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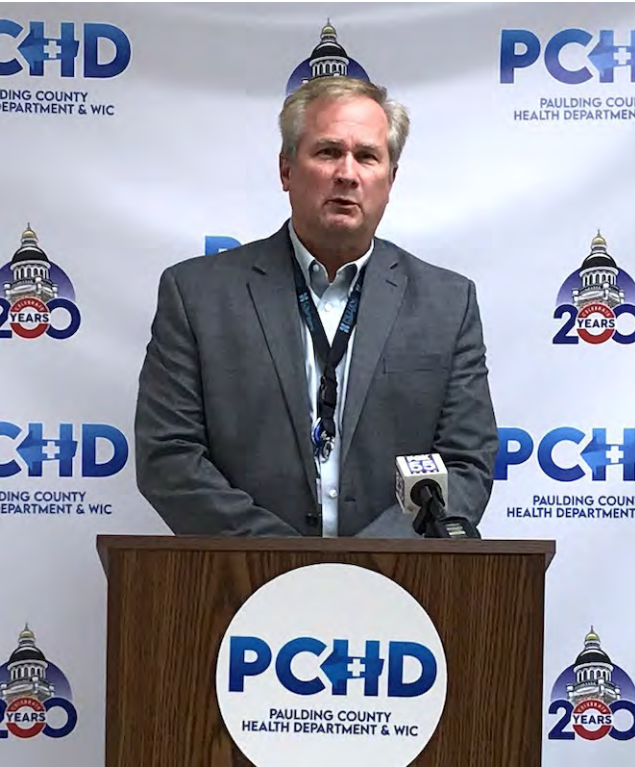
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Happy Thanksgiving!

PAULDING COUNTY EMPHASIZES SAFE HOLIDAY AMIDST COVID CRISIS



Ron Goedde, CEO of Paulding County Hospital

The Paulding County Health Department & The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency held a joint news conference at the

Paulding County Health Department on Monday afternoon, November 23rd.

In attendance for this conference were PC EMA direc-

tor, Ed Bohn; Bill Edwards, Emergency Coordinator of Paulding County Health Department; Ron Goedde, CEO of Paulding County Hospital; Coronavirus Defense Team: Greg White, Paulding Village Mayor; Ken Amstutz, PEVS superintendent; Ben Winans, WTLS superintendent. Governor DeWine's directive, for the formation of Paulding County's Coronavirus Defense Team. They addressed the escalating numbers of COVID-19 cases in Paulding County, Northwest Ohio and the Tri-State Region.

They then moved onto ways to modify holiday gatherings among family, friends and individual communities. It is everybody's responsibility to keep themselves and their family safe; it is important to take the necessary precautions against spreading COVID while still celebrating Thanksgiving.

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The deadline for the West Bend News is Fridays at 5pm for the following issue. Send your news, ads, and classifieds to info@westbendnews.net Call 419-258-2000 for information or printing quotes.

SHOP THE SQUARE IN PAULDING



Shop the Square is back this holiday season right here in downtown Paulding! The Paulding Chamber of Commerce is encouraging you to shop local this holiday season by shopping the square and buying local from other small businesses. Forget the traffic and the crowded malls and take a stroll downtown to buy your gifts from local vendors, en-

trepreneurs, and small businesses! Shop the Square will be held on two dates this year, including Shop Small Saturday on November 28th from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM and on Saturday December 5th from 3:00 - 7:00 PM. The Merry and Bright annual tree lighting in the Herb Monroe Park will take place at 6:00 PM on the 5th

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COVID-19 POP-UP TESTING SITE AVAILABLE IN PAULDING

A COVID-19 pop-up testing site will be available in Paulding on November 30. Anyone can get a no-cost test at this location. No appointment is needed; anyone can arrive on the scheduled day. A health care

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Community Calendar

November 25

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

November 26

• FREE Thanksgiving meals @ Paulding Eagles, 12-2pm

November 28

• SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY -- Paulding, Antwerp, Woodburn
• Drive Thru Prayer Vigil @ 1st Pres. Paulding, 10a-2p

November 30

• COVID-19 Pop Up Testing site @ PC Fairgrounds, 10a-2p
• Antwerp Chamber Virtual Christmas Tree Lighting, Facebook LIVE, 6-7pm

December 2

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

December 5

• Shop the Square & Merry & Bright tree lighting, Paulding, 3-7pm
• Drive Thru Prayer Vigil @ 1st Pres. Paulding, 3-7p
• Day of Giving @ Antwerp UMC, 9a-12p

December 9

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

December 11-13

• Bad Auditions by Bad Actors @ Huber Opera House, 7:30pm (12/13, 2pm)

December 16

• Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

December 19

• Wreath Laying Ceremony @ St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding

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



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MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN DONATES FOR COATS FOR KIDS



Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church representative Melinda Walters giving a donation for Coats for Kids to Jennifer Ramsier in Antwerp.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Malachi 3:6 says, "For I am the LORD, I change not." However, in Jonah 3:10 it says, "God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them." And in Genesis 6:6 it says, "And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart."

God's character never changes. He has always and will always hate sin and love righteousness. In Jonah 3 the Ninevites had repented and turned from their sin toward God. Their change in character was responded to by His unchanging character which responds to repentance.

In Genesis, Adam, who was created with a righteous nature, expressed his free will and chose to disobey God and thus plunge mankind into the darkness of a sinful nature. Romans 5:12 - "Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned." Man's sinful nature and wicked decisions grieved God and forced His unchanging character to destroy mankind, but just Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord (Genesis 6:8), which was also a part of God's unchanging character.

He also promised to send a sinless Messiah to die for man's sin so that every individual could have the opportunity for forgiveness and salvation. There is no contradiction. James 1:17 - "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and com-

eth down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

KIDS' KORNER

Hello, again. I hope you're able to keep away from the Virus that is affecting so many people. Be safe and, above all, remember that God is in control and works all things together for the good of those who love Him.

In Matthew 10:29 Jesus says that two sparrows are sold for a penny. That's the answer to last week's trivia question. There is a point here that we all need to understand, especially in these difficult times.

Sparrows are simple birds and were one of the animals used for sacrifices in the temple. Poor people who could not afford fancy sacrifices could buy two sparrows very inexpensively and have them sacrificed.

Jesus makes the vital point that not even one simple sparrow goes unnoticed by God, and that you're certainly of far greater value than one little bird. If God cares even for a sparrow, how much more is He going to care for you? Humans are the crowning touch of God's Creation. He certainly loves and cares for each one of us, and gives us the assurance of everlasting life with Him through faith in Jesus Christ.

For next week: When Jesus was on trial, and Pilate of-

ferred to release one criminal, who did the crowd ask to have released?

See you next week!
 —Pastor Tim
 mhrtim1995@gmail.com

DRIVE-THROUGH PRAYER VIGIL IN PAULDING

First Presbyterian Church of Paulding is having a 'drive through' prayer vigil against Covid. Several members felt that we individually and as a church were not praying enough about this issue. To that end, the church is inviting the entire community of believers in the area to join together in prayer against this virus.

The Drive-Through Prayer vigil against Covid will take place in the church parking lot at the corner of North Williams and West Caroline Streets in Paulding. The drive-through event will happen twice: first on Saturday, Nov. 28 (the Saturday after Thanksgiving) from 10 am to 2 pm and also the following Saturday, Dec. 5 from 3 pm - 7 pm. These dates and times coincide with the Shop the Square event being sponsored by the Paulding Chamber of Commerce. Should the Shop the Square event(s) fall victim to Covid restrictions, the Drive-Through prayer vigil against Covid will still be held.

A couple of church volunteers will be out in the parking lot offering a brochure of specific issues to pray about, praises to the Lord for his provision, and Bible passages to encourage people.

People are welcome to participate in a number of ways: to drive through and pick up a brochure to take home; to pull in and park in the lot to pray right then and there, or even to drive by and honk in support of praying more! Prayer requests can also be dropped off with the church volunteers which will be prayed for during the Presbyterian worship services.

Regardless of your church, your town, your politics, your age, your health, or any other factor, First Presbyterian Church encourages you to lean on I Peter 5:6-7: "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." And to PRAY against this virus on behalf of your family, friends, neighbors, community, state and nation.

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The question and answer time gave the media in attendance (West Bend News, Fox Fort Wayne 55, and ABC21 WPTA) the chance to ask the questions that have been plaguing residents and give some real time answers. Some of the highlighted questions of the of the Live Conference are the following:

Question: What was the reason for the recent closure of Paulding High School for two weeks?

Answer: Ken Amstutz of PEVS stated that due to numerous staff members absent for quarantine orders, they decided to go virtual for two weeks. Ben Winans, WTLS, concurred with this assessment.

Question: How many tests will be available at the Pop Up test site coming up?

Answer: Bill Edwards said

UNSUNG HERO: HEATHER BARNHOUSE

By: Courtney Shull
 Heather Dodane Barnhouse is, in the words of her children, "...is just the toughest person I know. You ask her to do something, and she would do it for anyone, without question and with no expectation of thanks." Her friends said, "Heather is always doing things for others before herself. She goes above and beyond to take care of her family and would do anything for anyone. When people say they'd give the shirt off her back...well, she would be first in line to give hers." "She has a great sense of humor and makes me laugh every single day!" "She is an awesome person and I love her!" "She is truly a selfless hero, she puts everyone before herself! She is truly an amazing mother because she loves unconditionally. And she is the best daughter a mother could ever ask for!"

Urban Dictionary defines "Unsung hero" as a person who does a great work yet receives little or no recognition and refrains from seeking much in return for his/her efforts. An unsung hero is measured not by physical, but by heart strength. Heather is the definition of heart strength, her caring nature is on her sleeve for the world to see. Her actions speak as loudly as her words. One loved one said, "She is a mama bear, so don't mess with her or her family or friends!" And it is true! I have known Heather for as many years as she has graced this world, and she stands for what and who she believes in at every need. She is always first in line to give me the love and support that I never even knew I needed. She refuses to be thanked, but instead deflects the thanks and turns it into an opportunity to empower and show me love. Heather Dodane Barnhouse, while she may no longer be unsung, as am singing it loudly, will always be one of my favorite everyday heroes. She will love me for thinking of her, hate me for recognizing her publicly, and she will most certainly get teary. We love you Heather Dawn, we see you, appreciate and love you. Thank you for being exactly who you are.

Unsung Hero is one way to end 2020 with grace and empowerment. Each week will highlight a new Unsung Hero by singing loudly to recognize our everyday heroes.

It has been requested to have up to 500 tests at the Pop Up site next Monday (see news release on page 1).

Question: What are plans, if any, to enforce quarantine orders of positive cases? Bill Edwards stated enforcing quarantine and isolation is built into the Ohio Revised Code and can be used if need be. Thus far, cases have been compliant to quarantine orders.

Question: How many people admitted to the hospital are of the general population versus assisted living and nursing homes?

Answer: Ron Goedde stated that approximately 50% of patients have come from assisted living & nursing homes.

Watch the entire news conference at West Bend News Facebook or Youtube channel.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations."

— Psalm 100:4-5

THE SAFE PLACE

By: Doris Applegate

Since we are in such troublesome times and, what the Bible calls perilous times, perhaps it will help to know where we can find a safe place. If we know Jesus Christ, who is not only our Savior from sin, but also our ROCK, FORTRESS, HIGH TOWER BUCKLER, STRENGTH, DELIVERER and our God!! (Psalm 18 and Psalm 31). God is a PRESENT, help in time of trouble! Is this where you have your trust? If not, now is the time to belong to the greatest helper of all!

Our government will not be for us nor will any other source of "flesh". God loves it when we put our trust in His great care! We sing a song: Oh, where can I go, where can I go, needing refuge for my soul? Needing a friend to me in the end, where could I go but to the Lord!

We also sing: Troubles may come and troubles may go...we trust in Jesus, come weal or woe, are we down hearted, NO, NO, NO! This is surely better than 'caving in' and giving up in despair. Many people have proven just how great a help God is when needed. Calling on the name Jesus will bring instant help.

Remember that God is an ever present help in time of trouble! (Psalm 46:1). I am now 89 years going on 90 and I can truly say that God had NEVER left me, but has always been my help! When we give our lives to the Lord Jesus, we belong to Him! We sing: Now I belong to Jesus, Jesus belongs to me...not for years of time alone, but for ETERNITY.

Yes we will be with God FOREVER and all of the promises are ours when we are His! As we skip along on a warm spring day, we can take hold of our Father's hand, but when the wind picks up and gets strong, we need our Father to take hold and grab our hand and that is what He will do in these next days of trouble. Jesus ALWAYS speaks "Peace" to the storm! In John 10:28 and 29 we read: No man can pluck them out of my Father's hand.

Amen and Amen

FORT WAYNE HOSPITAL SYSTEMS UPDATE VISITOR RESTRICTIONS TO HELP REDUCE COVID-19 TRANSMISSION

With patient, healthcare worker and visitor safety as the priority for the Fort Wayne-area's two local hospital systems, updated visitor restrictions are being implemented, effective today.

Both Parkview Health and Lutheran Health Network are working to assure that COVID-19 transmission is minimized, while acknowledging that the restrictions can be difficult for patients, as well as their family and friends. This is an extraordinary time and the community's understanding and compliance is appreciated.

The updated visitor restrictions can be viewed at each system's website, listed below.

Visitor Restrictions for Parkview Health
parkview.com/visitorupdates (details for each facility under Facility and Service Updates)

Visitor Restrictions for Lutheran Health Network
<https://lutheranhealth.net/visitor-restrictions>

Both systems stress the importance for the community to continue practicing the guidelines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), including wearing a mask, social distancing, thorough and frequent hand washing, disinfecting frequently touched objects and surfaces, and staying home when symptomatic, except when in need of medical care, including testing.

In addition, both Parkview and Lutheran encourage everyone to get an influenza vaccine, not only to reduce your family's risk from the flu, but also to help conserve healthcare resources. Everyone 6 months or older is encouraged to get a flu shot to help keep our community safe from another respiratory illness during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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DAY OF GIVING
 The annual Day of Giving will be held at the Antwerp United Methodist Church

Saturday, December 5, 2020. 9:00 a.m. until Noon

The Day of Giving is a FREE event that will allow local families to "shop" for clothing and household items before the holidays. Appropriate Covid-19 safety protocols will be in place to ensure a healthy environment for all those who attend.

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.
Friday, December 4th from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call the church office at 419-258-4901.

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 -Psalm 18:2

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A CHANGE IN THE HOLIDAYS?

Penny For Your Thoughts
By: Nancy Whitaker

There is just something special about any holiday that I love. I am not alone in my feelings, but some people do



feel that holidays are a waste of time and money.(not me) Anyway, 2020 has been a tough year with Covid19 and the restrictions we have had put on us. I am wondering, just like everyone else, how we can get together for these holidays that we all take for granted? We all need something to look forward to this year especially.

For instance, let's take Thanksgiving. Taken from the story of the Pilgrims and Plymouth Rock, it is a day set aside to thank God for our harvest of blessings. In addition to being thankful, we celebrate the holiday with our families and eat a big Thanksgiving dinner.

One of the restrictions we currently have is how many people we can have at a gathering. The limit is at 10. I don't know about you, but I like seeing my kids, grandkids and greats. I thank God I have over 10 in my family, but are we taking a risk by getting together?

Yes, there are still turkeys to buy and a lot of items on the shelves for stuffing and everything we need for our day of Thanksgiving.

To me part of the holidays is seeing every one and their families come together in the planning that it takes in order to partake of that unfortunate, but delicious bird, the poor turkey.

It seems that when everyone is shopping for their food, I usually love being right in the middle of it. I guess the feeling of togetherness surrounds me and I feel thankful to be a part of the hustle and bustle.

But now, I am scared of getting infected if I dilly dally around in a store for too long.

In the past I liked to sneak a peak at various carts and see what everyone was buying and going to eat for Thanksgiving dinner.

I saw all the necessary items of turkey, sweet potatoes, cranberries, green beans, mushroom soup and cans of those crunchy onions.

And whether you make it or buy it, don't forget that pumpkin pie, which Thanksgiving wouldn't be complete without.

Normally, we get together with family and friends for the holiday and after thanking God, we eat and eat.

Why has this virus invaded our country, our lives, our families, our schools and every aspect of our lives?

This year we need to remove our masks in order to consume our food.

In fact, I just read that wearing a mask will become part of our lives and may turn out to be a necessary wardrobe item.

I sure don't want to be restricted for the holidays, but I am thankful I am able to cook a small Thanksgiving meal here at home, and there's churches and organizations offering Thanksgiving dinners with drive thru being the best way to pick them up.

Remember also that if anyone eats too much a nap may be the next thing on our holiday agenda. But will we need to practice social distancing when napping (who is going to tell?)

Thanksgiving also kicks off the biggest shopping expedition of the year, Black Friday.

Black Friday has become almost a holiday in itself. In fact, many stores start Black Friday sales on Thanksgiving. Even on Thanksgiving Day, there are usually hundreds of shoppers waiting in long lines to fight for an item. And, sometimes they will fight to the end to get a sale item. But will that change this year with restrictions on shopping?

Being thankful to God for our blessings is why we celebrate this holiday.

How will you celebrate? Are you going to be getting together? Regardless of what you eat, wear or go, God Bless you and yours.

Let me know how you got together for thanksgiving and I will give you a Penny for your thoughts.

400th ANNIVERSARY OF LANDING OF MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS — PART 7

By: **Caroline Longardner**
"THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT"

The passengers of the MAYFLOWER sailed from England on September 6, 1620, leaving behind the SPEEDWELL that turned out to be unseaworthy for the trip. After 66 long days and 66 long nights of stormy seas they finally reached the "New World" on the morning of November 10, 1620, at Cape Cod, New England in America.

After Mayflower Captain, Christopher Jones, finally got the ship through the dangerous shores and breakers, he parked the boat in the open sea all that night and early the next morning. The passengers were extremely eager to get off the boat and it was evident that there were words of discontent and possible mutiny.

In the morning there was rejoicing but when it became evident of the expanse sea behind them and the bleak sandy shore in front of them, the rejoicing stopped and the sailors were angry. They demanded that the Captain set the passengers ashore at once, and sail back to England while they still had sufficient food supplies. The "Strangers" also voiced their feelings about their own loss of liberties and about having no powers or land. Some historians believe many Saints and Strangers alike were surprised to find themselves at Cape Cod, as only a few Pilgrim leaders knew the MAYFLOWER'S true destination. There was a chorus of discontent and MUTINY in the air.. It was becoming a dangerous situation and A FEW OF THE SEPARATISTS LEADERS GATHERED IN THE PRIVACY OF CARVER'S CABIN TO DISCUSS WHAT COULD BE DONE.

It was clear that some sort of terms must be offered to the Strangers. The servants, the hired hands, and the poorer men of both groups and the rest of those groups had to be reassured also. IT WAS FINALLY AGREED THAT A WRITTEN DOCUMENT WOULD BE PREPARED, CONTAINING IN WRITING, THE IDEA THAT EVERYONE WOULD HAVE FAIR TREATMENT IN THE PLYMOUTH COLONY GOVERNMENT AND HAVE A PART IN THE RULING OF THE COLONY. This document was discussed by the rival groups; they compromised and amended it. By the next evening all the men had gathered in the cabin of William Brewster (who probably drew up the document known as the MAYFLOWER COMPACT). Although the original document has been lost, William Bradford recorded the words of the Compact as he remembered them.

(This was the first historic Pilgrim assembly that would go down in history in producing a document that has become as historic and serious as the Magna Carta and the American Declaration of Independence. Actually the pattern set here on the MAYFLOWER, on the

time of her arrival continued throughout the life of the Plymouth colony, which from first to last chose to govern itself through officers named at regular annual elections, though it should be remembered that narrow limitations upon the right to vote denied many a voice in the directions of affairs. The discipline and leadership of this society was probably the reason it lasted so long).

William Bradford recorded the MAYFLOWER COMPACT as he remembered:

"In ye name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten, the loyal subjects of our dread sovereigne Lord King James, having undertaken for ye glorie of God, and advancement of ye Christian faith, and ye honour of our King and countrie, a voyage to plant ye first colonie in ye northern parts of Virginia, doe by these presents, solemnly & mutually in ye presence of God, and one of another, covenant & combine ourselves together into a civill body politick...and by vertue hereof to enacte, constitute, and frame such just & equall lawes, ordinances, acts, constitutions, & offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meete & convenient for ye generall good of ye Colonie, unto which we promise all due submission and obedience."

The reading of the compact was said to be followed by tense discussion of those present. John Carver was the first to step up and sign. The leading Saints followed him. There was a long pause. Would the Strangers accept the agreement? The fate of the settlement hung on their decision.

History says that "Stranger", Captain Miles Standish rose off his chair, rattled his saber and marched to the front of the cabin and signed his name. After that the most prosperous of the Strangers were said to have followed suit, then the males who did not have much "Property" to gain, and last of all came four of the servants. Having no legal rights, women were regarded as chattel and could not vote.

THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT WAS SIGNED! Before the passengers were allowed to get off the Mayflower, the Mayflower Compact was presented to them, it was accepted and signed on November 11, 1620.

John Carver was voted as the Governor in a unanimous election the first popularly elected governor in the history of the English colonizing. The historic meeting came to a close. The Mayflower Compact played an extremely important part in the Pilgrim's lives. The powers of the leaders were explained and followed. The Strangers were allowed to vote in the colony only if they had the "leave and liking" of the governor or two of his assistants. The Mayflower Colonists could choose their own leaders, they were not appointed. Half of the 102 passengers were dead in the first year.

Ref: American History; PLYMOUTH PLANTATION by William Bradford; info from the MAYFLOWER SOCIETY Toledo Colony Newsletters.

FINANCIAL MOVES FOR THE RECENTLY DIVORCED

Divorce is common in our society, but that doesn't make it any easier to navigate. If you've recently finalized a divorce, you've likely been coping with uncertainty and tension, but you can still avoid turning an already difficult situation into one that's even more challenging. How? By making the right financial and investment moves, including the following:

Establish your separate financial presence. Even when you were married, you and your spouse might have maintained some separate accounts. But if you only had joint accounts, now is the time to open your own checking, savings and credit accounts.

Update your budget. It's likely your budget needs updating. Your household income may be lower or may need to be adjusted for alimony or child support (paid or received). Additionally, your living expenses may have shifted, either higher because you're no longer splitting expenses such as housing or utilities, or possibly lower because you're no longer supporting your ex's spending habits. Understanding your new budget will help you feel better informed about your financial options and more in control of your new situation.

Prioritize emergency savings. Divorce is expensive and may have depleted your savings. To get back on your feet, you may want to build an easily accessible source of funds for unexpected drops in income and/or spikes in expenses. If you're not retired, you may want to keep three to six months' worth of expenses in emergency savings, although even much smaller amounts can boost your feelings of financial security.

Evaluate your retirement plan contributions.

When you were married, you may have been counting on sharing resources and expenses with your spouse in retirement. But now, you may be solely responsible for your retirement, so if you can afford it, you may want to ramp up your retirement plan contributions. You may want to consult a financial professional about setting and achieving new goals.

Think about Social Security. Your divorce could play a role in the benefits you can receive. Once you are eligible for benefits, if you were married at least 10 years and you haven't remarried, you might be able to receive up to 50% of your ex-spouse's benefits, offset by your own benefit. If your ex passes away and you haven't remarried (or you remarry only after age 60), you could receive 100% of their benefit in place of your own. This could be beneficial if your ex-spouse had a higher income or spent longer in the labor force. Since rules can be complicated, contact your local Social Security office to better understand your situation, and keep a record of your ex's Social Security number.

Review your beneficiary designations and legal documents. You'll likely need to revise the beneficiary designations on your retirement accounts and life insurance policies. These designations carry a lot of weight and can even supersede the instructions in your will. And, speaking of your will, you'll likely need to revise it too, along with other legal documents, such as a living trust. Consult with your legal professional to make these revisions.

It can feel like a long road to stability after a divorce – but by following the above suggestions, you may be able to make the trip a little less bumpy – and hopefully shorter – as well.

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

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We thank you for the opportunity to work together and for making us feel at home in our community.

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so shoppers are encouraged to stop by and see the tree lighting.

Many local vendors will occupy vacant buildings in downtown Paulding. Each shopper can visit the Paulding County Area Foundation at 101 E. Perry St. to warm up and pick up a gift bag provided by the Paulding County Area Foundation, Paulding County Economic Development, and United Way of Paulding County. There, you can also pick up your shopper booklet that includes a map of downtown with vendor locations and descriptions. The booklet will also include coupons and ads from local businesses. The first 25 people to stop and grab a bag on each day will also receive a

Shop Small bag provided by American Express.

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce is committed to making Shop the Square as safe and fun as possible this year as we continue to battle COVID-19. Masks and social distancing will be required of all shoppers and vendors. Each building will allow more space in between vendors and allow ample space between shoppers as well. The Chamber encourage everyone to shop local more than ever this holiday season as many businesses have been hurt by the pandemic.

Bundle up, mask up, and join us downtown for some holiday cheer, great deals, and to support our local businesses of all sizes!

inability to cover all of the classrooms. So, we are optimistic that by having the 7 - 12 receive instruction virtually that this will free some substitutes to help out in our elementary level classrooms. We are hopeful that this strategy will be temporary in our junior and high school classrooms.

All teachers and staff will continue to report to work and will be available for assistance with the virtual option for 7 - 12 as well as in person instruction for the elementary. In the meantime, our custodians will continue to deep clean and sanitize our buildings.

At this time extra-curricular activities will continue as planned following COVID protocol. Staff will be in contact with students regarding any changes that need to be made.

We will continue to work in partnership with the Allen County Department of Health as we monitor the community spread. "Parents/Guardians, we need your help and support in following COVID mitigation strategies so that we can slow the spread in our East Allen Community", said Superintendent Hissong.

H2OHIO TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM ISSUES REQUEST FOR TECHNOLOGIES

Ohio EPA issued a request for technologies for the H2Ohio Technology Assessment Program (TAP) to identify technologies that may help address harmful algal blooms (HABs) in Lake Erie. H2Ohio TAP was created at the Sept. 2020 Ohio Lake Erie Commission meeting to guide the State in addressing HABs in Lake Erie.

H2Ohio TAP is requesting proposals of technologies that are innovative or new to Lake Erie that:

- reduce nutrient loading to rivers, streams, and lakes;
- remove nutrients from rivers, streams, and lakes;
- reduce the intensity or toxicity of algal blooms;
- recover nutrients from manure; and
- improve nutrient removal in wastewater treatment plants.

Lake Erie is Ohio's greatest natural resource, and with difficult challenges such as harmful algal blooms threatening our Great Lake, it is important to consistently search for emerging technologies that can supplement Ohio's comprehensive H2Ohio initiative to improve water quality and address harmful algal blooms," said Governor Mike DeWine. "The H2Ohio Technology Assessment Program calls on those with innovative technologies to come forward for consideration and join Ohio's mission to protect our crown jewel, Lake Erie."

"Over the past few years, Ohio EPA, Ohio Department of Agriculture and Ohio Department of Natural Resources have been approached by innovators of water treatment technologies interested in addressing harmful algal blooms and reducing nutrient loading in Lake Erie," said Ohio EPA Director Laurie A. Stevenson. "I am excited to launch the H2Ohio Technology As-

essment Program, which helps open the door for these innovative technology proposals to be evaluated with the help of third-party experts."

H2Ohio TAP will complete an initial screening of technology proposals. The top 10 technologies selected by H2Ohio TAP will then be submitted to a third-party technical team with experience in environmental technologies to complete a more in-depth evaluation of efficacy and scalability of the proposed technologies in addressing HABs and nutrients, particularly in Lake Erie. The technical review team, Tetra Tech, was selected through a previous request for proposal process. The RFT can be found online at <https://epa.ohio.gov/Portals/33/documents/H2OhioTAP-RFT.pdf>.

Additional information about the Technology Assessment Program can be found in the program's fact sheet.

The Ohio Lake Erie Commission was established for the purpose of preserving Lake Erie's natural resources, protecting the quality of its waters and ecosystem, and promoting economic development in the region. The director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) serves as the commission's chairman. Additional members include the directors of the state departments of Transportation, Health, Development Services, Agriculture, Natural Resources, and seven additional members of the public appointed by the governor.

Launched by Governor Mike DeWine in 2019, H2Ohio is a collaborative water quality effort to provide clean and safe water to Ohio. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Ohio Department of Agriculture, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, and Ohio Lake Erie Commission each has a significant role in H2Ohio through the natural infrastructure of wetlands, the reduction in nutrient runoff, and increasing access to clean drinking water and quality sewer systems. To learn more, go to h2.ohio.gov.

FARMERS NEEDED FOR A \$900,000 FARMER LED CONSERVATION PROJECT

The application period is open for farmers in the Maumee River Watershed that are interested in sharing their conservation farming practices with other farmers. Farmers interested in participating as a Farmer Advocate for Conservation can complete the online application form on the project landing page, <https://sites.google.com/view/farmeradvocate/>. Farmer Advocate for Conservation will be compensated for their time to attend the training and work with other farmers @ \$30/hour. The focus of the project is to promote farmers learning from each other about building soil health with cover crops and other best management practices.

The first training will occur in January and February of 2021 and will be completely virtual which will allow the farmer to train in the comfort of their

own home or office. Another training is scheduled for March/April 2021.

To apply as a Farmer Advocate for Conservation or to nominate a farmer you believe would be an excellent candidate as please use the online application and nomination forms on the landing page found at <https://sites.google.com/view/farmeradvocate/> or please contact Stephanie Singer, Stephanie.Singer@tnc.org.

ANTWERP SCHOOL BOARD MEETS FOR MONTHLY DISCUSSION

Antwerp School Board met on Thursday, November 19 over Zoom to discuss the current school needs.

Bob Herber mentioned that there may be an option to have a 5 minute throughout the day. That 5 minutes can be used to take off the mask. Antwerp School has been letting the kids go outside. Dr. Miller stated that everyone is complying with the mask order.

Vantage Report: Dennis Recker gave the report. He appreciated the Antwerp voters for passing the levy for the trade school. He said much of the meeting was comprised of talking about COVID policies.

Treasurers' Report: The school year is 25% completed and the finances appear to be on budget.
Income: \$861,298.71
Expenses: \$1,183,008.34
interest: \$2196.30

The general fund and spending report 33% of the year has now passed at the end of October. 42% of projected income has now been received. 30% budget. There is a small deficit spending projected for the next 5 years projected at this time, but there will still be a cash balance. "It's very hard to make predictions right now," stated School Treasurer Kristine Stuart. She had put in a 10% decrease in revenue to make sure that moneys weren't over projected due to COVID 19.

HS Principal Report: Travis Lichty said the end of the first semester will end December 18. Remote learning practice learning is coming up, just in case the school is forced to go remote. Lichty thanks Kayla Bagley's class for putting

an excellent video together for the town's Small Business Saturday Promotion. There were congratulation to Sophomore Aerial Snyder and Senior Siera Octaviano on advancing to the Regional CC meet at Tiffin, coached by Cord Ehrhart and Harlee Walk. He also congratulated Junior Gaige McMichael on advancing at the District golf tournament in GB. Joe Barker is going to be hosting the HS basketball games on mysports.com. Thanksgiving break is November 26 and 27.

Elementary Principal Report: Ms. Stokes report was read by Marty Miller. Students of the quarter were presented and the parent teachers conferences were a great success despite the new challenges.

Marty Miller stated the fencing has been completed around the astroturf on the playground. Harold Gottke said they have been handling out hotspots for school.

So far, there have been minimal positive rates for COVID for both staff and students. There are some students who have been quarantined from outside contacts, but the students have been doing very well. Antwerp has gained six students since the last board meeting in total enrollment.

Dr. Miller brought up that George Clemens would like to get a portable speed scanner and reporter.

A grant was received for the Pandemic Support Grant for \$15,000. This purchased a temperature sensor to speed up entrance of kids in the mornings, it's supposed to be quicker and more accurate. This is in addition to the other CARES related grants received earlier.

The USDA Food Program has been a good source of revenue for the school. It went from \$13,824.81 in September to 29,852.10 in October. Mary Meyer donated a memory book from many years back.

A book about Ben Franklin was donated to the school by the Bill Fast family.

Dr. Miller also presented the proposed 2021-22 school calendar to school board. There is public comment from now until the December board meeting.

The permanent levy passed and Dr. Miller asked the school board if they wanted to proceed with the construction or if they wanted to halt.

The next school board meeting will be December 17 at 6:00 p.m.

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provider's referral is not needed. Quantities may be limited.

Pop-up testing sites throughout Ohio are open to anyone. The other regional locations will be announced soon. More information is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov.

Paulding Pop-Up Testing:

Paulding County Health Department and Ohio National Guard

COVID-19 Pop-Up Testing; November 30, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Paulding County Fairgrounds, 503 Fairgrounds Drive, Paulding, OH 45817

Antwerp Community Development Committee

ACDC will not hold their annual meeting this year due to Ohio's COVID-19 safety recommendations

EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS WILL MOVE TO VIRTUAL LEARNING FOR 7 - 12 GRADERS

East Allen County Schools changed to all virtual learning in grades 7 - 12 beginning on Wednesday, November 18th through Tuesday, November 24th. Thanksgiving Break is scheduled from Wednesday, November 25th through Sunday, November 29th. We are planning for students in grades 7 - 12 to return on Monday, December 7th; however, this may be subject to change depending on the community spread. Elementary students in grades PK - 6 will continue in person learning at this time. The elementary students will also have Thanksgiving break from Wednesday, November 25th - Sunday, November 29th.

Due to an influx in recently confirmed positive cases, we will be transitioning to all virtual learning in grades 7 - 12. This decision is based on the number of substitutes needed and our



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Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

Any questions, please call 419-399-8285



60th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Mr. and Mrs. Rex Shaner of Antwerp will be celebrating their 60th anniversary on Thanksgiving day, November 26, 2020. The couple have three daughters: Vickie (Ted)

Elumbough of Flint, Michigan; Michelle (Jim) Colhoun of Huntington, Indiana and Nicole (Shane) Lockhart of Luttrell, Tennessee. They have 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

2020 GMC ALL-CONFERENCE FOOTBALL SELECTIONS

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference selections and Players of the Year for Football for the 2020 season.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:
Doug Rakes, Fairview

DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:
Luke Timbrook, Fair-

view

FIRST TEAM:
Offensive Ends — Gannon Ripke, Edgerton; Caleb Frank, Fairview; Max Grube, Tinora

Offensive Guard — Noah Volz, Fairview; Elijah Ackerman, Tinora

Place Kicker — Caleb Frank, Fairview

Linebackers — Caleb Skinner, Fairview; Aaron Layman, Fairview; Casen Wolfrum, Tinora

Offensive Ends — Cade Ripke, Fairview; Owen

Manz, Wayne Trace

Offensive Guards — Corbin Keegan, Fairview; Chase Railing, Hicksville

Offensive Tackles — Austin Bostater, Fairview; Aaron Layman, Fairview

Quarterback — Doug Rakes, Fairview

Defensive Ends — Russ Zeedyk, Fairview; Bryce Bailey, Tinora

Defensive Backs — Luke Timbrook, Fairview; Caleb Frank, Fairview; Max Grube, Tinora

SECOND TEAM:
Offensive Tackles — Ashton Miler, Edgerton; Landyn Whitmar, Wayne Trace

Quarterback — Trevor Speice, Wayne Trace

Defensive Ends — Gannon Ripke, Edgerton; Kaden Blair, Fairview

Offensive Center — Bryan Lucas, Fairview

Offensive Running Backs — Luke Timbrook, Fairview; Kole Wertman, Hicksville; K.P. Delarber, Tinora

Defensive Tackles — Wes Banny, Fairview; Corbin Keegan, Fairview; Braden Hancock, Tinora

Punter — Caleb Frank, Fairview

Offensive Center — Eric Bohn, Tinora

Offensive Running Backs — Craig Blue, Edgerton; Isaiah Canales, Edgerton; Christian Commisso, Hicksville

Defensive Tackles — Evan Clark, Ayersville; Jordan Warner, Edgerton; Chase Railing, Hicksville

Linebackers — Isaiah Canales, Edgerton; Kyler Baird, Hicksville; Trevor Speice, Wayne Trace; Dylan Hines, Antwerp; Blake Eiden, Ayersville; Isaiah Kellogg, Edgerton; Masson Slattery, Hicksville; Gabe Sutton, Wayne Trace

Defensive Backs — Cade Ripke, Fairview; Landon Turnbull, Hicksville; Owen Manz, Wayne Trace

Punter — Corey Everetts, Edgerton

HONORABLE MENTION:
Jagger Landers, Antwerp; Dylan Gebers, Fairview; Jared Swan, Edgerton; Brandon Edwards, Tinora; Jacob Stouffer, Wayne Trace; Ryan Clark, Ayersville; Ryan Richards, Fairview; Ian Greutman, Hicksville

Nolan Schafer, Tinora

ARCHER JH SQUADS FALL IN OPENERS

ANTWERP - The Antwerp Lady Archer junior high basketball teams

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opened their seasons Tuesday night as the blue and white welcome in Fairview to Paulding County.

The Lady Apaches took the seventh-grade contest 39-9 with Ella Hughes bucketing seven points for Antwerp. Raelay Franklin added the other two Archer markers.

In the eighth-grade battle, Fairview completed the sweep with a 40-24 victory.

Caroline Rohrs topped the blue and white with 13 points and Jessica Thornell chipped in nine markers. Maylynn Carnahan bucketed the remaining two points for Antwerp.

REP. JIM BANKS APPOINTED TO NDAA CONFERENCE COMMITTEE TO FIGHT FOR HOOSIERS

Indiana Rep. Jim Banks has been named to the Fiscal Year 2021 (FY21) National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) Conference Committee, where he will play a leadership role in the passage of the National Defense Authorization Act for the third year in a row.

The bipartisan, bicameral committee consists of 32 members and is responsible for reconciling differences between the current House NDAA and the Senate's version. Once complete, the committee will refer the amended bill to both chambers for a final vote. Upon passage, the FY21 NDAA will be presented to the president for signature to become law, authorizing next fiscal year's funding level for our military.

Congressman Banks knows what the defense budget means for boots on the ground. He deployed to Afghanistan in 2014 and 2015.

In the House Armed Services Committee NDAA markup this summer, Congressman Banks advocated for the following provisions:

Rep. Banks advocated for the vital national security work of Hoosiers at companies like Ultra Electronics, AM General, Rolls-Royce, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, General Dynamics, Cummins, Allison Transmission, GE, Hendrix International, BWXT, Gradient, PMI, and others. These companies both big and small, employ tens of thousands of Indi-

ana residents and contribute significantly to securing our nation.

The programs Rep Banks championed represent over \$4 billion in authorized defense budget spending, funding everything from advanced research initiatives such as materials science, synthetic training environments, and next generation combat vehicles; to securing the authorization of major national defense procurements, such as the P-8 Poseidon aircraft, Stryker Tactical vehicles, F-15EX fighter jets, and state of the art sonobuoys.

Rep. Banks passed several amendments unanimously, including language on the Future Tactical Unmanned Aerial System (FTUAS), cutting edge waterjet demilitarization disposal technology, hypersonic and high mach aircraft capabilities, RF and EMP protection technologies, and defensive support for partner nations like Taiwan.

Said Banks, "I am once again honored to join my colleagues on the NDAA conference committee. This will be the third time I'll serve as a conferee to fight for Hoosier defense priorities. As co-chair of the HASC Future of Defense Task Force over the past year, I've learned what the DoD and Indiana need to do to prepare our warfighters for an era of great power competition. I am proud of the work of Hoosiers throughout the state leading the way in key defense technologies and defense manufacturing."

Said House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, "Jim is a patriot who understands that freedom is a precious gift that we must work to pass on to the next generation. As a member of the China Task Force and Armed Services Committee, he led numerous efforts to end our dependence on China and strengthen our national defense. And like any good leader, he leads by example -- serving in the Naval Reserves and even taking a leave of absence to serve in Afghanistan. Jim is a natural fit to help get the NDAA signed into law and he will bring a close eye for detail and a firm determination to ensure the next century is an American century."

Indiana Priorities and Key House NDAA National Security Provisions:

SMART Program Amendment - Rep. Banks' amendment utilities key principles from his stand-alone bill HR 6526, known as the STEM Corps Act, and incorporated them into DOD scholarship programs. The program advocates for student financial assistance, close partnerships with industry, and competitive salaries for talented STEM graduates. These initiatives will help address critical STEM workforce demands and attract more STEM talent to government service.

Protecting Sensitive University Research - This amendment furthered Rep. Banks' efforts to protect our university research programs from nefarious foreign actors. The amendment sought to address concerns initially raised in a bill Rep. Banks introduced last year, the Protect Our Universities Act. Taking the lead on a heated markup floor debate, Rep. Banks was able to win bipartisan support to remove a loophole in the existing policy, allowing and directing the DOD to now be able to gather information on, and understand who exactly is working on DOD funded research programs that have direct national security interests. This opens the door to an open and transparent research and development program, permitting the DOD to identify potential adversarial threats earlier on in the process.

Professional Military Education Amendment - Rep. Banks was able to achieve unanimous support for the establishment of a new program to develop a "Public-Private Consortium to Improve Professional Military Education." The consortium would advance the training and development of junior and senior warfighters.

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READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

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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

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Oakwood: 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-

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

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PANTHERS CRUISE PAST BULLDOGS IN OPENER



Paulding's Jalynn Parrett sinks the first basket of the game in less than a minutes for the Panthers! More pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING – The Paulding Lady Panthers opened the season Friday night at the 'Jungle' with a 43-point first half to coast to an 81-21 win over visiting Edgerton.

The maroon and white scored the first ten points of the game and never looked back, widening the margin to 19-2 at the end of eight minutes of action.

Paulding then extended the margin with 11 consecutive markers to open the second quarter before eventually posting a 43-9 lead at halftime.

The Lady Panthers

pushed the advantage to 69-12 at the end of three quarters.

Jalynn Parrett scored 21 points to lead the way for the Lady Panthers with Sadie Estle adding 20. Leigha Egnor also reached double figures with ten markers for the maroon and white.

Other scorers for Paulding included Claire Schweller (nine), Maggie Manz (nine), Janae Pease (six) and Audrey Giesige (six).

Holly Stark had six markers to lead Edgerton followed by Rylei Moreno

(three), Dominique Fort (two), Grace Schroeder (two), Brianna Wickerham (two), Taylor Smith (two), Addie Cape (two) and Abigail Herman (two).

OHSAA REAFFIRMS COMMITMENT TO STARTING WINTER SPORTS

In a memo to its member schools on Wednesday, the Ohio High School Athletic Association reaffirmed its position that the upcoming winter sports seasons will begin as previously scheduled. While individual school districts can pause sports at any time due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the OHSAA does not intend to alter the statewide season dates.

The decision came after discussions with the Governor's Office, the OHSAA Board of Directors, OHSAA staff and many school administrators, along with the results of a recent survey of OHSAA member school administrators. Of 1,464 survey responses 826 respondents (56 percent) voted to begin winter sports as previously scheduled.

"Though we are seeing a spike in COVID-19 cases in Ohio, the majority of our member schools want the opportunity to move forward with winter sports as planned," said OHSAA Executive Director Doug Ute.

"As always, the decision to play sports is a local school decision and there will certainly be schools that pause sports for periods of time in the months to come, but if the majority of our schools want to move forward, then we want to provide that opportunity. As we have said previously, our member schools provide our student-athletes with the safest possible environment to participate. If we were to delay, students would find opportunities to compete in sports through non-school programs that may not be focused on safety and are not education-based."

The survey results showed 33 percent of school administrators favored delaying winter sports until early January, and 11 percent voted to delay winter sports indefinitely until statewide COVID-19 condi-

tions improve. Noting the Governor's Curfew Order

As it relates to school sports, the Governor's 10:00 p.m. Ohio curfew order does not mean that teams and fans must be home from their competitions by 10:00 p.m., but venues must be vacated by 10:00 p.m. The OHSAA encourages schools and conferences to alter start times, if needed, so that competitions end in time to close the facility by 10:00 p.m.

COVID-19 General Guidance (Including Mandates; Spectator Capacity, and Recommended Best Practices)

All mandates in the Ohio Department of Health Director's Sports Order must continue to be followed for winter sports. Here is a link to the Health Director's Sports Order: <https://bit.ly/2RWa1jh>. In addition, here is a link to the Health Department's Responsible RestartOhio guidance document for sports: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/Youth-Collegiate-Amateur-Club-Pro-Sports.pdf>, and here is a link to the ODH's Responsible RestartOhio guidance document for sports venues: <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/static/responsible/Sports-Venues.pdf>.

It is especially important that requirements for facial coverings, social distancing and frequent hand washing be followed and that facility hosts disinfect and clean competition and high contact areas frequently. Also note that the Order has a limit on spectator capacity, which is the lesser of 15

percent of fixed, permanent seats or 300.

Winter Sports Requirements and Modifications

The OHSAA staff has developed sport-specific requirements, recommendations and modifications for schools when conducting interscholastic competition in winter sports. Links to the sport-specific requirements, recommendations and modifications for winter sports are available here:

Basketball: <http://bit.ly/BKRecs>

Bowling: <http://bit.ly/BORecs>

Gymnastics: <http://bit.ly/GYMRecs>

Ice Hockey: <http://bit.ly/IHRecs>

Swimming & Diving: <http://bit.ly/SDRecs>

Wrestling: <http://bit.ly/WRRecs>

GMC ANNOUNCES 2020 VOLLEYBALL ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

The Green Meadows Conference is proud to announce the All-Conference Selections, "Player of the Year" and "Specialist of the Year" for Volleyball for the 2020 season.

PLAYER OF THE YEAR — Kiersten Cline, Fairview

SPECIALIST OF THE YEAR — Lexi Wachtman, Tinora

FIRST TEAM:
Kiersten Cline, Fairview; Tori Morlock, Tinora; Molly Crall, Hicksville; Anna Ankney, Fairview; Astianna Coppes, Antwerp; Tristen Norden, Tinora

SECOND TEAM:

Olivia Ricica, Fairview; Kennedy Philips, Hicksville; Brianna Wickerham, Edgerton; Maci Froelich, Ayersville; Paige Ricica, Fairview; Rachel Stoller, Wayne Trace

HONORABLE MENTION:

Lydia Brewer, Antwerp; Kaylynn Wellman, Ayersville; Sadie Walther, Edgerton; Kelly Crites, Fairview; Avery Slattery, Hicksville; Bria Tijerina, Holgate; Emma Chaffins, Tinora; Gracie Shepherd, Wayne Trace

RAIDERS SWEEP APACHES

SHERWOOD – In the season opener for junior high girls basketball, visiting Wayne Trace recorded a pair of victories Thursday night outside of Sherwood over host Fairview.

The Lady Raider seventh graders recorded a 39-18 win over the Apaches and were led by Careen Winans with 11 points. Caroline Winans added nine markers and Addison Stoller posted eight for Wayne Trace.

Hammer topped the Apaches with seven points while Kauffman and Hauer recorded four apiece.

In the eighth-grade contest, the red, white and blue held off the Apaches for a 19-17 victory.

Harper Myers had six points for Wayne Trace with Tianna Sinn adding five and Kathleen Stoller bucketed five.

Zeedyk paced the Lady Apaches with five points and Mavis chipped in four.



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MY 102.7 MANAGEMENT TEAM STARTS NEW BROADCASTING COMPANY



Paulding, OH: MY 102.7, Paulding County's own radio station is excited to announce their new endeavor in the Paulding County sports arena with the premier of MySports.live. This new production allows anyone and everyone to enjoy high school sports from the comfort of their home, for free. MySports.live is currently broadcasting all three of the county high school varsity boys and girls home basketball games. Games can be watched in real time or at a later date at www.mysports.live.

From day one of the creation of MY102.7 radio, the community wanted more content featuring high school student athletes. Roughly a year ago the station started their weekly Saturday morning radio program MySports, hosted by seasoned on air talent Dean Jackson. That program interviews coaches, students and folks who have moved on but have local ties. With the success of that program Joe Barker, and Terry Car-

wile, owners and creators of MY102.7 felt confident that live coverage of games would be well received. Terry, My102.7's engineer suggested a shift towards a video platform to better showcase the kids and create a broadcast that might capture more of the experience. Thus the creation of an entirely new company, MySports.live.

The broadcast not only showcases the kids on the court or ball field but cheerleaders and band members as well. With COVID-19 the amount of fans in the stands are significantly restricted and there became a great need to also stream other game time activities like Parents Night and Homecoming events for family who couldn't attend.

"Prior to COVID-19 the goal was to only feature a 'game of the week', but when COVID-19 hit and fans were limited, we didn't feel right only choosing one school in the county we would highlight each week," says Joe Barker. "So we committed to live stream every

home boys' and girls' varsity basketball game in the county, all 76 of them, plus tournaments held in the county."

The decision to cover all 76 home games pushed Barker and Carwile to triple the equipment needed, and hire 13 part time employees to run the production; including professional audio and video as well as play by play and color commentary talent.

"We have been blessed to assemble a group of broadcast talent who collectively have over 12,000 games of experience in high school, college and professional sports," says Terry Carwile.

The software used to create the inclusive experience of each game is very versatile and can run the entire production. It gives MySports Live the ability to provide custom graphic overlays that can integrate with systems like the scoreboard at each school. It also has the ability to provide instant replay and real time updates through social media. The software also allows the technical director to play advertisers and 30 second TV commercials during breaks in the action such as timeouts. Within the week they will have a smart TV app for Roku, Amazon Firestick and Apple TV.

MySports.live couldn't have been created without the support of the community, local business, and The Paulding County Area Foundation.

"All county school administrations have gone out of their way to give us access to their facilities for testing and equipment installation," says Carwile. "I'd especially like to thank the athletic directors Drew Altimus, Jim Linder, and Tyler Arend for their flexibility in providing us with gym access for testing and setup. I would also like to thank Harold Gotke, Ashton Duer and Justin Yant. The schools in Paulding county are very fortunate to have these knowledgeable gentleman heading up their individual IT departments.

"Our community's business leaders have stepped up and sponsored these games," says Barker. "We did not want a Pay Per View format that may places have established. Without their financial support this project could not have happened, and we thank them for allowing us to provide this service for the people of Paulding County."

All games can be found at www.mysports.live for live streaming or viewing from the archive.

WARRIORS HOLD OFF LIONS FOR WIN

LEO - A big first half proved to be just enough Friday night for the Woodlan girls basketball team as the Lady Warriors held off a second half rally for a 44-43 victory in non-league play.

Woodlan opened a slim 15-13 lead at the end of one quarter before the Warriors expanded the advantage in the second stanza.

The Lady Warriors added 11 points while limiting Leo to four as Woodlan pushed the margin to 26-17 at the halfway point.

Leo, though, answered in the third quarter by outscoring Woodlan 15-7 to

close within 33-32 entering the final quarter.

Woodlan did just enough in the final stanza, matching Leo point for point as each team bucketed 11 markers to set the final margin at 44-43.

Dakotah Krohn had 18 points for the Lady Warriors to lead the way and Evah Smith chipped in 13 markers. Taylor Knuebuhler posted seven points for Woodlan followed by Lydia Dyer with five and Abbey Gentz chipped in one.

Smith also hauled down nine rebounds for Woodlan while Knuebuhler picked up four boards, two assists and four steals. Gentz also recorded four rebounds and had two steals with Krohn posting two rebounds, two assists and two steals.

Leo was paced by Haylee Schott with a dozen points and Gabrielle Adams added ten markers. Other scorers for the Lady Lions were Leah May (eight), Katharine Scrogam (seven) and Lena Viggiano (six).

Schott also recorded 11 boards while May and Viggiano grabbed seven rebounds each. Adams picked up five boards with Scrogam adding three rebounds, six assists and one steal.

BRAVES SHUT DOWN PATRIOTS

DECATUR - A pair of neighboring school districts hooked up in non-league girls basketball action Saturday as Heritage made the trip southwest to Decatur to take on Belmont.

When the final buzzer rang, it was the defensive effort by the Lady Braves that proved to be the difference as Belmont posted a 42-27 victory over the Patriots.

Bellmont doubled up the Lady Patriots in the opening stanza, taking a 12-6 lead, but Heritage cut into that deficit in the second quarter.

Heritage bucketed ten points compared to Belmont's eight as the Patriots trimmed the Braves lead to 20-16 at halftime.

Bellmont then stepped up the defensive effort in the second half, limiting Heritage to five third quarter points and six fourth quarter markers to seal the

victory.

The Lady Braves added 13 points in the third quarter to expand the lead to 33-21 at the end of three periods before posting nine more in the final period to wrap up the 42-27 victory.

Claire Bickel and Ella Bickel each scored eight points to lead Heritage with Kendall Zelt adding five markers. Lydia Schultz chipped in four points for the Lady Patriots and Abby Zelt had two.

Emily Fuelling scored 14 points to top the Belmont effort with Faith Morris and Morgan Shifferly both scoring eight markers.

Rachel Blake (six), Kayla Heckman (five) and Sydney Keane (one) proved the remaining Lady Braves points.

Heritage, now 4-3 on the season, will welcome in Snider on Tuesday night before hosting North Side on Saturday.

PATRIOTS PULL AWAY LATE FOR WIN OVER WAYNE

FORT WAYNE - Heritage used a fourth quarter rally to post a 47-42 win over Wayne in non-league girls basketball play last week.

The Generals took a 15-12 lead at the end of eight minutes of action before Heritage answered and tied the contest at 25-25 at the halfway point.

Following a third quarter that saw each team bucket nine points to keep the game tied at 34-34, the Lady Patriots picked up 13 fourth quarter markers compared to eight for the Generals to seal the 47-42 victory.

Junior Ella Bickel and sophomore Claire Bickel led the way for Heritage with 19 and 12 points, respectively. Lydia Schultz chipped in six points for the Lady Patriots followed by Shelby Schane

with four, Kendall Zelt with three and Abby Zelt added a bucket.

Freshman Sydney Gorman paced Wayne with 15 points and sophomore Emilia Diaz added 13 markers. Other scorers for the Lady Generals were Khalise Collins (five), Aniah Hill (four), Malajaha Moore (two), Shabrea O'Quinn (two) and Mariah Luna (one).

Ella Bickel also had eight rebounds, five assists and three steals for Heritage with Schane hauling in six boards and dishing out three assists. Claire Bickel chipped in four rebounds and four assists while Abby Zelt and Raelyn Mullins both grabbed five rebounds.

Luna topped Wayne with eight rebounds and five assists and Aliyah Holbrook picked up seven boards and two assists. Collins also had five boards while Gorman finished with four rebounds and three assists.

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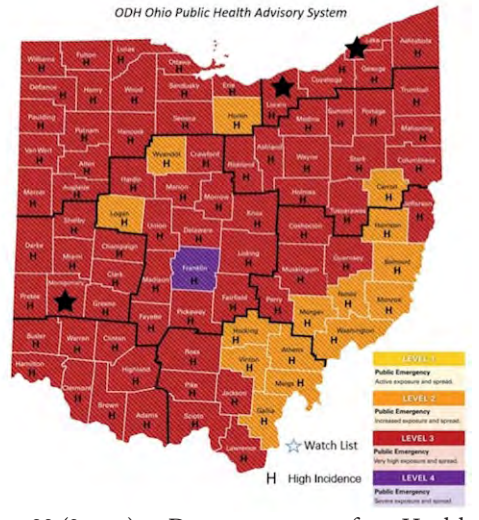
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PAULDING COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

Key Indicators



As of November 23, 2020, the following numbers are Paulding County Ohio's latest COVID-19 numbers:
 Total Cases: 627 (new cases since 11/22/20 - 10)
 Confirmed Cases: 545 (8 new)

Probable Cases: 82 (2 new)
 Hospitalizations: 64 (no change)
 Presumed Recovered: 365 (16 difference)
 Deaths: 10 (no change)
 COVID-19 Questions? Call or visit the Ohio

Department of Health COVID-19 Dashboard: www.coronavirus.ohio.gov
 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634)



ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS

On November 17, a vehicle was stopped on Canal St. for speeding. Driver was sited for going 52mph in 25mph and driving under suspension.
 November 16, a resident of Buffalo St. was served a junk notice.
 November 16, the police department received a report of child abuse. The case is being investigated.
 On November 16, a resident of Payne reported a contractor had scammed him out of \$10,000. The individual was referred to the Paulding County Sheriff Department.
 On November 14, a suspi-

icious person was reported in the 100 block of Main St. Officer investigated and found that is was an employee of a local business waiting for a ride home.
 On November 14, officers were requested to do a welfare check of an elderly gentleman on Daggett St. Officer went to the resident and made sure everything was okay.
 November 13, while doing night time business door checks, an open door was found at one of the businesses. Business owner was contacted and the business was secured.
 November 13, a resident reported they received a fraudulent call. The caller claimed that he was an attorney representing a relative and needed the person to send \$8500.
 On November 12, a vehicle was stopped for failing to stop at the red light at Main and River. Driver was sited for the red light violation, driving under suspension and fictitious plates.
 On November 12, police assisted the Texas Family

Protected Services by checking on children that lived at a resident in the village.
 November 8, a domestic dispute was reported at a residence on Harrmann St. An adult female was arrested and transported to Paulding County Jail and charged with domestic violence.
 November 5, Antwerp Police Department received an order of arrest from the Paulding County Sheriff Officer. Officer located the individual near Main and River, placed him under arrest and transported him to jail.
 On November 2, a resident reported a man doing door to door soliciting for his roof repair service. The officer located the individual and explained to him that he must have a permit to do door to door sales.
 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
Cal W. Ward, Paulding, OH; Theft; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived
Mandy L. Gunn, Bardstow, KY; Possession of meth; Preliminary waived; Case shall be bound over to the Paulding Common Pleas Court
James E. Schreiber, Grover Hill, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Mandy L. Gunn, Bardstow, KY; Fictitious registration; Preliminary waived; Bound over
Vixienh Homsab, Northwood, OH; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Abdulkadir H. Issa, Burien, WA; Distracted driving; Dismissed
Mark Allen T. Leazier, Columbia City, IN; Theft; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Warrant and warrant block recalled; Make restitution if requested
Scott L. Evans, Paulding, OH; Furnishing; Pled no

contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; May work off some costs with community service; Maintain general good behavior
Jordan Cross, Marlette, MI; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Jordan Cross, Marlette, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Danielle K. Stokes, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Defendant paid in full
Danielle K. Stokes, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Johna C. Rodgers, Toledo, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Derek C. Youtsey, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay today; Shall maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency
Derek C. Youtsey, Fort Wayne, IN; Drug paraphernalia; Case dismissed per state; Costs to defendant; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency
Dustin Z. Roberson, Saint Joe, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant waived traffic citation
Mariela Plata Sosa, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Aundrey M. Taylor, Marion, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Kory A. Jones, New Haven, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Larry D. McMillan, Paulding, OH; Improper backing; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Todd A. Jackson, Defiance, OH; Restric Depos L; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Thomas VanVlerah, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Charles Seslar, Payne, OH; Telecommunication harassment; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no contact with victims
Charles Seslar, Payne, OH; Telecommunication harassment; Count B dismissed
Evan M. Needham, New Haven, IN; OVI/under influence; Guilty; No ALS at time of stop; DIP completed by 2/26/21 in lieu of three days jail
Evan M. Needham, New Haven, IN; Failure to control; Case dismissed at state's request
Zachary A. Watson, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under suspension - non fra; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/17/21; Must repay court app. Counsel fees; Must show proof of insurance by 11/13/20
Charles Seslar, Payne, OH; Driving under suspension - non fra; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 11/19/21
Janet M. Wittwer, Scott, OH; Confine of dog; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs to defendant
Larry D. Flake, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Defendant paid in full
Darrell C. Mawk, Paulding, OH; Unlawful sex with minor; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over
Keesha S. Whittaker,

Philadelphia, PA; Driving under suspension - non fra; Case dismissed at state's request
Joshua A. Flores, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Mandy L. Gunn, Bardstow, KY; Loud exhaust; Case dismissed at state's request
Timothy H. Fuller, Malinta, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Clay Boundy, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Jason Esquivel, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 1/29/21
Andrew M. Taylor, Payne, OH; Possession of drug; Preliminary hearing waived; Case shall be bound over
Thomas R. Mosley, Cecil, OH; Assault; Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Maintain general good behavior
Diana Tijerina, San Juan, TX; Drug paraphernalia; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency
Diana Tijerina, San Juan, TX; 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 the arresting agency
Dayne P. Zielinski, Lebanon, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant paid in full
Michael J. Buchman, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Diana Tijerina, Edinburg, TX; OVI/under influence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/17/21 beginning 12/18/20 @\$25.00 monthly; Must show proof of insurance by 11/20/20
Marla Conrad, Nogales, AZ; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Ryan F. Scott, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Iziah T. Greathouse, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Fernando Gonzales III, Antwerp, OH; Failure to reinstate; Case dismissed at state's request
Fernando Gonzales III, Antwerp, OH; Registration violation; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 1/29/21
Michael Burkhart, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Joshua T. Rodriguez, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
David W. Spears, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by

defendant
Jacob T. Ries, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
John F. Miller, Defiance, OH; OVI/breath (low); Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant may be released today; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; Must be completed by 6/25/21; Pay or collection 6/25/21; Standard terms of probation
John F. Miller, Defiance, OH; OVI/under influence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Count B merged with Count A
John F. Miller, Defiance, OH; Left of center; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 6/25/21
Keayra Quicksey, Oak Grove, KY; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Keayra Quicksey, Oak Grove, KY; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Taylor C. Meredith, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Mariano A. Felipe Ramirez, Grover Hill, OH; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Melissa P. Griffith, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Douglas Gross, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
James L. Craft, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Lira Jimenez, Detroit, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Daniel L. Baker, West Carrollt, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Martin A. Beck, Paulding, OH; Traffic Device/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Nicole V. Shugars, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
David E. Font, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/ drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

AUGLAIZE TWP
 11/18/20 Webken Neil R & Webken Jamie M to Rambo Sarah A; Rd 171; 0.131 acres; Lot 4 Pt Long River Subdiv Auglaize Twp S-30
 11/18/20 Webken Neil R & Webken Jamie M to Rambo Sarah A; 14500 Rd 171 Defiance Oh 43512; 0.429 acres; Lot 5 Long River Subdiv Auglaize Twp S-30
BROWN TWP
 11/18/20 Tom Robert L Trustee Tom J Lynette Trustee to Hammersmith Isaiah M; 800 Park St; 0.1722 acres; Lot 5 Fife Add Melrose Vill
 11/18/20 Tom Robert L Trustee Tom J Lynette Trustee to Hammersmith Isaiah M; Park St; 0.1722 acres; Lot 6 Fife Add Melrose Vill

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

In compliance with section 5715.17 of the Revised Code of Ohio, notice is hereby given that the real estate valuations and assessments in Paulding County for the current year have been revised and the valuations completed and are open for public inspection in the Paulding County Auditor's Office located at 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH.
 Paulding County Board of Revision complaints must be filed in the office of the Paulding County Auditor, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879 beginning January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.
 Claudia J. Fickel, Paulding County Auditor

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26
THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY: THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff, vs. MELISSA ESCALERA, ET AL., Defendants,
 Case No. Cl 20 012.
 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 10th day of December, 2020 at 10:15 a.m., the real estate located at:
333 West Wayne Street, Paulding
Parcel Number: 30-14S-045-00
 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 Thirty Thousand and No/100 (\$30,000.00) 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 10:15 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
 James L. Sassano, Attorney for Plaintiff

GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH



Grover Hill Elementary October Student of the Month are the following: (seated, l-r) Ryan Hicks, Sloane Sinn, Shannel Wright, Makenna Miller, Chandler Sinn, Austin Stoller and Shawna Stoller; (standing, l-r) Kenzie Manz, Kolson Stoller, Corbin Stoller, Kinlee Miller, Braylen Ross, Ashlyn Manz, Stefany Lopez and Kevin Martz.

11/18/20 Tom Robert L Trustee Tom J Lynette Trustee to Hammersmith Isaiah M; 800 Park St; 0.1768 acres; Lot 7 Fife Add Melrose Vill

CARRYALL TWP

11/16/20 Mabee Michael D Miller Clinton L to Miller Clinton L; Rd 220; 80.715 acres; N1/2 Ne1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 15

EMERALD TWP

11/16/20 Rohrs Dollene A Le to Otto Delia L; 204 Oak St; 0.282 acres; Lot 47 W26'&Lot48lessw2' School-hill Add Antwerp Vi

EMERALD TWP

11/16/20 Aldred Betsy Trustee to Schlatter Margery A Etal; Rd 139; 80 acres; W1/2 Nw1/4 Emerald Twp S-26

EMERALD TWP

11/16/20 Aldred Betsy Trustee to Schlatter Dennis G Schlatter Laurie L; Rd 139; 20 acres; E1/2Se1/4Ne1/4 Emerald Twp S-27

PAULDING TWP

11/16/20 Schlatter Margery A to Schlatter Gretl J; Rd 98; 40.402 acres; Pt Nw1/4 S-27Paulding Twp

PAULDING TWP

11/16/20 Felger Diane K

to Gill Nicole M; 306 S Williams St; 0.0758 acres; Lot 2 S 50 Ft E 1/2 Straw Add Paulding Vill

WASHINGTON TWP

11/16/20 Steiningner Enterprises LLC to Gardner Melissa R; 19979 Rd 72 Paulding Oh 45879; 5.052 acres; Pt S1/2 Se1/4 Se1/4 Washington Twp Sec 6 Paulding Dist

NEW OHIO WILDLIFE OFFICER ASSIGNED TO HURON COUNTY



Ohio Wildlife Officer Matthew D. Smith has been assigned to Huron County, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. A 2020 graduate of the Wildlife Officer Academy, Officer Smith has served at-large in southwest Ohio

since August 2020.

Officer Smith graduated from Slippery Rock University in 2017, studying safety management, and from Butler Community College (Pa.) in 2015 after studying criminology. During his downtime, Officer Smith enjoys hunting, fishing, shooting, and camping.

As a wildlife officer, Smith has statewide authority to enforce wildlife regulations and protect state lands, waterways, and property. He also contributes to public safety both locally and in Ohio's vast outdoors. Each year, Ohio's wildlife officers speak to clubs and groups about conservation and wildlife programs, perform fish and wildlife surveys, and provide technical advice and instruction about hunting, fishing, and other outdoor-related recreation.

To reach Officer Smith, call the Wildlife District Two Headquarters in Findlay at 419-424-5000. To report serious activity involving wildlife, call 800-POACHER (762-2437). Reports can remain anonymous.

The mission of the Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

NORTHWEST OHIO HUNTERS ASKED TO SUBMIT DEER SAMPLES FOR TESTING

FINDLAY, Ohio - The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife is encouraging white-tailed deer hunters in Lucas, Fulton, and Williams counties in northwest Ohio to submit samples of harvested deer to be tested for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD).

CWD is a fatal neurological disease that affects deer populations. While CWD has not been detected in Ohio's wild deer herd, the Division of Wildlife is enhancing surveillance efforts in specific counties after the disease was detected in southern Michigan. Participation is voluntary and free of charge.

Hunters who participate in the program are asked to

remove the head from a harvested deer and drop it off at any one of 12 collection stations. Collection station kiosks are available now until Sunday, Jan. 10, 2021. A kiosk at each location provides instructions on how to properly submit the deer head for testing. Hunters will be provided a unique specimen number which can be used to check results in approximately eight weeks. Results can be found under the District Two Enhanced Surveillance Results tab on the Chronic Wasting Disease page at wildohio.gov.

Only adult deer harvested from Lucas, Fulton, and Williams counties will be accepted at these collection stations. If a deer is being sent to a taxidermist, it should not be submitted for testing. To submit a deer, remove the head approximately 4 inches below the bottom jawbone.

Hunters outside of Lucas, Fulton, and Williams counties may submit a deer for testing at the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory for a fee. Please call 614-728-6220 for more information.

The collection station locations are:

- Lucas County
Cleland's: 10306 Airport Highway, Swanton, OH 43558
Spencer Township Fire Department: 9445 Frankfort Road, Holland, OH 43528
Mallard Club Marsh Wildlife Area: 8349 Cedar Point Road, Oregon, OH 43616

Magee Marsh Wildlife Area Check Station, Ottawa County: 13299 West State Route 2, Oak Harbor, OH 43449

This location is not a kiosk, but all supplies and instructions will be located at the self-serve controlled waterfowl hunt station.

- Fulton County
Pettisville Community Park: 18405 County Road D-E, Pettisville, OH 43553
ODNR Rest Area: 10601 U.S. 20, Lyons, OH 43533
Maumee State Forest Headquarters: 3380 County Road D, Swanton, OH 43558

Franklin Township Garage: 10392 State Route 66, Archbold, OH 43502
Williams County
Lake LaSuAn Wildlife Area Headquarters: 9455 County Road R, Pioneer, OH 43554

Williams County Fairgrounds: 619 E. Main Street, Montpelier, OH 43543
Florence Township Building: 362 S. Michigan Street, Edon, OH 43518

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There is no strong evidence that CWD is transmissible to humans. A deer infected with CWD typically does not immediately show signs of the disease, therefore hunters are encouraged to wear rubber gloves when field dressing and processing the carcass. Avoid consuming high-risk tissues such as the brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils, and lymph nodes.

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THE WEST BEND NEWS Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

have questions, please contact the Ohio Division of Wildlife District Two office at 419-424-5000.

The mission of the Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

IMAGINATION STATION'S RESPONSE TO INCREASE IN COVID-19 CASES

TOLEDO, Ohio - - Imagination Station will delay the reopening of the science center to the public.

This decision has been made after careful consideration of the COVID-19 situation currently in Lucas County and the State of Ohio. We take the health and safety of our members, team and visitors very seriously and believe at this time it is best to delay our opening.

The science center will

continue to monitor the situation and make decisions as needed regarding the reopening of Imagination Station based on our community. Imagination Station will continue to offer a wide range of virtual programs, special videos and experiences on our social media. We are committed to delivering science experiences to the community and will do this virtually at this time.

Please visit imaginationstationtoledo.org/covid-19 to stay up-to-date on this developing situation and for programming opportunities.

Imagination Station provides a critical layer of science enrichment by serving as an educational partner for teachers, schools and parents. It's with a thoughtful blend of exhibits, experiences, education and excitement that Imagination Station inspires visitors to pursue STEM careers in Northwest Ohio.

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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.

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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 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.

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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. and 120 S. Walnut St. 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 Snow Removal" 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 419-399-8215.

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ROBOTICS COMPETITION RESULTS



Congratulations to the 2020 Wayne Trace Robotics team who received second place overall in the BGSU Falcon BEST Robotics competition this past weekend! The team received first place in the Minecraft Challenge and

Engineering Notebook and second place in their Marketing presentation which described the function of their fictional nanobot and full-scale robot, Despolepius, whose primary function was designed to treat COVID-19.

Team members include: Rylee Johnson, Eli Stuart, Kailyn Dienstberger, Meara Rager, Della Stokes, Kyle Klinker, Therin Coyne, Zach Wobler, Eli Spinner, and Xander Kohart.

SIX PROVIDERS JOIN LUTHERAN HEALTH PHYSICIANS

Lutheran Health Physicians recently welcomed six new providers, who specialize in the areas of neurointerventional surgery, cardiovascular and thoracic surgery and family medicine.

her master's degree in nursing from Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion. She is a member of the Coalition of Advanced Practice Nurses of Northeast Indiana, the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing.

Program at Ball State University in Muncie. She is a member of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society and the Coalition of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses of Indiana.



Caitlin Adams, NP

Caitlin Adams, NP, Family Medicine, 7938 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46804

Caitlin Adams, NP, is a primary care nurse practitioner who provides preventive and chronic care for men, women and children of all ages. She also treats patients with various acute illnesses. Adams earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Huntington University and



Michelle Garl, FNP-C

Michelle Garl, FNP-C, Family Medicine, 107 W. Pickwick Dr., Suite A, Syracuse, IN 46567

Michelle Garl, FNP-C, is a certified family nurse practitioner providing preventive care services and treating patients with various chronic and acute illnesses at LHP's Syracuse Walk-in Clinic. Garl earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from IUPUI and a master's degree through the Family Nurse Practitioner



Jordan Goodwin, PA-C

Jordan Goodwin, PA-C, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 102, Fort Wayne, IN 46804

Jordan Goodwin, PA-C, is a certified physician assistant with LHP's cardiovascular and thoracic surgery team who primarily assists physicians performing surgeries related to the heart, lungs and major blood vessels. Goodwin graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in cellular biology from Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina. He completed his master's degree in physician assistant studies from Bethel University in Tennessee, where he focused on interventional cardiology, inpatient cardiology and cardiothoracic surgery. Goodwin is a member of the Association of Physician Assistants in Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery and the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

Christopher Gullett, MD, Cardiovascular and Thoracic Surgery, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 102, Fort Wayne, IN 46804

Christopher Gullett, MD, is a board-certified cardiothoracic surgeon caring for patients requiring advanced cardiovascular and thoracic procedures. Dr. Gullett earned his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston.



Christopher Gullett, MD

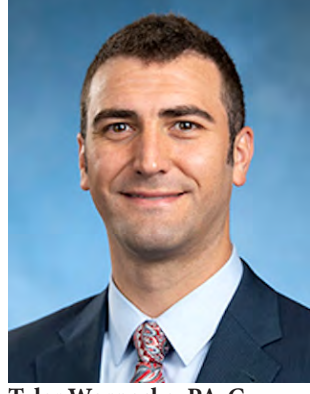
He completed a general surgery residency at the University of Texas Health Center in Houston. While at the Texas Heart Institute at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital, Dr. Gullett completed a cardiothoracic surgery fellowship, including an extra year focused on heart failure, cardiac transplant and mechanical assist devices. His training in Texas also included six months of surgical oncology training at MD Anderson Cancer Center. Dr. Gullett is a member of the Cooley Hands Society, Cardiothoracic Surgery Network, Society of Thoracic Surgeons and Heart Failure Society of America.



Shelly Prichard, FNP

Shelly Prichard, FNP, Family Medicine, 605 N. Walnut St., North Manchester, IN 46962

Located in North Manchester, Shelly Prichard, FNP, is a primary care provider who cares for men, women and children of all ages. She provides preventive and chronic care, and also treats various acute illnesses. Prichard earned her bachelor's degree in nursing from Ball State University, her master's degree in nursing education from the University of Phoenix and her family nurse practitioner certificate from Graceland University.



Tyler Warnecke, PA-C

Tyler Warnecke, PA-C, Neurointerventional Surgery, 7910 W. Jefferson Blvd., Suite 120, Fort Wayne, IN 46804

As a member of LHP's neurointerventional surgery

team, Tyler Warnecke, PA-C, a certified physician assistant, assists surgeons with procedures related to brain aneurysms, head and neck bleeding, carotid stenosis or stroke. Warnecke earned his bachelor's degree in nuclear medicine technology with a minor in biology from the University of Findlay in Ohio. He later completed a master's degree in physician assistant studies from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine. Warnecke is a fellow member of the American Academy of Physician Assistants.

About Lutheran Health Network

The foundation of Lutheran Health Network is built on an experienced team of more than 6,600 employees working together with the more than 800 physicians on the medical staffs. The network's more than 100 access points in northeastern Indiana include acute care hospitals, specialty hospitals, physician offices, urgent care clinics, and outpatient centers.

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Since 2018, the Van Wert County Foundation has taken action by facilitating donations and matching up to \$10,000 per Charitable Organization Endowment Fund that is taking part in #GivingTuesday. The effort has been a massive Van

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PLC Health Clinic Endowment Fund

Van Wert Civic Theatre Endowment Fund

Van Wert County Council on Aging Endowment Fund

Van Wert County Fairgrounds Endowment Fund

Van Wert County Historical Society Endowment Fund

Wassenberg Art Association Fund

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#GivingTuesday donations can be made online at vanwertcountyfoundation.org/give, or by check or cash delivered to The Van Wert County Foundation office located at 138 E. Main St., Van Wert, OH 45891 on Tuesday, December 1, 2020.

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CITY OF WOODBURN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 9/21/20

The meeting of the City of Woodburn Council began at 7:00 p.m. on September 21, 2020 with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Councilman Voirol, who led the meeting, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins as well as Councilmen Martin, Gerig, and Watts. Mayor Kelsey, Superintendent Walls, Chief Parker, and Councilman Thompson were not present. Kaleb with Reliance was also present.

Councilman Voirol opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. for input from the community. After a brief discussion, and given that there was no public present to provide input, Councilman Watts moved to close the public hearing, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The public hearing was closed at 7:05pm.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report:

The meeting minutes were presented from the September 8th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the meeting on September 8th as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor.

Councilmen's Report:

Councilman Watts presented two requests for Council's consideration regarding billing adjustments. A resident has been substantially watering the lawn, even after the last bill cycle in which the summer sewer discount was not applied. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to adjust the sewer portion of the last utility bill to reflect the average use, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Another resident has been substantially watering the lawn, even after the last bill cycle in which the summer sewer discount was not applied. He also is continuing to water the lawn even still and asks for similar consideration for next month.

After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to adjust the sewer portion of the last utility bill, as well as the next bill that has yet to generate, to reflect the average use, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer asked if there were any final changes to consider for the 2021 budget. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to read Ordinance 20-1387 (2021 Budget) in full, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 20-1387 as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to read Ordinance 20-1388 (2021 Elected Salaries) in full, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 20-1388 as corrected, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Councilman Gerig moved to read Ordinance 20-1389 (2021 Appointed Salaries) in full, second by Councilman Watts, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 20-1389 as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The Chair recessed the meeting for 10 minutes at 8:20pm in order to allow consideration of a prepared contract between the City of Wood-

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 9/21/20

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on September 21, 2020 by Mayor Jan Reeb. Council persons present: Rudie Reeb, Kenneth Reinhart, Dean Rister, Mike Rohrs and Keith West.

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Administrator Sara Keeran, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, EMS Coordinator Ashley McDougall and Chief George Clemens. Visitors: Fire Chief Robert Addis and Barry Hook.

Jan Reeb was sworn in as the Village of Antwerp mayor on August 27, 2020. Jan Reeb decided that she wishes to serve the remainder of her unexpired term on council when the mayor's successor is elected and qualified at the next regular municipal election in November 2021.

Election of council president:

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to nominate Rister as council president for the remainder of 2020. No other nominations were made.

There being no other nominations, Nominations were closed.

Motion made by Reinhart, seconded by West, to close nominations for council president. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to elect Rister as coun-

burn and the primary contractor on the lagoon clean closure. After the meeting resumed at 8:30pm, discussion occurred about the document.

It was stated that the City had entered into that certain Agreement Between Owner and Contractor for Construction Contract (Stipulated Price) for, along with the performance of other work, the sludge removal, clean closure, and grading of two (2) existing 7.5-acre facultative lagoons, which Contract is part of a larger agreement entitled "Contract Documents and Specifications for the City of Woodburn, Indiana Lagoon Clean Closure dated June, 2017" (hereinafter referred to as the "Contract Documents"). It was explained that a dispute has arisen between the City and the contractor for said work regarding certain partial performance of the work under the Contract Documents and the total cost of the work would exceed the amount previously authorized by the Common Council under Ordinance 17-1358. It was stated that an agreement had been reached with the contractor and it was necessary to consider and approve an amendment to the Contract and the Contract Documents.

Councilman Watts then introduced a certain "Agreement to Construction Contract" and moved that said agreement be approved by the Council and that it be forwarded to the City's Board of Works and Public Safety for final consideration and approval, subject to the City obtaining funds therefore, without further action by the Common Council, except as deemed necessary to secure additional financing for said work. Said motion was seconded by Councilman Martin, all present in favor.

The Common Council was then informed that it was recommended that the City secure additional funds needed for the completion of the work required under the Contract and the Contract Documents, as amended by the Amendment to Construction Contract proposed, by the issuance by the City of Sewer Works Revenue Bonds. It was stated that a form of bond ordinance amendment had been prepared for consideration by the Common Council for the purpose of increasing the maximum amounts of the project costs and authorized amounts of bonds stated therein to allow additional borrowing by the City to finance the remaining costs of the construction of additions and improvements to the City's sewage works already approved and authorized under Ordinance 17-1358. The presiding officer stated that it would now be in order for the Common Council to consider said ordinance.

Councilman Watts moved to read Ordinance 20-1390 (An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 17-1358) which amends a previous bond issue ordinance, by title only, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Gerig moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 20-1390 as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved that the final reading of Ordinance 20-1390 be read at the October 5th, 2020 meeting of the Woodburn Common Council, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor.

Audience:
Kaleb went over details regarding new emails for Council members and how to access the online portal at their leisure.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm.

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

cil president for the remainder of 2020. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Minutes from the regular council meeting held August 17, 2020, were reviewed.

Motion made by West, seconded by Rohrs, to accept the minutes from the August 17, 2020, regular council meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The August disbursements were reviewed. Discussion on expenses.

Motion made by Reinhart, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to approve the August reconciliation report. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Visitors

Fire Chief Robert Addis was in attendance to update council on the successful AFG Grant award to the Antwerp Fire Department in the amount of \$96,261.90 with \$5,775.71 going to Ohio First Responder Grants, LLC for the writing of that grant. The monies received from this grant will be used to purchase self-contained breathing apparatus units. There were two other grants applied for (mini pumper and fire hose) that were not successful. Chief Addis is working on scheduling training to meet the requirements for the successful grant.

Barry Hook was present to observe.

Police Report

Police Chief Clemens provided a written report showing 82 calls for service for the month of August with 35 offenses.

Clemens informed council about

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the speed trailer to collect data on how many cars drive down Canal and Harman and the speeds being traveled. The data showed that just over 21,000 vehicles traveled Canal in just 9 days and that over 12,000 were violating the speed limit in that time period.

Clemens asked council to look into the possibility of doing inspections of rental properties when first purchased, when tenants first move in, and when they vacate and prior to a new tenant moving in. The inspection would be to ensure compliance with the requirements of the village's minimum building standards ordinance. Solicitor Farr will research and report to the public safety committee.

EMS Report
EMS Clerk Ashley McDougall provided a written report showing collections of \$6,089.38 for July and \$2,866.55 for August with a year to date total collected of \$28,435.01. There were 28 EMS runs for July and 28 EMS runs for August with a total of 192 EMS runs year to date for 2020.

McDougall checked status of EMS AFG Grant application and does not believe it is likely the ems will receive any grant funds.

Fiscal Officer's Report
Second reading of ordinance no. 2020-09: 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

Emergency reading of ordinance no. 2020-10: an ordinance authorizing the mayor of the Village of Antwerp to enter into an Ohio Electricity Supply Agreement with Constellation Newenergy, Inc. for a term of twenty-four (24) months commencing on may 20, 2021; and declaring the same an emergency

Discussion on electricity supply agreement and proposed rate.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rister, to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2020-10. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to accept ordinance no. 2020-10. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Emergency reading of ordinance no. 2020-11: an ordinance accepting the final plat of the Maumee Landing subdivision - phase 8 (lot 31) to the addition to the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio, pursuant to ordinance no. 94-17, and declaring the same an emergency

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reinhart, to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2020-11. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by West, seconded by

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Reinhart, to accept ordinance no. 2020-11. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Rohrs requested information on total outstanding loan balances for waterworks improvements at August meeting which was provided at September meeting to all council members. Only two of the current loans have interest accruing, the rest are at 0% interest.

RITA tax collection for the month of August was \$22,658.66.

Police department contract with MT Business for copy machine expired. Current Office Solutions is supplying the new machine which will save the department approximately \$1,700.00 annually. Rohrs thanked police department and fiscal officer for looking into ways of saving money.

Discussion on paying off fire truck loan early. Will discuss again in early 2021.

Administrator's Report
Mighty Cube Storage Container public hearing scheduled for September 25, 2020:

The public hearing to receive comments on the proposed zoning amendment of section 905 regarding portable storage containers will be held at noon at the depot on September 25, 2020. The resolution on this amendment to the zoning ordinance will be presented at the October 19th council meeting.

Distracted driving guidelines proposed for personnel handbook:

On August 27, 2020, personnel committee met to review distracted driving laws after the topic was brought up during August's council meeting. It was reported that a village employee was reported to have been using their cell phone while operating a village vehicle. Solicitor Farr shared Ohio revised code section 4511.204 with the committee members that prohibits text-based communications while driving with several exceptions listed. A proposal to amend the personnel manual to prohibit text-based communications while operating a village vehicle or a personal vehicle while on duty to address this issue was provided to council members, and it was recommended that the prohibition to text and drive while on duty with these exceptions be included in the personnel handbook and any infractions would be handled by the current disciplinary policy and procedures in the handbook. Discussion on issue and council advised to have ordinance ready for first reading at October meeting.

Sale of surplus village property by internet auction proposed:

On August 27, 2020, the finance committee reviewed the lack of a policy in disposing of village property that has become obsolete, unfit or not need-

ed that is valued under \$1,000.00. The village currently follows the current Ohio law in disposing of property over that amount by competitive sealed bid. Due to a conflict in a recent disposition where two employees were interested in the same item, it was felt a process needed to be developed for a fair disposition of any village property, no matter the value of such property.

The committee recommends that surplus village property be disposed of by internet auction as outlined in Ohio revised code section 721.15(D). A copy of that ORC section was provided to council members. An outline of the proposed process is as follows:

A. All property for sale is subject to Antwerp online sales terms and conditions.

B. All property is offered for sale "as is, where is, and without warranty".

C. All property is available to the public on the village's website for a minimum of 10 business days for bidding.

D. The surplus property may be viewed on the website or in person by contacting the village administrator during regular business hours.

E. Any village property offered for sale and not sold within 10 days after being posted may be withdrawn from internet sale at any time.

F. Sealed bids for such property shall be delivered to the office of the fiscal officer, 118 N. Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio during normal business hours.

G. The fiscal officer shall open the bids at noon the next business day following the close of the internet auction and notify the successful bidder of being awarded the bid.

H. The village property shall not be transferred to a successful bidder until such time as guaranteed payment has been received in full by either money order or cash and the successful bidder shall have seven (7) days from being notified to make arrangements to pick-up the property.

I. Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to withdraw from sale any items listed on the village's website.

Annual publication of a resolution to dispose of such property by internet auction is required and outlined in the ORC section provided. Discussion on issue and council advised to have resolution ready for first reading at October meeting.

Maumee Landing phase 8, lot 31 to be platted/ordinance presented:

Oley McMichael presented to the village the survey and plat for lot 31 at Maumee Landing which represented phase 8 of the development and sale of lots in this subdivision. The planning commission was advised of this request and gave their approval. This lot has sold and the village needs to approve the plat so the sale and subsequent new home can be built on this lot.

Sink hole repaired in front of post office by Lingvai Excavating:

The sink hole that developed in front of the post office drive was repaired by Lingvai Excavating on September 14, 2020. More stone was packed under the asphalt and the cut out was repaved.

Black Swamp Community Cruise on Saturday 9/19/2020:

With the cancellation of the Flat Rock Creek Festival, the committee decided to help the food vendors that normally participate in the 3 day event by hosting this community cruise. Food vendors were set up across the county, with several using Riverside Park. A flyer was provided to council prior to the

Sudoku solution from page 7

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

meeting for information and support.

Trick or Treat:
Direction from governor's office received prior to meeting. Discussion on trick or treat. The village will move forward with Trick or Treat on Saturday, October 31, 5:00-6:30 p.m. There will not be a parade or costume judging. Health guidelines will need to be followed and will be published by the village in more detail at a later date on the village's website and Facebook page.

Committee Reports

Included in administrator's report (finance and personnel committees).

New Business

Administrator Keeran informed council that Leo and Jane Stumphy donated a lot located at 612 South Erie Street to the Antwerp CIC.

Discussion on coronavirus relief fund grant. Aimee has been in contact with Ohio OBM to get confirmed answers from them on whether certain items can be purchased. The village has received two checks at this time totaling \$56,724.30, with the possibility of one more check coming to the village. Discussion on potential expenses and the standard for expending these funds.

Mayor's Report

Mayor's court brought in a total of \$3,310.00 in the month of August 2020 with \$2,501.00 going to the village, \$779.00 going to the state, and \$30.00 going to the indigent driver's fund.

Motion made by Rudie Reeb, seconded by Rohrs, to adjourn the meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Like the West Bend News on Facebook and...
receive regular updates as to what is happening throughout the week.

HELP WANTED: NURSES
Antwerp Manor Assisted Living is currently looking to fill:
Nurse 6 days/pay third shift
Nurse Monday-Thursday second shift
If interested please call **419-258-1606**
Applications also available at the front desk.

Help Wanted
Information Systems Administrator
Planning, organizing, maintaining and administering all network and computer systems for the organization. Installing and maintaining all network and computer equipment and software, ensuring security and system performance.
Minimum qualifications: Associate degree in Business/Computer Science or 2-4 year experience in related field
Opening: 1st Shift, after hours as required

Certified Medical Assistant/LPN (Provider Office)
Openings: PRN (As Needed)


Radiology Technologist
Openings: Part Time (0.35)

Environmental Services/Housekeeper
Openings: Part Time (3 days a week) First Shift, and PRN (As Needed)

Registered Nurse
Openings: Med-Surg Department - Part Time (Full Time Benefits - 0.75) (every third weekend) 7A - 7P and 7P - 7A
Emergency Department - Part Time (0.6) - every third weekend - 7P-7A

Respiratory Therapist
Opening: Part Time - 10 hour days, 2nd shift hours

Emergency Department Assistant
Answering incoming telephone calls, assisting with placing outside calls as needed for physician referrals or consults, registration of Emergency Department patients, registration of outpatients (after hours and weekends), assisting with admission of Emergency Department patients to the Medical floor, cashiering duties, and assisting the Emergency Department staff as needed.
Opening: PRN (As Needed)



ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS: ADVANCED CHASSIS



The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Spotlight on Business for November is Advanced Chassis LLC. The owner of this business is Dan and Traci Bowers and it is located at 107 Victory Lane in Antwerp, Ohio.

Ken Bowers (Dan's Dad) started the business in 1988 and moved it to Antwerp in 1997 where it resides today. Dan worked off and on with his dad for several years until BF Goodrich went on strike for six months. When they called him back to work Dan decided the factory life was not for him and followed his dream of building cars full time.

The business is a chassis shop that specializes in "door cars". It turns out there are several types of racecars in drag racing. The long skinny ones are Dragsters, if you sit in the middle of a car it's called an Altered, and if you sit in the left side and you're out in the open it's called a Roadster. While they do build all of these types of cars along with mini rod tractor

pullers, their core business is cars that look like regular cars. They take a fiberglass or carbon fiber body that is just the shell of car and they place it on a jig. Once they get the right distance off the ground they build the rest of the car. You can get almost any kind of shell that you want. They have all kinds of cars in the shop on a regular basis, including: 1963 Avanti, a 2020 Mustang, a 1969 Camaro, 1970 Mustang and others. The prices of some of these things are astronomical if you're not used to engines costing eighty thousand dollars or more! Dan stated the shell of the 2020 mustang was made from carbon fiber and cost almost fourteen thousand dollars and the car would be north of a \$150,000.00 by the time it goes down the track.

When they are not building cars they are building the parts for other people to build their cars from. They build custom rear-end housings for drag cars and truck pullers. They build mini rod

tractor pullers in kit form and send them all over the world. They have tractors competing in England, Australia, Switzerland, The Netherlands, and Germany. They supply other builders with parts along with the general public through the internet. They will also build you custom headers for your specific car or complete turbo systems and all of the plumbing.

It takes a lot of people to do all of this stuff and Dan has a great crew of young people that are super talented in this field. Most have been with him since they came out of high school, and many of them including Dan are Vantage Career Center graduates. Currently, there are nine employees including Dan that work at Advanced Chassis full time. He has found it's better to find them young with skills and teach them exactly how to build cars his way than try to teach an old dog new tricks.

Bowers also says he texts pictures to buyers of their

progress almost daily. He explains that when you're building the dream in someone's head you have to keep constant communication with the dreamer so the build comes out like it looks in his head.

Paulding County residents don't make up much of their customer base but they do a lot of stuff for the "locals". They do a lot of aluminum rim repair, pontoon boat welding, powder coating, and fixing of the building whatever needs done for the village.

Did you know that Dan and Traci have tried to bring the excitement of their world to Paulding County by hosting the Horsepower Holiday Weekend every year at the fairgrounds. They bring in tractor pulls, dirt drag racing, tug a trucks, and hundreds of ATV's to come and play for a weekend every year. Dan's proud of the fact that in 33 years they have never had to lay anyone off and have a long list of customers waiting to get their car in the shop to have it transformed into their dream car.

If you want to learn more about their unique business look them up on Facebook, or check out their website at AdvancedChassisllc.net. The best way though is to stop in and check their business out first hand. Dan is always glad to give a little tour to newcomers that want to check it out.

The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is pleased to have Dan, Traci and their crew at Advanced Chassis, partnering with us in the Antwerp Community.

PC CARNEGIE LIBRARY SYSTEM CHANGE HOURS

As of Monday, November 23, 2020, the Paulding County Carnegie Library system adopted new "winter hours". Due to the rise in COVID cases, all branches are currently operating with curbsides service only.

The new hours are as follows: Monday and Thursday, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Along with pick-ups for materials, we are also able to provide copying and faxing services. Please call 419-399-2032 or your local branch with any questions, or to arrange for curbside service.

PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE CLAIMANTS WARNED OF POTENTIAL SCAM

The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) has learned of a potential scam targeting current and past recipients of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance. The notifications appear to be from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, and contain the agency's logo, but they are not legitimate. They instruct those targeted to click on a link to obtain a pandemic stimulus benefit.

ODJFS does not send these types of communications. It also warns all Ohioans to be aware of scams using texting or emails to obtain your personal information. Anyone who receives an email that they suspect may be a phish-

ing attempt should not click on any links. Individuals who have received this notification are encouraged to report it to the Ohio Attorney General's office at 1-800-282-0515 or ohioprotects.org.

JPHS CLOSES MUSEUM TO PUBLIC TOURS

As a precautionary measure, for the health of our volunteers and patrons, the Board of Directors of the John Paulding Historical Society have decided to CLOSE the museum to public tours.

The JPHS museum business office will still be open on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 4 pm for the purchase of car raffle or gun raffle tickets. Car raffle tickets can also be purchased at Kauser Trucking at 850 West Harrison St., Paulding. The JPHS museum is located on Fairgrounds Drive in Paulding. The scheduled date to reopen the museum for public tours is February 2, 2021.

PAULDING EAGLES SERVING THANKSGIVING MEALS

Paulding Eagles 2405 Auxiliary will be offering FREE Thanksgiving dinner to the community on Thanksgiving, 12:00-2:00 p.m.

This will be a drive up service: pull in the alley behind the club, where you will tell us how many dinners you need, then you will be directed to drive to the front through the side alley where your dinners will be brought to out to your car.

Any monetary donations would be appreciated but not required to receive meals.



The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Welcomes you to Small Business Saturday NOVEMBER 28

SCAVENGER HUNT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH

Start at the VFW to pick up your bag and information. Scavengers will need a cell phone to take pictures and a car!

Not a timed event so you can take all morning.

Everyone that completes it correctly goes into a hat. 1st name pulled wins \$25 in Chamber Bucks, 2nd name pulled wins \$50 Chamber Bucks, 3rd name pulled wins \$100 Chamber Bucks!

Do you want to support your local businesses but you don't really want to come out on Small Business Saturday Nov. 28th? You can drive by the VFW and we can bring a shop small bag and a copy of the coupon page to you and you can use the coupons for the entire following week. They will be good until Dec. 5th.

COME AND JOIN US FOR SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY!



Receipt Drawings

Spend at any Antwerp business during the week of Nov. 28 - Dec. 5 & you could win \$100 or \$25 in Chamber bucks!

Spend \$30 or more in Antwerp during these dates for the \$100 drawing & \$5 or more for the \$25 drawing, and bring the receipts to Antwerp Pharmacy before December 5 to be entered in the drawing!

The Antwerp Chamber Members make all of this possible. Our 2020 members include:

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| Antwerp Manor Assisted Living | Advanced Chassis |
| Antwerp Exchange Bank | Friend Flooring |
| Leland Smith Insurance | KB Scoops |
| Kauser Excavating, LLC | Mac Gymnasium |
| Floyd A Ramsier Attorney at Law | Community Memorial Hospital |
| Sarah J Mowery, DDS, Inc | G-mart |
| Kennedy Trenching & Excavating | Village of Antwerp |
| Mercer Landmark | United Way of Paulding County |
| Riverside Tire LLC | Antwerp Rotary Club |
| Ohio Gas Co | wMYw 102.7 |
| West Bend Printing | VFW Post 5087 |
| Ewing Landscape | Antwerp Local School |
| Genesis House | Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church |
| Paulding Putnam | First Baptist Church |
| A Plus Propane LLC | Divine Mercy Catholic Parish |
| The Root Beer Stand | Antwerp United Methodist Church |
| Grant's Catering | Paulding Co. Hospital |
| Paragon Tempered Glass | Riverside Christian Church |
| Oasis Bar and Grill | Antwerp Ball Association |
| Dooley Funeral Home | South Scipio U.B. Church |
| Pam's Prime Cut | Antwerp Community Band |
| Pierce Automotive | Memories by Tawnya |
| Subway of Antwerp | Burdine Designs |
| Petals and Vines | First Presbyterian Church |
| Slattery Oil- Pop N Brew | Carryall Township |
| Leinard Manufactured Homes | Antwerp Conservation Club |
| Shop 302 | Antwerp Branch Library |
| H2O Water Stores | Judy Hook |
| Small Town Bliss | Kimberly Schneider |
| Antwerp Insurance Agency | Farnsworth Silkscreening |
| Antwerp Pit Stop | Jillian Harrmann |
| Northwest Ohio Cheer & Tumble | Jennifer Langham |
| Antwerp Pharmacy/Hardware | Krazy Krafters |
| Strong Tower Fitness | Kelly Stapleton |
| Hormann Heating and Cooling | M. Wagonner |
| Papa Oley's Pizzeria | T & K Langham |
| North Garden Place | J Miesle |
| Pond-A-River | S. Fowler |
| ACDC | |

ANNUAL Tree Lighting CELEBRATION

THE 5TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING WILL TAKE PLACE NOVEMBER 30TH @ 6PM

FACEBOOK LIVE AT TWILIGHT

FACEBOOK.COM/ANTWERPCHAMBEROFCOMMERCE



Santa's Secret Shop

Tues, Dec 1 - Friday, Dec 5; 5-7pm
Dec 5, Sat 9 am - 12pm
at the Antwerp VFW!

ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED FOR A FUN TIME TO SHOP FOR FAMILY WITHOUT GOING TO THE BIG CITY!
ALL GIFTS ONLY \$5 AND INCLUDES WRAPPING!

Mask required. Appointment only for your safety.
Please Call or Text Sue Fowler at 419-258-2410 to set up your appointment.