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ELECTED OFFICES ON THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT INFORMATION

Don't Wait - Nominating Petitions for the elected offices on the November 2, 2021 General Election ballot may be picked up now. The filing deadline for these non-partisan nominating petitions is by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, August 4th (90 days before the general election). This filing deadline is the same filing deadline for local questions and issues. The elected offices on the ballot for the upcoming November General Election are as follows: Antwerp Village Mayor (unexpired term ending 12/31/2023); Cecil Village Mayor; four (4) Village Council members in each Village except Cecil Village; three (3) Village Council members in Cecil Village; one (1) Board of Public Affairs member in Latty Village and Payne Village; Crane Township Fiscal Officer (unexpired term ending 3/31/2024); two (2) Township Trustees in each Township, Antwerp Local School District - three (3) school board members; Defiance City Local School District -

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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY GOLF OUTING

It's time to hit the green for some sunshine, fresh air and to help a great cause.

Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County is having its golf outing on June 5 at Auglaize Golf Club. Registration for the four-person scramble begins at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Habitat for Humanity, which builds safe, affordable housing for low-income families in the county. Habitat dedicated its 10th home in 2020, as well as worked on a critical repair project on another home. Habitat's board currently is looking for a lot in Payne for its next build.

Registration for the golf outing is available for both individuals and teams. Registration includes cart, green fees, breakfast and lunch. Hole sponsorships also are available.

Checks for the outing can be made payable to: Habitat for Humanity of Paulding County, P.O. Box 328, Paulding 45879.

The outing will feature

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PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL PROM COURT 2021



PHS prom court from left to right: Kyle Mobley, Alyvia Bakle, Andrew Adams, Ella Cook, Prince-Logan Tope, Queen- Sadie Estle, King-Dominic Carnahan, Princess-Taelyn Etzler, Hunter Kauser, Adela Foltz, Kyle Kelly, and Megan Dearth.

WELCOME BACK TO HARLAN DAYS



The public is invited to attend the 74th annual Harlan Days Festival this summer in Harlan, Indiana on August 5, 6, and 7. We are planning for a full festival, but we will scale back if necessary. Entry and parking are free, all proceeds go to support the Harlan Community Park. Please mark your calendar and join us at Harlan Days!

Every night in the arena you can watch the action for just \$5 starting at 7:30. Thursday night is Horse Racing, Friday night is Side-by-Side Drag Racing, and

a Monster Truck Show on Saturday night for the main event! Also, on Saturday grab a seat to watch the Grand Parade stroll through town or take to the air for a helicopter ride starting at noon, flying all evening.

Harlan Park will be full of activities all festival long. Sit back, relax, and watch one of our sporting tournaments including softball, basketball, volleyball, kickball, and cornhole. Grab a bite to eat at the festival tent, Lion's donuts and chicken, or from one of the 10+ food

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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.



This week the guest on the PCBW show will be Tiffany Dargenson. Tiffany is the Workforce Supervisor for the Paulding-Defiance County Ohio Means Jobs office. Listen in 102.7 WMYW as we learn about some of the tools that OMJ has for all employees in Paulding County.

PAULDING VILLAGE PARK COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

Volunteers are needed May 15th, from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at Paulding LaFountain Park for a volunteer-based, community park clean-up: weeding/gardening, trash pick up and more!

For questions please contact the village parks and recs facebook page or call 832-290-1678.

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- May 12**
 - Antwerp Conserv Club Social Night 6-8pm
- May 13**
 - Walk-in Johnson & Johnson Vaccine clinic @PCHD Call 419-399-3921
 - Oakwood Library Lunch and Bingo - 11:30a must reserve 419-594-3337
- May 14 & 15**
 - Convoy Community Garage Sales
 - Paulding Community Garage Sales
 - Master Gardener Volunteer Plant Sale 7:30a-5p (Fri) 8-noon (Sat) @ PC Fairgrounds Block Building
 - Oakwood Library Meatball Dinner
- May 14**
 - United Way Purse Bingo 6p at PC OSU Ext.
- May 15**
 - Woodburn Lions Club Donuts 7 am Chop Shop Parking Lot
 - Paulding LaFountain Park Cleanup 10-noon
 - Cecil Com Church - Food Distribution 12-3p
 - Defiance Springfest 8-3p
- May 16**
 - Cecil Com Church - Queen Esther show 6p

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



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OBITUARIES



In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations made to ALS; Masses; or Paulding Co. Jail Ministry.

Friends and relatives may share fond memories at www.denherderfh.com

ECMO TECHNOLOGY SAVES LIFE OF COVID PATIENT

Fort Wayne, Ind. (May 4, 2021) – When Alejandro Zacavelazques experienced shortness of breath and weakness, he sought care at Kosciusko Community Hospital's Emergency Department, where he tested positive for COVID-19.

Zacavelazques' oxygen level was so low that he required a breathing tube and was transferred to Lutheran Hospital's COVID ICU. His lung condition worsened and the breathing tube and ventilator were no longer sufficient to help him. The intensive care physicians called in the Cardiothoracic Surgery team, who placed Zacavelazques on VV ECMO (Veno-Venous Extra Corporeal Membrane Oxygenation), a mechanical assistance device that provides prolonged lung support.

Once Zacavelazques was COVID negative, he was transferred to Lutheran Hospital's Cardiovascular ICU. In this environment, he was able to walk with the VV ECMO machine with the assistance of nurses and physical therapists. After being supported on VV ECMO for two months, Zacavelazques was eventually weaned off the ventilator and transferred to a rehab facility. As time passed, he required less oxygen and showed progress.

"Alejandro sought help immediately and was able to get treatment early," said Hannah Copeland, MD, FACS, FACC, medical director, Heart Transplant at Lutheran Hospital. "VV ECMO is a rescue therapy for lung failure that has helped patients with severe pneumonia, flu, asthma and now COVID. Early diagnosis and treatment is essential to survival."

Due to the lifesaving efforts of the ECMO team, Car-

diothoracic Surgery, ICU doctors, nurses, physical therapists, and many other staff, Zacavelazques' condition was stabilized and organ function maintained.

"VV ECMO is a lifesaving option for severely ill COVID patients and can potentially help many, like Alejandro, survive severe acute respiratory distress illnesses and infections," concludes Copeland.

DANDELIONS BACK IN FULL SWING ON FARMS

As farmers prepare fields for planting, chances are they'll meet up with dandelions.

The weed is making a comeback in Ohio after decades of thinning out.

The resurgence of dandelions in Ohio has been occurring over the last couple of years, said Mark Loux, a weed specialist with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

Dandelions can create deep, strong roots, and they're extremely adaptable to herbicides, making them tough to get rid of.

"It doesn't matter which herbicide you use, you can't just beat it over the head if you let it go for a few years," Loux said.

For a gardener, dandelions and weeds in general are a nuisance. For a farmer, weeds can affect profits, reducing yields by competing with crops for water, nutrients, and sunlight.

The most troublesome weeds for Ohio farmers to control are mare's tail, waterhemp, Palmer amaranth, giant ragweed, and common ragweed. They cost the most to eliminate, and some have changed to withstand weed killers that used to kill them.

"We only have tough weeds left, and they keep adapting," Loux said.

If dandelions are allowed to grow for too long, even effective herbicides will kill only the small plants; the rest survive, Loux said.

Clearing dandelions from a field typically requires applying a weed killer three times during the year—in spring, summer, and fall. The fall treatment is the most important.

With the comeback of the dandelion and other winter annual weeds, applying a weed killer to a field in the fall, before harvest, is a wise move, Loux said. That will prevent farmers from facing fields dense with weeds come spring.

"You'll eventually have weeds in the spring, but they'll be small when you go to plant your crop," Loux said. "The weeds won't get out of control—or at least not nearly as quickly as they might if you hadn't used a weed killer in the fall."

In spring, Midwest farmers typically apply weed killers first during late April or early May. But when extended rain is forecast, it can be better to apply them in early April, Loux said.

That's because the trend toward very wet springs delays any kind of field work. And if farmers wait until late April or the beginning of May, they risk running out of time to apply the herbicides before they plant, Loux said.

After seeds are in the ground, farmers should wait no longer than about four to

six weeks before applying another round of weed killer, he said. Getting the weeds when they're just a few inches tall will keep them from reducing crop yields.

Among the herbicides farmers can use this year are those that contain the chemical dicamba.

Last fall, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reapproved the use of weed killers with dicamba. That was despite lawsuits and complaints nationwide about dicamba drifting from the field where it was applied to areas beyond that, destroying crops along the way.

Dicamba can kill broadleaf weeds, as opposed to grasses, and can harm or kill any crop that's not genetically modified to tolerate it.

The products XtendiMax, Engenia, and Tavium—all weed killers for soybean crop fields—can be applied only before June 30, according to the new rules the EPA passed last fall.

Training is required to use those products. Anyone who uses them should be aware of his or her insurance company's policy if dicamba drifts and does damage, said Peggy Hall, an agricultural and resource law field specialist for Ohio State University Extension, the outreach arm of CFAES.

The risk of damage from drift is high for nearby specialty crops such as organics, produce, orchards, and vineyards, Hall said.

As a result, applicators should create the widest possible buffer between where they spray and the next field or property, she said.

"Farmers who use dicamba must follow the label restrictions precisely," Hall said. "Failing to do so could lead to liability for damages caused."

The 2021 guide for controlling weeds in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois can be purchased here: go.osu.edu/controlyourweeds

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door prizes, 50/50 drawings and prizes for the top three teams. First place is \$100; second, \$75; and third, \$50.

In addition to the prizes, there will be several specials. A mulligans card is available for \$20 per team. The card will allow four mulligans during the event. Skins also are available for \$20 per team. A string game will be available too. Ten inches of string will be available for \$20. This will allow a player to move their pall during the game a maximum of 10 inches.

With everything that happened in 2020, this golf outing is a great opportunity to get outside and enjoy yourself while helping others in the community.

Individuals or teams interested in taking part in the golf outing should send their team name, a contact number, list of players, the name of their team captain and registration fees to Habitat prior to the event. Those interested in hole sponsorships, which will have the business name featured prominently, should send the company's name, address, a contact person and number to Habitat as well.

For more information about the golf outing or Habitat, call Laurie Lucas at 419-393-2317 or 419-789-8902.

See you out on the course.

Scripture of the Week

But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

—Hebrews 11:6

STOUFFER PAINTS SPORTS MURAL IN TRAINING ROOM



Wayne Trace Senior Jacob Stouffer recently completed designing and painting a sports mural in the newly redesigned athletic training room. Over the past school year, the high school has been working to increase the size of the treatment

and therapy room for student athletes in addition to moving its lifting and exercise equipment into more spacious facilities. Jacob is pictured here with the Wayne Trace's Parkview Sports Medicine certified athletic trainer, Whitney Baker.

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two (2) school board members; Ottoville Local School District – three (3) school board members; Paulding Exempted Village School District – two (2) school board members; Wayne Trace Local School District – three (3) school board members; Western Buckeye Educational Service Center: Crestview Local School District (District 2) – one (1) governing board member; and Wayne Trace Local School District (District 4) – one (1) governing board member; Putnam County Educational Service Center – three (3) governing board members.

Contact the office if you have any interest and/or questions running for an elected office.

Please consider filing your nominating petition or questions and issues much earlier than on or near the August 4th filing deadline. Avoid the pressure of last minute. Office hours are: 8:00 am – 12:00 Noon and 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The office will be closed on May 31st for the Memorial Day holiday and July 5th in obser-

vance of Independence Day (July 4th) holiday. The office will also be closed June 7th through June 9th for attendance at the Ohio Secretary of State Conference in Columbus. Please check the office website for the most up to date office hours and closings or call the office at (419)399-8230. Office website is: <https://www.boe.ohio.gov/paulding>.

Please contact our office if you or someone you know would like to work as a precinct election official on Election Day. Office email: paulding@ohiosos.gov. There is lots of information on the office website including information on being a precinct election official.

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trucks. Visit the craft and merchant tent or enjoy the free live music every evening. And don't forget the car show and carnival rides!

If you have never visited Harlan Days, this is your year! We promise you and your family will not regret the trip. We've been practicing this party for 74 years and have got rather good at it! We hope to see you in Harlan this summer, God willing and the creek don't rise.

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The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

The Paulding County Veteran's Service Office is dedicated to aiding Paulding County veterans and their families in time of need.

There are two basic services the agency provides:

- 1 – EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.
- 2 – CLAIMS ASSISTANCE – Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

April 18th thru 24th was National Volunteer Week, which is an annual observance recognizing volunteers providing vital support in their communities. Additionally, the week encourages more people to consider volunteering. National Volunteer Week was established in 1974, by President Richard Nixon, now many countries worldwide have joined in. National Volunteer Week is an opportunity to recognize the impact of volunteer service and the power of volunteers to tackle society's greatest challenges, to build stronger communities and be a force that transforms the world. Each year, we shine a light on the people and causes that inspire us to serve, recognizing and thanking volunteers who lend their time, talent and voice to make a difference in their communities. Today, as people strive to lead lives that reflect their values, the expression of civic life has evolved. We are living in a moment that calls for hope and light and love. Hope for our futures, light to see our way forward, and love for one another. Volunteers provide all three. Service — the act of looking out for one another — is part of who we are as a Nation. Our commitment to service reflects our understanding that we can best meet our challenges when we join together. This week, we recognize the enduring contributions of our Nation's volunteers and encourage more Americans to join their ranks.

The tremendous power of volunteers and volunteerism has been on dramatic display in our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. All across the country, retired doctors and nurses, students and veterans, personnel from across the county, and countless others have given their time and talent to, staff vac-

nation centers, boost testing, tracing, and other life-saving public health measures, and provide food, water, and other necessities to those at heightened risk so they can remain safely at home.

Volunteers of all ages and walks of life have stepped forward in other ways to meet this moment. America has given help and hope by checking on isolated seniors, helping the jobless, and tutoring students to help them stay on track in school. Their compassion reminds us that even in our darkest hours, Americans look out for one another. When more Americans step forward to serve, it renews our sense of community and strengthens our resiliency. Acts of service unite people from different backgrounds and allow us to truly see and hear one another. By helping others, volunteers also help themselves. They learn new skills, expand their professional networks, connect with neighbors, and experience the satisfaction that comes from serving a larger cause. Service can provide a pathway to employment, education, and other career-building opportunities. During National Volunteer Week, we celebrate the millions of Americans who volunteer and encourage more to follow their path. Every American has something to give. No matter your age, background, or where you come from, you can have an impact through service.

The first individual has been a fixture as someone making kids young in age to those adults young at heart, as Dan Howell has played good old St. Nick for years. But there is far more that Dan has done for Paulding County than people realize. Just in the past year as fair board president he has been instrumental in the monthly Food Bank Distribution, with providing the fairgrounds and the facilities for the hundreds of families, obtaining much needed food. Taking the lead on the

restoration of the grandstand, by organizing funding through donations and grants. Dan Howell is someone that reflects volunteerism with our youth especially. His years as a 4-H and FFA parent and advisor exemplifies service to others.

The second individual has worked hard most of his adult life and since he retired a few years ago, Guy Dasher has worked harder than he ever expected, with his involvement as the President of the Fall Flatrock Festival and as a Fair board member. Guy, is one of those individuals that you give him a task, he goes above and beyond to see it through completion. His leadership in the Fall Flatrock Festival has ran into a bump in the road with the Pandemic, but he made lemonade out of lemons, with a food fest at the fairgrounds and with the help of others in four other communities within the county, the weekend of the fall festival. When help was needed with the monthly food bank distribution, whether it was hot and humid or cold and snowing out Guy was there.

These two men are just two of the many people that live in Paulding County and volunteer their time and energy making life better for the young and old alike. We THANK YOU ALL, for your willingness to volunteer yourself and your time.

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER? FOLLOW THESE STEPS

Is homeownership a goal of yours? It does offer some benefits, in addition to meeting your basic need for shelter. The equity you build in your home can be a valuable financial asset, and you may get to deduct your interest payments on your taxes. But if you're a first-time homebuyer, what steps should you take?

First, make sure the time is right for you in terms of your personal and financial situations. For example, are you fairly confident that your employment is stable and that your earnings won't decline? Of course, external events can also play a role in your decision. A recent study by Morning Consult and Edward Jones found that 12% of respondents postponed purchasing a house during the COVID-19 pandemic.

But if you're ready and eager for homeownership, consider the following moves:

- Save for a down payment. The more money you put down for a home, the lower your monthly payments, although there's also a point at which overly large down payments can be financially unwise. However, if you can make a down payment of more than 20% of the purchase price, you can generally avoid having to pay for private mortgage insurance on top of your monthly payments. Also, as a first-time homebuyer, you might qualify for down payment assistance from your local or state housing authority or a nonprofit group.
- Check your credit score. A higher credit score gives you a better chance for a lower interest rate. You can request a credit report from annualcreditreport.com, and you might be able to get a credit score for free from your bank. If you need to improve your score, you may want to delay your home purchase.
- Learn how much you qualify for — and how much

you should spend. Once you think you're ready to begin the home-purchasing process, you may want to contact a few lenders to determine the size of the mortgage for which you qualify. Be aware, though, that just because you can get a mortgage of a certain amount, does not necessarily mean that you should. You don't want to become "house poor" — that is, you don't want to spend so much on your house payments that you are cash strapped and can't afford to save for other goals, such as college for your children or a comfortable retirement. You may want to establish a budget for how much you can readily afford to pay for your mortgage each month — and try sticking to it before you buy the house. If you have extra savings, put it toward your down payment.

- Prepare for unexpected costs. You can plan for your mortgage, utilities, taxes and insurance — but when you own a home, you'll always encounter unexpected costs. You may need to get a new furnace, repair your roof or face any number of other maintenance issues. To help prepare for these costs, try to build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account. Without such a fund, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments or take on added debt to pay for these unanticipated expenses.

Homeownership can be a rewarding experience — and the rewards will be even be greater when you've "done the numbers" and prepared yourself financially.

FIRST CHURCH COLLECTS FOR PLC



Shown pictured are Dru Johnson and Julie Burenga with donated items.

First United Methodist Church, 113 W Central Avenue, Van Wert, OH, recently collected items for Pregnancy Life Center. The month of April was set aside as Baby Shower month.

Items collected were: 5 crib sheets; 13 receiving blankets; 7 baby lotions; 5 baby sunscreen; 4 packages of pull ups; 8 cases of diapers; 17 packages of diapers; 27 packages of baby wipes

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PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
Did Christ die for Satan

also?
No, Christ only died for mankind. Angels were created to be ministering spirits (Hebrews 1:14). They were created without sin, and after their creation they were to exist forever. They will exist either in heaven or the Lake of Fire.

They had a free will like man and made their final decision whether to rebel against God or follow Him.

Lucifer, who was called Satan after his fall, had been blessed of God more than other angels, but he became lifted up with pride and decided he wanted to become God, which was impossible. He fell from heaven (Ezekiel 28:15-17; Luke 10:18). One-third of the angels followed against God (II Peter 2:4; Revelation 12:4), and were destined to spend eternity in everlasting fire (Jude 6; Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10). The other two-thirds of the angels will spend eternity in heaven because they made their final decision to follow God.

Adam started out with a holy nature, but fell by choice into a sinful nature which was then passed down to mankind (Romans 5:12), but God in His love for us gave us a second chance through Christ (Romans 5:15-18).

Don't reject that gift. Receive Christ by faith today if you have not already done so (John 1:12, 3:36). If you need help, contact me at the email address below.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

ABORTED BABIES

By: Doris Applegate
Aborted babies, what a waste

Decisions usually made in a haste
No one to love and bring you joy
Perhaps a girl, perhaps a boy.

No cuddly bundle to hold in your arms
With your protection from all harm
No toddler to sit upon your knee

Holding up fingers, "I am three!"
No innocent child, playful and sweet
Parents returning and running to greet

No picture of paper and crayons (tho' so poor)

To lovingly hang on the fridge's door.

No classroom to visit, no homework to see

Because all you thought of was me, me, me!

No band-aids on scratches, no tears you can wipe

No catching a football, no flying a kite

No chocolate chip cookies made by "my mom"

No high heels and play clothes that I can put on

No pre-teen and teen trying to learn

Many times thinking that you were too stern.

No games and no sports, no child who can say

"My parents are proud to just watch me play!"

No high school diploma, and no senior prom

No going to college, no place to belong.

No plans for a wedding with someone to love

No hope for grandchildren, sent from above

This and much more you surely will miss

You'll find that abortion is taking a risk.

Someday when pain and memories are great

And you finally realize you made a mistake

With tears of confession and prayers for forgiveness

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Eli Treece - Mrs. Bradbury's 6th Grade Class

Eli Treece serves with a heart like Jesus. He always puts forth his best effort on assignments and projects. When the kindergarten students stayed after mass for their first adoration, Eli sat with them to help them follow along and use their rosaries. We often cut and glue notes into our math notebooks and Eli will grab his neighbor's scraps when he is taking his to the recycling bin, saving them a trip.

Eli is not afraid to stand up for what is right and will tell the truth even when it is hard or not the popular thing to

do. Recently during religion class, we were discussing how God gave us the gift of choosing to do right or wrong. Eli has proven that he will choose what is right even when it is difficult. Thank you for leading by example and putting others before yourself. I am very proud of



Abby Kipfer - Ms. Ashworth & Mrs. Overmyer's Kindergarten Class

Abby Kipfer has a heart like Jesus. Abby is smart, patient, honest, and well liked. She always comes to class prepared and with a smile. Abby is the kind of student who tries to be everyone's friend, and she succeeds at doing so. A few months back when our class gained a new student, Abby took it upon herself to introduce herself to our new student, and since then they have become close friends. Abby does what is asked of her without complaining or asking why. She goes the extra mile to always do the right thing. When she brings toys from home to play with at recess, Abby shares with others. She is fun to talk with, and she always has a story to share about her cats. Keep up the good work Abby, and continue to put others first. I am proud of you, Ms. A.



MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry Canal Street Five part 5 of 5

Dorcy Wayne Waters, the son of Ray Garfield and Anna M. (Jailor) Waters, was born, May 28, 1913 in Paulding,



Ohio.

Dorcy's father Ray G. was born July 16, 1882, in West Virginia, and was a farmer by trade. Anna M. Sailor was born, in Ohio in 1889. Roy G. Waters and Anna M. Sailor were married March 6, 1910. They moved to Carryall Township and on December 10, 1910, a daughter Zeletta

Betty was born, with Dorcy to follow in 1913. A brother, Ray Glenn, was born in 1917.

Terrible news in the Waters' household, as Dorcy's father, Ray, dies suddenly July 16, 1918. Anna's mother, Fannie Jailor moved into the Waters' household. By 1920, the family moved to 301 East Canal Street. Anna's mother, Fannie, passed away in Paulding, September 24, 1920.

By 1930, Dorcy was a salesman working in a grocery store. By 1940, Dorcy was the only child at home, single, and working as a gas station attendant for Mutual Oil.

On July 1, 1941, Dorcy registered for the draft. Light complexion, gray eyes, brown hair, 5'-11", 165 Pounds. He enlisted in the service, September 1, 1942, in Toledo, Ohio. He was serving with the 413th Bomber Squadron, 96th Bomber Group, as a Top Turret Gunner, part of the B-17 Flying Fortress... this plane had eight confirmed kills.

On May 12, 1944, while flying a bombing mission over Brux, Czechoslovakia, enemy fire took out engines number 3 and 4, the bomber went down between Kamberg and Taunus near Frankfort, Germany. He had temporary burial in Kamberg Cemetery, identification was confirmed by dog tags collected at burial site.

Dorcy received an Air Medal with two oakleaf clusters and the Purple Heart. Final date of confirmed death established by military is May 13, 1945. His body was returned home and he is buried in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, Ohio.

Dorcy's brother Ray Glenn passed away, October 18, 1950. Dorcy's sister Zeletta Betty Gertrude married a fellow named Parsons and moved to Michigan. She passed away May 31, 1976. Dorcy's mother, Anna, passed away October 18, 1974. She is with her husband at Maumee Cemetery. Antwerp, Ohio.

Until Next Time!

FIVE RUN INNING LIFTS ACES PAST PAULDING

HICKSVILLE - The Lady Aces put up five runs in the bottom of the second and made them stand up for a 5-3 win over Paulding in non-league high school baseball action Tuesday night.

Paulding scored a pair of runs in the fifth before adding another one in the seventh but the Panthers were unable to get any more in coming up short to the Aces.

Brandon Crowl got the win on the mound for Hicksville, tossing six innings allowing seven hits, three runs (one earned) and one walk with one strikeout. Tatum Sheets recorded the final three outs for the save, giving up one hit and two walks.

Jacob Martinez suffered the loss for the Panthers, surrendering six hits, five runs (two earned) and two walks while fanning three. Martinez also aided the maroon and white at the plate with two singles while Andrew Adams added two singles and scored a run. Ethan Foltz also had a single and a double for Paulding.

Blake McGarvey posted a single and two runs batted in and Hunter Kauser chipped in a single and a run batted in. Reid Johanns and Deyton Price scored a single run each

NJHS OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS



Allison Carnes, Jessica Thornell, and Madisyn Peters all received this year's National Junior Honor Society Outstanding Achievement Award! They will each receive a \$500 deposit into a college savings investment account.

PAULDING FFA CELEBRATES STATE FFA CONVENTION VIRTUALLY!



Pictured here left to right front row Jaylyn McCloud, Ben Weible, Baylee March, Jalyynn Parrett, back row Isaac Smalley, Kyle Harris and Kyle Mobley who received their State FFA Degree.

By: Carter Manz- Paulding FFA Reporter

On April 29th and 30th, the Paulding FFA chapter attended the Ohio FFA convention virtually. Although the convention was not face to face this year, members were able to watch live videos of the convention from the FFA room and have snacks to celebrate the accomplishments of our chapter.

Before the convention began, the members attended a workshop hosted by a National FFA officer, Artha Jonassaint where they participated in team building activities. During the first session the chapter watched Baylee March, Colton Howell, and Hailey Weidenhamer receive gold on their officer books and they will receive a gold pin in the mail for this accomplishment.

Kyle Mobley, Jalyynn Parrett, Ben Weible, Isaac Smal-

ley, Kyle Harris, Baylee March, and Jaylyn McCloud received their state degrees. This is the highest degree a state can bestow upon their members.

The keynote speaker of this session was Artha Jonassaint. Her speech was on keeping your eye on the prize even during challenging times. During the 2nd session the chapter was recognized for their Gold Rating and as a top 10% chapter in Ohio. This was the first time in school history the chapter received a GOLD Rating on the National Chapter Application.

We also received the charitable giving award for our donation to the Paulding County Dog Shelter. We look forward to attending the convention next year and watching our members receive their awards in person. It has been a successful year for our Chapter and we are looking forward to next year!

for Paulding.

Zachery Thatcher, Maverik Keesbury, Nick Congleton, Brody Balsler, Aiden Champion and Brandon Crowl all had singles for the Aces.

David Taylor posted a run

scored and two runs batted in for Hicksville with Champion and Thatcher also driving in runs. Aaron Klima, Balsler, Thatcher, Taylor and Congleton scored the runs for the red and white.

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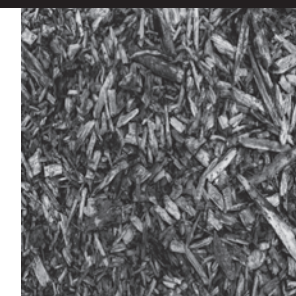
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PAULDING COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE WELCOMES NEW FCS EXTENSION EDUCATOR



PAULDING, OHIO: With the passage of the Paulding County OSU Extension levy in 2020 and funds being released in 2021, the Paulding County Extension Office had the opportunity to expand the Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) program area. Our newest addition to Paulding County Extension, in the role of Family and Consumer Sciences, Extension Educator is Casey Bishop. The FCS Extension Educator will focus on information and resources in the areas of Health People, Healthy Finances, and Healthy Relationships.

Bishop is a graduate of Jacksonville University with a bachelor's in Psychology, and the University of North Florida with a master's in Counseling. Coming from Florida, she brings her experience in a psychiatric setting working with individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues. More recently, she worked at Cypress Creek Juvenile Offender Correctional Center. At CCJOCC, Casey gained her Professional Teaching Certification in Social Studies and Exceptional Student Education and became Lead Educator.

"At Cypress Creek, it was so much more than helping students reach their educational goals. We worked with the young men to set career goals, connect them with community organizations for their release, and so much more. We had to prepare many of them for adulthood and give them the skills they needed to be on their own. Working there for almost 10 years has given me insight into how a person and their community are interconnected, and truly rely on each other for success," said Casey.

During the COVID-19 pandemic had nationwide shutdown, Bishop and her family moved to NW Ohio. In

that time, Bishop was a substitute teacher in NW Ohio.

While it's been over 20 years since Paulding County Extension had an Extension Educator in the role of Family and Consumer Sciences, Bishop's programming will focus on the mission of empowering Ohioans with the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to make healthy choices, thus creating healthy communities of healthy people with healthy finances and healthy relationships. The position, formerly held by Nancy Stehulak, was cut due to funding reductions at the local, state, and federal levels in the early 2000s. Through in-person classes, virtual meetings, and Ohio State University Extension websites, blogs, and other media, Casey plans to utilize research-based materials and experts to connect Paulding County with education to enrich the community.

"It's been a dream of mine to bring the OSU Extension Office back to full programming capacity since I joined late in 2013. After working at the state Extension Office while in college, I knew our community would benefit by bringing back this program area back. With this position, our office is one step closer to covering all four program areas offered by OSU Extension," shared Noggle.

Ohio State University Extension brings the knowledge of the university directly to you. We fulfill the land-grant mission of The Ohio State University by interpreting knowledge and research developed by Extension and other faculty and staff at the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, Ohio State main campus, and other land-grant universities - so Ohioans can use the scientifically based information to better their lives, businesses, and communities.

The Extension system is the world's largest non-formal educational system. Extension's hallmark is programming delivered by professionals to address the needs of the local community while also addressing state, national, and global issues. Our practical educational programs combine the needs of local citizens and communities with new research and technical information.

No matter which county you visit, you can find people who are helped by the four major OSU Extension program areas: family and consumer sciences, 4-H youth development, community development, and agriculture and natural resources. These program areas - and many other special topics - are continuously being evaluated and updated to meet the changing needs and issues facing each community.

Extension provides practical advice, sensible solutions, and realistic down-to-earth answers for ALL Ohioans.

Bishop is welcomed by Erika Lee (current SNAP-ED, Program Assistant) in the FCS program area. Lee's role will remain with programming in the SNAP-Ed area while Bishop will have the opportunity to expand education further than SNAP participants.

For additional information on the Family and Consumer Science program contact Casey Bishop at bishop.807@osu.edu. You may call her at (419) 399-8225 Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. Individuals can make an appointment to meet Casey at OSU Extension Office, 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding. With the COVID-19 restrictions, the Extension Office has limited staffing, so it is best to make an appointment to meet her.

BIG FOURTH PROPELS ARCHERS TO WIN OVER NC

In a one-run game midway through the fourth, host Antwerp broke the contest open with an eight-run outburst in the home half of the frame and coasted the rest of the way and coasted the rest of the frame and coasted the rest of the way to a 10-1 non-league baseball victory over North Central.

The Eagles struck first, getting a run in the top of the first for a 1-0 advantage.

However, Antwerp answered in its opening at-bat with a Chase Clark home run and a run-scoring double by Parker Moore to put the Archers on top 2-1.

Neither team scored again until the bottom of the fourth when the blue and white broke the game open.

A two-run double by Luke Krouse pushed the Archer lead to 4-1 and a Dylan Hines walk extended the Antwerp margin to 5-1.

After Ethan Lichty walked with the bases loaded to push the advantage to 6-1, Hunter Sproles followed with a grand slam home run that gave Antwerp a 10-1 lead.

Clark, Krouse, Moore and Sproles all finished with two hits for the blue and white while Jason Geyer and Carson Altimus also picked up hits.

Clark and Austin Lichty each scored twice for the Archers with Sproles driving in four runs and Krouse had two runs batted in.

Krouse got the win on the mound for Antwerp, pitching four frames giving up two hits, one earned run and two walks while striking out eight.

WAYNE TRACE PROM 2021



This year the Wayne Trace prom of 2021 did not have a King, Queen or royalty. Instead the pictures are (top) seniors, and (bottom) Juniors.

Ethan Lichty pitched two innings, surrendering two hits and a walk with two strikeouts. Jason Geyer tossed the seventh for the Archers.

Zach Hayes, Kaiden Russell, Brandon Baker and Sam Wheeler all had hits for North Central.

Keanu Miller suffered the loss for the Eagles, throwing three frames surrendering nine hits, eight earned runs and six walks. Ben Turner pitched the final three innings, scattering one hit, two earned runs and a walk with two strikeouts.

RAIDERS SWEEP QUADRANGULAR TRACK MEET

HAVILAND - Wayne Trace hosted Crestview, Delphos St. John's and Paulding in high school track action on Tuesday with the Raiders coasting to wins in both the boys and girls meets.

Wayne Trace totaled 100-1/2 points to capture the girls portion while Delphos St. John's was second with 65-1/2 and Paulding took third with 41. Crestview finished fourth with 29 points.

The Lady Raiders won 10 of the 17 events on the night, led by Gracie Shepherd who was a double winner in the high jump after a leap of 5-0 before taking first in the 300 hurdles with a time of 52.59.

Hannah Sanderson captured the discus for the Raiders with a toss of 92-5 and Kara Stoller won the shot put following a throw of 29-0. Kiara Bahena took first in the 800 run for the red, white and blue with a time of 2:31.31 and Rachel Stoller crossed the finish line in 27.52 seconds to win the 200 dash.

Abby Moore posted a time of 5:58.39 to take first in the 1600 run and Sydnee Sinn completed the Raider individual winners by capturing the 400 dash in 1:04.77. Wayne Trace's 1600 relay team finished first in 4:25.36 and the 3200-relay squad was first in 10:39.97.

Elly Wrasman was a winner for the Lady Blue Jays, jumping 15-4-1/2 to win the long jump, and Lillyan Vonderwell took the 100 hurdles in 17.50 seconds. Alex Kessen also won the 100 dash with a time of 12.80 seconds for Delphos St. John's while Ava Milligan crossed the line in 13:42.15 to take first in the

3200 run. The Lady Blue Jays also outran the field in the 400 relay, finishing first in 53.01 seconds.

Paulding's Claire Schweller won the pole vault with a leap of 10-0 and the Lady Panther 800 relay team finished first in 1:57.13.

Wayne Trace's boys racked up 122 points to easily outdistance the field with Crestview second at 58 followed by Delphos St. John's (43) and Paulding (19).

The Raider boys also won 10 of the 17 events, with Brayson Parrish posting a pair of victories in 110 hurdles (15.56 seconds) and 300 hurdles (44.84 seconds).

Maddox Treece took first in the 200 dash (23.69) while Owen Manz won the 400 dash (54.32) and Jarrett Hornish captured the pole vault (10-6). Riley Stoller also was an individual winner for the Raiders, posting a toss of 119-2 to win the discus and Trevor Sinn captured the 3200 run (12:08.78).

Wayne Trace also won the

3200 relay (9:29.06), 800 relay (1:40.79) and 1600 relay (4:05.63) races.

Crestview's Isaiah Watts was also a double winner, taking first in the 1600 run (5:08.75) and 800 run (2:17.49). The Knights' Dylan Barricklow posted a throw of 39-4-1/2 to win the shot put.

Brenden Oleson of Delphos St. John's was a multiple winner as well, capturing both the long jump (20-1) and 100 dash (11.41). The Blue Jays were the first team to finish in the 400 relay (47.48) as well.

Paulding's Adrian Manz won the high jump with a leap of 5-8.

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MAY 12- Social Night at the club. Hot sandwiches served and a variety of card games to be played. Open to the public.

MAY 13- Monthly Meeting at 7pm

MAY 15- 22 Pistol Fun Shoot at 1pm. Ages 9 and above and open to the public.

MAY 22- NRL22 Match. Registration opens at 8am. Match begins at 9am. Open to the public.

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SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS SET AT LAKE LA SU AN WILDLIFE AREA

FINDLAY, Ohio - Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife fisheries biologists have set the 2021 special fishing regulations at Lake La Su An Wildlife Area in Williams County.

Lake La Su An Wildlife Area is open to fish from Friday, May 7 to Monday, September 6, 2021. Fishing is permitted on Mondays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from sunrise to sunset through this open season. Lake La Su An Wildlife Area is closed to fishing at all other times. Visitors are reminded that reservations are not needed to fish the lakes on Lake La Su An Wildlife Area, but all vehicles are required to park in a designated parking space.

The sunfish daily limit is 15, with no more than five sunfish 8 inches or larger. Largemouth bass have an 18-inch minimum length limit and five fish daily limit. Channel catfish have a two fish daily limit. Daily limits are posted on site and are in effect area wide. One limit is permitted each day regardless of how many lakes an angler fishes. All other statewide fishing regulations apply to the area's lakes. Anglers are also reminded that no fish may be used as bait on the area.

These regulations are designed by Division of Wildlife fisheries biologists to continue the tradition of quality bluegill fishing on the Lake La Su An Wildlife Area lakes. The Division of Wildlife maintains fish populations at Lake La Su An Wildlife Area

by limiting the number of days the lakes are open to fishing, limiting the number of bluegill taken home each day, and limiting the number of anglers who fish the area at one time.

For more information and a map of fishing access locations, visit the Lake La Su An Wildlife Area page at wildohio.gov. The Division of Wildlife wants to help new and experienced anglers make the most of their outdoor adventures. Visit the Wild Ohio Harvest Community page for information on getting started, fishing tips and tricks, and delicious wild game recipes.

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. The visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov.

FARNHAM RE-ELECTED TO NORTH WESTERN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE BOARD

More than 400 member-owners and guests attended North Western Electric Cooperative's (NWECC) drive-through annual meeting at their Bryan office Saturday morning, April 17. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, everyone had to remain in their vehicles; however, many guests still had fun by bringing their dogs along for the ride!

Trustee election voting was also held online from March 19, 2021, through April 16, 2021 at noon. A total of 359

votes were submitted by member-owners who could not attend the meeting but utilized voting through their secure online SmartHub account.

All member-owners who participated in their annual meeting (either by attending the drive-thru or casting their ballot) were entered to win a grand prize \$500 bill credit or one of eighty-five \$85 bill credits (winners listed at end).



More than 400 people attended North Western Electric Cooperative's 2021 Drive-Through Annual Meeting, held April 17 at their office. Board Chairman Andy Farnham was re-elected to the NWECC board for another term; the co-op's 2020 annual meeting minutes were approved. Vehicles with dogs in the drive-thru voting line were the highlight of NWECC employees' day!

Election results

Each board candidate was permitted to have one member representative observe the ballot collection during the drive-thru and vote counting process.

Current Board Chairman Andy Farnham, representing District 1 (Florence, Northwest, and St. Joseph townships in Williams County) was re-elected to serve another term on the NWECC Board of Trustees. No nominating petitions were received for District 2; therefore, the incumbent, Mitchel Headley, was elected by affirmation and did not appear on the ballot. (District 2 represents Hicksville and Milford townships in Defiance County, as well as Carryall Township in Paulding County.)

The full board can be viewed online at www.nwec.com/board-trustees

The 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes were also accepted by the membership.

Bill credit winners:

Robin L. Kurtz was the \$500 grand prize bill credit winner. Eighty-five \$85 bill credits were also awarded in celebration of the co-op's 85th anniversary. Credits will be applied to bills received in May, due June 10th. Those winners include: Daniel W. Ainsworth, Jr, Kenneth R. Bauer, Martin H. Bechtol, John R. Behringer, Jacob Bernath, Lynette A. Bernath, Steven J. Brannan, Mary J. Brodbeck, Barry J. Brown, Josephine A. Brown, Andraya M. Casper, Dillon R. Cereghin, Steve J. Clemens, Rick A. Cramer, Lee A. Daniels, Michael L. DeGross, Clint J. Doan, Lindsey M. Eckley, Noan L. English, Tony D. Entenman, John C. Evans, Amberleigh D. Faulhaber, Mike E. Fraley, Brian D. Fritch, Mike L. Fritch, Cletus E. Fry, Erin K. Gerschutz, Greg L. Guilford, Steven R. Hale, Gerald W. Hanna, Dennis S. Harr, Jerry L. Heffelfinger, Lucas B. Henricks, Jen-

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WHEAT BETWEEN FEEKES 8 AND 10 AND DISEASE CONCERNS

By: Pierce Paul, Maira Duffeck and Marian Luis

Wheat is now between Feekes 8 (flag leaf emergence) and Feekes 10 (boot) across the state. Feekes 8 marks the beginning of the period during which we recommend that you begin scouting fields to determine which disease is present and at what level. Septoria tritici leaf spot is usually one of the first to show up, and it has already been reported in some fields. So far, it is restricted to the lower leaves and severity is low in most of the affected fields. This disease is favored by cool (50-68F), rainy conditions, and although it usually develops early in the season, it really does not cause yield loss unless it reaches and damages the flag leaf before grain fill is complete.

Like many other foliar diseases, Septoria reduces grain fill and the size of the grain. It usually does not affect the number of spikelets per spike, an important yield component that is defined very early in the development of the plant. A fungicide application at this time will control Septoria and powdery mildew, another disease that usually shows up early under cool conditions, protect the flag leaf and minimize grain yield loss. If the weather conditions continue to be rainy and favorable for foliar disease development, spores will continue to be produced or blown in from other areas, and new infections will occur, particularly if the variety is susceptible.

Results from previous studies have shown that the greatest benefits from foliar fungicide applications were seen when applications were made to a susceptible variety between Feekes 8 and 10. This is largely because most of our major foliar diseases usually develop and reach the flag leaf after Feekes 8-9. However, the residual effects of a Feekes 8-9

fungicide application will not adequately protect the head from late-season diseases such as head scab and Stagonospora glume blotch or the flag leaf from rust and Stagonospora leaf blotch. In addition, some of the fungicides that effectively control foliar diseases are ineffective again or are not recommended for control of, head scab.

There are several very effective fungicides available for use on wheat (see resource chart). Carefully read labels before making an application.

WARRIORS DOUBLE UP PATRIOTS

MONROEVILLE - Woodlan and Heritage squared off in high school softball action Tuesday night with the visiting Warriors doubling up the Patriots for a 10-5 victory in ACAC play.

The Warriors plated three runs in the first before Heritage answered with a single run in the home half of the inning. Each team scored once in the second before Woodlan added another in the third to widen the lead to 5-2.

After the Lady Warriors scored four times in the fifth to extend the margin to 9-2, another single run by Woodlan and three from Heritage in the seventh set the final score at 10-5.

Avah Smith had a triple and a home run for Woodlan, driving in five runs while scoring one. Austin Gaff added a double and a home run to go along with two runs scored and three runs batted in.

Olivia Wilson, Mya Jones, Alivia Ulmer and Samantha Koos also had hits for Woodlan with Jones scoring three times and Wilson twice. Ulmer and Koos also scored for the Lady Warriors.

Kendall Zelt doubled and scored twice for Heritage while Grace Guenther added a single and a double as well as scoring once and driving in one run.

Caylen Schwane added a single and two runs batted in with Ella Bickel singling and scoring once.

Gaff got the win for Woodlan, giving up six hits, five runs, four earned runs and seven walks while striking out 11 Patriot hitters.

Ella Bickel took the loss for Heritage, surrendering eight hits, ten runs, five earned runs and two walks with five strikeouts.

Kauser recorded the complete-game victory for Paulding, giving up four hits and two runs (one earned) with

ARCHERS ROUT PANTHERS

DELTA - Antwerp pounded out 24 hits and the Lady Archers routed host Delta 21-1 in high school softball action in Fulton County Tuesday night.

Astianna Coppes led the way with two singles, two doubles and a home run for Antwerp while Kennedy Trabel and Heaven Bruce added three singles each.

Lauren Schuller added two singles and a double for Antwerp with Samantha Rigsby and Madison Ruen posting a single and a double apiece. Emerson Litzenberg also posted two singles with Molly Reinhart recording a single and a home run. Emma Townley (double) and Jillian Treece (single) completed the list of Archers with hits.

Litzenberg tossed a complete game for the blue and white to get the win, scattering four hits and one walk while striking out three in five innings of work.

Jasey Speiss, Reagan Rouleau, Grace Munger and Abby Ford all had singles for

PANTHERS POST WIN OVER KNIGHTS

CONVOY - Paulding went on the road and picked up a quality 5-2 win at Crestview Thursday night in Northwest Conference baseball action.

After the host Knights took a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the second, the Panthers scored five straight runs to take control.

The maroon and white scored once in the third and again in the fourth before plating two runs in the fifth. Paulding then added another single run in the sixth to grab a 5-1 lead before Crestview answered with one run in the home half of the sixth to make it 5-2.

Blake McGarvey had three singles, scored once and drove in one to lead the Paulding attack. Logan Tope, Jacob Martinez, Sam Woods and Hunter Kauser also had singles for the Panthers.

Kauser, Ethan Foltz, Reid Johanns and Tope scored runs as well for Paulding and Woods picked up a run batted in.

Nick Helt and Hunter Jones each had a double for Crestview with Carter Hunter and Ayden Lichtensteiger adding a single apiece. Helt and Jones also had a run batted in apiece.

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...nine strikeouts. Hunter tossed 4-2/3 innings for Crestview in suffering the loss, allowing six hits, four runs (one earned) and two walks while fanning four. Helt, Nathan Lichtle and Trevor Sheets combined to toss the final 2-1/3 innings for Crestview.

KNIGHTS PULL AWAY FROM PANTHERS

CONVOY - Crestview scored at least two runs in four of the first five innings as the Lady Knights posted a 9-5 win over visiting Paulding in Northwest Conference softball action Thursday evening. The Knights scored two times each in the first, fourth and fifth innings while adding three in the second to open a 9-3 advantage after five frames.

Paulding did score twice in the sixth to pull within 9-5 but that would be as close as the Lady Panthers would get. Kali Small got the win on the mound for Crestview, tossing the seven-inning complete game giving up five hits, five earned runs and six walks while striking out five. Leigha Egnor suffered the loss for Paulding, allowing seven hits, nine runs (five earned) and three walks while fanning seven in six innings of work.

Raeagan Hammons posted a pair of doubles and scored three times for Crestview with Bailey Gregory adding a single and a double to go along with one run scored and one run batted in. Katelyn Castle had a triple and two RBI's for the Knights, who also received singles from Brenna Grace and Mandi Macki.

Paulding was paced by Kaeli Bustos and Maci Kauser,

who totaled two singles and two runs batted in apiece. Leigha Egnor added a double and scored twice for the maroon and white.

LICHTY LEADS ARCHERS OVER TIGERS

Austin Lichty did it all for the Antwerp baseball team Thursday evening, leading the Archers to a 6-1 over Holgate in Green Meadows Conference action.

Lichty picked up the win on the mound, tossing the complete game striking out 14 Holgate hitters while scattering two hits and an unearned run.

At the place, the Archer senior ripped three singles and scored twice to lead the way for an Antwerp squad that totaled ten hits in the contest.

Each team scored in the first before Antwerp took control with a three-run fourth. The Archers then wrapped up the scoring with a two run sixth.

Gavyn Kupfersmith took the loss for Holgate, allowing five hits, four runs (three earned) and two walks with five strikeouts in three innings of work. Joey Kelly pitched the final three frames for the Tigers, surrendering five hits, two unearned runs and a walk while fanning four.

Chase Clark scored three times for Antwerp with Luke Krouse singling and driving in three runs. Carson Altimus also had multiple hits with a pair of singles for the blue and white.

Dylan Hines, Parker Moore, Ethan Lichty and Camden Fuller also had singles for the Archers. Hines and Moore each drove in a run for Antwerp as well.

Kupfersmith and Dylan

Boecker each had singles for Holgate while Micah Bok scored the lone Tiger run. Kupfersmith drove in the lone run as well for the Tigers.

ARCHERS ROLL PAST TIGERS

Antwerp scored nine runs in the first inning and added 11 more in the second en route to a 30-1 win over visiting Holgate in Green Meadows Conference softball action Thursday evening.

After the Tigers plated one run in the top of the first, the rest of the contest belonged to Antwerp. The blue and white also scored three runs in the third and seven in the fourth to wrap up the easy win.

Astianna Coppes had a double and triple while scoring four times and driving in five runs to lead the Lady Archers.

Emerson Litzenberg posted two hits as well for Antwerp and added three runs batted in. Lauren Schuller, Samantha Rigsby, Kennedy Trabel, Molly Reinhart, Kearstyn Pierce, Caydence Shull, Emma Townley and Aerial Snyder also had hits for the blue and white.

Snyder scored five times in the contest for the Lady Archers while Schuller and Rigsby scored four times apiece.

Litzenberg got the win for Antwerp, pitching five innings allowing three hits and an unearned run while striking out nine.

RAIDERS, LANCERS TAKE TITLES

The 24th annual Wayne Trace junior high track invitational was held Thursday night at Wayne Trace High School with the Raider girls and Lancer boys claiming team championships.

The Lady Raiders took the girls title with 114 points, nipping second place Van Wert's 108. Fairview finished third at 86 followed by Tinora (73), Lincolnview (43) and Paulding (31).

Wayne Trace's Lexi Moore captured the high jump (4-6) and Caroline Winans won the pole vault (6-6). The Lady Raiders' Kathleen Stoller also took first in the shot put (31-3-1/2).

Paulding's Ameriona Stiltner posted a toss of 63-0-1/2 to win the discus.

Careen Winans, Lorie Sinn, Bethany Miller and Careen Winans combined to lead the Lady Raiders to first place in the 400 relay (55.96) while Tori Young, Sinn, Stella Laukhuf and Caroline Winans

PAYNE ANNOUNCES ELEMENTARY APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary is pleased to announce our last group of Students of the Month for this school year. Congratulations to these students for their hard work and achievements. Front Row: Campbell Yenser, Aylah Habern, Kierston Ross, Lienna Stoller, Avery Welch, June Wenninger, Collin Helms. Back Row: Emma Whitman, Brooke Wells, Alyssa King, Johnalynn Shellenbarger, Olivia Zartman, Logan Lotz. Absent: Madison Pease

posted an 800 relay title as well (2:04.63).

Also placing for the red, white and blue were Careen Winans (third, 100 and 200 dash), Bethany Miller (fourth, 100 dash and fifth, 200 dash), Mackenzie Silance (fifth, 800 run), Aubree Miller (second, 1600 run), Whitney Boroff (fourth, 100 hurdles), Lexi Moore (second, 200 hurdles), Torree Sinn (third, long jump), Brooklyn Miller (fifth, shot put) and Kathleen Stoller (second, discus).

Torree Sinn, Moore, Addison Stoller and Tori Young combined to finish third in the 1600 relay.

Claire Miller (fifth, 100 hurdles), Hannah Griffiths (fourth, 200 hurdles), Harmony Blake (fifth, long jump) and Stiltner (second, shot put) scored points as well for the maroon and white.

Paulding's 400 relay team of Hope Peters, Makayla Carr, Brooke Kilgore and Hannah Griffiths finished fourth.

On the boys side, Lincolnview totaled 125 points to win the title while Tinora was second at 106 and Wayne Trace placed third with 88. Van Wert (66), Paulding (39) and Fairview (35) completed the field.

Wayne Trace's Cole Morehead also was a multiple winner, placing first in the 200 dash (26.17) and 400 dash (57.43). Gage Ogle posted a jump of 7-6 to win the pole

vault with Luke Stouffer taking first in the discus (110-8-1/2).

The Raider foursome of Prestyn Schnepf, Ogle, Aiden Lee and Jericho Guyton captured the 800 relay (1:53.13).

Morehead (second, 100 dash), Lee (fourth, 100 dash), Ogle (third, 200 dash), Tyler Sanderson (second, pole vault) and Stouffer (second, shot put) were the other individual placers for Wayne Trace.

Other point scorers for the Panthers were Nico Stahl (fifth, 400 dash and fourth, high jump), Austen Kinder (third, 110 hurdles and fifth, 200 hurdles), Jack Schweller (fourth, pole vault) and Jack Woods (third, long jump and shot put).

Paulding's 400 relay quartet of Kinder, Gavin Williams, Stahl and Woods finished fourth while the Raider foursome of Brock Grimes, Sanderson, Stouffer and Guyton placed fifth. Johnny Lipps, Williams, Alan Griffiths and Luke Beckman combined on a fourth-place finish for Paulding in the 800 relay.

VAN WERT SLIPS PAST RAIDERS IN EXTRA INNINGS

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

On the road, the Wayne Trace baseball squad fell to Van Wert 9-8 in eight innings.

It was a game that saw the Raiders jump out to a large lead only to fall behind followed by both teams going back-and-forth in the closing innings.

The Raiders jumped out to a commanding 6-1 lead in the third frame but the Cougars responded with four runs in the bottom of the third to trail 6-5.

Both teams went back-and-forth for the balance of the contest. Van Wert knotted the score at seven apiece in the fifth before the red, white, and blue went back on top 8-7 in the sixth.

"We had a nice lead in the third and we let them (Van Wert) back in it. The momentum shifted back and forth but when they wiped out our lead you could see the momentum shift their direction," said Wayne Trace Head Coach Ryne Jerome.

In the bottom of the seventh and the Raiders clinging to a one-run lead, the Cougars would answer. With one out and no one on base, Van Wert collected back-to-back hits, a single and double, followed by their next two batters securing walks that would score a run for the tie and the bases still loaded.

"With the bases loaded we managed to get out of the inning with a couple of force outs, one at third base and one at home plate. Van Wert could

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2021 TOP STUDENTS RECOGNIZED BY AREA SCHOOLS

ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL



Madison Ruen - *Valedictorian*
GPA: 4.0/4.0
Parents: Mike and Annette Ruen

Hometown: Antwerp
Academic Achievements & Awards: Honor Roll; Student of the Quarter junior and senior year; Academic Excellence for 3.5 GPA or higher; Most Accelerated in Spanish I, English, American history, American government, algebra, pre-calculus, and Student Technology Services; Division IV Volleyball All Academic Team; Green Meadows Conference Scholar Athlete Team; Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association Academic Excellence.

Offices, Extra Curriculars, Clubs, Groups: Student Council President; National Honor Society Co-President; Softball; Quiz Bowl; Volleyball; Football Statistician; Antwerp Local School Student Technology Services.

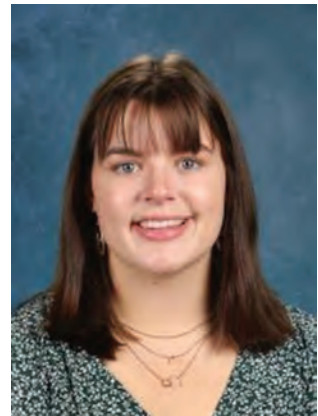
Scholarships: National Junior Honor Society Scholarship; Trine University: Chemical Engineering Chair Tuition, Scholarship Day Award, Out of State Grant and Valedictorian Scholarship;

Megawatt Scholarship.

Participation in: I participated in Divine Mercy's Y-Disciple and various service opportunities provided through the group. I have participated in the yearly student council spring clean up the town service day. I helped with the bottle caps for the Antwerp Buddy Benches.

College of Choice: Trine University in Angola, Indiana

Planned Field of Study: Chemical Engineering



Kathryn Oberlin - *Valedictorian*
GPA: 4.0/4.0

Parents: Gabe and Mary Oberlin and Melanie and Randall VerBerkmoes

Hometown: Antwerp
Academic Achievements & Awards: Top Student in Geometry and Anatomy, Most Improved in Broadcast Journalism, National Honor Society member, Valedictorian

Offices, Extra Curriculars, Clubs, Groups: Student Council Representative, Varsity Cheerleader, Varsity Quiz Bowl, Marching, pep, concert, and jazz band, NHS vice president, 9 years in 4-H as news reporter

Participation in: I attended HOBY in 2019. I was a Rotary Youth Exchange student in Germany 2019-2020.

College of Choice: The Ohio State University - Columbus

Planned Field of Study: City and Regional Planning



Laura Miller - *Salutatorian*
GPA: 3.957/4.0

Parents: Janelle Miller

Hometown: Antwerp, OH
Academic Achievements & Awards: Two-time scholar athlete, Academic "A", honor roll, gold pride card holder, NSCC 2020 dean's list, 2020 Junior Marshall

Offices, Extra Curriculars, Clubs, Groups: Cross Country, basketball, softball, student council, national honor society

Scholarships: Northwest State Community College's Presidential Scholarship

Participation in: Service at Central Ministries

College of Choice: Northwest State Community College in Archbold, OH

Planned Field of Study: Registered Nursing

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Molly Adams - *Valedictorian*
GPA: 4.331

College plans & degree program; why?: I plan to attend the University of Saint Francis in Fort Wayne, Indiana to major in Clinical Laboratory Science and minor in biology and chemistry. I am choosing this pathway because I have always loved science and helping people, and this is a great mixture of the two.

Extracurricular/community activities: During my high school career, I have been involved in student council, national honor society, science olympiad, quiz bowl, engineering team, drama, science fair, color guard, D.A.R.E. camp, working at Rite Aid and Kircher's flowers, Ohio Model United Nations, and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society through my college credit classes.

Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships: This year I have been able to receive the Presidential Scholarship for the University of Saint Francis, the LaFarge/ One Energy Megawatt scholarship, the Gorman family trust scholarship, the Paulding Education Association scholarship, the John Paulding VFW post 587 scholarship, the JP Crain Family Scholarship, and the Ira Hamman scholarship. For this school year, I am Valedictorian of my class, I am graduating with highest honors, I will be graduating with my honors diploma. In addition to this, I have received awards for most of the extracurricular activities I am involved in.

Hobbies/interests outside of school: I like to read, watch Netflix, and hang out with my family and friends.

Most memorable High School experience: My most memorable High School experience would be my Ohio Model United Nations trip to Columbus for my sophomore year. It was really amazing that my group was able to represent Ethiopia and discuss women's rights in other countries.

Parents: Jerry and Joann Adams

Health Science because I love every aspect of science and I want to learn about the medical field.

Extracurricular/community activities: In high school I have participated in the Summer Lunch Program, Student Council, Science Fair, FCCLA, high school softball/volleyball, Drama Club, and National Honor Society. Outside of school, I have participated in travel softball/volleyball, the Angle Tree Project, Ronald McDonald Thanksgiving, Chemo Care Packages, the Children's Lantern Gala, NHS Egg Drop, as well as jobs at the Lela McGuire ballfields and the Charloe Sno-Cone.

Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships: Awards: All-Conference Honorable Mention for softball, Scholar Athlete Award for volleyball and softball, All-County Honorable Mention for volleyball, District 7 Scholar Athlete Award, Underclassman All-Star pick for softball, and State Science Fair Award, OHSAA Scholar Athlete, Highest Honors Diploma, Recognitions: NHS President, Salutatorian, and Stupendum House Leader
Scholarships: Founder's Award from Heidelberg, LaFarge One Megawatt Scholarship, Gorman, JP Crain, and Lela McGuire Jeffery Scholarships

Hobbies/interests outside of school: I love hanging out with my friends, swimming, kayaking, braiding hair, painting nails, and coaching softball.

Most memorable High School experience: My most memorable high school experience is when our volleyball team won the District Semi-Finals and everyone rushed the court.

Parents: Ted and Camie Stallbaum

chose this college because it is relatively close to home and it offers an excellent engineering program. I chose engineering because it incorporates mathematics, science and art, all of which I enjoy tremendously and excel at. It is also an in-demand job with lots of career opportunities.

Extracurricular/community activities: I am part of the Edgerton Wesleyan Youth Group and Blue Ribbon Workers 4-H Club, Through high school I was a part of the Wayne Trace football team, Wayne Trace track team, Wayne Trace musical, part of NHS and the student council

Awards/Recognitions/Scholarships: Scholarships: Purdue Fort Wayne T/F Scholarship, Franklin B. Walter Scholarship, Paulding-Putnam Electric Cooperative Scholarship and Grand Lodge /Masons Scholarship. Awards: Merit Honors (4 years), Math department award, Art department award, Published artist in Celebrating Artwork, Academic letter, 3 year varsity track and football, chosen as an emerging artist by Ohio Art Education Association, GMC All Conference Honorable Mention Offensive Line and Defensive tackle, GMC All Conference Scholar Athlete and Honorable Mention at the Scholastic Art Awards

Hobbies/Interests outside of school: I enjoy weightlifting, outdoors, scary movies, art and football

Most memorable high school experience: Getting the 10pt on Paulding and senior year of football

Parents: Neal nad Kelly Stouffer



Natalie Schultz - *Valedictorian*
GPA: 4.0

College plans & degree program; Why? Ohio State University majoring in Speech Language Pathology. I've always wanted to have a career helping kids hard of hearing and/or speech impediments

Extracurricular/community activities: Volleyball, Cheerleading, Student Council, National Honors Society

Awards/Recognitions/



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Jacob Stouffer - *Valedictorian*
GPA: 4.0

College plans & degree program; Why? I plan to attend Purdue University to major in Civil Engineering. I



Gabrielle Stallbaum - *Salutatorian*
GPA: 4.235

College plans & degree program; why?: Attend Heidelberg University to play softball and major in Health Science with plans of becoming a Physician's Assistant. I am choosing to major in

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Scholarships: Academic letter honor roll, Valedictorian, Community Memorial Hospital Scholarship

Hobbies/Interests outside of school: Playing with my dog, hanging with friends, baking and painting

Most memorable high school experience: Having a tumble-off with Ayersville at our basketball game freshman year

Parents: Jeff and Christa Schultz



Ella Palm - Salutatorian
GPA: 4.329

What university/college are you planning to attend? Ball State University

What type of degree and/or advanced training are you planning to pursue? Bachelor's Degree in Astronomy

Why have you chosen this particular field of study? Astronomy combines my love for space and my natural ability at math/science into something that can allow me to observe the wonders of the universe.

In what extracurricular/participate? Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Musical/Pit Band, Concert Band

What awards, recognitions or scholarships have you received? Presidential Scholarship from Ball State

What are your insights on your high school experience? Forget everyone else - you're what matters. Find friends who enjoy you for you.

What are your hobbies/interests outside of school? Art (painting, drawing), Reading, Skateboarding

Name of parent(s): Jason and Kathy Palm

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have won it with a hit or walk but our pitching came through as did the defense," said Jerome.

In the eighth inning and the score even at 8-8, the Raider bats went flat. Only three batters came to the plate with all three delivering a pop up out. With the Cougars coming to the plate, the home

ANTWERP'S LESLIE POLLOCK BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD AGAIN - MAY 4



Antwerp Junior Leslie Pollock breaks her own record by 2' set two years ago as she throws the discus 129' 8". More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP TRACK RESULTS 5/4/21

The varsity team returned to the track Tuesday night for a quad meet with Continental, Edgerton, and Fort Jennings. The boys' team placed 3rd with 52 points and the girls' team placed 1st with 87.5 points!!

Leading the way for the boys: Kaden Recker 2nd place 100m dash; Kaden Phares 3rd place 400m dash; Hayden Wagner 4th place 200m dash; Caleb Laker 3rd place 3200m run; Gaige McMichael 1st 110 hurdles; 2nd pole vault; Boys 4x100 relay 1st place; Jagger Landers 2nd place shot put; 1st place discus

Congrats to Leslie Pollock

on breaking her own school record in discus with a throw of 129'8. The old record was 127'5

Leading the way for the girls: Kennadi Recker 1st place 100m dash; Layla Copsey 1st place 200m dash; Izzy Meyer 3rd place 100m dash; Aewyn McMichael 2nd place 100 hurdles; 3rd place pole vault; 4x100 relay 1st place; Girls 4x800 1st place; Makenna Smith 3rd place 1600m; Hayleigh Jewell 1st place high jump; Aerial Snyder 2nd place high jump; Kiera Reyes 2nd place pole vault; Mia Altimus 1st place long jump; Leslie Pollock 1st shot and disc; Lyda Brewer 2nd place shot 3rd place discus

team took advantage of their opportunities. Turner Witten singled to centerfield allowing Owen Treece to cross home plate to secure the non-conference win for the 12-3 Cougars.

Ethan Rupert took the win, working 2.2 innings while giving up a run on three hits. For the Raiders, who fall to 8-4, freshman Cale Winans took the set back.

JH RAIDERS SWEEP PANTHERS, KNIGHTS

ROCKFORD - Wayne Trace's junior high track teams picked up a tri-meet win on Monday as the Raiders cruised to wins over Parkway and Crestview in Mercer County.

Wayne Trace's boys squad totaled 61 points to get past Parkway's 49 with Crestview finishing third at 18.

Cole Morehead was a triple winner for the Raiders, capturing the 100 dash (13.34), 400 dash (54.53) and 200 dash (26.34).

Prestyn Schnepf took first in the 1600 run with a time of 5:46.00 while Tyler Sanderson took the pole vault with a jump of 6-6. Luke Stouffer also was a double winner for the red, white and blue, taking the discus with a throw of 85-5 and the shot put with a toss of 37-2.

Wayne Trace boys picking

WARRIORS CRUISE PAST EAGLES



Samantha Koos gets a hit in the third inning, getting on first base, and earning an RBI when Avah Smith scores! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Lady Warriors of Woodlan plated six runs in the bottom of the fifth to wrap up an 11-0 win over visiting Churubusco Friday afternoon outside of Woodburn.

Woodlan scored once in the second and added three more runs in the third to take a 4-0 advantage. After the Lady Warriors added another run in the fourth to extend the lead to 5-0, Woodlan wrapped up the game with a six run fifth to seal the 11-0 victory.

Austin Gaff recorded the win on the mound for the Lady Warriors, pitching the five-inning complete game with eight strikeouts and two walks while scattering three

2:59.00. Tori Young also took first in the 400 dash with a time of 1:12.00 with Serenity Helms winning the 200 dash with a time of 29.51. Lexi Moore leaped 4-4 to win the high jump with Torree Sinn posting a jump of 12-6 to capture the long jump. Brooklyn Miller also won the discus with a toss of 54-9 and Kathleen Stoller had a throw of 28-5-1/2 to take first in the shot put.

Placers for the red, white and blue were Bethany Miller (tied for third, 100 dash and third, 200 dash), Lorie Sinn (tied for third, 100 dash and fourth, 400 dash), Mackenzie Silance (second, 1600 and 800 run), Ava Stoller (third, 400 dash), Lexi Moore (second,

hits. Olivia Wilson belted two singles and a home run while scoring three times and driving in two for the Lady Warriors and Gaff added a double and home run with two runs scored and a run batted in.

Adrienne Spieth, Mya Jones and Avah Smith all had one hit for Woodlan while Samantha Koos and Abigail Cowan added two hits apiece.

Jones, Spieth, Smith, Alivia Ulmer, Koos and Cowan all scored for the Warriors. Spieth and Cowan also drove in two runs apiece with Jones, Smith, Ulmer and Koos posting one run batted in each.

200 hurdles), Abby Elkins (third, 200 hurdles and fourth, long jump), Anna Meraz (third, 800 and 1600 run), Stella Laukhuf (fourth, 200 dash), Riley Hildebrand (second, high jump), Whitney Borroff (third, long jump and third, 100 hurdles), Kathleen Stoller (second, discus), Brooklyn Miller (second, shot put) and Mylie Wittwer (fourth, shot put).

Wayne Trace's 400 relay team of Alexa Cruz, Caroline Winans, Bethany Miller and Tori Young took first in 55.67 seconds while the 800-relay quartet of Delana Noggle, Stella Laukhuf, Morgan Elliott and Anna Meraz won in 2:14.14. The red, white and

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PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 2021 SENIOR AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

Senior Awards were held at Paulding High School on May 4, 2021 Members of the PHS Class of 2021 received approx. 290 in awards and

\$80,190.00 in scholarships.

ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB: Sydney Reineck; COACH STEVE CLARK FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIPS: Brendan Hornish, Hunter Kauser, Deyton Price; DIANNE COOPER BOBCAT SERVICE AWARD: Hailey Hartzell; GORMAN FAMILY TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS: Molly Adams, Daniel Cantu, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Megan Harpel, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Luke McCullough, Gillian Porter, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck, Gabrielle Stallbaum; IRA HAMMAN SCHOLARSHIP: Daniel Cantu; JACOB SCHOLARSHIPS: Megan Harpel, Elyse Manz, Baylee March; JANICE LIPP/JOHN BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Hailey Weidenhamer; JOHN PAULDING VFW SCHOLARSHIPS: Molly Adams, Payton Beckman, Megan Dearth, Isabelle Heitman, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Hailey Weidenhamer; JP CRAIN SCHOLARSHIPS: Molly Adams, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Megan Harpel, Isabelle Heitman, Hunter Kauser, Caleb Manz, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck, Gabrielle Stallbaum; LAFARGE SCHOLARSHIP/ONE EN-

ERGY MEGAWATT: Molly Adams, Gabrielle Stallbaum; LELA MCGUIRE JEFFERY SCHOLARSHIPS: Molly Adams, Daniel Cantu, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Megan Harpel, Elyse Manz, Gillian Porter, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck, Gabrielle Stallbaum; MELROSE BOOK SCHOLARSHIP: Caleb Manz; MONROE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP: Sydney Reineck; OAKWOOD ALUMNI ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS: Megan Dearth, Hailey Hartzell; OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO SCHOLARSHIPS: Megan Dearth, Sadie Estle, Hailey Hartzell, Brendan Hornish, Jalynn Parrett; PAULDING BAND BOOSTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS: Megan Dearth, Megan Harpel, Hailey Hartzell, Gillian Porter; PAULDING COUNTY AREA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS: Sydney Reineck, Brendan Hornish; PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP: Luke McCullough; PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHER'S ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIP: Hailey Weidenhamer; PAULDING EDUCATION ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS: Molly Adams, Megan Dearth, Sadie Estle, Isabelle Heitman, Elyse Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Jalynn Parrett; PAULDING FFA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS: Isabelle Heitman, Baylee March, Jalynn Parrett, Sydney Reineck, Hailey Weidenhamer; PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC COOP: Luke McCullough; PEVS BOARD/ADMINISTRATION SCHOLARSHIPS: Kaeli Bustos, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Hunter Kauser, Jalynn Parrett; RAE McMICHAEL SCHOLARSHIP: Deacon Sanders; ROSEMARY YOUNG BOOK SCHOLARSHIP: Hailey Weidenhamer; RUSSELL BAUER SCHOLARSHIPS: Sadie Estle, Hailey Hartzell; SYSTECH BOOKSTORE SCHOLARSHIP: Megan Harpel; VIRGIL H. COOPER SCHOLARSHIPS: Kaeli Bustos, Brendan Hornish, Jalynn Parrett, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck; 102.7 SCHOLARSHIP: Blake McGarvey; JOHN PHILLIP SOUSA AWARD: Deacon Sanders; LOUIE ARMSTRONG JAZZ BAND AWARD: Deacon Sanders; AMERICANISM AWARD: Luke McCullough, Lynelle Schneider; VAN WERT PEONY PAGEANT REPRESENTATIVE: Megan Dearth; DEBATE AWARD: Trace McKinley; DRAMA DEPT AWARDS: Dominic Carnahan, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Sadie Estle, Fernando Garcia, Caleb Manz, Maggie Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Jalynn Parrett, Deyton Price, Gabrielle Stallbaum; BIOLOGY II AWARDS: Kaylyn Cox, Hailey Weidenhamer; ENGINEERING TEAM: Molly Adams, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Megan Dearth, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter; SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM: Molly Adams, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Megan Dearth, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter; QUIZ BOWL AWARDS: Molly Adams, Jonathan Clapsaddle,

Sadie Estle, Adela Foltz, Caleb Manz, Trace McKinley, Gillian Porter; OFFICE ASSISTANTS: Leigha Egnor, Adrian Manz; STUDENT COUNCIL: Molly Adams, Megan Dearth, Hunter Kauser, Luke McCullough, Blake McGarvey, Deyton Price; PHS SCHOLAR ATHLETES: ARCHIE GRIFFIN (Exemplary Sportsmanship): Payton Beckman, Leigha Egnor; NFHS Award of Excellence: Hunter Kauser, Jalynn Parrett; OHSAA Scholar Athletes: Caleb Manz, Gabrielle Stallbaum; PAULDING Scholar Athletes: Payton Beckman, Kaeli Bustos, Kaylyn Cox, Leigha Egnor, Sadie Estle, Morgan Iler, Hunter Kauser, Caleb Manz, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Baylee March, Blake McGarvey, Jalynn Parrett, Deyton Price, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Selena Yates; PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE: Jonathan Clapsaddle, Megan Dearth, Quintin Gonzales, Caleb Manz, Luke McCullough, Jalynn Parrett, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Jasmine Wong; NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY: Molly Adams, Payton Beckman, Daniel Cantu, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Megan Harpel, Hailey Hartzell, Isabelle Heitman, Morgan Iler, Hunter Kauser, Elyse Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Jalynn Parrett, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck, Faith Rose, Isaac Smalley, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Hailey Weidenhamer; HONORS' DIPLOMA: Molly Adams, Payton Beckman, Kaeli Bustos, Daniel Cantu, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Kaylyn Cox, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Adela Foltz, Fernando Garcia, Quintin Gonzales, Megan Harpel, Hailey Hartzell, Isabelle Heitman, Morgan Iler, Hunter Kauser, Caleb Manz, Elyse Manz, Maggie Manz, Baylee March, Luke McCullough, Blake McGarvey, Morgan Mobley, Jalynn Parrett, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Sydney Reineck, Faith Rose, Lynelle Schneider, Kaitlyn Shaffer, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Hailey Weidenhamer, Jasmine Wong; OHIO TECHNICAL HONORS DIPLOMA: Isaac Smalley; GRADUATING WITH HONORS 3.5-3.99 AFTER 7 SEMESTERS: Leigha Egnor, Kaeli Bustos, Adela Foltz, Jasmine Wong, Baylee March, Sydney Reineck, Hailey Hartzell, Jalynn Parrett, Kaitlyn Shaffer, Faith Rose, Kaylyn Cox, Isabelle Heitman, Blake McGarvey, Daniel Cantu, Hailey Weidenhamer, Payton Beckman, Isaac Smalley, Fernando Garcia, Morgan Iler, Hunter Kauser, Sadie Estle, Chastity Gribble, Morgan Mobley; GRADUATING WITH HIGHEST HONORS 4.0 OR HIGHER AFTER 7 SEMESTERS: Molly Adams, Gabrielle Stallbaum, Megan Dearth, Caleb Manz, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Maggie Manz, Megan Harpel, Elyse Manz, Gillian Porter, Deyton Price, Quincy Porter, Luke McCullough, Lynelle Schneider, Quintin Gonzales, Selena Yates; CLASS OF 2021 SALUTATORIAN: Gabrielle Stallbaum; CLASS OF 2021 VALEDICTORIAN: Molly Adams

PANTHERS HOLD ON FOR WIN OVER WILDCATS

Paulding recorded a 3-2 Northwest Conference baseball win on Monday over host Delphos Jefferson as the Panthers held the Wildcats scoreless in the final three frames.

Delphos Jefferson scored first, getting a single run in the first, before Paulding answered with two in the third for a 2-1 advantage.

After the Panthers added another run in the top of the fourth, the Wildcats scored as well in the bottom of the fourth to trim the deficit to 3-2.

From there, the two teams went scoreless the rest of the way as the maroon and white held on for the 3-2 victory.

Blake McGarvey had three singles to lead the Panther offense with Jacob Martinez and Deyton Price both adding a pair of singles. Hunter Kauser recorded a double for Paulding while Ethan Foltz and Reid Johanns finished with a single each.

Kauser, McGarvey and Price scored runs for Paulding while Foltz had two runs batted in and McGarvey added one RBI.

Jacob Simmons recorded a single and a double with Braylon Scalf, Colin Bailey and Josh Wiseman posting a single each.

Bailey and Simmons scored the Wildcat runs while Scalf and Wiseman posted runs batted in.

Kauser got the win on the mound for Paulding, tossing a complete game scattering



EATON EARNS ALL-OHIO AWARD FROM OASL

CJ Eaton, a seventh grade student council member at Antwerp Middle School, recently earned the All-Ohio award from OASL (Ohio Association of Student Leaders). As stated by OASL, "All-Ohio Award recipients go beyond what is required. These are the students who stay that extra hour, who work harder, who say 'thanks' more often, who lead by example, and who are respected by their teachers and peers."

five hits and two earned runs while striking out 14.

Logan Gallmeier took the loss for Delphos Jefferson, pitching 4-1/3 frames allowing seven hits and three earned runs with three strikeouts.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

PROBATE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
MICHAELA A. WEHRKAMP, JUDGE
IN RE: Change of Name of MARILYN KAY BLOOMFIELD (Present Name) to MARILYN KAY CAVIN (Name Requested)
Case No. 20216009

28th day of June, 2021, at 4:00 o'clock P.M. in the Probate Court of Paulding County, OH Paulding County, located at Courthouse - Second Floor - Room 202, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

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Applicant's Signature
Marilyn Kay Bloomfield
Typed or Printed Name
8866 Co. Rd. 177
Address
Oakwood OH 45873
City State Zip

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME [R.C. 2717.01]

Applicant hereby gives notice to all interested persons, that the applicant has filed an Application for Change of Name in the Probate Court of Paulding County, Ohio, requesting the change of name of MARILYN KAY BROCK to MARILYN KAY CAVIN. The hearing on the application will be held on the

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

Judge Tiffany Beckman
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff, VS.
Brent J. Meeker, et.al., Defendants,

Case No. CI-21-030
TO: Brent J. Meeker, Unknown Spouse of Brent J. Meeker, Timothy W. Simindinger.

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 318 N. First Street, Oakwood, Ohio 45873
Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Brent J. Meeker and Unknown Spouse of Brent J. Meeker seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Brent J. Meeker and Unknown Spouse of Brent J. Meeker to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by them. Timothy W. Simindinger is a lien holder on said real estate

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

Being Fifty-four (54) feet off the North side of Lot Number Twelve (12) in the Grove Addition to the said Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio, be the same, more or less, but subject to all legal highways.

ALSO:
Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot Number Twelve (12) in the Grove Addition to the said Village of Oakwood, Paulding County, Ohio; thence North Ten (10) feet; thence West One Hundred and Thirty-two (132) feet; thence South Ten (10) feet; thence East One Hundred and Thirty-two (132) feet to the place of beginning.

Auditor's Parcel #10-09S-011-00
Prior Instrument Reference: V. 572, P. 1398
Property Address: 318 N. First Street, Oakwood, Ohio

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding County, Ohio
By: [Signature]
Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
120 S. Walnut Street
Paulding, Ohio 45879
419-399-8270

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Crane Township Notice

The Crane Township Zoning Meeting will take place on May 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Crane Township Zoning Hall.

-Aaron Moore
Crane Township Zoning Inspector

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05 on May 3, 2021, entitled, "A RESOLUTION INITIATING AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 307 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, ON B-2 GATEWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT AND TO SECTION 311 ENTITLED "PERMITTED, CONDITIONAL, ACCESSORY USE TABLE" FOR B-2 DISTRICT TO INCLUDE SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING UNITS AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING UNITS AS PERMITTED USES IN B-2 DISTRICT, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution initiates the process to amend the Zoning Ordinance, specifically to amend Section 307 on B-2 Gateway Commercial District to remove several subsections and revise the language on signage, and to amend Section 311 (the Permitted, Conditional, Accessory Use Table) for B-2 District to allow single family dwelling units and two family dwelling units as permitted uses in B-2 District with residential improvements based on R-2 zoning.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed RESOLUTION NO. 2021-06 on May 3, 2021, entitled, "A RESOLUTION INITIATING AN AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, TO REZONE CERTAIN PARCELS, SPECIFICALLY PARCELS 12-17S-015-00 AND 12-17S-016-00 LOCATED AT 518 ERIE STREET, PARCEL 12-17S-020-00 LOCATED AT 602 ERIE STREET, AND PARCEL 12-17S-017-00 LOCATED AT WATER PLANT DRIVE IN THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT TO B-2 GATEWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution initiates the process to amend the Official Zoning Map to re-zone or change the classification of certain parcels in the Village of Antwerp from the current classification of R-1 Single Family District to the classification of B-2 Gateway Commercial District. A copy of the official zoning map highlighting the parcels to be re-zoned are available for review in the Village Administrator's office.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-08 on May 3, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE FINAL PLAT OF THE MAUMEE LANDING SUBDIVISION - PHASE 9 (LOT 19) TO THE ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 94-17, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance accepts the final plat of Phase 9, Lot 19 in the Maumee Landing Subdivision in accordance with the Subdivision Ordinance.

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

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR ADOPTION

IN THE Probate COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Michael Wehrkamp, Judge Case No. 20215002 IN THE MATTER OF: ATTICUS LELYND SCHAFFER

ON NOVEMBER, 2018 "A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION, IF GRANTED, WILL RELIEVE YOU OF ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO CONTACT THE MINOR, AND, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO A SPOUSE OF THE ADOPTION PETITIONER AND RELATIVES OF THAT SPOUSE, TERMINATE ALL LEGAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE MINOR AND YOU AND THE MINOR'S OTHER RELATIVES, SO THAT THE MINOR THEREAFTER IS A STRANGER TO YOU AND THE MINOR'S OTHER RELATIVES FOR ALL PURPOSES. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE PETITION WITHIN FOURTEEN DAYS AFTER PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF THE FILING OF THE PETITION AND OF THE TIME AND PLACE OF HEARING IS GIVEN TO YOU. IF YOU WISH TO CONTEST THE ADOPTION, YOU MUST ALSO APPEAR AT THE HEARING. A FINAL DECREE OF ADOPTION MAY BE ENTERED IF YOU FAIL TO FILE AN OBJECTION TO THE ADOPTION PETITION OR APPEAR AT THE HEARING."

RIGHT TO AN ATTORNEY: You have the right to be represented by an attorney of your choice. If you are unable to afford an attorney, you must request an attorney when you receive this Notice and complete an affidavit of indigency form at the Court to determine if you qualify for an appointed counsel. You may contact the Paulding County Probate Court for more information at (419) 399-8256

To: KAITLIN E. SCHAFFER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN
You are hereby notified that on the 10TH day of MARCH, 2021, CHRISTINA M. SPROUSE, filed in this Court a Petition for Adoption of ATTICUS LELYND SCHAFFER, a minor, whose date of birth is MARCH 15, 2018, and for change of the name of the minor to ATTICUS LELYND SPROUSE. This Court, located at 115 NORTH WILLIAMS STREET, PAULDING, OHIO 45879 will hear the petition on the 28TH day of JUNE, 2021, at 3:00 o'clock PM.

It is alleged in the petition, pursuant to R.C. 3107.07, that the consent of KAITLIN E. SCHAFFER is not required due to the following:

That person is a parent who has failed without justifiable cause to provide more than the de minimis contact with the minor for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or the placement of the minor in the hope of the petitioner.

That person is a parent who has failed without justifiable cause to provide for the maintenance and support of the minor as required by law or judicial decree for a period of at least one year immediately preceding the filing of the adoption petition or the placement of the minor in the home of the petitioner.

State other grounds under R.C. 3107.07 (Includes putative father of the minor born prior to January 1, 1997). PETITIONER WAS AWARDED CUSTODY OF THE CHILD BY THE DEFIANCE COUNTY, OHIO JUV. COURT

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Ann E. Pease
Probate Judge
By: *Sally D. Wannemacher*
Deputy Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
Judge Tiffany Beckman
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,

vs.
Doyle Whitaker, et. al., Defendants,

TO: Doyle Whitaker, unknown heirs, administrators, executors, or assigns of Doyle Whitaker, address unknown; EquiCredit Corporation of Ohio, Unknown address; Citibank, N.A. as Trustee on behalf of the NRZ Pass-through Trustee VI, Unknown address; Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust, Unknown address; Pretium Mortgage Credit Partners I Loan Acquisition, LP, Unknown address
Case No. CI 21-032

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Doyle Whitaker and Nancy Whitaker seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Doyle Whitaker and Nancy Whitaker to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed by them. EquiCredit Corporation of Ohio, is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed a mortgage recorded in Volume 419 Page 928 of the Paulding County Records; Citibank, N.A. as Trustee on behalf of the NRZ Pass-through Trustee VI, is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed an assignment to the mortgage recorded in Volume 576 Page 2433 of the Paulding County Records; Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust, is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed an assignment to the mortgage recorded in Volume 576 Page 2436 of the Paulding County Records; Pretium Mortgage Credit Partners I Loan Acquisition, LP, is a mortgage holder on said real estate and filed an assignment to the mortgage recorded in Volume 576 Page 2439 of the Paulding County Records;

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

Situated in the Village of Scott, in the County of Paulding, and the State of Ohio, to-wit:

Lot Number Fifteen (15) and Lot Number Seventeen (17) in Norvil's Addition to the Village of Scott, Paulding County, Ohio

Auditor's Parcel #07-01S-004-00 & #07-01S-005-00 Prior Instrument Reference: V. 268, P. 404

Property Address: 355 N. Sherman Street, Scott, Ohio 45886

You are required to answer in the above-captioned cause twenty-eight (28) days after the last publication hereof, or a default judgment seeking sale of the real estate will be sought. Your answer should be filed with the Clerk of Courts, Courthouse, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879. 2021 APR 20 PM 2:34

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding County, Ohio
By: *Kathy Burkard*
Deputy

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Burkard

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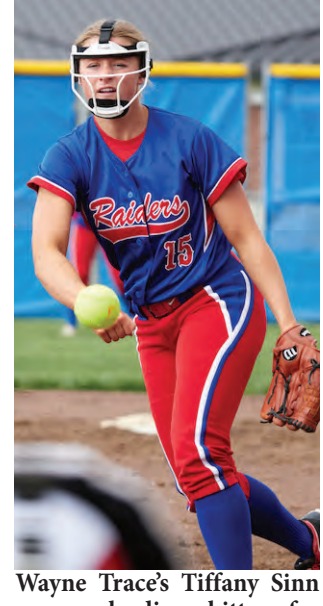
RAIDERS ESCAPE ANTWERP WITH A 9-7 RALLY



Astianna Coppes hits the ball over the fence for an Archer home run! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

Whenever the Antwerp Archers and the Wayne Trace Raiders go to battle you can always expect a solid performance by both teams that usually goes down to the wire. The competition is always at a high level and like most games it not over until the final second ticks off the clock or the last out is made in the final inning. Last Friday was much the same case when the Raiders traveled to Archer country to compete on the



Wayne Trace's Tiffany Sinn was a leading hitter for Wayne Trace, but she also picked up several strike outs from the mound! More pictures at westbendnews.net

softball diamond.

Antwerp held a slim one run advantage at 7-6 before the Raiders struck big in the final two innings with a run in the seventh followed by two runs in the eighth to eased past their conference foe 9-7. With the win the Raiders stand at 12-10 overall and 4-2 in the GMC. On the other hand, following the disappointing lose, the Archers fall to 8-7 and 2-5 in league play.

While the Raiders needed to rally in the finally innings to take the win, it was the Archers who fell behind early after the initial inning of play 3-0. The Archers picked up a couple of runs in the third frame followed by an additional run in the fourth to knot the score at three apiece. Wayne Trace managed to go back on top with three runs in the fifth but the Archers answered with three runs of their own in the bottom of the fifth to keep the score even. The Archers out hit the Raiders 15-14 but the blue and

white was plagued with three errors while the Raiders played errorless through all eight innings.

Leading hitters for the winning Raiders was Tiffany Sinn who collected three hits on a single, double and triple along with team mate Katie Anna Baumle hitting for a homerun along with a single while driving in four runs. Logan Bland had a solid performance at the plate with three singles and Tatum Tigner smacking two doubles and a double from Kaitlin Slade.

For the Archers, Astianna Coppes homered, collected two singles and three RBIs to help the Archer cause with team mate Molly Reinhart adding a homerun along with a single and three RBIs. Lauren Schuller swatted a single and triple for the Archers with Heaven Bruce adding two singles.

Winning pitcher was Macy Doster who pitched 2.2 innings allowing one run, five hits and one walk. Losing pitcher was Emerson Litzenberg who worked eight innings, giving up nine runs, six were earned, 14 hits and four strike outs.

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blue's 1600 relay squad of Aubree Miller, Torree Sinn, Tori Young and Ava Stoller finished first with a time of 5:37.38.

JH RAIDERS SWEEP PI-RATES

CONTINENTAL - In a junior high dual track meet, Wayne Trace picked up a sweep of Continental Thursday night in Putnam County.

The Raider boys recorded a 58-40 win over the Pirates while the Lady Raiders cruised to an 86-27 victory.

Cole Morehead was a multiple winner for Wayne Trace, taking first in the 100 dash (13.64), 400 dash (1:00.94) and 200 dash (26.57).

Prestyn Schnepf won the 1600 (5:50) and 800 runs (2:37) while Gage Ogle and Tyler Sanderson tied for first in the pole vault. Luke Stouffer captured both the discus (102-11) and shot put (37-4-1/2) for the red, white and blue.

Aiden Lee (second, 100 dash and third, 200 dash), Tyler Sanderson (third, 100 dash), Konnor Wannemacher (third, 1600 run), Zach Landwehr (third, 200 hurdles and long



HOUSE BILL ATTEMPTS TO REMOVE TRANSPARENCY FROM THE PEOPLE

By: Bryce Steiner

This is a letter addressed to the Ohio House Ways and Means Committee. Currently, there is a bill proposed that would remove the necessity of legal notices concerning citizens to not be in newspapers.

May 10, 2021
Dear House Ways and Means Committee,

I understand that House Bill 255 would limit the requirements that governments have to make known notices in the newspaper. I believe this would be a poorly thought out decision and would truly limit the peoples information of their government and create an environment of lack of transparency.

Right now the newspaper is the only thing that disperses legal information between the government and the people in a manner unmatched by any other medium.

I question why this is being brought up considering the people are not asking for less information to be presented to them in these turbulent times. In particular I read the testimony of Matt Nolan, Warren County Auditor. For a county the size of Hamilton to save only \$33,000 per year because of this is negligible to keeping the citizens informed. Then to mention Cuyahoga County saving only \$60,000 in a county of 1.2 million people is a cost of less than \$.05 per person, per year. The county probably spends more on having their rugs cleaned in their county offices. This does not even include creating new departments in each county, and a new state agency to ensure oversight that notices are out there to the public, and if not successful will bring about many new lawsuits.

What concerns me more is the people - the people you represent, and who pay taxes. Property owners may be sent notices by USPS, but many times they are not receiving them. My neighbor, Ms Kandise, had her property nearly foreclosed upon due to delin-

quent taxes, and the only reason she was able to find out was because of the notice in the newspaper, as she told me. The day before the Sheriff Sale she was able to get to the Auditor's Office and pay her taxes.

The counties may not be requiring certified mail to ensure the notice is delivered to the correct person, and the post office right now is not known for their reliability. This supports the position of the newspaper in the community. The notices are not there to embarrass anyone, as stated by Nolan, but as a last ditch effort to inform them in a public setting of losing something valuable to them. Many times the government does not have the ability to reach vast numbers of local readers on their own means.

How many different websites would a person be required to visit regularly to check on notices? Imagine the burden you would be placing on each township, county, village, city, health department, hospital, school, etc., many of whom don't have websites, or don't have the staff to keep them updated. This is already taken care of in the private sector much better, with minimal costs to the taxpayer.

Lastly, I ask, do government officials really want to turn more power over to Silicon Valley? Facebook and other social media are not known for keeping people on their platforms that they politically disagree with in their community standards policies. Not to mention, there are many people who do not want the internet or the tech giants telling them what they must do, or not do.

If a county needs to cut spending, there are many other places to look at in the budget. Please, for the sake of the citizens of Ohio, keep notifications in the public platform of the newspapers, without having unnecessary burdens placed upon my fellow citizens.

Thank you,
Bryce Steiner, Citizen of Ohio, and
Publisher, West Bend News, Antwerp, Ohio

jump), Brock Grimes (third, shot put) also placed for Wayne Trace.

In the girls meet, Emma Benschneider won the 100 dash (15.60) with Aubree Miller taking first in the 1600 (6:56) and 800 runs (3:04). Tori Young captured the 400 dash (1:12.91) while Lexi Moore won the 200 hurdles (36.02). Caroline Winans was a double victor, posting wins in the 200 dash (30.57) and pole vault (6-6). Kathleen Stoller also claimed two first place finishes after topping the field in the shot put (27-11-1/2) and discus (59-1).

Other placers for Wayne Trace were Whitney Boroff

(third, 100 hurdles), Bethany Miller (third, 100 dash and second 200 dash), Ava Stoller (second, 7:11), Anna Meraz (third, 7:13), Torree Sinn (third, 400 dash and second, long jump), Abby Elkins (third, 200 hurdles), Mackenzie Silance (second, 800 run), Ryan Jay (third, 800 run), Addison Stoller (third, long jump), Brooklyn Miller (second, shot put and discus), Mylie Wittwer (third, shot put).

The Lady Raider 400, 800 and 1600 relay teams were also victorious.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Aleia M. Clemons, Indianapolis, IN; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Defendant must show proof of insurance by 5/7/21; Pay or collect by 9/24/21; Payments to begin 5/28/21

Edgardo Pena, Defiance, OH; Distracted driving; Case dismissed; Defendant took course

Timothy A. Hohenberger, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant paid in full

Elaina J. Talayumptewa, Maumee, OH; Reckless operation, Guilty, ALS vacated immediately, Defendant may attend DIP in lieu of 3 jail days, Defendant to make restitution, Defendant to submit to evaluation at Westwood; Failure to control, Guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 9/30/22

Corey A. Johnston, Erie, MI; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Firearm shall be returned to defendant

William D. Cesco, Tekonsha, MI; Traffic control light; Case dismissed at state's request

Louis P Rachel III, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived defendant

Sara A. King, Lake Orion, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nacole M. Taylor, Saint Louis, MO; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Natasha Nichols, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed, Costs to defendant; OVI/under influence, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs by 5/28/21, May complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; No tail lights, Case dismissed at state's request

Devonta R. Freeman, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior; Physical control, Guilty, Must show proof of insurance by 5/7/21, To pay \$100 monthly beginning 5/28/21, Pay or collect 12/17/21

Melissa Patton, Fort Wayne, IN; Endanger child, Case dismissed, Costs to defendant, to be taken from bond; OVI/under influence, Guilty, Defendant to complete 20 hours community control, May attend 6 days Dip in lieu of 6 jail days, ALS vacated immediately, Defendant to submit to evaluation at Westwood; OVI/breath high, Case dismissed at state's request

Thomas J. Kupfersmith, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Blane A. Stoller, Haviland, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Chad J. Carper, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs to the defendant

Heather L. Bakowski, Melrose, OH; Possession of drug; Preliminary hearing waived; Case bound over to Paulding County Common Pleas Court

Coy A. King, Paulding, OH; OVI suspension, Guilty, ALS vacated immediately, To report to jail on 5/20/21 for 3 days at 12, SCRAM may be removed before reporting to jail, Financial responsibility provided, Complete 30 hours community service, Defen-

dant to secure valid operator license by end of term, Standard probation; FRA suspension, Case dismissed at state's request

Autumn L. Salyers, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Marisa L. Garner, Deshler, OH; Seat belt/drive; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 5/28/21

Albert F. Wonderly, Sherwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tiera J. Gomez, Antwerp, OH; Stop school bus; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 5/28/21

Tristin A. Knot, Continental, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kenneth L. McBride, Grabbill, IN; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dakota S. Sensabaugh, Napoleon, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Garry LaFountain, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Janis M. Davidson, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Donnie Holloway, Merrillville, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Connor M. Gehle, Rockford, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dana R. Cattell, Ottawa, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Derrick A. Treppa, Macomb, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Carra L. Payne, Highland Park, MI; Child Restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Ralph Bush, Cleveland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Ramiro A. Ramirez, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana; Informal diversion, review hearing set for 4/30/21 @ 1:30p.m.; Complete 7.5 hours of community service today

Brody O. Clemens, Cecil, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Chad E. Schwaiger, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One

State Wildlife Officer Tony Zerkle, assigned to Fairfield County, has replied to many phone calls during the spring as a variety of wildlife species become more active. Most calls are handled by educating home and property owners of how they may handle nuisance wildlife, or by providing resource contacts for wildlife rehabilitators. Officer Zerkle received one interesting phone call about a wild turkey stuck inside a hollow tree. Officer Zerkle responded to the location and discovered a turkey vulture, not a wild turkey, stuck inside a hollow beech tree. The vulture attempted several times to squeeze itself out of the narrow opening with no success. Officer Zerkle was able to reach in with a gloved hand and catch the bird. He then manipulated its wings and freed it. The vul-

COOPER FARMS ACQUIRES FULL OWNERSHIP OF CW EGG, LLC.



Cooper Farms has acquired full ownership of CW Egg, LLC, a further egg processing plant, which has recently seen a variety of updates and improvements. CW Egg was formerly a partnership between the Cooper and Weaver families.

"This location has been a passion for us at Cooper Farms from the beginning," said Gary Cooper, COO of Cooper Farms. "It fits best with the future plans of all parties to bring the liquid egg processing under the Cooper Farms umbrella. We have a great relationship with and respect for the Weaver Eggs team and will continue to do business with them."

Cooper Farms had previ-

ously managed all aspects of the CW Egg location, from staffing to product sales, so the transition will be seamless. However, the name "CW Egg," based upon the two families' initials, will be changing to Cooper Farms Liquid Egg Products, as a segment of the Cooper Farms Egg Division.

Even through the challenges of COVID-19, the Cooper Farms team began to see growth and opportunity in their egg product sales.

"We are excited about the new business growth we are seeing currently and look forward to working with more food manufacturers and food-service groups in the months and years to come," said Jeff Cutler, Egg Division Manager.

ture was released and after two hops it took flight and soared away.

During the 2021 white-tailed deer muzzleloader hunting season, State Wildlife Officer Josh Elster, assigned to Pickaway County, observed a hunter carrying a crossbow and not wearing hunter orange. Officer Elster contacted the subject and advised him that all deer hunters are required to wear hunter orange during the muzzleloader hunting season. The subject stated he had an orange vest in his vehicle. Officer Elster walked back to the vehicle with him to confirm he had a vest. While at the vehicle, Officer Elster asked to see the subject's hunting license and deer permit. The subject said he had purchased them, but they were not with him. A check with the Ohio Division of Wildlife's Customer Management System revealed the subject did not have a current hunting license or an either-sex deer permit. Officer Elster advised the subject of the violations, including not wearing the hunter orange. The subject was issued a summons for hunting deer without a permit and ordered to pay \$110 in fines and court costs in the Circleville Municipal Court.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

Ohio's wildlife officers sometimes find themselves in situations vital to the safety of the public. One such instance occurred in March when State Wildlife Officer Ryan Burke, assigned to Hancock County, was on patrol near Van Buren State Park. He observed a railroad crossing with the safety arms down and lights flashing. As he approached the crossing, he saw a vehicle drive around the safety arms. After safely pulling into a side street and making sure that no train was approaching, Officer Burke walked over to a truck waiting to cross and contacted the driver. The driver indicated that he had been waiting for 10 minutes without a train passing, and it appeared that the track's safety bars and lights were malfunctioning. Officer Burke contacted the railway company and the Hancock County Sheriff's Office to report the issue. The sheriff's office sent a deputy to the scene and was on the way. Officer Burke activated the overhead lights on his patrol vehicle and positioned himself in front of the crossing arms. He then directed traffic safely across the tracks until the sheriff's deputy arrived.

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Northeast Ohio - Wildlife District Three

State Wildlife Officer Eric Moore, who has been assigned to Medina County since 2010, has always wanted to see a black bear during the course of his duties. He has received many calls over the years regarding bears, but never experienced a confirmed report. One call about bear tracks turned out to be old ATV tracks. Another call about bear cubs turned out to be raccoons. Yet another call about a bear stalking livestock was the neighbor's large dogs. After these and many other false alarms, Officer Moore suspected he may never see a bear while on the job. Then came a call about a black bear in a populated area of Stark County, and Officer Moore responded to the situation. A moment after Officer Moore's arrival, the bear exploded from a woodlot and ran into the open toward a busy roadway. Officer Moore briefly lost sight of the bear. When it reappeared, it was about 10 yards from Officer Moore, who waved his arms and yelled to turn the bear around and away from the busy road. The bear hesitated for a moment before returning to the woodlot. Additional wildlife officers arrived shortly thereafter and with the help of local law enforcement, they kept the bear safely contained in the woodlot until dark. The bear eventually made its way out of town and into more appropriate habitat. The situation was monitored over the next few days with no further issues reported.

During the 2020 white-tailed deer gun hunting sea-

son, State Wildlife Officer Tom Frank, assigned to Mahoning County, observed an individual at a distance driving his ATV in a manner consistent with hunting with the aid of a motor vehicle. Officers had received previous complaints about the same individual shooting from an ATV while hunting. Officer Frank contacted State Wildlife Officer Jesse Janosik, assigned to Columbiana County, who was nearby. The officers located and contacted the individual and determined he was hunting with the aid of a motor vehicle. The suspect was ordered to pay \$305 in fines and court costs. Special permits are available to those who need aid from a motor vehicle to hunt. Contact 1-800-WILDLIFE (1-800-945-3543) or visit wildohio.gov for more information.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four

In early April 2021, State Wildlife Officer Jeff Berry, assigned to Muskingum County, received a call about anglers possibly taking more than the daily limit of saugeye at the Dillon Lake dam. Officer Berry contacted State Wildlife Jerrod Allison, assigned to Coshocton County, who was closer to the location. Officer Berry kept in contact with the caller while Officer Allison responded to contact the individuals at the dam. The caller advised that one of the individuals was walking to a vehicle, loaded up the fishing gear, and threw an empty water bottle on the ground. Officer Allison contacted the individual at the dam first and the suspected overbag of saugeye turned out to be a legal limit of striped bass. Officer Allison next contacted the individual at the vehicle and issued a summons for litter. The suspect appeared in Muskingum County Court where he pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay \$275 in fines and court costs.

In February 2021, State Wildlife Officer Chris Dodge, assigned to Hocking County, was patrolling O'Dowd Wildlife Area near Murray City when he saw a UTV driving illegally. Noting that the area had seen some increased off-road traffic, Officer Dodge placed a camera on the illegal trail. Within a few days, Officer Dodge discovered the identity of the individual who

returned in the same UTV, and a second individual who was also driving another UTV. Officer Dodge contacted the first suspect at his residence, and the second individual also happened to be there at the time. Officer Dodge issued each individual a summons for operating a motor vehicle in a non-designated area of the wildlife area. The individuals paid a combined \$410 in fines and court costs.

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife District Five

On the opening day of the 2021 youth wild turkey hunting season, State Wildlife Officer James Carnes, assigned to Highland County, contacted a father and son at Paint Creek State Park. The pair had harvested a bird and were on their way out of the hunting area. They met up with Officer Carnes along the trail. He asked them about the hunt and took some photos of them with the bird. During their conversation, Officer Carnes learned that they chose Paint Creek State Park because it allows youth only hunting during spring wild turkey season. They thanked Officer Carnes and he continued to check other hunters in the area. Special youth wild turkey hunts are available at several public hunting areas during the spring. Visit wildohio.gov or check the current hunting regulations booklet to learn more about these special opportunities.

MAXIMIZING CROP YIELD AT PLANTING

High grain prices for grain crops make any planting mistakes extremely costly. Most corn yield is determined within the first several weeks. Soybeans are a little more forgiving but any type of environmental (weather) or biological (weeds, disease, insects) stress can impact yields. Healthy plants tolerate stress better than plants that are nutrient deficient.

For corn, the best time to plant traditionally has been May 1-through May 10th according to Ohio State University Research. Weather delays often make it hard to get all acres planted at this time. Current varieties have a tremendous ability to compensate and still get good yields, but getting that plant off to a good start is critical.

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Regarding soil health, soil microbes process the majority of the nutrients a plant absorbs. Cold or wet conditions slow microbial growth and hurt plant growth. Feeding the microbes may be more important than feeding the plant directly! On no-till corn with a cover crop, 50-75# of actual nitrogen (N) is needed at planting. Apply no more than 20# N on the seed as pop up due to the salt content which can hurt germination. The remaining N should be applied in a 2x2 or 4x2 inch away from the plant seed. Conventional corn tends to need less N at planting due to warmer drier soils.

The form of nitrogen applied is important for corn growth. About 75% of N should be applied in an ammonium starter form with the rest in a nitrate form. Ammonium is easily converted to nitrates by soil bacteria but can be toxic in high amounts. To combat this problem, many farmers add humic substances to keep the N plant available. Thiosulfate is added in a 10N to 1S ratio (Nitrogen: Sulfur) due to sulfur deficiency so soil microbes can utilize N efficiently to make amino acids and proteins. We use to get 20-30#S free from the air, but with the Clean Air act and less soil organic matter, sulfur is often deficient.

The type of nitrogen applied affects both plant growth and yield. Early on, corn plants need more nitrates for growth and as the plant matures more ammonium for yield. Nitrates promote the growth hormone auxin while ammonium forms of N promote the cytokinin hormone for yield. Other growth promoting nutrients are potassium and chlorine while phosphorus and manganese promote yield. Calcium promotes both growth and yield by stimulating both hormones. Some farmers now add some calcium to their seed to enhance seed germination. About 80% of the soil calcium is absorbed by the plant at pollination and calcium is critical for cell wall formation when corn seed and soybeans are being formed.

While glyphosate or Roundup® is a very common herbicide, farmers need to minimize over using this herbicide to kill weeds. As a major chelator, it ties up many micronutrients especially iron and manganese. Iron is important for making chlorophyll for photosynthesis to fuel plant growth and yield. Manganese is commonly

plant deficient and while not needed in large amounts, it splits the water molecule to keep plant photosynthesis humming along at high levels. Our soils tend to have adequate supplies of these nutrients; however, they are often chelated or in a form that is not plant available. Practices that promote good soil health generally make these nutrients plant available.

Earlier this spring the weather tended to be warmer and much drier than normal. Most farmers terminated their cover crop early to conserve moisture. Farmers that did not terminate their cover crops have two good options yet and one bad. You can either plant green and terminate the crop later or some farmers terminate right at planting (spray or crimping). The worst-case scenario is to kill a cover crop several days to one week before planting. Half dead cover crops are a nightmare to plant into because the plant tends to bind, wind, wrap, and hairpin. If it rains, the cover crop can make it difficult to plant. If you crimp a cover crop, always plant in the same direction you roll it to minimize these problems. Planting green has proven to be the easiest and most reliable way to get a good grain crop. In cereal rye, you can plant when soil conditions are right, crimping later when soybeans are up to 4-5 inches tall and corn up to V4 (4 true leaves). Farmers in Northwest Ohio will be very busy planting and let's hope we get everything done right for a great harvest!

James J. Hoorman
Hoorman Soil Health Services

OHIO HUNTERS HARVEST MORE THAN 8,200 WILD TURKEYS AFTER FIRST WEEK OF SEASON

The first week of wild turkey hunting in Ohio ended with 8,235 birds checked through Sunday, May 2, 2021. Hunters harvested 8,113 wild turkeys during the same time in 2020.

The top 10 counties for wild turkey harvest during the first week of the 2021 hunting season include: Columbiana (286), Meigs (278), Belmont (266), Monroe (246), Tuscarawas (241), Jefferson (236), Guernsey (234), Muskingum (227), Adams (224), and Washington (221).

Ohio has two zones for 2021 spring wild turkey hunting: the south zone and the northeast zone. Hunting in the south zone is open until

Sunday, May 23, and the northeast zone (Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, and Trumbull counties) is open until Sunday, May 30. Find complete details in the 2020-2021 Hunting and Trapping Regulation Booklet.

Editor's Note: A county list of all wild turkeys checked by hunters during the first week of the 2021 season is shown below. Results from the northeast zone include the first two days of hunting. The first number following the county's name shows the harvest numbers for 2021, and the 2020 numbers are in parentheses. Harvest numbers below are raw data and subject to change.

- Adams: 224 (201); Allen: 36 (41); Ashland: 76 (85); Ashtabula 116 (107); Athens: 199 (183); Auglaize: 14 (23); Belmont: 266 (266); Brown: 208 (217); Butler: 115 (101); Carroll: 180 (176); Champaign: 35 (55); Clark: 8 (7); Clermont: 147 (181); Clinton: 30 (43); Columbiana: 286 (184); Coshocton: 192 (215); Crawford: 18 (26); Cuyahoga 1 (2); Darke: 26 (28); **Defiance: 80 (88)**; Delaware: 55 (67); Erie: 19 (17); Fairfield: 48 (58); Fayette: 3 (6); Franklin: 11 (10); Fulton: 52 (57); Gallia: 200 (191); Geauga 46 (48); Greene: 9 (10); Guernsey: 234 (250); Hamilton: 45 (77); Hancock: 17 (22); Hardin: 39 (49); Harrison: 204 (224); Henry: 25 (17); Highland: 172 (206); Hocking: 142 (127); Holmes: 92 (108); Huron: 53 (64); Jackson: 182 (180); Jefferson: 236 (191); Knox: 155 (146); Lake 18 (19); Lawrence: 100 (112); Licking: 173 (155); Logan: 51 (59); Lorain: 61 (59); Lucas: 26 (17); Madison: 3 (4); Mahoning: 99 (97); Marion: 18 (26); Medina: 52 (50); Meigs: 278 (243); Mercer: 6 (16); Miami: 13 (9); Monroe: 246 (221); Montgomery: 16 (14); Morgan: 152 (159); Morrow: 59 (70); Muskingum: 227 (213); Noble: 185 (190); Ottawa: 0 (1); **Paulding: 36 (33)**; Perry: 140 (133); Pickaway: 11 (15); Pike: 105 (92); Portage: 102 (118); Preble: 46 (57); Putnam: 19 (25); Richland: 120 (95); Ross: 153 (158); Sandusky: 16 (13); Scioto: 147 (134); Seneca: 68 (49); Shelby: 27 (22); Stark: 139 (127); Summit: 40 (26); Trumbull 92 (82); Tuscarawas: 241 (227); Union: 20 (18); **Van Wert: 6 (10)**; Vinton: 155 (149); Warren: 40 (51); Washington: 221 (204); Wayne: 58 (58); **Williams: 103 (88)**; Wood: 9 (9) and Wyandot: 42 (40).

2021 total: 8,235
2020 total: (8,113)

SPECIAL MEETING COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP 5/3/21

The special meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 7:00 a.m. by Mayor Jan Reeb. Council persons present: Dean Rister, Rudie Reeb, Kenneth Reinhart, Mike Rohrs, and Keith West.

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Administrator Sara Keeran, and Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty. Visitors: Nathan Zuber.

Mayor Reeb presented her recommendation to appoint Chris Banks to Planning and Zoning Commission.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to accept Mayor Reeb's recommendation to appoint Chris Banks to Planning and Zoning Commission. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Discussion on resolution nos. 2021-01 and 2021-02. The requirements to complete the proposed zoning ordinance and zoning map amendments cannot be accomplished under the timelines for making such amendments as set forth in the zoning ordinance. As a result, the process to accomplish amendments to the zoning ordinance and zoning map must be re-started. The resolution to amend the zoning map has been changed from the prior resolution based on the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The resolutions numbered as 2021-05 and 2021-06 are on the agenda to accomplish this.

Fiscal Officer's Report
Emergency reading of resolution no.

2021-05: a resolution initiating amendments to section 307 of the zoning ordinance of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, on B-2 Gateway Commercial District and to section 311 entitled "permitted, conditional, accessory use table" for B-2 District to include single family dwelling units and two family dwelling units as permitted uses in B-2 district, and declaring the same an emergency

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rohrs, to suspend the rules regarding resolution no. 2021-05. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reinhart, to accept resolution no. 2021-05. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Emergency reading of resolution no. 2021-06: a resolution initiating an amendment to the official zoning map of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, to rezone certain parcels, specifically parcels 12-17s-015-00 and 12-17s-016-00 located at 518 Erie Street, parcel 12-17s-020-00 located at 602 Erie Street, and parcel 12-17s-017-00 located at Water Plant Drive in the Village of Antwerp from R-1 single family district to B-2 Gateway Commercial District, and declaring the same an emergency

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reinhart, to suspend the rules regarding resolution no. 2021-06. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to accept resolution no. 2021-06. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Emergency reading of ordinance no. 2021-08: an ordinance accepting the final plat of the Maumee Landing subdivision - Phase 9 (lot 19) 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 Rohrs, seconded by West, to suspend the rules regarding ordinance no. 2021-08. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Reinhart, seconded by West, to accept ordinance no. 2021-08. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Mayor Reeb stated that Village Administrator Sara Keeran has submitted her letter of resignation effective June 20, 2021.

Motion made by West, seconded by Rohrs, to accept resignation of Sara Keeran effective June 20, 2021. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Discussion on hiring and qualifications of new village administrator. Rister presented a proposed ad to be published and posted seeking applicants for this position. Fiscal Officer Lichty will type up ad for position, send to Solicitor Farr for review, and then send to council for final approval before sending to Journal Gazette, Crescent News, West Bend News, Ohio Municipal League and posting on Village's website.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Reinhart, to adjourn the meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:14 a.m.

MINUTES FOR THE WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON APRIL 19TH, 2021:

The meeting began at 7:00pm. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Councilmen Voiron, Martin, Gerig, and Watts. Chief Parker and Councilman Thompson were not present. Kaleb Dienelt with Reliance was also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report. Superintendent's Report: The Board of Works and Public Safety came to several conclusions at their meeting earlier this evening. This would include approving a contract for the wellhead protection, replacing the filter system for the wells, and waiting until 2022 to fill in the three decommissioned wells located within the city limits.

Mayor's Report: The mayor reached out to BF Goodrich in order to coordinate a meeting to determine next steps regarding their water consumption. Additional details will be considered between meetings. After going through a pre-construction meeting with A & Z and API, it was determined that work will begin on Hickory Street early on in the summer. The mayor relayed details from this meeting to the council. The mayor explained that the check to Frontier for moving poles on Main Street that was cancelled, needed to be reissued as it was determined that there was no reasonable means to avoid this conclusion, which is included in the warrants tonight. The mayor mentioned that CARES Act money will be distributed by the State of Indiana at a future date with details still to be determined.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the April 5th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the April 5th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Martin wanted to confirm when the old American Legion building would be torn down. The mayor confirmed that this will happen in the next few months. Councilman Voiron would like to see signs posted at the beginning and end of the upcoming trail on Hickory Street to be completed by end of summer.

Audience: Kaleb went over details regarding the potential to connect various city sites together via fiber connections.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm.

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

OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL INVESTIGATES FATAL CRASH

Defiance - The Defiance Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a fatal crash that occurred on May 6, 2021, at approximately

The West Bend News

Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 15"

9:01 A.M. The crash occurred on State Route 2 near the intersection of Farmer Mark Road in Farmer Township, Defiance County.

Tyler L. McIntosh, age 20, of Montpelier, Ohio, was driving a 2003 Ford F250 southwest on State Route 2 when he went off the right side of the roadway, lost control of his vehicle, and then went off the left side of the roadway overturning and striking a tree. Mr. McIntosh succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene. Mr. McIntosh was reportedly wearing his safety belt at the time of the crash, and drugs or alcohol are not suspected to be a factor.

The Patrol was assisted by the Defiance County Coroner, the Defiance County Sheriff's Office, Farmer Township Fire, and Sherwood EMS. The crash remains under investigation.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol reminds motorists to always wear safety belts and to never drive impaired or distracted.

ARCHERS SHUT DOWN PANTHERS

The Antwerp baseball team hit the road to Fulton County Friday afternoon and returned with a 13-0 win over host Delta on a wet and windy

night.

The blue and white scored six times in the second inning to break the game open but Antwerp was far from done. The Archers added two more in the third and plated five runs in the fourth to seal the 13-0 victory.

Jason Geyer had a single and two doubles for Antwerp with two runs scored and six runs batted in and Carson Altimus added two singles and three RBI's for the blue and white.

Luke Krouse posted a double with a run scored and a run batted in while Ethan Lichty picked up the remaining Archer RBI to go along with three runs scored and a single.

Hunter Sproles also had two singles for Antwerp with Dylan Hines and Parker Moore chipping in a single each. Hines scored three times as well for the Archers.

Max Hoffman had the lone hit for Delta, a single.


Reid Lichty got the win for Antwerp, pitching four innings giving up one hit and three walks with eight strikeouts.

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Visit our website ppec.coop for more information and/or to apply. The deadline to apply is Friday, May 14th.



HELP WANTED

PART - TIME SEASONAL PARK MAINTENANCE/UTILITY DEPARTMENT:

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The City of Woodburn is looking to fill vacancies for a full-time utility technician, a seasonal utility technician, one, possibly two, part-time police officers and a seasonal code enforcement officer. Applications may be picked up at City Hall, located at 22735 Main Street, or the City's webpage, WWW.CITYOFWOODBURN.ORG.

All applications should be received by 3 PM May 28th, 2021.

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it had got wedged between the seat and it had dialed 911.

On April 30 A resident of River Street reported that sometime during the night someone backed into his fence and he wanted to make a report.

On April 29 A vehicle was parked at the Manor House parking lot. After being parked the vehicle rolled forward and struck another vehicle. The officer responded and prepared an accident report.

On April 27 An officer responded to a residence on Maddison Street in reference to a child custody issue. While there, he was assisted by Paulding County deputies, one of the people involved had a warrant for his arrest for domestic violence and he was arrested at the scene by deputies.

On April 27 A domestic dispute was reported at a residence on Washington Street. A fight had occurred between 18 year old brother and 20 year old sister. The fight started over the brother refusing to do dishes. Physical violence had occurred, both were arrested for domestic violence.

On April 26 A hit-skip motor vehicle accident occurred in the Antwerp school parking lot. With the assistance of the high school principal, and the Antwerp school resource officer, officers were able to conduct an investigation and locate the person responsible.

On April 26 An officer transported suspected methamphetamine evidence to the crime lab in Bowling Green.

On April 25 An officer responded to an alarm at a local business, it was determined that an employee accidentally set the alarm off when opening.

On April 24 An officer was called to Erie Street in reference to an unresponsive male. An officer responded, officer administered CPR on the individual until the EMS arrived. The officer assisted EMS with the individual, the officer and EMS loaded the individual into the ambulance and the individual was taken to the hospital.

On April 30 Paulding Sheriff dispatch informed one of the Antwerp officers that there was a 911 call emanating from a cell phone at the Antwerp Bank. Dispatcher advised they spoke with the person and the person stated it was an accidental dial.

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 LEPC MEETS OVER ZOOM

ED BOHN started the meeting on zoom on May 5 for the Paulding County LEPC to make the motion to accept previous minutes by Bill Edwards, Kyle Mawer 2nd. Old Business: Bill Edwards gave the COVID report at the meeting 1711 cases as of May 4, 5680 vaccinations, and 40 deaths total. Bill said there is plenty of vaccines available now. Ed asked about kids getting it at schools. Bill said he doesn't have numbers on that. A motion was made to cancel 2021 LEPC Paulding County meeting. Greg White made a motion to cancel the 2021 meeting.

The acquisition of the Fritz House by Paulding County Commissioners has completed. It was closed on last week and the PC MRDD, EMA Office and EOC (and others) will be relocated to the McDonald Pike building. By the end of the year Roy Klopfenstein is hoping to have everything established in that location. Ed told Matt McDougall that his office (911) could move out there if need be. Anita said CERT is in lockdown indefinitely because of the state mandate. Anita stated that they are working on having the LEPC conference in October, but the date is not scheduled officially.

Ed said that five of the emergency departments in Paulding county have not complied with their reports that help with grants. He also said the conference has transferred money from LEPC to the Paulding County EMA.

Bill Edwards said they were working on the car seat program and immunizations for schools. Kyle Mawer said the PCH vaccine clinics have been keeping them busy at the hospital. People are becoming more active again both inside and outside the facility. Julie at PCH said the supply chain is back and the regular orders are coming in. The Red Cross is looking forward to everything opening backup, but right now bloodmobile is the only thing allowed right now.

A total solar eclipse predicted on April 8, 2024 will impact Ohio, according to Anita. Paulding County is a direct target in this area and there could be an influx since a majority of the population of the US is within a one day drive. It's around the 3pm hour. The partial eclipse begins just before 2 pm and completes around 4:25 pm. The maximum Eclipse is at 3:10 pm. All of the objectives of LEPC were not met and will be wiped away for 2021. They will need to continue and reset for 2022. None of Anita's 19 counties were able to complete all of the objectives.

July 1st the Ohio governor's orders are rescinded by the

Greg White made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kyle Mawer made a second and it was all approved.

OVERHOLT DRAINAGE SCHOOL VIRTUAL IN 2021 -FREE BUT REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Wed., June 9, 2021, 9 AM to 12 Noon.

2021 Overholt Drainage Workshop Official Flyer - Announcement

Join OSU Extension for a webinar focused on drainage design, installation, and management including updates on

recently passed H.B. 340 - Ohio's "petition ditch laws" that address the installation and maintenance of drainage works of improvement in Ohio. A panel of professional engineers representing state and federal agencies, drainage contractors, and tile manufacturers will discuss some standard practices, common issues, and troubleshooting associated with drainage design, installation, and repairs.

The half-day webinar will feature a panel of professional engineers from state and federal agencies, drainage contractors, and tile manufacturers, who will discuss standard practices, common issues, and troubleshooting associated with drainage design, installation, and repairs. Dr. Peggy Kirk Hall, Agriculture Law field specialist, will provide an update on recently passed H.B. 340 - Ohio's "petition ditch laws" that address the installation and maintenance of drainage works of improvement in Ohio. The event is supported by the Ohio Land Improvement Contractors of America - OLICA.

AGENDA

How drainage design affects crop yield and economics? Larry Brown, Professor and Extension Agricultural Engineer, The Ohio State University

Drainage law - recent updates to Ohio Drainage Law - Peggy Kirk Hall, Field Specialist, Agriculture, and Resource Law, The Ohio State University

Designing drainage & associated practices - standards and good practices for design - Justin McBride, Ohio Dept. of Ag.

Installing drainage & associated practices (safety, standards, and good practices for installation) - Bob Clark II, Clark Farm Drainage, Inc., New Castle, IN

When drainage goes wrong: Drainage design & installation Panel

Moderator: Paul Chester, Retired NRCS Engineer

Panelists: Justin McBride and Mark Seger, Ohio Dept. of Ag., Greg Wells, Ohio NRCS; Bob Clark II, NLICA, Steve Gerten, Rick Galehouse, and Dave Schwieterman, OLICA

CEU credits are available for CCAs and Professional Engineers. No cost to attend. Registration required. More details at <https://go.osu.edu/drainageschool>

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 3/15/21

This 15th day of March, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holsberry, Clint A. Vance and Heather Barnhouse, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS Warrants documented as 267423 through 267542 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING "THEN AND NOW" PURCHASE ORDERS AND PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order number and payment included in the Allowance of Claims on March 10, 2021, Warrants numbered 267342 and 267388 in the amount of \$ 3,012.90 and

WHEREAS, it is certified that both at the time that the contract or order was made ("then"), and at the time that the County Auditor is completing the certification ("now"), that sufficient funds were available or in the process of collection, to the credit of a proper fund, properly appropriated and free from any previous encumbrance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code §5705.41(D)(1), these purchases must be approved by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Paulding County Commissioners approve the Then and Now Purchase Orders as submitted by the Auditor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this

resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 042)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2021 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the OSU Extension Fund (Fund 042), to-wit: 042-001-00003/OSU Ext./Repairs AMOUNT: \$500.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 048)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit: FROM: 048-001-99993/Library/Windfarm#2 TO: 048-001-99996/Library/Sut 1 LLC AMOUNT: \$0.01

IN THE MATTER OF AWARDBID FOR THE PY 2020 CDBG CD ALLOCATION PROGRAM VILLAGE OF PAULDING SKATEPARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2021, one bid was received for the PY 2020 CDBG CD Allocation Program Village of Paulding Skatepark Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, after review of the aforementioned bid, Maumee Valley Planning Organization and the Village of Paulding has recommended that the project be awarded to American Ramp Company 601 S. McKinley Ave. Joplin, MO 64801, now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the PY 2020 CDBG CD Allocation Program Village of Paulding Skatepark Improvements Project to American Ramp Company, in the amount of \$ 49,800.00 and the remaining costs associated with the project is the responsibility of the village; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby authorize the Chairman of said Board, Mr. Roy Klopfenstein, to sign all paperwork related to the project on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners.

MEETING NOTES OF APPOINTMENTS:

No meeting appointments were scheduled for today

SOLID PITCHING, HITTING DELIVERS GMC WIN FOR RAIDERS

By: Joe Shouse, Sports writer

HAVILAND - The Wayne Trace Lady Raiders hosted Ayersville last Thursday in softball play. Wayne Trace doubled-up the Pilots to capture their second Green Meadows conference win 8-4. With the win Wayne Trace improves their overall record at 4-4 and 2-1 in

the league. After losing four games in a row the Raiders have bounced back to secure a three-game win streak.

The Pilots opened up the scoring to take an early 1-0 lead before the Raiders would answer in the fourth. A Tiffany Sinn single got things started for the red, white, and blue. Emma Crosby would move the runner to second on a sacrifice bunt followed by a Tatum Tigner getting hit by a pitch to put runners on first and second.

A costly Ayersville error allowed KatieAnna Baumle to reach base with both base runners scoring. The flurry of play would put Wayne Trace on top 2-1 but the Raiders were not done in the inning. Macy Doster smacked a single to score Baumle and the Raiders were cruising along, leading 3-1 after four.

In the fifth inning Ayersville closed the gap with a run to trail 3-2 but the Raiders came right back to light up the scoreboard. With two outs, Sinn got it started with a single and after Thornell entered as a courtesy runner for Sinn, Crosby would walk. With runners on first and second Kaitlin Slade would reach base on a Pilot error that would allow Thonell to score.

Still battling at the plate with two outs in the fifth inning, Crosby found home plate on a Pilot error to widen the Raider advantage to 5-2. Tigner would then answer with a two-run home run to push the lead to 7-2. Baumle followed Tigner's homer with one of her own to move the Raiders to a commanding 8-2 advantage.

The Pilots crossed the plate one time each in the sixth and seventh inning but would get no closer.

Hits for the Raiders came from Thornell, Tigner and Baumle with two a piece with Crosby and Slade each scoring a run. Tigner added two RBIs with Baumle and Doster each adding one RBI.

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PATRIOTS RALLY PAST STARFIRES

MONROEVILLE - Heritage overcame an early deficit to South Adams and the Lady Patriots rallied for a 4-2 win over the Starfires Tuesday night in ACAC softball play.

Ella Bickel had a single and a double for the Patriots while throwing the complete-game victory as well for Heritage.

Bickel surrendered six hits, two runs (one earned) and one walk with six strikeouts in the contest.

Amber Buuck, Claire Bickel, Kendall Zelt and Grace Guenther each picked up one hit for Heritage.

Kristen Wynn had a pair of hits for South Adams as did Aaliyah Feaster. Jake Baker and Vivian O'Dell had one hit apiece for the Lady Starfires.

Baker took the loss, giving up six hits and four runs (three earned) with eight strikeouts and three walks.

South Adams scored a single run in the third inning while the Patriots plated two runs each in the fourth and sixth frames. The Starfires concluded the scoring with one run in the top of the seventh to set the final margin at 4-2.

SOFTBALL RAIDERS FALL TO CRESTVIEW

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

It was all Crestview, but more specifically it was all Breena Grace, as the Knights handed the Lady Raiders a 10-2 set back in girls' softball last Friday.

Grace, the Knight's catcher, did all the damage at the plate necessary to pull off the eight-run win. The senior connected on two home runs, collected seven RBIs and scored three runs. Grace finished the night going 4-for-5 at the plate with her first home, a two-run poke, coming in the fourth and a solo

shot in the sixth. Grace came up with an RBI single in the first inning and a three RBI single in the second.

For the Raiders, their two runs came in the fourth inning. An RBI single by Kalie Anna Baumlee and a fifth-inning homer from Alivia Miller provided all the scoring for the Raiders who fall to 8-9 on the season.

Although Grace was dominate with her play, she had help from her team mates. Katelyn Castle also sent a shot over the fence in the first frame while team mate Laci McCoy added a homer in the third. Castle and Kali Small each provided three hits apiece with Mandi Macki and Olivia Cunningham producing two hits each.

Pitching for the Knights and picking up the win was Olivia Hecker who went the distance allowing eight Raider hits and striking out six. With the win, Crestview improves their overall mark at 15-5.

PRICE'S SINGLE SCORES WOODS FOR WIN

Deyton Price hit a two-out infield single that scored Sam Woods to lift the Paulding Panthers to a 3-2 eight-inning win over Miller City in non-league baseball action Friday evening.

Tied at 2-2, Woods opened the eighth with a single before two straight Paulding hitters were retired. However, Logan Tope followed with a two-out double that moved Woods to third and Price's single scored Woods with the winning run.

The Wildcats scored in the top of the fourth to take a 1-0 lead in the contest but Paulding answered with two runs in the home half of the frame for a 2-1 advantage. Miller City tied the game with a single run in the top of the seventh.

Hunter Kauser picked up the win on the mound for the Panthers, tossing two innings giving up one hit and one un-

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earned run with one strikeout. Woods pitched the first six frames for Paulding, allowing three hits, one unearned run and three walks while fanning seven.

Caleb Giesken suffered the loss for the Wildcats, surrendering 11 hits, three earned runs and a walk with four strikeouts in 7-2/3 innings of work.

Woods topped the maroon and white with two singles and two runs scored while Ethan Foltz added three singles and scored once. Jacob Martinez added a run batted in and two singles with Logan Tope posting a single and a double along with one RBI. Price and Blake McGarvey each had a single as well for Paulding.

Austin Ruhe, Joe Deitering, Caleb Warnimont and Caleb Niese all had singles for Miller City with Ruhe and Niese both driving in a run. T.J. Michel and Evan Niese scored the Wildcat runs.

RAIDERS SLIP PAST HERITAGE IN FINAL INNING

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - Going down to the wire the Wayne Trace Lady Raiders came up winners when freshman catcher Kaitlin Slade belted a two-out single in the bottom half of the seventh inning that scored Cara Davis. When Davis crossed home plate the Raiders had secured a hard fought 7-6 non-conference win over Heritage (Indiana).

In come-back fashion the Raiders proved the game wasn't over until the final out. Trailing 6-1 after four innings but battled back for the win.

In the seventh inning Logan Bland smacked a single followed by back-to-back walks by Cara Davis and Alivya Miller to juice the bases. The next batter, Macy Doster managed to hit the ball but a force out at home gave the Raiders their second out. With

the bases still loaded, Slade came to the plate to perform her heroics on the very first pitch from Heritage pitcher Ella Bickel. The ball traveled to center field allowing Davis to cross the plate for the winning run.

Heritage appeared to have their way after moving ahead following an early 1-1 tie. The Patriots responded with a two-run third inning followed by a fourth inning that produced three additional runs to push their advantage to 6-1. However, Wayne Trace would answer.

A fifth inning Raider rally started when Slade hit a one-out single. Laua Thornell would run for Slade. Tiffany Sinn connected on a single allowing Thornell to move to second. Ava Zartman entered the contest to run for Sinn. Tatum Tinger came to the plate and responded by belting a homer, scoring both Thornell and Zartman and the Raiders cutting into the patriots lead but still trailing 6-4.

The Raiders would knot the score at six apiece in the sixth inning. With Macy Doster on first and Allie Schiltz on second, Slade, just a freshman did not disappoint, stepped to the plate and smashed a two-run double that scored both Doster and Schiltz and setting up the winning run in the seventh inning.

LATE RALLY LIFTS PATRIOTS TO WIN

Heritage needed a three-run, sixth-inning rally to come from behind for a 4-2 win over Tippecanoe Valley in non-league baseball play Saturday at Wawasee.

The Patriots took the early lead, scoring one run in the bottom of the second, but Tippecanoe Valley went in front with a two-run third inning.

Heritage, though, found a way in the bottom of the sixth to score three times and held on in the seventh for a 4-2 win.

Chris Baker started the Heritage rally, reaching after being hit by a pitch with one out. Gavin Dinius entered as a courtesy runner for Baker and Barry Lomow then doubled, moving Linius to third.

Clay Gerardot followed with a single to center that scored Linius and moved Lomow to third before a Tippecanoe Valley error allowed Lomow to score and Gerardot advanced to third.

Leroy Lepper added an RBI single that plated Lomow with the third run of the inning to put Heritage on top 4-2.

Gerardot and Lepper each posted two singles for Heritage while Lomow recorded a double. Dalton Wasson, Dalton White and Jackson Bearman each added a single for the Patriots.

Wasson got the win on the mound for the Patriots, pitching two innings in relief allowing one hit, no runs and three walks. The Patriot hurler also fanned five hitters.

Hunter Miller threw the first two frames, giving up five hits and a pair of walks while striking out one.

PATRIOTS POUND WAWASEE

The Heritage baseball team made the trip to Wawasee on Saturday where the Patriots rolled to a 13-2 victory in non-league action.

Heritage pounded out 19 hits and clinched the victory with an eight-run sixth inning. The Patriots scored a single run in the first before adding two in the third to post a 3-0 advantage.

Another run in the fourth widened the margin to 4-0 before Wawasee scored twice in the home half of the fourth to

Sudoku solution from page 13

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

pull within 4-2.

The Patriots, though, then plated another single run in the fifth before breaking the game open with the eight-run sixth that wrapped up the 13-2 victory.

Jackson Bearman had three singles and a double while also driving in three runs for Heritage. Dalton Wasson posted two doubles and a home run, scoring four times and posting two runs batted in for the Patriots.

Chris Baker chipped in a double and two singles with Barry Lomow totaling three singles for Heritage. Baker drove in a pair of runs as well for the Patriots and Lomow scored twice and added a run batted in.

Leroy Lepper finished with a single and a double while scoring twice. Dylan Hale had a double and two runs batted in with Dalton White, Payton Fields and Cody Hoffman recording a single each. White drove in a pair of runs for Heritage and scored once with Fields scoring once and driving in one.

Hoffman got the win for the Patriots, throwing the six-inning complete game allowing nine hits and two earned runs with five strikeouts.

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All registrations must be turned in by May 28th to be included on the map. Maps will be available June 2nd at the Payne Marathon Gas station.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLANNER POSITION

The Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO) is currently accepting applications for a Community Development Planner. MVPO is a non-profit, regional planning agency servicing Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding and Williams Counties in northwest Ohio. This position is full-time and pay will be commensurate with experience.

Job Responsibilities: The responsibilities of the Planner include, but are not limited to: collecting and analyzing data; meeting with local governments and the public concerning community development, transportation and economic development needs, assisting with management and implementation of the Regional Transportation Planning Organization program, writing and administering grant activities; coordinating and implementing various Federal and State programs, preparing reports and presentations for community groups and public officials; and conducting development reviews. Frequently works in a team setting and coordinates work with that of other departments and public agencies. Performs other duties, as assigned, to assist in attaining and/or completing projects/programs that Maumee Valley Planning Organization administers. The Planner will work under the supervision of the Executive Director.

Qualifications: At minimum, the position requires a four-year degree in Planning, Public Administration, Political Science, Economics, Geography, or related field. Successful candidate must possess strong written and verbal communication skills; knowledge and experience with ESRI's ArcGIS software and be self-motivated with the desire to work in a hectic yet professional business environment. Applicant must be highly organized, personable and have the desire/ability to work as a team member. Experience with transportation, economic development, and/or community development planning is desired but not required. The successful candidate must maintain a valid driver's license.

Method of Application and Deadline: All interested applicants must submit a resume and three professional references, along with a cover letter. Samples of previous work are required.

Maumee Valley Planning Organization
1300 East Second Suite 200
Defiance, OH 43512
Or e-mail to: mvpo@mnvo.org
No phone calls.

Application deadline is: June 1, 2021

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP HIRING OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

The Village of Antwerp, Ohio, is seeking applicants for the position of Village Administrator. A bachelor's degree in public administration is preferred but not required. Administrator position requires someone with exceptional leadership skills and to be proactive in duties. This is a full-time, salaried position. A benefit package is offered (including health insurance, retirement through OPERS, sick time and vacation leave) and the salary is dependent on qualifications. Appointment by Mayor with approval by Village Council, and administrator shall reside within limits of Village within six months of appointment unless such requirement is waived by Council. This position serves at the pleasure of the Mayor and the Village Council and shall be responsible for performing various administrative duties, including those outlined in Ohio Revised Code Section 735.273. These duties include the supervision and management of the water and wastewater treatment facilities and services, public works services and facilities, zoning and economic development, overall project management for grant programs, and any other Council or Mayor assignments.

Application with resumes (including references) can be sent via mail, fax, or email to:

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Or dropped off by appointment only at 118 N. Main Street by contacting Aimee at 419-258-2241.

Applications are available at <https://villageofantwerp.com> or can be picked up at 118 N Main Street in the information pick-up bin at town hall. All applications need to be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on May 28, 2021. This position will remain open until filled.

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THE VALUE OF INOCULATIONS

By: **Caroline Longardner**

This is April 2021 and this country and the world is still fighting the epidemic of the COVID-19. Thousands of people have died everywhere in this country and worldwide; thousands are wearing masks (by law) into public areas; thousands have gotten inoculations for the COVID disease and many more thousands world-wide have not gotten the inoculations.

Epidemics (in this country alone) are nothing new. There was a YELLOW FEVER epidemic that became evident in New York about 1795. Hospitals were overrun, many people died, the people who did venture out many times covered their face with a handkerchief (with vinegar sometimes); they tried all kinds of wonder drugs to try to outwit the epidemic. They could not. It killed some 3,500 New Yorkers. A similar illness hit Philadelphia and the East Coast about 2 years prior to that killing thousands almost always in urban centers.

In the 18th and 19th century many medical people felt that "Yellow Fever" spread through certain "pestilential vapors" emitted from rotten garbage. It caused fever, headache, and sometimes bleeding from the nose, eyes, ears and even some vomited blackened blood. Liver damage led to jaundice, turning the skin and eyes yellow — therefore, --it was called YELLOW FEVER.

The outbreak of 1795 in PA was almost exclusively in Philadelphia. The population there realized that it was very contagious and they avoided family, friends, people on the street, shaking hands and they often drenched their noses with vinegar to filter the bad air.

However, in the fall of 1795 about 700 New Yorkers died before the mosquitoes were killed off by the cold weather and it seemed to end the year's epidemic. There was a doctor, Sandy Anderson, from New York, who was studying this illness. The New York officials believed quarantining was sufficient and they even welcomed warm-weather rains thinking it would cleanse the ground. Actually, it increased the mosquitoes. Bellevue Hosp. had to close for a time and reopened. Dr. Anderson was on call. The

epidemic went from bad to worse by 1798. Anderson kept a diary that was very sad about the Yellow Fever. He was saddened by family losses and quit practicing medicine. He died at age 94 in 1870.

More than a century later scientists discovered that the virus was spread in cities by a unique species of MOSQUITO, the Aedes Aegypti. It was not until 1937 that a vaccine was developed for it. (Even today, the disease kills around 30,000 people each year, overwhelmingly in Africa.)

The above story is like the slow-moving horror story that is threatening the world now with the Covid-19. The vaccines of today may be high-tech lab creations, but the practice of inoculation predates our modern understanding of pathogens by nearly a millennium. From the most early daring efforts to prevent SMALLPOX, to modern public health programs for inoculations, it has been a long struggle against all infectious diseases. Thanks to, the persons who developed the medicines and those who allowed themselves to be the persons to be tested upon.

C.1000 The original inoculation against SMALLPOX probably began in China, during the Song dynasty, Prime Minister Wang Tan's empire-wide call for a weapon against the disease was answered by a mysterious monk (or possibly a nun) who visited the Prime Minister from a retreat on Mount Emei. (The monastic's technique—blowing a powder of ground SMALLPOX SCABS into the patient's nose) —remained in use for centuries in China.

1777 George Washington contracted smallpox as a young adult. He ordered SMALLPOX INOCULATIONS against the disease for all Continental regulars; some 40,000 men were treated by the end of 1777. The procedure involved INOCULATION by cutting the skin and inserting diseased tissue from a SMALLPOX patient. "Should the disorder infect the Army," Washington wrote, "We should have more to dread from it, than from the Sword of the Enemy."

1885 After a rabid dog mauled a 9-year old boy from Alsace, Joseph Meister, his mother took him to the Paris laboratory of LOUIS PASTEUR, who was experiment-



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ing with a RABIES vaccine made from the spinal cords of afflicted rabbits. Pasteur hadn't tested it on humans but agreed to treat the boy. Spared from the DEADLY BRAIN VIRUS, Joseph grew up to work at the research institute Pasteur founded in 1887.

1956 By the 1950's, POLIO was an epidemic in the world and even here in Paulding County. People of all ages were getting it, ending up in Iron lungs or being crippled for life from this terrible disease. In the mid-1950s, millions of American children received the newly developed POLIO VACCINE. But the public health authorities lamented that teens and adults were not getting the shot. (Note: I got my POLIO SHOT when I was in the 3' grade at Paulding grade school. It hurt, but my Mom and I both cried (of relief - the day that I got it because we knew some people that had gotten POLIO).(Carl V. Ankney was the first person to get it in Paulding Co.; his son, Kenny got it and sadly he died from it.)

Movie Star, Elvis Presley, then aged 21, agreed to get a Polio shot before the cameras while performing on "The Ed Sullivan Show" in 1956. Photos of the POLIO injection helped improve acceptance: By 1960, POLIO incidence was one-tenth of the 1950 level.

Ref: World hist.; Smithsonian Mag. Misc.hist.

Note: It's important that the population be inoculated against Covid-19. Just like SMALLPOX or some of these other terrible diseases, they may never go away otherwise.

CHURUBUSCO SWEEPS ANTWERP INVITE

Churubusco wrapped up a good night at the Antwerp Track Invitational Friday night as the Eagle boys and girls teams took home team championships at the seven-team meet.

Churubusco's boys squad finished first with 176 points while Woodlan took second with 105. Wayne Trace placed third with 92 while Antwerp was sixth with 45 and Paulding placed seventh at 17 points.

Sam Henderson of Woodlan took first in the 100 dash (11.70) while Warrior teammate Xavier Heltzel finished first in the 200 dash (23.78) and the long jump (20-0-1/4).

The Warrior 400 relay team of Tanner Brooks, Heltzel, C.J. Handerson and Henderson captured first with a time of 45.80 seconds.

Antwerp's Gaige McMichael jumped 11-6 to win the pole vault.

The Lady Eagles also claimed the team championship with 154 points, getting past second place Wayne Trace's 137. Woodlan finished third at 91 while Antwerp (74) was fourth and Paulding (47-1/2) took sixth.

Rachel Stoller of Wayne Trace took first in the 100 dash (13.46) and 200 dash (27.53) with Sydnee Sinn captured the 400 dash (1:01.71) and 800 run (2:31.04).

The Lady Raider 1600 relay quartet of Stoller, Kiara Bahena, Gracie Shepherd and Sinn also placed first in 4:16.00 and the 3200-relay foursome of Cassidy Campbell, Bahena, Abby Moore and Sinn was first in 10:15.28.

Woodlan's Lydia Dyer

posted a time of 12:38.00 to win the 3200 run. Paulding's Claire Schweller also claimed the title in the pole vault with a leap of 10-0 and Antwerp's Leslie Pollock took the championship of the discus with a throw of 125-6.

PANTHERS TAKE 8TH, 9TH AT NWC MEET

Paulding's junior high track teams made the trip to Crestview for the Northwest Conference junior high track meet where the Panther boys finished eighth and the girls placed ninth.

Columbus Grove swept both team titles, winning the boys with 138 points while the girls totaled 133 points to capture the championship.

Ada (106) and Lincolnview (101) took second and third, respectively, while Paulding was eighth with 18 points.

The Panthers' Jack Woods posted a toss of 40-11-1/2 to win the shot put for the maroon and white.

Jack Schweller took seventh in the pole vault with a jump of 7-0 and Peyton Manz took eighth in the 1600 run with a time of 5:38.80. Austen Kinder was sixth in the 200 hurdles (32.41)

Paulding's quartet of Kinder, Manz, Nico Stahl and Jack Woods was seventh in the 400 relay (57.62).

On the girls side, Bluffton placed second with 78 and Allen East finished third with 72. Paulding recorded 21 points to finish ninth as a team.

Ameriona Stiltner took first in the shot put with a toss of 32-11-1/2 and Brooke Kilgore placed seventh in the long jump with a leap of 11-3 while also finishing fourth in

the high jump (3-10).

The Lady Panther 400 relay squad of Addy Hunt, Makayla Carr, Kilgore and Hannah Griffiths finished seventh in 1:01.74 with Carr, Mara Phlipot, Laila Stiltner and Hunt combined to finish seventh (2:16.25).

KROUSE, LICHTY COMBINE FOR NO-HITTER

HICKSVILLE - Luke Krouse and Ethan Lichty combined to pitch a no-hitter as the Antwerp Archers posted a 4-1 win over host Hicksville Thursday in Gree Meadows Conference baseball action.

The Archers jumped in front 1-0 after one and 3-0 at the end of two innings in posting the victory. Hicksville scored an unearned run in the bottom of the third but Antwerp offset that with another run in the fifth, wrapping up the scoring in the 4-1 victory.

Austin Lichty had a pair of singles and scored twice for the blue and white, which also got singles from Dylan Hines, Krouse, Parker Moore and Jason Geyer.

Geyer and Chase Clark scored the other two runs for Antwerp.

Zachery Thatcher was the only Hicksville player to score and Aiden Champion had a run batted in.

Krouse tossed the first six innings, striking out eight Hicksville hitters. Ethan Lichty retired the side in order in the seventh.

Jackson Bergman took the loss for the Aces, allowing six hits, four runs (one earned) and four walks while striking out six.

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