilient environment for all species to grow and thrive. The im-proved soil environment effi-ciently utilizes soil nutrients, protects the soil, and increas-es crop production.

The Extension Risk Man-agement Education Pro-gram and U.S. Department of Agriculture are hosting a webinar on Nov. 12 for agri-cultural producers and pro-fessionals focused on live-stock risk management. The

webinar is free to attend and will provide information on livestock markets, price risk, and risk management options available through USDA.

"We strongly encourage farmers and ranchers to at-tend this webinar," said Bill Northey, USDA Under Sec-etary for Farm Production and Conservation. "The infor-mation that will be present-ed here will be invaluable to livestock producers who have an interest in the various risk management tools available to them through USDA."

"I brought my experience as a rancher with me when I came to USDA, and I know firsthand the challenges that America's livestock produc-ers face," USDA Under Sec-etary for Marketing and Regulatory Programs Greg Ibach said. "This livestock risk management webinar is just one example of our ef-forts to offer timely resources to cattle producers and others in the U.S. fed beef supply chain so they can make in-formed business decisions. USDA remains dedicated to addressing the concerns and strengthening the interests of livestock producers through forward-thinking actions that balance every segment of the nation's livestock industry with the direction of today's marketplace."

The webinar is scheduled for 2-3 p.m. Eastern on Thurs-day, November 12. Producers can register at farm.unl.edu/webinars.

In addition to Northey and Ibach, other speakers in-clude:

Brad Lubben, University of Nebraska-Lincoln and the North Central Extension Risk Management Education Cen-ter - introduction and mod-erator

Shannon Neibergs, Wash-ington State University and the Western Extension Risk Management Education Cen-ter - livestock economics and moderator

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The webinar is a collaboration between USDA and the Extension Risk Management Education program, a USDA-funded program that provides regionally-based competitive grants for producer-focused educational projects. Learn more at extensionrme.org.

Meanwhile, on Tuesday, November 17, USDA will host the first in a series of four evening webinars from 7-9 p.m. Eastern with guest speakers from three regional USDA Cattle and Carcass Training Centers (CCTCs), the CME Group, and USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS). These webinars are designed to assist cattle producers, feeders, and others in the U.S. fed beef supply chain who want to better understand the reporting, delivery, and grading of feeder cattle, live cattle, and carcasses, particularly relating to CME live cattle futures. The webinars are free, but registration is required.

FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS

Central Ohio – Wildlife District One

State Wildlife Officer Brian Motsinger, assigned to Union County, was patrolling fishing locations at Buckeye Lake with State Wildlife Officer Tony Zerkle, assigned to Fairfield County. The officers observed a group of people near a state park canal. One of the individuals cast a fishing pole into the lake and later caught a catfish. The officers contacted the individual and asked to see a fishing license, which he did not have. The individual was written a citation for fishing without a license. The group was also potentially observed littering while at the state park. The officers informed the group about litter problems at state parks and the individuals picked up their items.

Northwest Ohio – Wildlife District Two

In June 2020, State Wildlife Officers Nathan Cass, assigned to Crawford County, and Brock Williamson, assigned to Seneca County, were conducting sport fish enforcement on the Sandusky River in Sandusky County. Officers Cass and Williamson contacted two individuals fishing from the bank of the Sandusky River and asked to see their fishing licenses.

While checking the licenses, the officers observed several glass bottles on the ground next to the anglers. After confirming that both men had valid fishing licenses, the officers continued to observe the anglers to ensure they picked up their trash. A short while later, the anglers picked up the bottles and hid them in the rocks. As the anglers returned to their vehicle, the officers approached the anglers, who admitted to leaving the glass bottles on the riverbank. Both anglers received summonses for stream litter and paid \$150 in fines and court costs.

In the fall of 2020, State Wildlife Officer Ryan Kennedy, assigned to Hardin County, received a call from a local hunter. The person was hunting and observed two bucks fighting. Eventually the fight ended in the larger buck killing the smaller buck, all in view of the hunter. The hunter contacted Officer Kennedy to report the situation and requested a harvest receipt for the smaller buck, so to not waste the meat. Officer Kennedy arrived on scene and after hearing the hunter's account of what happened and examining the buck, he granted a harvest receipt to the hunter. The hunter was happy to take the buck home to fill his freezer.

Northeast Ohio – Wildlife District Three

State Wildlife Officers Marty Cisine, assigned to Trumbull County, Marino Pellegrini, assigned to Portage County, and Scott Denamen, assigned to Geauga County, partnered with members of ohiogamefishing.com in an effort to clean up the Mosquito Lake causeway in Trumbull County. The clean-up project was organized through the ohiogamefishing.com website. Members volunteered their time and supplies to help maintain a popular public fishing access site. The volunteers collected enough litter from the causeway and shoreline to fill two truck beds.

State Wildlife Officer Tom Frank, assigned to Mahoning County, partnered with the Mahoning County Sanitary District to alleviate issues related to individuals fishing on their properties without permission. Officer Frank discovered that most individuals trespassing to fish were warned by the Sanitary District on previous occasions, and also failed to acquire a valid fishing license. One night during patrol of one of the areas under surveillance,

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Officer Frank observed a vehicle in the parking lot. He discovered that the owner of the vehicle did not have a valid fishing license. Further investigation revealed the individual had been cited by the Sanitary District on prior occasions. Officer Frank located three individuals who were fishing. Upon contact, all three had been cited previously by the Sanitary District for trespassing, and none of them possessed a valid fishing license. All three individuals were issued summonses for fishing without a license and they collectively paid more than \$360 in fines and costs.

Southwest Ohio – Wildlife District Five

During the fall archery season, State Wildlife Officer Gus Kiebel, assigned to Clermont County, was advised about a white-tailed deer that was dropped off at a local processor. Officer Kiebel searched the state's game check system and discovered that the hunter bought a license and permit the same morning that the deer was harvested. State Wildlife Investigator Joel Buddelmeyer and Officer Kiebel contacted the hunter. Further investigation revealed the buck was harvested before the person had purchased a license and permit. The hunter was found guilty of multiple charges in Clermont County Court and was fined \$249. The deer was confiscated.

During the spring of 2020, State Wildlife Officer Matt Hunt participated in the Ohio Division of Wildlife's Chat with a Biologist program. This program was designed to assist teachers with developing and presenting lessons to online classrooms. Officer Hunt was matched up with schools in the Dayton area. Officer Hunt prepared several presentations about ecosystems, habitat management, and more. Officer Hunt presented to the classes from his laptop. Having the Ohio Division of Wildlife conduct these lessons allowed the students to see wildlife topics from a different perspective. It also allowed Ohio Division of Wildlife employees to share the daily things they

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do. The program was popular with classrooms in the spring. Officer Hunt presented to additional classes in the fall and plans to conduct more as the school year progresses.

CONGRESSMAN BANKS LETTER TO GOVERNOR HOLCOMB REGARDING CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND DOLLARS

Dear Governor Holcomb,
As our state and country continue to show resilience and adapt during these unprecedented times, lack of access to affordable high-speed broadband is one of the greatest obstacles preventing our economy and livelihoods from recovering. While I applaud your administration for committing \$100 million in state matching grants to build and expand broadband infrastructure in unserved or underserved communities, it is estimated that 666,000 rural or low-income Hoosiers still do not have access to high-speed broadband. To encourage a strong economic recovery, get Hoosiers back to work, and deliver quality health and education services during the pandemic, bridging Indiana's digital divide must be given the urgency it deserves.

Through the CARES Act, Congress established the \$150 billion Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) to provide payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments for covering "necessary expenditures" incurred due to the public health emergency. Today, many state governments – including Indiana – have set aside or committed CRF funds to cover payroll for public health and safety employees, public health expenses, economic support, and medical costs. Although these dollars must be spent before December 31, 2020, the state of Indiana has only committed or expended \$1.7 billion of the \$2.4 billion it received from the CRF. The pandemic has forced Hoosiers to rely heavily on distance learning, telework and telehealth. Broadband expansion projects would not only

create countless jobs and get Hoosiers back to work, but they would be instrumental in bridging Indiana's digital divide.

At least a dozen states have utilized their CRF funds to deploy various broadband expansion projects to increase internet access to unserved or underserved communities. The states of Idaho and Iowa have each allocated \$50 million in CRF funds to purchase broadband infrastructure, services, and equipment from internet service providers. Additionally, Mississippi allocated \$75 million in CRF funds to provide high-speed internet to homes that do not have access to broadband, and Missouri allocated \$20 million in CRF funds to create a reimbursement program for broadband providers to help cover the construction costs of providing students and vulnerable populations with internet access at home.

Hoosiers are seeking employment at a record rate, while some schools and health care providers have

Sudoku solution from page 13

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

moved to online platforms. The infrastructure required to implement broadband expansion would not only create jobs, but allow Hoosiers to retain their jobs, receive health care services, and continue to learn from home. It is my sincere hope that the state of Indiana will consider using its remaining CRF funds for broadband investments in order to give Hoosiers the resources they need to weather the pandemic.

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Camp Libbey is located at 28325 Ohio 281 Defiance, OH 43512.

Questions? Please contact Corinne Hymel at 419.887.9474 or Corinne.Hymel@gsw.org.

HUBER SENIOR YOUTH PRESENTS ONCE UPON MATTRESS NOVEMBER 19-22

Many moons ago in a far-off place, Queen Aggravain (Julianna Berger) decreed no couples could marry until her son, Prince Dauntless (Merrick Breckler), found a bride. Princesses came from far and wide to win the hand of the prince, but

none could pass the impossible tests given to them by the Queen. That is, until the "shy" swamp princess, Winnifred the Woebegone (Brooke Ward), showed up. Would she be able to pass the Sensitivity Test, marry her prince and help Lady Larkin (Sydney Fogt) and Sir Harry (Kevin Macsary) to the altar? Carried on a wave of wonderful songs, by turns hilarious and raucous, romantic and melod-

ic, this rollicking spin on the classic tale The Princess and the Pea provides some side-splitting shenanigans. For after all, a princess is a delicate thing.

The story is told by the Minstrel (Ashton Barnhouse) and involves a mute King (Titus Garmater), the Wizard (Rylan Brooks), and the Court Jester (Cameron Null). Other members from the castle include Lady Rowena (Myranda Brooks), Lady Merrill (Madison Kindler), Lady Lucile (Ilse Zijlstra), Lady Mabelle (Andrea Macsary) & Princess #12 (Aleyah Mack), along with Sir Studley (Alex Macsary), Sir Luce (Nathan Boyer), Sir Howard (Tim Bowley), Emily (Leah Garmater), the Kitchen Wench (Katie Frame) and the Member of the Court (Alex Lehman).

This Huber Senior Youth Production will tickle your funny bone and take you on an adventure to a palace filled with merriment and mischief.

20th ANNUAL COATS FOR KIDS

November 7th marks the start of the 2020 COATS FOR KIDS Campaign sponsored by the Volunteer Center. Guest of Honor, Mayor Tom Henry, will kick off the campaign by distributing coats to the children at MLK Montessori School, 6001 South Anthony Blvd. on Thursday November 12th at 10 a.m.

This is the 21st year for COATS FOR KIDS, traditionally providing more than 5,500 warm winter coats to local underserved children. To date, over 66,000 coats have been delivered to over 100 area schools and social service agencies in the area.

Beginning Saturday, November 7th, donations of new or gently used winter coats (Children's Size 7 & above through adult sizes) are being collected at partner locations including Peerless Cleaners, Sweetwater, YMCA, Dollar General, Darlington Holiday Warehouse and Parkview Ortho Hospital. Collections will continue through Sunday, November 29.

Volunteer Center's Ex-

PAULDING COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

Key Indicators



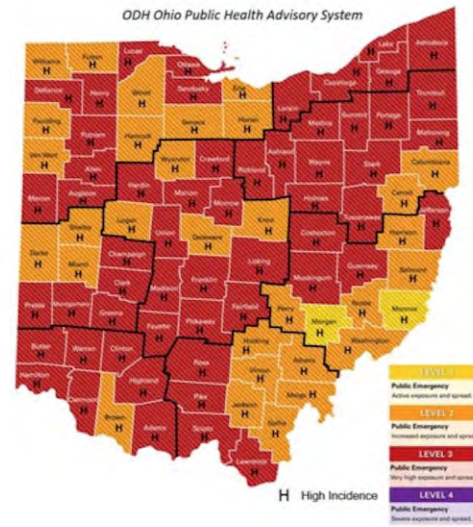
References:

- [Case Metrics](#)
- [Mortality Metrics](#)
- [Hospitalization Metrics](#)
- [Public Health Advisory System](#)

As of 2:00 p.m. on November 9, 2020, these are the COVID-19 numbers for Paulding County, Ohio:
Total Cases: 394
Confirmed Cases: 337

Probable Cases: 57
Hospitalizations: 44
Presumed Recovered: 211
Deaths: 7
COVID-19 Questions?
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www.coronavirus.ohio.gov
1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634)



ecutive Director Ani Eter states "COVID-19 has brought new economic challenges to many families in our community, with 26% of children age 18 and under living in poverty in Allen County. We live in a generous and giving community that has always supported this initiative to assist us in helping children in need."

Cash donations are greatly appreciated and will contribute to the purchase of additional coats that are always needed. \$25 will provide a new coat, hat, scarf and mittens to a child in hardship. Secure online donations are accepted at www.volunteerfortwayne.org

Fort Wayne Firefighters, Volunteer Center community volunteers and YMCA team members will deliver the coats to schools and social service agencies during the first week of December.

WESTERN BUCKEYE ESC BOARD MEETING

The Western Buckeye ESC Governing Board is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Van Wert ESC location, 813A N. Franklin Street, Van Wert, OH 45891.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION OF ANTWERP, OHIO RECEIVES LAND DONATION

The Community Improvement Corporation (CIC) of Antwerp, Ohio received a donation of approximately 8/10ths of an acre located at 612 Erie Street in Antwerp, Ohio from Leo and Jane Stumphy on October 27, 2020. The donation was made possible after former Antwerp Mayor Ray Delong was approached by Mr. Stumphy that he wanted to donate his property to the Community Improvement Corporation to be used as an entrance to the optioned property located behind Erie Street. Mr. Stumphy stated to Mayor Delong that he wanted to help promote development in Antwerp.

The CIC is grateful for this donation which will assist them in promoting the approximately 64 acres of

farm ground located just off of SR 49 for industrial and/or commercial development. The CIC has an option to purchase property at an agreed upon price from the owner of the 64 acres which they in turn can offer to potential business interested in developing in this acreage visible from U.S. 24. The Village of Antwerp had earlier received the road right of way on the southern end of Erie Street from the Antwerp Community Church to access the CIC optioned property. Either and/or both of these accesses will be instrumental in developing the property.

The newly acquired property will allow for direct access off of State Route 49, also known as Erie Street, for water, sewer, storm and roadway infrastructure to connect the optioned property to the highway.

The CIC plans to put together costs for these infrastructure improvements and has already been approached by contractors in the area to donate their labor towards this improvement. It is hoped that the CIC will be able to break ground on these improvements in the Spring of 2021. Anyone who is interested is participating in the venture should contact

Sara Keeran, President of the CIC at 419-506-0205, Tony Langham, Vice-President of the CIC at 419-769-7272 or Tim Copsey, Paulding County Economic Development office 419-399-8282.

The CIC is a non-profit established under the Ohio Revised Code to advance, encourage and promote the industrial economic, commercial and civic development of a community.



If you know this young lady, please wish her a Happy 103rd Birthday!

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