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COOPER FARMS DONATES NEARLY 170,000 POUNDS OF MEAT, 92,000 DOZEN EGGS IN 2020



OAKWOOD, OHIO — In 2020, Cooper Farms donated nearly 170,000 pounds of cooked or ready-to-cook turkey, ham and chicken, as well as more than 92,000 dozen eggs, helping to fulfill an especially high need for protein at area foodbanks. With so many Americans losing their jobs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, Ohio foodbanks saw double digit increases in usage in 2020. "We donated over 30,000 pounds more meat products this year than we did last year, and three times as many eggs, so while the circumstances are unfortunate, we're glad we were able to make that happen for these organizations," said Cooper Farms COO, Gary

Cooper. As a food and agriculture company, Cooper Farms was considered critical infrastructure by the U.S. Government, meaning production continued throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, to help ensure a stable food supply. Cooper saw this as an opportunity to help those in need, while upholding the tradition Cooper Farms has for giving back to the local communities. "We were lucky enough as a company to continue working through the pandemic, while many around us were not as lucky," said Cooper. "Nobody was immune to this pandemic, even those in our own back-

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COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION FOR PHASE 1B POPULATIONS SCHEDULED THROUGH FEBRUARY

The Paulding County Health Department and EMA have partnered to lead the vaccination process in Paulding County. We have trained for years in preparation for this kind of vaccination event.

Our goals for Phase 1B vaccinations are to save lives of the most vulnerable citizens and to get kids back in school.

The health department is dedicated to keeping our community healthy using prevention, resources, and education.

In addition, we have expertise when it comes to preparation and managing mass vaccination clinics. Our experience with vaccinating for the seasonal flu and the H1N1 pandemic, as well as ongoing training, has prepared us for this work.

The Paulding County Emergency Management Agency continues to serve the community as an information and resource support

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POLICE CHASE IN ANTWERP ENDS IN CRASH



Antwerp, Ohio—Tuesday, January 5, 2021, shortly after 5:00 p.m., a police chase began here when a deputy was dispatched to South Erie Street, Antwerp, Ohio, to assist a village police officer with searching a vehicle he had stopped for traffic violations.

Once the deputy arrived on scene and officers approached the suspect vehicle, the suspect vehicle fled the scene.

The deputy pursued the suspect vehicle southbound on State Route 49. The suspect vehicle reached speeds greater than 100 MPH. As the deputy gained to approximately a half mile of the suspect vehicle, the suspect vehicle struck a south-

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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.

RELIFE HOLISTIC SERVICES TO PROVIDE CORPORATE CLASSES

ReLife Holistic Services recently announced that they have been selected as the 2020 Van Wert County Economic Development Business Plan Challenge grant recipient. Operating a business during a pandemic required many pivots and business plan revisions, which lead owner, Audra Zinn, to identify major pain points for employers and employees.

Zinn states, "One of the biggest ways that we have evolved has been that we have gone from holding classes at our studio space, to supporting participants through on-line classes. As work-life has changed for most individuals, workloads have increased and so has the stress, we have discovered a huge interest from our business community. Most of our classes are now comprised of corporate business accounts. Employers have been reaching out to us to provide meditation and other services that are best support employees during and through a pandemic, lockdown or quarantine."

"Self-care may be a buzzword, but it's an important one," Zinn continues. "Businesses that employ essential workers, and those who work in the social service industry,

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Community Calendar

January 13

- Western Buckeye Educational Service Center Meeting 5:30pm 813 Frankling St, Van Wert
- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

January 14

- Antwerp Conservation Club Meeting - 7pm

January 17

- Cecil Community Church Family Game Night & Cookie Bake

January 24

- Cecil Community Church Infidel movie at 6pm

January 20

- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

January 18

- Martin Luther King Jr Day

January 27

- Cecil Community Church Concert & Refreshments movie at 6pm
- West Ohio Food Bank Food Distribution 12-2pm

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OBITUARIES



ST. JOE, IN

Eileen E. Rice, 93, of Antwerp went home Monday, December 21, 2020 welcomed into the loving arms of her Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. She passed at Community Memorial Hospital. Eileen was born October 30, 1927 in Medaryville, Indiana. The daughter of the late William and Eleanor (Lemke) Shedrow. April 6, 1947 she married Robert B. Rice whom preceded her in death along with her daughter, Nancilynn Coil. She worked at Sears until retirement. She and Robert "Bob" loved to travel and made many, many friends throughout their adventures. She loved life and always had a smile for everyone.

She will be sadly missed by her brother, Robert Shedrow of Ober, Indiana, by her children, Kathy E. Payton of Antwerp and William N Rice (Raycene) of Rutledge, Tennessee. Eileen had eight grandchildren, eight great grandchildren and six great, great grandchildren whom she loved dearly. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Antwerp, Ohio and Antwerp VFW. She loved playing cards with her friends, spending time with her family and traveling. She was laid to rest privately. In lieu of flowers, the family asks if you wish to make a donation to the Caring & Sharing Food Pantry at 103 N. Main St. Paulding, Ohio 45879 or Antwerp Library, 205 Madison Street, Antwerp, Ohio 45813 Fond memories may

Thank You!

We would like to take this time to thank everyone for helping us through the devastating illness and passing of our Dad and Grandpa, Jack Haynes.

Thanks for the food, flowers and memorials given in his memory. To Shawn and Matt Dooley, Lee, Paul, and Dick, you went the extra mile for us. To Pastor Regan Clem and the VFW and American Legion for the service and military honors. You all have our heartfelt thanks. Also to Community Health Professionals, Dr. Reddy and Hickory Creek, thanks for the care that you gave him.

We are so lucky to have such wonderful friends and family to help us through this difficult time.

-Dennie, Lynn, & Mike McNabb;
Gene, Rena & April Blair

be shared at dooleyfuneralhome.com



PAULDING, OH

Robert Lee "Bob" Shaffer, 72, died peacefully Wednesday, December 30, 2020, at home with his wife by his side. He was born August 11, 1948, to Lloyd Shaffer and Grace (Adams) Thrasher.

Bob was a 1966 graduate of Oakwood High School and then served his country from 1968-1974 in the United States Army as an 11E, Tank Crewman Gunner, ending his service with the rank of E-4 Specialist. On June 27, 1970, he married Marcia Lynn Stahl, who survives. Bob was an avid fan of the Ohio State Buckeyes football team and enjoyed watching NASCAR and listening to Bob and Tom in the morning. Bob's greatest enjoyment was supporting his family and being with his grandkids. He was their biggest fan at their sporting events, extracurricular activities, and graduation. He enjoyed being a great Dad, Grandpa, and Great Grandpa. He also enjoyed sharing stories and a beer with his siblings, Son-in-Law's and friends who knew him as "Rock-in Bob" or "Gipper".

Survivors include three daughters: Regina (Jeff) Caton of Columbus Grove, Ohio, Monica (Joe) Kelsey of Woodburn, Indiana, and Mindy (Dave) Wenzlick of Payne, Ohio.

Eleven grandchildren: Allysa Tetz, Alec Gladwell, JJ Steinmetz, Devin (Abbie) Wenzlick, Alexis Kelsey, Cameron Caton, Mackenzie Caton, Abby Gladwell, Libby Wenzlick, Cooper Wenzlick, and Gabe Wenzlick.

One great - Grandchild: Juliet Wenzlick

Siblings: Donna Jean Aldrich, Sue (Dick) Carnahan, Harold (Lori) Shaffer

He is preceded in death by his parents, one son, Robert Lee Shaffer Jr, and one brother, Roger Shaffer.

We will be having a Celebration of Life Saturday, January 16, 2021. Family and friends are welcome to attend from 1-5 at the Woodburn Community Center located at 22731 Main Street in Woodburn. Memorial contributions can be made to his favorite charity, the Safe Haven Baby Box foundation at www.SHBB.org.

PAULDING, OH

Eleanor E. Fellers age 88 died Wednesday, January 6, 2021.

She was born February 10, 1932 in Paulding County,

daughter of the late Frank and Gail (Stouffer) Carnahan. On December 8, 1951 she married Donald J. Fellers who preceded her in death on May 7, 2008.

She is survived by her children: Gail (Don) Stoller, Paulding, Dave (Jeanne) Fellers, Antwerp, and Melinda (Bill) LaVerse, Columbus; sister, Dorothy Lothamer, Ft. Wayne; 6 grandchildren; and 14 great grandchildren.

She is also preceded in death by a brother, Pete Carnahan; and sisters, Ann Freshwater, Evelyn Andrews, Avilda Williams, Laura Marvin, Jesse Stauffer, Sara English, and Elizabeth Goode-nough.

Private family funeral services will be conducted Monday, January 11, 2021 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding, with Pastor Merlyn Winters officiating. She will be laid to rest in St. Paul Cemetery, Paulding.

Visitation will be from 11 AM until 12:30 on Monday. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, masks and social distancing are required.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations made to First Christian Church or Inpatient Hospice Center, Defiance.

Friends may leave condolences at www.denherderfh.com

SHERWOOD, OH

Rita Roseann (Hanna) Carter, 61 years, of Sherwood, Ohio passed away Friday, January 8, 2021 at Brookview Healthcare Center, Defiance. Rita was born January 31, 1959 in Hicksville, Ohio, the daughter of late Eugene A. and Martha (Fackler) Hanna. She was a 1979 graduate of Napoleon High School. Rita married Ron E. Carter on October 10, 2018 in Paulding, Ohio and he survives. She worked at CRSI as a care giver and previously was a cook at The Laurels of Defiance and a general laborer at E.A. Hanna Construction. Rita was a member of Riverside Christian, Antwerp. She had a love for animals and would do anything to help someone. In her free time, Rita enjoyed reading, knitting, and crafting.

Surviving is her husband, Ron E. Carter of Sherwood; chosen children, Annetta (Tyson) Belding; chosen granddaughter, Trinity Belding; five stepchildren, David E. Carter, Daniel L. Carter, Anna (Beryl) Eckart, April Cendes, and Terry A. (Lisa) Carter; sister, Theresa K. Hanna. Rita was preceded in death by her parents; twin infant children, Eugene Jackson Hanna and Martha Phanny Hanna; sister, Martha-Gene Hanna.

Due to the pandemic, there will be no visitation or services for Rita R. Carter. The family will be holding a memorial service at a later date. Arrangements are in care of Oberlin-Turnbull Funeral Home, 230 East Elm Street, Sherwood.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks those remembering Rita to make memorial contributions to the family to be used to bless a treasured neighbor.

Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.oberlinturnbull.com

PARSON TO PERSON

By: **Dr. James Bachman**

Dear Parson,
I am a Christian. The things I see and hear at my workplace are often ungodly. Do you have any suggestions to help me cope?

First, keep your eyes open for a job with a better environment.

Second, remember that your eyes affect your heart (Lamentations 3:51). David and Job made covenants with their eyes not to continue to look at anything bad that came across their vision, and to steer clear of looking where they might be tempted (Psalm 101:3; Job 31:1). David also prayed for God to turn away his eyes from beholding vanity (Psalm 119:37). You

are better off to suffer whip-lash than lust.

While working at a factory, I was shocked during my first visit to the men's restroom. The walls were plastered with immoral pictures. I stared at the floor and left as soon as I could. The next day I posted written Scripture passages like: Matthew 5:28 - "But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart." Proverbs 23:7a - "For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he." Job 31:1 - "I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid?"

About twenty minutes later the foreman asked if I had done that. I told him I had. He said they were torn up and scattered all over the floor, and that from then on, no one could post anything on the restroom walls. And I said, "YES!!!"

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

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OUR AWESOME GOD

By: **Doris Applegate**

Happy New Year to everyone!

Here are some questions we can all ask as we endure the pandemic that has brought us to our knees! From the New Living Translation Bible we read:

"Who else has held the oceans in his hand? Who has measured off the Heavens with his fingers? Who else knows the weight of the earth or has weighed the mountains and hills on a scale? Who is able to advise the Spirit of the Lord? Who knows enough to advise or teach him? Has the Lord ever needed anyone's advise? Does he need instructions about what is good? Did someone show him what is right or show him the path or justice? No, for all the nations of the world are but a drop in the bucket. They are nothing more than dust on the scales. He picks up the whole earth as though it were a grain of sand. All the wood and animals in Lebanon are not enough to make burnt offering worthy of our God. The nations of the world are worth nothing to him and in his eyes, they count for less than nothing, mere emptiness and froth.

To whom can you compare God or what image can you find to resemble him?

God sits about the circle of the earth, the people below seem like grasshoppers to him. He spreads out the Heavens like a curtain and makes his tent from them. He judges the great people of the world and brings them all to nothing. They hardly get started, barely taking root when he blows on them and they wither. The wind carries them off like chaff. "Who will compare me? Who is my equal?" asks the Holy One., God created the stars and calls them all by name and none are missing.

He says to Jacob and Israel (and those who love him):

"How come you say I don't see your troubles, or say that God ignores your rights? Haven't you heard or understood those that I created the earth and I never grow weak or weary. No one can measure the depths of my understanding. I give power to the weak and strength to the powerless, the young men will get weak,

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"When hard pressed, I cried to the Lord; he brought me into a spacious place. The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"

— Psalm 118:5-6

tired and exhausted, but those who trust in the Lord will find new strength, soar high on wings like eagles, they will run and not grow weary, walk and not faint" " Goodness and Mercy will follow us all the days of our life (as we trust in the Lord) and we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

AMEN



KIDS' KORNER

Welcome back! I hope you had a great Christmas celebrating the birth of Jesus. No matter what gifts anyone else may have given you, you got the greatest gift of all in the baby in the manger.

Last week I asked you to find out how the angel woke Peter in jail. Peter was imprisoned for proclaiming the Gospel. The government had forbidden him to preach about Jesus, but that didn't stop Peter. That's a lesson for us. We must obey God first.

An angel came to free Peter, who was sleeping soundly, chained to two guards. The angel poked Peter in the side, and he woke up. Immediately all of Peter's shackles fell off. He got dressed and left the prison. See Acts 12:1-11.

Nothing should ever be allowed to stop us from telling others about Jesus. Know, as did Peter, that God is always with you.

For next week: According to Matthew 15, what plants will be pulled out by their roots?

God bless your reading of His word.

See you next week!

Pastor Tim

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THE BEST IS YET TO COME

By: **Doris Applegate**

We all want the New Year, 2021, to be a year of rest from the pandemic and for people to get well and healthy and get back to church, work and other activities. Our country has been under lock down so long that it has affected our spirits greatly.

When hope seems gone, the spirit of man can get depressed and give up but we must stay strong, this too will pass. Our trials make us stronger if we stay with it!

When we see mobs controlling some cities, our police and law hated and defunded, criminals let out of prison, etc., etc., we can say for sure that we elected the wrong people for office. As we get fed up and tired of wrong government we will roar. Just as a lion roars in the forest, change is about to take place (a good meal perhaps) just so when "we the people 'roar'" you will start to see a BIG CHANGE take place in our country. Those who love justice and righteousness will have the loudest voices.

God will always be for us when we stand for right. The wicked rulers who are against what our country stands for have had their day and time - now it is time for "the roar".

"Sin is a reproach to any people but righteousness exalts a nation." (Proverbs 14:34). Our land was long ago dedicated to God almighty and it still belongs to God. The church of Jesus Christ is not commanded to be locked down, but to gather together to praise the Lord and fellowship. When nightclubs, bars, abortion clinics, etc. are allowed to stay open and churches closed, we know something is wrong. Do we

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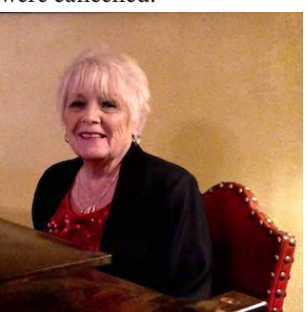
One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent."
— Acts 18:9



ALWAYS TIME FOR SCHOOL

Penny For Your Thoughts
By: Nancy Whitaker

It is always an exciting time when a new school year begins. Some like it; others hate going back. Of course 2020 brought with it the deadly Covid19 virus and classes were taught at home for a while and many events were cancelled.



Now on a normal school year there are new clothes to buy, plus school supplies and wondering who you will have for teachers. Will they be mean or nice?

I think the night before school started, my own kids were too excited to sleep and appeared to be more than ready for a new school year.

Of course, looking back, I was always excited for school too, but I got very few new clothes and about all the supplies we needed were a (box of 8) Crayolas, a Number 2 yellow pencil, some disgusting looking paste and a yellow tablet. In fact I recall kids eating the paste at school which was white and gooey.

I found an internet story about a homeless man who dug through the trash cans looking for money or food.

Well the story is that this man died after consuming the paste. He remains unidentified, but his epitaph reads: 1902 - the man who ate too much paste.

I had to walk down a long lane to get to the school bus and many times the snow was so deep. The bus driver could barely see my head. This was when I was in grade school. In high school I still walked to school, as we had moved into town.

Of course this has been many years ago and things have really changed. There are a lot more school supplies to buy and the technical age has arrived. We have options such as computers, the internet and online classes if you want. Have you ever wondered what the schools were like 100 years ago?

As I was looking through some of the history of schools in the 1800s I ran into a letter written by a student in 1901.

Students were given the assignment to write a letter explaining what they thought schools would be like in 2002. Here is the letter that I found very interesting,

"Hello, My name is Amanda and I just started grade 2. My older brother, Bill, is in Grade 6 and my younger sister, Sarah, is in Kindergarten.

My teacher asked us to write a note to students 100 years from now to tell them what school is like now and to try to imagine what it will be like for them. Father thinks people will have given up on school by then. He thinks school is a big waste of time. But I think there might still be schools. There might even be two or three teachers in a school instead of just one!

My brother and sister all go to the same school and we share one big classroom. Miss Matheson is the teacher. She teaches all the kids in our community and from the farms nearby. Right now Miss Matheson is living at the Durkson's house. But next month it will be our turn to board her.

I'm very excited about having her move in with us. She's very pretty and so smart! I wonder if one day parents will build the teacher her own house?

Miss Matheson teaches everyone from Kindergarten to Grade 12. But there aren't very many students in the higher grades. Billy is in Grade 6 now. Father says this will be his last year in school. He needs Billy to help more on the farm next year. Billy

already misses school around harvest time.

I go to school most of the time, except when I have to help mom go to market to sell our eggs. I think that in 100 years, there will be special days off so that kids can help sell eggs and won't have to miss class to do it.

I like school most of the time. We practice writing, reading and arithmetic. We use small chalkboards to practice math and we use pens that we dip in ink to practice writing. I like writing with the pen, but I hate when the boys dip my hair in the ink! If there are still schools in 100 years, I'm sure the boys will still be dipping the girls' hair in ink.

We have to buy our own books and Father says it's too expensive to buy new ones each year. I always have to use Billy's old books. He took pretty good care of them. Father would have taken him behind the wood shed if he hadn't! But it would still be nice to have a new book, just once

It's chilly this morning. We have a big stove at the front of the room to keep the class warm in the winter, but we don't get any wood for it until it's cold all day. In the autumn we have to wear our sweaters in the mornings until the sun warms things up. I think in 100 years, they'll be able to start the stove in autumn so their fingers won't be so cold in the mornings.

I made our lunches today. Sarah helped. She liked packing the old syrup buckets full of the sandwiches I made.

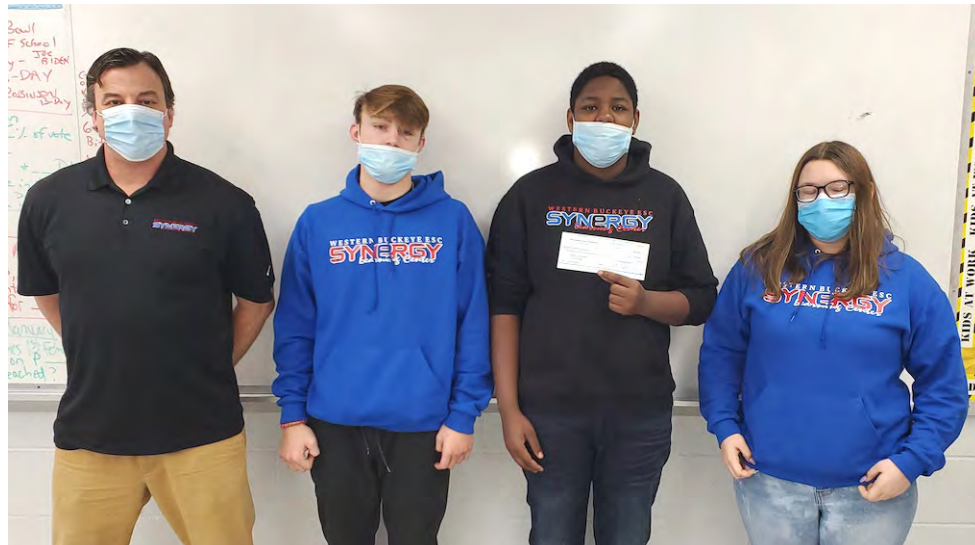
I wonder if in 100 years, kids will still bring their lunches to school in old syrup buckets? Maybe they'll get brand new ones instead.

Billy never has time to eat his lunch. He's too busy taking care of his horse. He's so lucky to be able to ride to school. Sarah and I have to walk. I know it's only one mile and that lots of kids have to walk farther, but it would still be fun to ride a horse. I think in 100 years all of the kids will have their own horses and be able to ride to school, even the girls.

It's almost time for recess, so I'm going to finish my note now. One thing's for sure, if there's still school in 100 years there will still be recess!

Amanda." Has anyone ever went to a one room school? Do you think Amanda would be surprised at the schools today? Did you walk to school? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

GRANT AWARDED TO SYNERGY



Shown accepting the check is SYNERGY Teacher: Dan Kline, and SYNERGY Students: Devin Couch, Marshawn Williams, and Hailey Steen.

The Van Wert County Foundation recently awarded Synergy a grant to be used for Student food, clothing, school supplies, and rewards.

The Van Wert County Foundation administrators

trusts, grants, and bequests on behalf of donors for the benefit of the residents of Van Wert County and the region. They go beyond simply making grants that advance charitable activities. They also

identify current and emerging issues, channel resources to address the communities' needs and help the area prepare for the future.

thought you would be.

Before you change your investment strategy, it's important to understand the potential tradeoffs. By limiting your downside risk by investing less aggressively, you may also limit your upside potential. You might need to change your strategy in other ways, such as saving more or working longer. That said, the tradeoff involved in reducing your downside risk may be worth taking, if it helps you cope better with wild market swings, as the best strategy may be one you can stick with through the inevitable ups and downs of the markets.

Because market fluctuations are a normal part of investing, here are some additional suggestions that may help you focus on your long-term strategy.

* Look past the immediate event. While the market's pandemic-driven fall was sudden, its recovery was also fairly quick. Eight months after its March meltdown, the market had regained all the lost ground and reached a new record high. During the midst of what appears to be a real threat to your investment portfolio, it can be difficult to anticipate a more favorable environment. Yet, while past performance can't guarantee future results, every historical market decline has been followed by a recovery.

* Understand that the Dow isn't your portfolio. When the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the other major market indexes such as the S&P 500 fall

precipitously (or shoot up), it makes headlines. But the Dow and the S&P 500 only track the performance of large U.S. companies - and while their performance may be an indication of the U.S. economy, they aren't going to track the results of your portfolio, which should ideally include a personalized mix of large-company stocks, small-company stocks, international stocks, bonds, government securities and other investments.

* Keep your emotions out of your investment moves. The market will fluctuate constantly - but you should always try keep your emotions in check. Excess exuberance when the market rises, or extreme dependency when the market falls, can lead you to make poor decisions. Specifically, we may buy when we feel good (when the markets are up) and sell when we feel badly (when markets are down). Your heart and your emotions may drive your financial goals - creating a comfortable retirement, sending your kids to college or leaving a legacy for your family - but when you invest

for these goals, you should use your head.

Your risk tolerance is a key part of your investment strategy. But by taking the steps described above, you can gain a broader understanding of how risk fits into your overall picture - and a better understanding of yourself as an investor.

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

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EVAN MOHR NAMED TO TRINE UNIVERSITY DEAN'S LIST

ANGOLA, IN (01/07/2021)-- Evan Mohr of Payne, a Trine University student, earned Dean's List recognition for the Fall 2020 term.

Mohr is majoring in Management.

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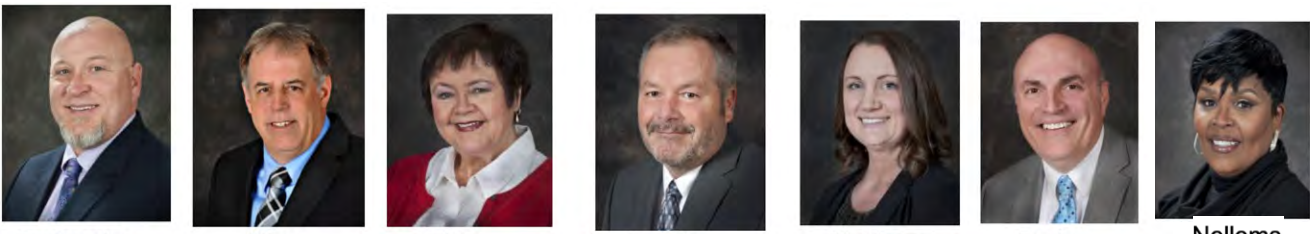
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MEET THE 2021 EACS BOARD OFFICERS AND NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS



Buckmaster President
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Nellems

At the January 5, 2021 EACS board meeting the following board officers were voted in as board officers – Mr. Todd Buckmaster, president, Mr. Tim Hines, vice

president and Mrs. Gayle Etzler, secretary. Also, Mr. Buckmaster and Mr. Steve Screeton were each sworn in for another term and Ms. Jenny Blackburn and Mr. Ron

Turpin were sworn in as new members since each won in the November general election. The seventh board member is Mrs. Paulette Nellems

representing District 3E currently serving in her second term.

LATTA STATEMENT ON ATTACKS ON THE CAPITOL AND THE JOINT MEETING OF CONGRESS ON COUNTING THE VOTES OF THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) provided the following statement:
 “These attacks on our democracy, our nation’s Capitol, and Capitol Police are abhorrent and must stop. This is not how the Constitution has guided our country and citizens over the past 232 years. My eternal gratitude goes to the men and women who protect us 24 hours a day at the Capitol. I pray for their safety.
 “Like many Americans, I looked forward to four years of achieving our nation’s greatness together under conservative leadership in order to help America’s working men and women, farmers, veterans, and small businesses; bolster our defense; and ensure our leadership across the globe. To say I am disappointed in the election’s results is an understatement.

“The United States Constitution is the greatest document in self-government the world has ever known. There was great debate between the delegates as to what type of legislature we would have, what a judicial branch would look like, and of course, what kind of federal executive would be created and elected.
 “As a constitutional conservative, I believe the first three words in the Constitution are bigger than everything else in that document. Those three words are, ‘We the people.’ The Constitution grants the American people the opportunity to vote for our nation’s President, and it provides a system for presidential electors from each state to formally elect the President. These presidential electors are collectively known as the Electoral College. Article II, Section 1, Clause 2 states that ‘Each State shall appoint, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct, a Number of Electors,....’ The Constitution’s 12th Amendment further defines this process when it states, ‘The Electors shall

meet in their respective states and vote by ballot for President and Vice-President... and they shall make distinct lists of all persons voted for as President, and of all persons voted for as Vice-President.’
 “As required, the presidential electors cast their ballots, forwarded those tallies to the President of the Senate, and those lists were being opened and counted in a joint session today. The Constitution dictates the person receiving the greatest number of votes will be the President. Under federal law, if at least one member of the Senate and one member of the House of Representatives object to the state’s certification of electors, a Congressional vote will be held to reject the state’s electors.
 “I believe the President had the right to go to court to contest states where cases of election irregularities were presented. In the dozens of federal and state court cases that were filed on behalf of the President, the President did not prevail. I supported an amicus brief that was very narrow in scope. It asked the United States Supreme Court to answer the question of the Electors Clause in Article II, Section 1, Clause 2 of whether only the state legislatures could set the rules for choosing the electors in their respective states, as is so clearly stated in the Constitution, or could other state officials or parties do so. The Court did not address the issue, and it will be a simmering problem in presidential elections in the future. As called on by Senator Rob Portman, I support the establishment of a blue ribbon bipartisan panel to investigate the 2020 election and to put those findings into practice into coming elections.
 “While I believe these actions were taken appropriately, I have taken a solemn oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States. I take that oath very seriously.
 “The Constitution does not grant Congress the authority to overturn elections and overrule state and federal courts. We must preserve the Electoral College as outlined in the Constitution because without it, the entire landscape of electing the president would be irreparably altered for the worse. It is for these reasons that I will cast my vote to uphold the Constitution, and I cannot support the objections.”

Undergraduates earning a degree from Concordia were eligible for distinction or high distinction honors. The top 10% of graduates with the highest GPA in their respective colleges were designated as graduating with high distinction. An additional 15% were designated as graduating with distinction.
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LEGAL NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDDERS

Sealed Bids for Property for sale “Description for 0.450 Acre” by the Board of County Commissioners, Paulding County, Ohio (herein called the “OWNER”) will be received by the Owner at the Paulding County Commissioner’s Office (115 N. Williams St., #B-1, Paulding, OH 45879) until Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 9:00 AM (local time). Any Bids received later than the above time will be returned unopened. All Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

Property for Sale Description: Description for 0.450 Acre

Situated: In the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, Town 2 North, Range 2 East, Village of Paulding, Paulding County, Ohio, being part of tract and all of Lot 86 of Dix’s Addition as described in Official Record Volume 272, Page 135 and part of the former Penn Central Railroad described in Official Record Volume 519, Page 2068 and being more particularly described as follows;

Commencing at the southeast corner of the southwest quarter of said Section 12, being a ¾” pipe found;

Thence along the east line of said southwest quarter, N. 01°17’26”E., a distance of 39.60 feet to the southeast corner of Lot 86 of Dix’s Addition, being the **Principal Point of Beginning**;

Thence along the south line of said Lot 86, N.89°03’34”W., a distance of 99.99 feet to a mag nail found at the southwest corner of said Lot 86, passing 5/8” iron pin found at 9.83 feet;

Thence along the west line of said Lot 86 and the east line of Elm Street, N.01°17’26”E., a distance of 159.71 feet to a mag nail set;

Thence on va new division line, S.89°05’34”E., a distance of 122.41 feet to a mag nail set in the centerline of said Penn Central Railroad, passing 5/8” iron pin set at 15.00 feet and 107.41 feet;

Thence along said centerline, S.01°01’26”W., a distance of 159.78 feet to a mag nail set in the north line of Wayne Street;

Thence on said north line, N.89°03’34”W., a distance of 23.17 feet to the Principal Point of Beginning;

Containing 0.450 acre, more or less, and being subject to all legal highways, rights-of-way, easements, restrictions, covenants, and/or conditions of record.

The above description and bearing system is based on a survey prepared by Michael L. Howbert, Registered Professional Surveyor No. 7959, in December of 2020.

Opening of the bids will take place in the office of the Paulding County Commissioners immediately following the time specified for receiving bids. Said bids shall be in writing on a form to be furnished by the County Commissioners, and shall be accompanied with either a, deposit of money, certified or cashier’s check in an amount equal to ten percent of the bid amount, as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will complete the sale transaction. **Minimum Bid will start at \$ 125,000.00.**

The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids. By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio.

Heather Barnhouse, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Paulding County, Ohio

NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH CHAMBER THEATRE PRODUCTIONS

The New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) has partnered with Chamber Theatre Productions in Quincy, MA, to offer Edgar Allan Poe: The Midnight Collection, an online one-hour dramatic educational experience featuring four of Poe’s works.
 Included in the collection are three live dramatizations of stories and poems, an audio poem, an animated biography of Poe’s life, exclusive interviews with the creative team, study guides, and other fun educational activities. The education package provides flexible one-week rental options for either classroom or remote learning.
 Pamela Clark, Executive Director of NHEG, stated, “This partnership offers a unique experience for those interested in history, classical education, performing arts, Edgar Allan Poe and theatre productions that can be streamed from the comfort of home or shared in the classroom. With 45 years of experience, this theatre and its productions have brought thousands of students to theatrical educational performances across the country.”
 You can learn more about this unique virtual education experience by visiting <https://school.chambertheatre.com/> and entering code: HS5 at checkout - and you will receive 5% off.

SHELLY BILLMAN EARNS M.ED. DEGREE FROM CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, NEBRASKA

Shelly Billman of Antwerp, Ohio, earned a Master of Education degree from Concordia University, Nebraska in the Fall of 2020.

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 2ND 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2020/21

SENIORS
 4.0: Kaeli Bustos, Daniel Cantu, Jonathan Clapsaddle, Kaylyn Cox, Megan Dearth, Leigha Egnor, Adela Foltz, Quintin Gonzales, Megan Harpel, Hailey Hartzell, Isa-

belle Heitman, Morgan Iler, Caleb Manz, Elyse Manz, Luke McCullough, Jalynn Parrett, Gillian Porter, Quincy Porter, Deyton Price, Lynelle Schneider, Kaitlyn Shaffer, Ben Weible, Hailey Weidenhamer
 3.5-3.99: Payton Beckman, Haley Burtin, Sadie Estle, Colton Howell, Hailee Hunter, Hunter Kauser, Robert Keeterle, Kayla Lane, Baylee March, Blake McGarvey, Trace McKinley, Deacon Sanders, Isaac Smalley, Courtney Smith, Dom Wesley, Jasmine Wong
 3.0-3.49: Dom Carnahan, Kyle Harris, Nolan Johanns, Alexis Lamond, Morgan Mabley, Marquise Seibert

JUNIORS

4.0: Brooke-lyn Ankney, Ella Cook, Erika Dobbelaere, Taelyn Etzler, Sophia Fisher, Audrey Giesige, Zach Gorrell, Reid Johanns, Paige Jones, Lily Roehrig, Claire Schweller, Connor Smith, Caleb Thompson, Logan Tope, Alex Tressler, Grady Vogel, Sam Woods
 3.5-3.99: Austin Adams, Alivya Bakle, Wyatt Beckman, Gabby Casper, Cristian Funez, Kalyan Goshia, Kaylena Gray, Ethan Herman, Janae Pease, Austin Pessefall, Leanne Warnimont
 3.0-3.49: Christian Bauer, Kyle Dominique, Brody Fisher, Kyle Kelly, Kelsey Kupfer-smith, Myla Mitchell

SOPHOMORES

4.0: Madison Bash, Eternity Bassler, Vinny Cantu, Natali Cortes Becerra, Joe Estle, Ethan Foltz, Eugene Hobart, Carlea Kuckuck, Kirsten Lane, Jacob Lipps, Ashton Manz, Jacob Martinez, Hayden Mullen, Caydence Rue, Ariana Sheaks, Chaz Shull, Cassie Weller, Bryanna Winke
 3.5-3.99: Katie Beckman, Mason Doster, Quinten Doster, Shirlyn Hunter, Miranda Iler, Wyatt Jefferies, Skylar Keezer, Haley Manz, Nick Manz, Emily Mazariegos, Emma McClure, Wyatt Pessefall, Olivia Porter, Mikayla Shough, Sydney Trahin
 3.0-3.49: Peyton Adams, Jonathan Adkins, Zak Bauer, Marissa Gray, Bridget Gribble, Autumn Kochenour, Cameron Laker, Carter Manz, Brayden Sanders, Ean

Seibert, Makayla Suffel, Cameron Wilhelm
FRESHMEN
 4.0: Casey Agler, Elli Barton, Ronnie Godwin, Jamy Hunt, Maci Kauser, Sarah Lewis, Wes Ludwig, Carla Manz, Malia Manz, Aiden Miller, Patrick Paholak, Jocelynn Parrett, Trinity Salazar, Denis Santillan-Rodriguez, Lathan Schneider, Dillon Shough, Riley Stork, Sarah Wong
 3.5-3.99: Ava Foltz, Aiden Herman, Mattie Hirschy, Sammie Jones, Tytus Manz, Tyler Schlatter
 3.0-3.49: Drake Ankney, Cyrah Bradford, Hunter Coutts, Zane Daniels, Ella Gorrell, Garrett McClure, Kelcie Pack, Esther Rocha

PAULDING ELEMENTARY 2ND 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2020/21

***Denotes all A's**
GRADE 3
 Mrs. Doster: Carlie Lero, Ella Zimmerman
 Mrs. Buss: Abisai Escobar, Levi Fisk, Scarlett Neff, Tucker Stoller
 Mrs. Rohlf: *Sawyer Hunt, *Brady Dunham, Savannah Barnes, Gavin Parrett, Lylah Schlueter, Victor Lechuga, Brayden Keeling, Preslee Cline, Katherine Arend
 Mrs. Agler: *Bethany Antigo, *Gabriella Mosier, Gaven James, Piper Pease, Hudson Spanger, Lane Sprow
GRADE 4
 Mrs. Kender: *Ingrid Escobar, *Kendal Hodge, *Ross Myers, *Owen Stoller, Lilly Steingass, Leah Manz
 Mrs. Stoller: *Brynlee Mangette, *Kendyl Sunday, Makenna Adams, Cora Agler, Lincoln Manz
 Mrs. Warner: Daniella Borland, Madison Clark, Aspen Grace, Shyann Kuhl, Luci Martinez, Shohawna Shepherd
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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

PROBATE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
 Judge Michael A. Wehrkamp
 Estate of Diana Lyn Conley, Deceased
 Case No. 20201086
TO: Joan M. Egly

You are hereby notified that Diana Lyn Conley died intestate on March 12, 2020. The estate was filed with the Paulding County Probate Court located at 115 N. Williams Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879 on September 21, 2020 under case No. 20201086. Jennifer L. Thomas has made application to serve as Administrator for the estate.

This notice is given to all persons who would be entitled to serve as Administrator of the estate and/or to inherit from the

decendent had the decedent died testate. A n y objections to such appointment shall be submitted to the Probate Court of Paulding County, Ohio and James K. Weaner, Attorney for the Estate at 401 Wayne Ave, Defiance, Ohio 43512.

The hearing to appoint an Administrator of the Estate of Diana Lyn Conley is scheduled for February 5, 2021. at 10:00 a.m.

Dated: 12/11/2020

 Judge Michael A. Wehrkamp

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THE TREATY OF GREENVILLE

By: Stan Jordan
Previously ran 3/28/12

As early as the fall of 1794 several chiefs contacted General Wayne to have a meeting with all tribes to talk about a peace plan. Most all tribes were tired of wars and skirmishes.

Shortly after the Battle of Fallen Timbers, a number of chiefs had made the trip to Greenville to see Wayne.

Wayne said, "The heavens are bright, the roads are open, we will rest in peace and wait for our brothers to arrive and assemble. We will not cover up the council fire and we'll keep it alive until the remainder of the different tribes assemble and form a full meeting and representation."

On July 18th, Blue Jacket, the famous Shawnee Chief, and 13 lower chiefs of the tribes joined the council. Until now, this chief only wanted war; so things were looking up a little.

There was Tarkee of the Wyandots who still wanted war. There was Little Turtle, chief of the Miami's, a great chief—and a smart one. A young chief named Tecumseh was there but he wasn't for peace. His plan was to send all whites back east and give the land back to the natives

like it was for generations. He would not deviate from that line and he had a number of followers.

There were 1,300 chiefs and warriors at the council at Greenville and they were represented like this: Wyandots, 180; Delawares, 381, Shawnee, 143; Ottowas, 45; Chippewas, 46; Pottawatomies, 210; Miami and Eel Rivers, 73; Weas and Piankeshaws, 12; Kickapoos and Kaskasias, 10.

All of these didn't sign the treaty, but they represented all who were there and those who were absent of the tribes and nations. This treaty is very lengthy and exact and all I wanted to learn about was their yearly annuity.

It seems that \$20,000 was to be allocated by the U.S. Government each year for this purpose: blankets; food supplies; animals and implements of husbandry and utensils for the artificers benefit for the annual delivery.

It is hard to understand the boundaries of the treaty. When they say west of the Ohio River, I think they mean where the Ohio goes north into Pennsylvania.

This treaty gave the U.S. the lands of Cleveland all the way west past Detroit and Chicago, also gave to the U.S. and nearly all of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois and some of south of the Ohio River after it turns west.

This treaty was done at Greenville, in the territory of the United States, Northwest of the Ohio River, on the third day of August, one thousand, seven hundred ninety-five.

All of this data was taken from a book called History of Ohio by Charles Galbraith and furnished to me by Paulding County's great historian, Ray Keck.

Ray, I really appreciate all your help. (Ray is deceased)
See ya!



By: Stan Jordan
Previously ran 4/4/12

Please join me in remembering a great icon of the entertainment community. The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection and trauma complications from repeated pokes in the belly. He was 71.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay their respects, including Mrs. Butterworth, Hungry Jack, the California Raisins, Betty Crocker, the Hostess Twinkies and Captain Crunch. The grave site was piled high with flours.

Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy and lovingly described Doughboy as a man who never knew how much he was kneaded. Doughboy rose quickly in show business but his later life was filled with turnovers. He was not considered a very smart cookie, wasting much of his dough on half baked schemes. Despite being a little flaky at times he was still a crusty old man and was considered a positive roll model for millions.

Doughboy is survived by his wife, Play Dough, three children: John Dough, Jane Dough and Dosey Dough, plus they had one in the oven. He is also survived by his elderly father, Pop Tart. The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

If this made you smile for even a brief second, please rise to the occasion and take time to pass it on and share that smile with someone else who may be having a crummy day and kneads a lift.

This was sent to me (Stan) by William Wonderly from Hicksville.
See ya!

SAVANNAH JONES GRADUATES FROM TRINE UNIVERSITY

Savannah Jones of Paulding graduated from Trine University at the end of the Fall 2020 semester.

Jones earned a Master of Physician Assistant Studies degree at Trine.

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KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER WINNERS



Congratulations to Divine Mercy students Carter Baumbale, Addison Sennebogen, and Clare Linder for their winning posters submitted to the



Paulding Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest. Each student received a \$50 check from the Paulding Knights



of Columbus, and their posters will move on to the state level for judging. Thank you Knights of Columbus!

SERVANT HEART AWARD



Heath Carter - Ms. Ashworth & Mrs. Overmyer's Kindergarten Class

Heath has a heart like Jesus. Heath comes to class early each morning. During that time, he always asks what he can do to help out. When given a task to do to help out, he completes it with a big smile. Heath also cares about each and every individual. He hugs each adult upon entering he classroom and talks to everyone. When students are having a bad day, Heath always reassures them that it will be ok. He stands next to them until they are feeling better, and he hugs his fellow classmates to show he cares. Heath enjoys telling very explicit stories so that he can cheer others up and keep their attention. He's funny, caring, and compassionate. Heath makes us smile each day with his sense of humor. He also has an imagination which makes him more enjoyable to talk to. Heath goes out if his way to help out when he can.

Before leaving for Christmas break, he took it upon himself to sweep and mop our classroom just to help out. He does a fabulous job. Keep up the great work Heath. I am proud of you. Ms. A.



Brisa Chavez - Mrs. Bradbury's 5th & 6th Grade Class

Brisa Chavez is one of the most kind and caring people in our classroom. She is always the first person to notice if someone is sad or upset. I have witnessed her move her bookbag in order to make room for someone else's, let others go in front of her to get supplies, and offer to let someone use some of her supplies when they can't find theirs. When we were cutting and gluing a project and she finished early, she went to another student's desk to help him glue and get his project done. I have never heard Brisa say anything that is unkind and she is always a friend to everyone.



Columbia Dempsey - Mrs. Bradbury's 5th & 6th Grade Class

I would like to nominate Columbia Dempsey for the Servant's Heart Award. Almost everyday Columbia is doing things for others. When someone needs help, spills something, or just needs some encouragement she is the first to volunteer her time. She always holds the door open for our class even if she is almost at the end of the line and most of the students have already run out the door letting it nearly shut on the person behind them. When we got a new student in our classroom, Columbia made him a welcome sign for his desk. When I asked each student to color a picture for nursing home residents, Columbia asked if she could color two. Columbia truly has a servant's heart and I am so proud of how thoughtful she is.

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

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- Bryan:** Chief, Town & Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General
- Cecil:** 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village
- Charloe:** Charloe Store
- Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware
- Defiance:** Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Butt Hutt, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid
- Edgerton:** Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Valero Gas, Marathon
- Grover Hill:** Ross' Gas Station, N&N Quick Stop
- Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway
- Melrose:** Morning Star Convenience Store
- Ney:** Marathon
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- Paulding:** Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrill Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospi-

- tal, Paulding Kwik Mart
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INDIANA LOCATIONS

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- Grabill:** Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales
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- Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub
- Monroeville:** Mel's Deli, The Village of Heritage, Phillips 66 Gas Station, Dollar General
- New Haven:** New Haven Tan McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrollet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS
- Woodburn:** Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop
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WARRIORS CRUISE PAST ARCHERS



Antwerp's Kennadi Recker finds an opening in the center of the key and shoots for the Archers. More pictures at westbendnews.net

In a battle of cross-state rivals, it was all Woodlan on Tuesday night as the Lady Warriors cruised to a 48-23 win over Antwerp in Paulding County.

Woodlan took a 13-10 lead at the end of one quarter and expanded the margin to 21-12 at the intermission before

dominating the second half. The Lady Warriors outscored the Archers 27-11 in the second half, including a 17-6 margin in the third quarter that pushed the Woodlan lead to 38-18 entering the final stanza.

Dakota Krohn topped the Indiana squad with 14 points



Woodlan Senior Alicia McMahan holds down Astianna Coppes, junior, from getting a clear shot to the basket. More pictures at westbendnews.net

and Alicia McMahan chipped in a dozen markers.

Avah Smith added eight for Woodlan, which improves to 5-7 on the season.

Other scorers for the Lady Warriors were Taylor Kneubuhler (six), Lydia Dyer (three), Addie Goheen (two), Rachel Emehiser (two) and

Hannah Dietel (one).

Antwerp was led by Grace Schuette with nine points and Hayleigh Jewell chipped in five. Lydia Brewer (four), Kennadi Recker (two), Astianna Coppes (two) and Laura Miller (one) provided the remaining Lady Archer markers.

AREA STUDENTS NAMED TO TRINE PRESIDENT'S LIST

Trine University students were named to the President's List for the Fall 2020 term. To earn President's List honors, students must complete a minimum of 12 hours and have a grade point average of 3.750-4.000.

The following area students were named to the President's List:

Andrew Baughman of Paulding, majoring in Software Engineering

Chelsi Giesige of Paulding, majoring in Finance

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY 2ND 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2020/21

ALL A HONOR ROLL GRADE 3

Bennett, Kaylyn; Bermejo, Laylah; Bradbury, Hannah; Cline, Eliza; Gerencser, Parker; Honigford, Anderson (A); Rice, Marshall; Fidler, Connor; Grant, Hayden; Kiracofe, Alivia; Meyer, Isaac; Mezuk, Avaeah; Zartman, Briggs; Burk, Carleigh; Steel, Jordan;

STUCKEY, KOLTON GRADE 4

Hook, Charlotte; Cottrell, Pearce; Mowery, Annabelle; Overman, Evan

GRADE 5

Jackson, Kenna; Barker, Bryceton; Fuller, Brayden; Peters, Braxton; Zuber, Kora

A'S & B'S HONOR ROLL

GRADE 3

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RAIDERS, WARRIORS SPLIT

WOODBURN - Two interstate rivals hooked up Tuesday night at Woodlan Junior High School where the Wayne Trace seventh grade and Woodlan eighth grade girls basketball teams picked up victories.

The Lady Warrior eighth graders defeated the Raiders 36-22 behind 18 points from Alyssa Harvey while Brooke Kneubuhler added eight markers. Ava Scheiderer chipped in six for Woodlan as well.

Tianna Sinn topped Wayne Trace with six points while Anna Meraz bucketed five and Kathleen Stoller posted four.

Wayne Trace captured the seventh-grade contest 33-12 as Caren Winans paced the Lady Raiders with eight markers.

Lexi Moore and Torree Sinn added seven and six markers, respectively, for the Lady Raiders. Emma McDaniel and Kyra Elwood both had four points for Woodlan.

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LADY RAIDERS PICK UP ROAD WIN AT TINORA

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

Gracie Shepherd led the Wayne Trace Lady Raiders to a 10-point GMC win last Thursday 55-45. Shepherd finished the night with 23 points to lead all scorers. The 5-10 sophomore also picked up 11 rebounds to complete a double-double. Shepherd had a solid night shooting, hitting 9-14 from the two-point area and 5-8 at the foul line. With the win the Raiders move to 7-4 overall and 2-0 in league play.

Both teams played rather even in the last three quarters but it was the first period that helped propel the Raiders to a nice lead. Wayne Trace opened with a 14-2 advantage after

the initial quarter of play but Tinora won the second period 19-16 to trail 30-21 at the break. Both teams scored 14 points each in quarter number three with the Raiders outlasting the Rams in the final eight minutes of play 11-10 to secure the 10-point win.

Joining Shepherd in the score book for the Raiders was Katrina Stoller with 10 points, Rachel Stoller chipping in nine and Sydney Sinn with eight. Also scoring for the winners was Christina Graham and Abby Moore with two points each and Rylee Troth adding a point. Graham led the Raiders in rebounding with 12 boards.

For the Lady Rams, who fall to 5-7 overall and 0-2 in the GMC, Tristen Norden led the green-and-white with 11 followed by Liv Mueller with 10. Emily Harr added nine followed by eight points from Karli Okuley. Rounding out Tinora scoring was Amanda with three and two points each from Addison Lee and Anna Gray.

ARCHERS RUN PAST NC

PIONEER - Antwerp opened a 23-7 lead after one quarter and ran away from there in an 81-24 win over North Central Saturday night in Williams County.

The Archers expanded the margin to 50-10 at the intermission before taking a 69-20 lead into the final period.

Jagger Landers scored 24 points to top all scorers with Owen Sheedy adding 13 and Hunter Sproles chipped in a dozen. Luke Krouse also reached double figures with 11.

Kaden Recker had seven markers for the Archers followed by Austin Lichty (six), Gage McMichael (three), Mason Steel (two), Carson Altimus (two) and Landon Brewer (one).

The Archers return to action on Friday as Antwerp welcomes in rival Wayne Trace in a Green Meadows Conference battle.

Antwerp then visits Lincolnview Saturday night for a non-league battle with the Lancers.

LADY ARCHERS FALL TO APACHES, PANTHERS

ANTWERP - The Antwerp Lady Archers came up short in a pair of games last week as the blue and white fell to Fairview and Parkway.

Against the Apaches on Thursday, the black and gold held Antwerp scoreless in the first quarter and rolled to a 52-21 win.

Fairview led 21-0 at the end of one quarter before pushing the lead to 34-7 at the intermission. The black and gold then took a 41-17 advantage into the final period.

Carrie Zeedyk led the way for Fairview with 17 points while Kelly Crites chipped in ten markers.

Karrie Smith and Kiersten Cline both finished with eight points for the Apaches while Allison Rhodes had six and

Cassie Mavis totaled three. Hayleigh Jewell paced Antwerp with eight followed by Lydia Brewer with seven and Aewyn McMichael posted six.

On Saturday, Parkway visited the home of the Archers and the Lady Panthers took home a 63-44 victory.

The Lady Panthers held a slim 11-10 lead at the end of eight minutes before Antwerp rallied to post a 23-22 halftime advantage.

Parkway answered with a 15-point third quarter while limiting Antwerp to nine as the Lady Panthers seized a 37-32 lead going to the final period.

The fourth quarter was all Panthers as the black and gold bucketed 26 points in the stanza compared to a dozen for Antwerp, wrapping up the 63-44 Parkway win.

Danielle Huff finished with 17 points to lead Parkway while Paige Williamson added 14 and Allison Hughes recorded 11. Emiree Knittle chipped in ten markers as well for the black and gold.

Claire Langenkamp (six) and Kelsey Nichols (five) completed the Mercer County squad's list of scorers.

Grace Schuette paced Antwerp with ten points while Lydia Brewer posted nine and Aewyn McMichael added seven.

Other blue and white scorers were Hayleigh Jewell (six), Alli Reinhart (five), Kennadi Recker (three), Laura Miller (two) and Molly Reinhart (two).

The Archers return to action on Thursday as Antwerp makes the trip to rival Wayne Trace in a Green Meadows Conference battle.

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RAIDERS FALL TO RAMS ON BUZZER BEATER



Wayne Trace's Kyle Stoller gets in the key, receives pass and shoots for the Raiders. More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - It was Tinora's Max Grube's three-pointer in the final seconds that snatched victory out of the hands of the Wayne Trace Raiders last Friday. Unfortunately for Wayne Trace it was the final four minutes that led up to the Raiders' misfortunes as they fell to the visiting Rams 46-43.

In the fourth quarter the Rams trailed by as many as 14 points but it was the Raiders who went cold the final four minutes and was held scoreless while the Rams orchestrated a 16-0 run to shock the fans on both sides of the floor who were in attendance.

Trailing 43-41 the Rams fought their way back to be down just two-points after Max Grube drained a two-pointer with less than two-minutes remaining. With 1:01 showing on the clock and the ball in the hands of the Raiders, the red, white, and blue coughed the ball up, allowing Nolan Shafer the opportunity for a break-a-way bucket to knot the score at 43 apiece.

In the closing seconds fol-

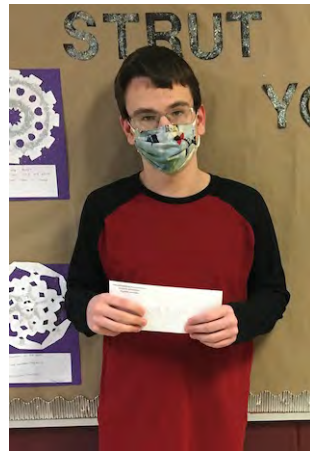
lowing a Wayne Trace misfire Tinora took possession of the ball and managed to work it for the final shot. Shafer managed to penetrate to the basket before kicking it out to Max Grube who sealed the comeback GMC win on a deep corner three.

Wayne Trace pulled away in the third frame after both teams battle to a 22-21 Wayne Trace advantage at the break. In the third quarter a Cameron Sinn triple followed by a Kyle Stoller free throw the Raiders entered the final eight minutes of play with a nine-point margin 38-27. Unfortunately for the Raiders, the final minutes of the contest turned into a nightmare as the Raiders fell by three.

Wayne Trace was led in scoring by Kyle Stoller who finished with 14 points and six rebounds. Cam Sinn was also in double-digits with 11 followed by Brooks Laukhuf with seven, Trevor Sinn six and Cameron Graham adding five.

Tinora was led in scoring by Shafer with 16 points, Marcus Grube with 12, and Max Grube chipping in 10.

HARTZELL RECEIVES AWARD



Shown in the picture is Paulding Middle School student Gerald Hartzell. Gerald received a \$10 Dairy Queen gift card for receiving Paulding Middle School's Most Passionate Award for the second nine weeks. Paulding Middle School would like to thank Mr. Phil Romero and Mrs. Angie Wiswell for nominating Gerald for this award.

LADY RAIDERS SWEEP RAMS

Wayne Trace's seventh and eighth grade girls basketball teams each improved to 5-0 in Green Meadows Conference action with wins over Tinora Monday evening.

The Lady Raider seventh graders are 12-0 overall after doubling up the Rams 24-12. Caroline Winans scored eight points and twin sister Careen Winans chipped in six to lead Wayne Trace to the victory.

Torree Sinn and Lexi Moore bucketed four markers each.

In the eighth-grade game, Tianna Sinn hit a three-pointer at the buzzer to lift Wayne Trace to a 21-18 win over the green and white.

Harper Myers scored seven points with Sinn posting six and Allison Noggle recorded four markers.

ARCHERS SLIP PAST BEARS

Antwerp's eighth grade girls basketball team returned to action Tuesday night for the first time in 2021 with a 31-26 victory over visiting Bryan.

Caroline Rohrs topped the Lady Archers with 13 points and Jessica Thornell bucketed a dozen markers. Faith Clem chipped in six points for Antwerp.

WARRIORS DOMINATE MIDDLE QUARTERS IN WIN OVER TIGERS

BLUFFTON - The Woodlan Lady Warrior basketball team hit the road on Saturday and used a dominant effort in the middle two quarters to post a 44-34 win over host Bluffton.

The Lady Tigers led 10-4 at the end of one period but the second quarter was all Woodlan. The Lady Warriors outscored Bluffton 15-4 in the stanza to take a 19-14 half-time advantage.

Quarter number three was very similar to the second quarter as Woodlan outscored the Tigers 17-4 in extending the advantage to 36-18 entering the final period.

Bluffton did respond and outscored Woodlan 16-8 in the fourth quarter but the Warriors went on to post the 44-34 win.

Dakotah Krohn bucketed a game high 19 points to lead the way for the Lady Warriors while Alicia McMahan chipped in nine and Evah Smith posted eight. Addie Goheen (five) and Taylor Kneubuhler (three) completed the Warrior scorers.

The Lady Tigers were led by Zoe Barger with 13 markers while Emme Boots chipped in seven.

Krohn also posted a game high nine rebounds for Woodlan while dishing out four assists and picking up three steals.

Smith totaled six boards and three steals for the Lady Warriors with Kneubuhler grabbing five boards and McMahan finished with three assists.

Woodlan returns to Bluffton on Tuesday to battle the Tigers in ACAC tourney play.

PATRIOTS POST WIN OVER RAIDERS

PONETO - Heritage went on the road in ACAC play over the weekend and the Patriots brought home a 66-61 win over Southern Wells in boys basketball action.

Luke Saylor recorded a double-double in the victory, scoring 22 points and grabbing ten rebounds to lead the way for Heritage.

Nyles Knapke added 21 markers and Dalton Wasson chipped in 15.

Howie Kaiser (four), Deontae Cobbins (two) and Leroy Lepper (two) were the other Heritage scorers. Cobbins also had six rebounds for Heritage while dishing out three assists and posting two steals. Lepper picked up five boards for the Patriots as well with Kaiser recording four rebounds and two steals.

Heritage will visit Adams Central on Tuesday to take part in the ACAC tourney.

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PANTHERS POST WIN OVER PIRATES



Paulding Senior Hunter Kauser, left unguarded, shoots for a basket from the outside and scores 3 points against Bluffton. More pictures at westbendnews.net

PAULDING - Tied after three quarters, the host Panthers of Paulding outscored visiting Bluffton by five points in the fourth quarter to post a 52-47 victory over the Pirates Friday night at the 'Jungle.'

The maroon and white held a 13-10 lead at the end of one period but Bluffton rallied in the second stanza, outscoring Paulding 17-11 to take a 27-24 halftime advantage.

Paulding rallied in the third period, picking up a dozen markers compared to the Pirates' nine in tying the game at 36-36 heading into the final period.

The Panthers then won the battle in the fourth quarter, adding 16 points to their total compared to 11 for Bluffton to seal the win.

Blake McGarvey led the way for the maroon and white, bucketing a game high

24 points to top all scorers.

Payton Beckman added ten points for Paulding with Christian Bauer chipping in nine and Boston Pease posting five. Hunter Kauser also had three markers for the Panthers and Nick Manz scored the remaining point.

Kyler Kinn topped Bluffton with 15 points while Trey Boblitt added 13 as well for the Pirates.

Trenton Donley and Nic Essinger both chipped in six markers for Bluffton followed by Carson Soper (four) and Nate Schaadt (three).

Paulding, which is now 6-4 overall and 2-1 in the Northwest Conference, returns to league play with a road trip to Allen East on Friday. The Panthers then host future Green Meadows Conference rival Ayersville on Saturday night.

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OAKWOOD SPELLING BEE WINNERS



Oakwood Elementary held the annual Spelling Bee on Friday, January 8th. Myrriah Manz won the bee with Ava Leatherman declared the runner-up. Myrriah is a 6th grader and will represent Oakwood Elementary at the County Bee. Congratulations to both girls!

Ava Leatherman on left and Myrriah Manz on the right.

HELPING WORKERS GET USED TO WEARING MASKS

A study done at Ohio meat-processing plants found very few employees were wearing required face masks. Among the 37 workers interviewed at five meat-processing plants across the state, only nine wore face masks when surveyed at their job sites, according to the study by researchers with The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). "What we found is they're not seeing other people wearing masks, and they're not seeing the advantage of wearing them," said Joy Rumble, an assistant professor in CFAES and one of the lead researchers of the study.

The point of the study, done in June and July, was to determine why many meat-processing facility workers don't wear masks, so that new measures can be put in place to encourage them to do so.

Face masks, along with other personal protective equipment such as hairnets, safety glasses, gloves, and frocks are commonly used at meat-processing plants. However, the rules differ from plant to plant.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic began, face masks have taken on additional importance in keeping workers from becoming infected or infecting others with the coronavirus.

Wearing a mask in a meat-processing plant comes with challenges beyond the typical hassles people have when wearing masks. The facility has humid and hot areas, so the masks can make a person even hotter, and when masks get wet, they can make it difficult to breathe.

But the inconveniences of wearing the masks were not the main deterrent keeping people from slipping them on.

"We had thought that's what they were going to say, that they're not wearing masks because they're going from cold to hot environ-

ments and they already wear safety glasses and hairnets and gloves, and now they have to wear masks. But it was really more, 'People can't tell me what to do,'" Rumble said.

Last spring, the United States' major meat-processing plants developed into COVID-19 hotspots at the beginning of the pandemic. As a result, some of the country's largest meat processors either slowed their operations or shut down. They didn't have enough staff to work in them. Grocery meat counters were left with little to offer shoppers until the processors could open back up.

Since then, all meat processors have been urged to take additional precautions so that workers don't catch or spread COVID-19.

The employees interviewed in this study who were wearing masks did so because they had an immediate family member with a compromised immune system, said Lyda Garcia, an assistant professor of meat science at CFAES, and another lead researcher of the study.

"Even some wearing face masks said they weren't sure whether COVID-19 was a significant threat, but for the sake of their family member, they didn't want to risk it," Garcia said.

As part of the study, researchers next want to test whether a newly created, water-repellant mask will be more comfortable and lead to more workers wearing it. Judith Puskas, a CFAES Distinguished Professor of polymer science, has a provisional patent application pending for the mask she created. She's seeking a company to manufacture it.

Once large amounts of the rubbery, flexible masks are made, they will be distributed in the same five Ohio meat-processing facilities where the surveys were done. Then researchers will return to see how many workers are wearing the new masks.

"The reality is, we may not get everybody to wear them," Garcia said. "But if we could go up at least to 50%, that's success to me. It's kind of like

seat belts. Not everyone wears a seat belt, but a lot of us do."

MAXIMIZING FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE CROP YIELD

By: James J. Hoorman, Hoorman Soil Health Service

Farmers consistently attempt to increase crop yields but may not know which factors are important. Yield is influenced by climate and temperature, plant and water management, and soil nutrient management factors. Good genetics plus the ability to manipulate and optimize the plant's environment generally result in the highest yields.

Climate and temperature factors are critical to achieving high yields. Warmer temperatures maximize crop growth including cell division, cell growth, and crop metabolism while cold temperatures inhibit plant growth. Ideally, soybeans grow the best at air temperatures of 77°F. A string of temperatures below 60°F reduces soybean pod set. Corn is a warm season plant that germinates best at 60-65°F soil temperatures and grows best between 72-85°F. Iowa and Illinois benefit from dark soils, high in soil organic matter (SOM) which absorbs heat and warms soils better than light-colored sandy soils. Ideally, try to plant both corn and soybeans when soil temperatures reach 55°F to optimize yields. With large acreage that may not be possible but avoid planting early if conditions are poor.

Larger differences in day and night temperatures reduces plants respiration and allows more carbohydrates to be stored, important in wheat yields. Temperatures above 80°F tend to cause wheat to mature quicker, reducing yields. Longer day lengths stimulate solar radiation and increases photosynthesis in plant leaves. Plant growth rates increases up to June 21st then starts decreasing after that date. Alaska, with its long day length, can produce bumper crops of cold tolerant plants like cabbage even though they have a short growing season.

Farmers often manipulate plant management factors to increase yield. Wide plant spacing or planting fewer plants in an area reduces competition among plant roots and enhances canopy growth. Last year, I had a single corn plant in the open by itself produce 9 ears, with 2.5 viable ears. Most farmers increase plant populations to maximize yield, but it is possible to get higher yields with lower population because solar energy is affected by plant spacing. With more exposure to sunlight, photosynthesis increases and there is more aeration in the canopy. Planting soybeans in 15-inch or 30-inch rows may produce similar yields to drilled beans while producing healthier plants. Twin row corn with 60-inch spacing also produce good yields.

Orienting crops leaves relative to the path of the sunlight reduces weed pressure and increases crop photosynthesis. The impact of row orientation varies with latitude and the seasonal tilt of the earth's rotation.

DECEMBER PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIDE CARD WINNERS



Shown in the picture are students from Paulding Middle School that received Paulding Pride cards for the month of December. Students are issued these cards for going above and beyond the normal expectations for students at Paulding Middle School.

The further North, planting East-West is preferred; while the further South around the equator, North-South is better.

Water management factors include soil moisture and soil aeration. Increasing SOM allows soils to store water for plant growth and improves a plant's water efficiency, reducing water needs. Intermittent irrigation provides water to meet plant needs while non-flooding conditions contribute to soil aeration. In the humid, wet Midwest states; soil drainage is critical for good root growth. Good drainage, soil aeration, and oxygen availability support root growth and the soil microbe's ability to recycle soil nutrients.

Soil and nutrient management factors involving soil structure, nutrient supply, and SOM are critical to achieving higher yields. Permeable friable soils allow good root growth and optimal soil microbial activity due to optimal oxygen and water availability. Poor soil structure and compaction often are a result of over tilled soils. Abundant SOM supports a diversity and abundance of soil microbes that improve plant nutrition and protects plants from pests. When soil become constrained by poor soil structure and compaction, plant root growth and microbial levels decline causing a reduced nutrient supply, reducing crop yields. Limited plant growth can be affected by too much inorganic fertilizer and/or too little organic nutrients. Organic nutrients are needed to stimulate plant growth and reproduction.

Adding compost and building SOM creates many soil benefits. Root growth increases 2-3X, tillers 3-4X, and stalks are stronger (higher silicon and calcium) with less lodging. Plants have more upright leaves for higher photosynthesis and less pest pressure. Healthy abundant microbes produce healthy plants that stay green longer, optimizing yields. Compost and SOM chelate and provide many plant available micronutrients like copper, zinc, manganese, molybdenum, iron, nickel, and sulfur; resulting in higher grain nutrient levels. Compost and SOM hold water and tend to moderate soil temperature extremes (warmer in winter, cooler in summer). Building soil health enhances the environmental factors that influence crop yield and allows genetics to more fully express its yield potential.

GROVER HILL STUDENTS HELP WITH RECYCLING



Student Council Representative Cole Manz, Student Council President Zach Stoller, Corbin Varner, Kaelyn Vejar, Student Council Secretary Amber Stoller, and Student Council Representative Noah Schlatter

Grover Hill Elementary Sixth Grade Class gather recycling at the school and take on this responsibility each week in the building. Students collect Recycling Bins

and sort through cardboard, paper, "RINSED" can and food containers, and plastic. Student Council Advisor Mrs. Jessica Davis

PATRIOTS CRUISE PAST WARRIORS

PORTLAND - Host Jay County dominated the first quarter and never looked back in rolling to a 50-28 win over Woodlan in non-league girls basketball action Tuesday night.

The Lady Patriots opened a 20-4 lead at the end of one quarter and cruised the rest of the way, posting a 28-11 half-time advantage. Jay County took a 43-20 margin into the final period.

Renna Schwieterman paced all scorers in the contest, bucketing 21 markers for Jay County while also totaling five assists, five steals and four rebounds. Izzy Rodgers also reached double figures for the Patriots, finishing

with ten points, four boards and two assists.

Other scorers for Jay County were Madison Dirksen (eight), Breanna Dirksen (four), Gabi Bilbrey (three), Grace Saxman (two) and Sophie Saxman (two).

Madison Dirksen also grabbed six rebounds for the Lady Patriots with Bilbrey getting five boards.

Dakota Krohn topped the Warrior effort with 13 points, five rebounds and a pair of assists while Avah Smith added seven markers, eight boards and two steals.

Lydia Dyer and Alicia McMahan both had three points for Woodlan and Taylor Knuebuhler recorded two. Knuebuhler also had five boards for the Lady Warriors with McMahan dishing out three assists.

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PTO moms pictured here: Jenna Miller, Danielle DeVenney, Sarah Plummer, Jeannie Jewell, Nikki McClure, Lindsay Miller, Joy Stoller and Carmen Stoller.

Grover Hill students along with the Grover Hill PTO took part in the Free Christmas Book Shop. The In-School Book Shop was held

in the gym for 2 days before Christmas, giving all kids the opportunity to shop. PTO moms help students browse the selection of books for all

ages of siblings and parents. The free books were wrapped and tagged. The students learned the joy of giving and reading a good book.

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE WINNERS



Paulding Middle School held their local spelling bee on Wednesday, January 6th. Shown in the picture are RJ Wirts (Runner-Up) and Nicholas Hatcher (Champion).

400TH ANNIVERSARY OF LANDING OF MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS

By: Caroline Longardner
"THE PILGRIM'S FIRST WINTER" 1621

It is written in our history books and legends say that eighteen men were in the group made of up of Pilgrims and crew of the MAYFLOWER, including Winslow, Bradford, Standish and Carver. On Dec. 9, 1620 they reached Clark's Island in Plymouth Harbor (Sat.) Dec. 9 and because of the Sabbath, they remained there until Monday morning, Dec. 11. They then stepped ashore on PLYMOUTH ROCK. (The date is Dec. 21, 1620 on our present calendars.)

Construction actually began on the new settlement on Christmas Day 1620. No holidays were celebrated at that time by most Christian churches. Most of the Pilgrims and crew were too sick to work and the weather was cold, snowy and filled with sleet and gusts of wind. Many stayed in the "Common House" that had been built that was a shelter about 20ft square. They had found buried corn and grain in some "graves" on the beaches when

they first arrived. This had helped to tide them over for the first few months.

In January, February, and March many of the group were ill and died of the "General Sickness" which was like pneumonia or tuberculosis aggravated by scurvy (for lack of fresh vegetables). They were unaware at the time that there had been a great plague that had swept over the area where their village was only 3 years prior to their landing there.

On March 16, 1621 at a meeting at the Common House, an Indian brave marched into the settlement and would have come into the Common House if he had not been stopped. He could speak English and said (WELCOME, I AM SAMOSET." He was an Abnaki Indian, from Pemaquid Point in Maine. He had sailed with English Captains along the Newfoundland coast, and had learned their tongue.

Samoset informed the pilgrims about many things, about this new region which they had chosen to live. there had once been an indian village at Plymouth called,

"Patuxet". in 1617 a great plague had swept thru the village and all the natives had died.

Samoset told them that the most powerful Indian chief of the area was a man called "YELLOW FEATHER" (OUSAMEQUIN) or usually called "MASSASOIT: ("BIG CHIEF"). Massasoit was the chief of the Wampanoag and lived at Sowams on Narragansett Bay about 40 miles southwest of Plymouth.

Samoset talked with the Pilgrims thru the night and he came back the next day with other Indians and trade goods. There were 5 Indian braves and each carried a deerskin and they also brought 3 or 4 beaver skins. The Pilgrims were more impressed with the Beaver skins because of their value in England. Samoset sent the Indians back for more Beaver skins. They did not readily return and he left to bring back the Indian braves and leather goods.

OHIO COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES INVITED TO SUBMIT PRE-PROPOSALS FOR HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM RESEARCH INITIATIVE

COLUMBUS - Ohio Sea Grant, The Ohio State University, and The University of Toledo are requesting pre-proposals for one- to two-year research projects from Ohio colleges and universities as part of the Ohio Department of Higher Education's Harmful Algal Bloom Research Initiative (HABRI).

Pre-proposals must be submitted online by Thursday, February 18, 2021, at 5 p.m. EST.

The funding focuses on agency priorities aimed at reducing nutrient loading to Lake Erie via wetland design, identifying agricultural management practices that are both efficient and cost-effective, learning about algal toxin formation and human health impacts, and informing water treatment technologies.

Addressing these priorities will help support agencies' management decisions and Governor Mike DeWine's H2Ohio Initiative. Specific detailed priorities can be found online at go.osu.edu/habripriorities. Approximately \$3.8 million is available for this grant competition, likely funding 15-20 projects.

The application and use of research results, as well as their societal and economic impacts, are important considerations for this funding opportunity. Successful

proposals must include research and/or development in support of Ohio industry, commerce and business (e.g., water treatment plants, agricultural producers, health-care providers, etc.). Further, collaboration among university researchers in Ohio, industry, and state agencies is strongly encouraged.

Research priorities detailed in the submission guidelines are a result of consultation with key agency personnel that are working on harmful algal bloom related issues: Ohio Department of Agriculture, Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, and the Ohio Lake Erie Commission.

"The Harmful Algal Bloom Research Initiative demonstrates how successful we can be when our colleges and universities collaborate to tackle real issues facing Ohioans," said Ohio Department of Higher Education Chancellor Randy Gardner. "It is encouraging to see our higher education institutions working together with state and local partners to provide answers to critical operational and policy questions so state agencies can protect the public and keep Ohio waters clean through these research projects."

Visit ohioseagrant.osu.edu/research/funding for proposal guidelines, required forms, and to submit your documents.

If invited to submit a full proposal, that deadline will be 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2021 via the same submission process.

Information about HABRI projects, partner organizations, and background on the initiative is available on the Ohio Sea Grant website at go.osu.edu/habri. HABRI is overseen by The Ohio State University and The University of Toledo, with Ohio Sea Grant providing proposal coordination and ongoing project management.

The Ohio Sea Grant College Program is part of The Ohio State University's College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) and NOAA Sea Grant, a network of 34 Sea Grant programs dedicated to the protection and sustainable use of marine and Great Lakes resources. For more information, visit ohioseagrant.osu.edu.

PANTHERS WIN NON-LEAGUE BATTLE OVER WILDCATS

PAULDING - In a non-conference contest on Saturday, host Paulding held off visiting Miller City for a 58-50 win in boys basketball action at the 'Jungle.'

The Panthers took a 13-8 lead at the end of one quarter before Miller City answered with a 14-point second quarter to post a 22-21 advantage at the midway point.

Paulding responded by outscoring the Wildcats 19-16 in the third quarter to give the maroon and white a 40-38 margin entering the final stanza.

In the fourth quarter, the host Panthers scored 18 more points and limited Miller City to a dozen to wrap up the 58-50 victory.

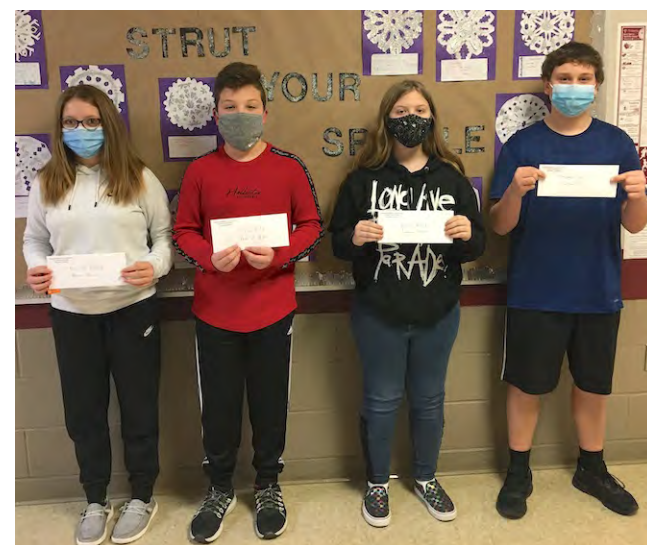
Blake McGarvey scored 17 points to lead the way for Paulding while Hunter Kaus-

THE WEST BEND NEWS
Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL DECEMBER SOM



December students of the month from left to right are: Mara Phlipot, Silas Foltz, Hannah Arnold, and Matthew Bail. (Not pictured is Skylie Tressler).

er chipped in 16 markers.

Payton Beckman also had nine points for the maroon and white. Nick Manz (five), Christian Bauer (four) and Boston Pease (four) completed the list of Panther scorers. Miller City was paced by Austin Ruhe and Thomas Weis with 14 points each with Jon Burgei adding a dozen markers. Ross Niese chipped in nine markers for the Wildcats and Jaden Nuveman recorded the remaining point.

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have found themselves with doubled or tripled caseloads. Workers are taking on additional responsibilities and it's taking a physical and mental toll on everyone. ReLife Holistic Services is focused on helping employers provide much needed services to employees that will build stress-management skills, reduce negativity and anxiety, and increase patience and tolerance when put into a regular practice." ReLife Holistic Services has also been able to provide small, socially distanced gatherings to continually support those in need of the in-person services

ReLife Holistic Services plans to use the grant to provide structured course-plans for large businesses in Van Wert County and surrounding areas to provide mind-body-soul wellness programs that directly benefit the employer-employee relations. Many employers are looking for ways to improve morale, increase retention and improve employee relations. Courses will include in-person and virtual participation where attendees will first

learn about the practice of meditation, the benefits and then apply what was learned to everyday life situations.

The Business Plan Challenge is a program developed by The Van Wert Area Economic Development Corporation that includes a series of workshops to help area residents get started on the right path developing a new business. Free one-on-one counseling is part of this workshop process. Upon successful completion of the courses, participants are then asked to present business plans, financials and marketing strategy to the panel of judges, who determine the winner. 2020 recipient, ReLife Holistic Services would like to extend appreciation and gratitude to the Van Wert County Economic Development, Van Wert Chamber of Commerce, Main Street Van Wert, The Van Wert County Foundation, US Bank, Citizens Bank, Burcham Printing and Wright State University Lake Campus Business Enterprise Center.

About ReLife Holistic Services

ReLife Holistic Services acts as a bridge, connecting you with area Meditation, Yoga & Reiki sessions, events & coaches. We provide both private and group holistic lifestyle classes and services to individuals and corporations located in Van Wert OH, Lima OH, Defiance OH, Paulding OH, Fort Wayne IN, & Decatur IN and surrounding areas. ReLife Holistic Services focus is to help individuals bring balance, health, and wellness into their world for complete mind, body, and soul alignment.

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Key Indicators

24-Hr Total Cases

6,088

777,065 cumulative

24-Hr Total Deaths

28

9,627 cumulative

Statewide ICU Bed Availability

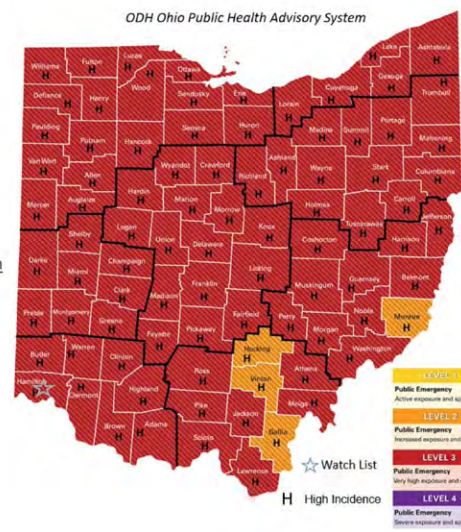
Vaccines Started by Population

25%

Increase of 3% since last report

2.54%

297,013 total started



agency. We are committed to engaging with our local health department to ensure that they have the support they need to be successful.

Together, we are well-equipped to lead this effort in our community.

Vaccinations in Phase 1B are already scheduled through the month of February. Governor DeWine announced a tiered system for offering vaccinations to the people who are eligible for the vaccine under this phase.

Vaccines are in short supply in Paulding County and across the state of Ohio. Paulding County allocations are expected to be around 100 per week, not thousands, as we begin vaccinating these Phase 1B populations

Each Tuesday, the federal government will inform Ohio of its statewide vaccine allocation, and providers will be notified of how many doses of vaccine they will be receiving the following week.

Vaccine information is available on a weekly basis, but week-to-week, that may change. Flexibility is key in what we will do. Please follow local media outlets and the health department face book page for updates.

While we know that many people in our community are eager to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, we must be patient while demand for the vaccine remains higher than the available supply. As vaccine supply increases, we will be able to vaccinate more of those in Phase 1B, and eventually, all Ohioans who choose to be vaccinated will be able to receive COVID-19 vaccines.

We are prepared to help distribute safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines in our community.

In the early stages of COVID-19 vaccine distribution, doses will be available in limited supply for specific critical populations first in a phased approach.

We must continue using all the tools available to help prevent the spread of the virus until a substantial number of Ohioans can be vaccinated. Continuing to wear masks and social distance will reduce your chance of being exposed to or spreading the virus. Proper prevention measures, coupled with the vaccine, will provide the best protection from COVID-19.

Even after you have been vaccinated, you should con-

tinue to wear a mask and practice social distancing. The vaccine will protect you from getting ill from COVID-19; however, not enough is known about whether or not you can still carry the virus and spread it to others.

Paulding County COVID status as of January 11

Cases: 1340
Hospitalizations: 105
Deaths: 20
Presumed Recovered: 1104
January 11, 2021
COVID-19 Questions?
Call or visit the Ohio Department of Health COVID-19 Dashboard:
www.coronavirus.ohio.gov
1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634)

WARRIORS FALL TO BLAZERS

WOODBURN - Eastside led at every stop and the Blazers held off host Woodlan for a 50-41 victory in girls non-league basketball action Wednesday afternoon outside of Woodburn.

The Lady Blazers posted a 15-12 advantage after eight minutes of action and expanded that to 24-19 at the intermission. Eastside scored a dozen third quarter points compared to 11 for Woodlan in widening the margin to 36-30 entering the final stanza.

In the fourth quarter, the Blazers sealed the victory with a 14-point performance while limiting Woodlan to 11 to wrap up the 50-41 victory.

Avah Smith topped the Lady Warriors with 19 points, eight rebounds and three steals while Taylor Kneubuhler finished with a double after totaling 14 points and a dozen boards. Kneubuhler also posted a pair of steals and dished off two assists.

Dakota Krohn and Addie Goheen both recorded four points for Woodlan while Krohn also added seven rebounds and four steals. Goheen recorded five boards and three assists.

Sullivan Kessler paced the Lady Blazers with 15 points while Grace Kreisler added 11 markers, all of which came in the second half. Skyelar Kessler chipped in nine points for Eastside, which improved to 6-4 on the season.

Ally King (five), McKenna Hoffelder (four), Jaiden Baker (four) and Mataya Bireley (one) completed the scorers for Eastside.

BIG SECOND QUARTER LIFTS KNIGHTS PAST WARRIORS

WOODBURN - East Noble controlled the second quarter and the visiting Knights made that stand up in defeating host Woodlan 56-54 in non-league boys bas-

ketball action last week.

The Warriors took a 9-7 advantage after one quarter before East Noble scored 14 second quarter points compared to Woodlan's eight, giving the Knights a 21-17 halftime advantage.

Both teams bucketed 11 points in the third quarter, putting East Noble in front 32-28 entering the final stanza.

In a quarter that saw 50 points scored overall, Woodlan did outscore the Knights 26-24 in the fourth period but it was not enough as East Noble held on for the 56-54 victory.

Joe Reidy led the way for Woodlan with 23 points while Brennan Donovan added 15 and Alex Miller chipped in a dozen. Dawson Lichty bucketed the other four Warrior markers.

Lichty and Donovan topped the Warriors with six and five rebounds, respectively, while Lincoln Sparks dished out three assists and posted two steals. Reidy also had a pair of assists and Donovan recorded two steals.

Braeden Ball topped East Noble with 19 points and Chris Hood added 13. Other scorers for the Knights were Max Bender (nine), Keegan Foster (nine), Avery Kline (five) and Hunter Kline (one).

Hood and Ball paced the Knights with eight and six rebounds, respectively. Foster and Avery Kline each dished out five assists with Foster also having a pair of steals.

Woodlan falls to 2-3 on the season with the loss and the Warriors renew the annual cross-state rivalry with Wayne Trace on December 30 at the home of the Raiders. It will be the 50th annual meeting between the two schools.

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obey God or man? That is the question. The "carrot of socialism" being dangled in front of our eyes will not work in America. We have had our freedom for too long, and want to keep it.

We sing "Oh beautiful, for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain, for purple mountain majesties; above the fruited plain." America, America, yes it is a beautiful land and we desire to keep it that way. Time to roar! Let's take back what's been taken from the America we love. The turn "backwards and downwards" started when prayer and the Bible were taken out of our schools.

A great prayer we can all pray is: "Let judgment run down as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream" (Amos 5:24). As we join our hearts together in love and prayer, we will see God move for us. Our New Year will be one of the best ever!
Amen

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PATROL ARRESTS, CHARGES FINDLAY MAN WITH SEVENTH OVI

FINDLAY - Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers charged a 45-year-old Findlay man with operating a vehicle under the influence for the seventh time.

The driver, Tremell De Wayne Foster, was pulled over on Saturday, Jan. 2 for a speeding violation in Allen Township. Foster was observed driving southbound on Interstate 75 near the county Road 99 exit at 83 mph in a 70 mph zone.

During the traffic stop, troopers determined Foster to be under the influence of alcohol. Field sobriety

tests were conducted and the driver was subsequently arrested and charged with felony OVI. Foster has been charged with OVI six previous times in the past 15 years. His driver's license was also found to be under suspension since 2003.

"Impaired driving is something troopers take seriously," said Lieutenant Matthew R. Crow, Findlay Post commander. "It is not worth risking your life or others by getting behind the wheel impaired."

Last year, troopers from the Findlay Post removed 121 impaired drivers from our roadways.

The public is encouraged to call #677 to report reckless or impaired drivers.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-12** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021." This Ordinance establishes the compensation and wage rates for Village officials, employees, appointees, and volunteers effective January 1, 2021.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-13** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE TIME AND PLACE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021." This Ordinance establishes the time and place of regular council meetings for calendar year 2021 to be the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m., unless there is a holiday then the meeting will be the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 a.m. with the meeting in January being on January 20, 2021, at 7:00 a.m. and the meeting in February being on February 17, 2021, at 7:00 a.m. The meetings will be conducted in council chambers at 118 North Main Street in the Village.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-14** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE PERSONNEL MANUAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, SPECIFICALLY, AMENDMENTS TO ADD A NEW SECTION XXVII ENTITLED "PROHIBITION AGAINST TEXT-BASED COMMUNICATIONS WHILE DRIVING (ORC § 4511.204)" AND RE-NUMBER ALL EXISTING SECTIONS THEREAFTER." This Ordinance amends the personnel manual effective January 1, 2021, specifically amendments to add a new section prohibiting text-based communications while driving as provided under Ohio Revised Code § 4511.204.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS VILLAGE PROPERTY BY INTERNET AUCTION IN CALENDAR YEAR 2021." This Resolution authorizes the sale of surplus property by internet auction for calendar year 2021. The Village Administrator is designated as the Village's representative for internet auctions and the internet auctions shall be governed by general terms and conditions, including all property is offered for sale without warranty, the property will be available to view on the Village's website or in person by contacting the Village Administrator, all property will be available for a minimum of 10 business days for bidding and if not sold in 10 days after being posted, the property may be withdrawn from the internet auction, sealed bids shall be delivered to the offices of the Village Fiscal Officer, the Village Fiscal Officer shall open bids at noon the next business day following the close of the internet auction, the property will not be transferred to the successful bidder until payment received in full, and Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The terms and conditions shall be published on the Village's website.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-16** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "APPROVAL AND GRANTING CONSENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY TO, APPLY, MAINTAIN AND REPAIR STANDARD LONGITUDINAL PAVEMENT MARKINGS AND ERECT REGULATORY AND WARNING SIGNS ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE VILLAGE CORPORATE LIMITS, AND

GIVING CONSENT OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REMOVE SNOW AND ICE AND USE SNOW AND ICE CONTROL MATERIAL ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE VILLAGE CORPORATE LIMITS, AND

GIVING CONSENT OF THE VILLAGE FOR THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM MAINTENANCE AND/OR REPAIR ON STATE HIGHWAYS INSIDE THE VILLAGE CORPORATION." This Ordinance provides consent to ODOT to maintain, repair and apply the necessary pavement marking lines and erect signs, remove snow and ice and use snow and ice control material, and perform maintenance and/or repair of State Route 49 within the Village corporate limits.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-17** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$38,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$38,000.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund to provide necessary funding for the operations of the police department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-18** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$25,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE FIRE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$25,000.00 from the General Fund to the Fire Fund to provide necessary funding for the operations of the fire department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-19** on December 21, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE AND DIRECTING THE ADVERTISEMENT TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO TO PURCHASE FIRE GEAR TO AID IN THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE § 737.24; AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the expenditure to purchase fire gear and directs the advertisement to solicit bids to purchase the fire gear by the Village Administrator in accordance with Ohio Revised Code §731.141.

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

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-19B** on December 30, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FISCAL OFFICER OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO TO AMEND APPROPRIATIONS AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to amend appropriation amounts for 2020.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **ORDINANCE NO. 2020-20** on December 30, 2020, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance makes appropriations for current expenses and other expenditures for fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, for the funds and in the amounts as set forth in said Ordinance.

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

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS VILLAGE OF ANTWERP GENERAL WATER PLAN

The Village of Antwerp, Ohio, intends to contract for professional engineering and grant writing/administration services in connection with the following project:

Evaluate the Village's Water System for future improvements. The General Plan will identify and recommend improvements necessary for the future operation of the existing water system.

The project is located at 109 Water Plant Drive on the southern edge of the Village of Antwerp.

Firms should demonstrate knowledge and experience with rehabilitation and/or new construction of water treatment and distribution of ground water plant operations and obtaining grant funding and administration of projects with multiple funding sources.

Firms interested in being considered for a contract to provide the required services should reply with a statement of qualifications no later than Friday, February 5, 2021. Statements received after this date will not be considered.

Statements of qualifications should include information regarding the firm's history; education and experience of owners and key technical personnel, the technical expertise of the firm's current staff; the firm's experience in designing similar projects; availability of staff; the firm's equipment and facilities; and any previous work performed for the Village of Antwerp.

Statements of qualifications should be transmitted to:

Ms. Sara Keeran
Village Administrator
Village of Antwerp
503 W. River Street
Antwerp, Ohio 45813

Responding firms will be evaluated and ranked in order of their qualifications. Following this evaluation, the Village of Antwerp will enter into contract negotiations with the most highly qualified firm.

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Dillon L. Freed, Hicks-ville, OH; Domestic violence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no unlawful contact with victim

Timothy A. Bayes, Payne, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no unlawful contact with victim

Angel E. Chaney, Latty, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension; Case dismissed at state's request

Paul E. Frock, Springfield, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Derek A. Bates, Ft. Wayne, IN; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No contact with victim

Logan C. Perl, Oakwood, OH; Breaking and entering; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing in open court; Case shall be bound over

Jonathan C. Siler, Oakwood, OH; Rape; Preliminary hearing waived; Case shall be bound over; Bond continued

Nicole R. Draper, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Timothy M. Preston, Ft. Wayne, IN; Overheight; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Rian M. James, Broughton, OH; Aggravated menacing; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs to defendant

Brenda L. Caulfield, Antwerp, OH; Domestic violence; Defendant to pay all costs; Case dismissed with prejudice

Drew A. Lumpkins, Oakwood, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; 20hrs community service; Maintain general good behavior; Write a letter of apology; Restitution joint and severally

Drew A. Lumpkins, Oakwood, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs; Same conditions as Count A

Hunter Kesler, Oakwood, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Complete 20hrs community service; Pay restitution joint and severally with co-defendants; Write a letter of apology

Hunter Kesler, Oakwood, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Same conditions as Count A

Albert A. Manella III, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kresa N. Epplemann, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kresa N. Epplemann, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Case was waived by defendant

Nicollette L. Collins, Paulding, OH; Turn signals; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 1/29/21

Mark A. Smith, Willshire, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Grace L. Adams, Latty, OH; Failure to control; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 1/29/21

Cory C. Foster, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Charles W. Light, Liberty Center, OH; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Shaniqua Jones, Toledo, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 4/30/21

Alva R. Gibson Jr, Holgate, OH; Failure to yield at intersection; Guilty; Pay all costs today

Theodore E. Spradlin, Auburn, IL; Overheight; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cody M. Goodwin, Zionsville, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Baylee J. Hageman, Holgate, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Defendant paid in full

Michael Rider, Harrison Township, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Michael Rider, Harrison Township, MI; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Patrick I. Elkins, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Keegan M. Skiver, Paulding, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond; Bond to be held until 2/5/21 for restitution purposes; Placed on standard probation; Shall have no contact with victim; Complete 40hrs community service; Maintain general good behavior

Keegan M. Skiver, Paulding, OH; Criminal damage; Guilty; Same conditions as Count A

Keegan M. Skiver, Paulding, OH; Criminal trespassing; Count C dismissed per state

Logan D. Slone, Oakwood, OH; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

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Logan D. Slone, Oakwood, OH; Reckless operation; Guilty; Pay or collect by 7/30/21; May complete DIP by 4/30/21 in lieu of jail days

Logan D. Slone, Oakwood, OH; Registration violation; Case dismissed at states request

Logan D. Slone, Oakwood, OH; Headlights; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 7/30/31

Jakob Schoenauer, Defiance, OH; 12 point suspension; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to provide proof of insurance by 3/25/21, if not done, \$250 fine will be added back in; Report to jail on 1/1/21 @5:00 p.m.; Must show proof of insurance by 1/8/21; Warrant and warrant block rescinded

Daniel Solis Medrano, Defiance, OH; Possession of drugs; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Joseph G. Eismont, Kansas City, MO; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joseph G. Eismont, Kansas City, MO; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Daniel Solis Medrano, Defiance, OH; Physical control; Guilty; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; ALS vacated immediately; DIP must be completed by 4/30/21

Daniel Solis Medrano, Defiance, OH; No operator's license; Case dismissed at state's request

Tabitha M. Keezer, Continental, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Amida A. Brimah, Delray Beach, FL; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tyler Camp, Milan, MI; Wrong plate; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 1/29/21

Jeanette M. Johnson, Greenville, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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Christopher J. Schrader, Convoy, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Zachary Moser, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Zachary Moser, Antwerp, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Chazz D. Zaragoza, Registration violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cody L. Adkins, Celina, OH; No operator's license; Case dismissed at state's request

Cody L. Adkins, Celina, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs at \$25/mth by 12/17/21

Erik W. Stinson, Virginia Beach, VA; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cody L. Adkins, Melrose, OH; Driving under suspension; Case dismissed at state's request

Cody L. Adkins, Melrose, OH; Wrong plate; Guilty; Case was dismissed at state's request

Cody L. Adkins, Melrose, OH; Seat belt/drive; Case dismissed at state's request

Cody L. Adkins, Melrose, OH; High beams; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/17/21

Salex K. Overmyer, Scott, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joseph Den Herder, Paulding, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jonathan G. Neal, Wapakoneta, OH; No deer permit; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BENTON TWP 1/4/21 Whitman Joel L & Holtsberry Chelsea M to Whitman Chelsea M; 6341 Meadowlark Ln Payne Oh 45880; 0.3444 acres; Lot 19 Mooney Meadows Benton Twp S-3

1/4/21 Whitman Joel L & Holtsberry Chelsea M to Whitman Chelsea M; Meadowlark Ln; 0.1722 acres; Lot 20 S1/2 Mooney Meadows Benton Twp S-3

BLUE CREEK TWP

1/4/21 Elick David L to Elick David L Elick Dawn R; 5959 Rd 79 Paulding Oh 45879; 1.65 acres; Pt Ne1/4Ne1/4 Blue Creek Twp S-8

BROWN TWP 1/5/21 Lambert Linda M to Kolb Scott A; 22360 Rd 128 Oakwood Oh 45873; 1 acre; Pt Ne1/4 Nw1/4 Brown Twp S-22

1/5/21 Lambert Linda M to Kolb Scott A; Oakwood Oh 45873; 1 acre; Pt Ne1/4Nw1/4Brown Twp S-22

1/4/21 Craft Jack Le to English Bernard English Adam; Rd 209; 0.818 acres; Pt S1/2Ne1/4 Brown Twp S-26

1/4/21 Craft Jack Le to English Bernard English Adam; Rd 209; 73.674 acres; Pt S1/2 Ne1/4 Brown Twp S-26

1/4/21 Craft Jack Le to English Bernard English Adam; 8711 Rd 209 Oakwood Oh 45873; 2.008 acres; Pt S1/2 Ne1/4 Brown Twp S-26

CRANE TWP 1/5/21 Kline Jerry F & Kline Arlene K to Kline Jerry F; Rd 8; 48.769 acres; W1/2 Ne Fr 1/4 Crane Twp Sec 1

1/5/21 Kline Jerry F & Kline Arlene K to Kline Jerry F; Rd 8; 63.136 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Crane Twp Sec 4

1/5/21 Homier Farms Inc to Culler Leslie A Culler Melinda; Rd 8; 46.44 acres; E Pt N1/2 Ne1/4 Crane Twp-Ant Dist S-5

1/4/21 Adkins David to Adkins David E Adkins Robert P; 308 E Plum St; 0.982 acres; Pt S1/2Ne1/4 Outlots S-14Cecil Vill

1/4/21 Adkins David to Adkins David E Adkins Robert P; Plum St; 0.481 acres; Pt S1/2Ne1/4 Outlots S-14Cecil Vill

1/4/21 Adkins David to Adkins David E Adkins Robert P; Plum St; 0.509 acres; Pt Lot 25 Outlots-14 Cecil Vg

LATTY TWP 1/5/21 Raby Sue Lynn to Sinn Gary R Sinn Paulette Etal; Rd 117; 42.62 acres; Pt N1/2 Sw1/4 & Pt Nw1/4 S&E Of Cr & 20Ft Narrow S-20 Latty Twp

1/5/21 Raby Sue Lynn to Sinn Gary R Sinn Paulette Etal; Sr 114; 40 acres; W1/2E1/2Sw1/4 S-21 Latty Twp

1/6/21 Phlipot Kim R to Dangler Jayson G; 758 N Walnut St; 0.1653 acres; Lot 18 Noneman Sudiv Paulding Vill

1/6/21 Free Alan Free Elizabeth Rose to Dangler Jayson G; 311 Emerald Rd; 1.2 acres; Lot 49 Pt Ne 1/4 Se 1/4 Outlots Paulding Vill

1/6/21 Free Alan to Dangler Jayson G; Emerald Rd; 0.5909 acres; Lot 52 N1/2Ne1/4Se1/4 Outlots Paulding Vill

1/4/21 D & D Enterprises Of Northwest Ohio LLC to NASG Realty LLC; 810 W Gasser Rd; 21.311 acres; Pt S1/2Se1/4 Outlots S-2Paulding Vill

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yard. We're happy to be able to provide a glimmer of hope to those that need it."

Some of the top recipients of donations included the West Ohio Foodbank, receiving more than 106,000 pounds and the CALL Food Pantry in Celina, Ohio, receiving over 24,000 pounds of protein.

Sudoku solution from page 9

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bound 2008 Ford pickup truck owned and operated by Matthew A. McDougall, age 45, Antwerp. The suspect vehicle then veered off the roadway and struck a power pole and rolled, eventually coming to rest against a tree on State Route 49 south of State Route 111 in Harrison Township. McDougall was uninjured.

The driver of the suspect vehicle, a 2008 Nissan Altima, was Anthony D. Greene, age 24, from Warren, Michigan. Hector A. Brujan, age 23, from Marion, Indiana was a passenger in Greene's vehicle. Greene and Brujan were taken to Parkview Hospital where they were treated and eventually released.

During the investigation, suspected illegal narcotics were located in the Nissan, along with two loaded firearms.

A warrant to arrest Greene was obtained by the Sheriff's Office for one count of Failure to Comply with order or signal of police officer, a Felony of the Third Degree, and Improperly Handling Firearms in a motor vehicle, a Felony of the Fourth Degree.

Greene was released from the hospital before the warrant could be executed by authorities.

This investigation is ongoing, and more charges could be presented to a Grand Jury after the case is reviewed by the Prosecuting Attorney.

The Van Wert Post of the Highway Patrol investigated the crash, and deputies were assisted at the scene by the Antwerp Police Department, Payne Fire Department and Payne EMS.

HELP WANTED: Antwerp Manor dietary is seeking to fill part time position working with the kitchen and serving meals. If Interested, please pick up an application at the front desk, or call 419-258-1606.

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PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC CO-OP ANNOUNCES 2021 NEW HIRES AND STAFF CHANGES

Paulding, OH - With the start of a new year and recent staff changes and retirements, Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC) has several position updates to announce:

PPEC's new hires? Don't miss these Q&A sessions below to learn more about the faces behind your power! We proudly welcome all new staffers to our co-op team.

Operations Manager Tim Bowley of Monticello, Indiana

• Tell us about your family and personal life.

"My wife, Melissa, and I have been married for 20 years and have 3 sons, 2 granddaughters, and 3 grandsons. We currently live in Monticello, Indiana, and are currently looking for a place to get moved over after our home sells."

• Can you tell us about your work history?

"I was a Lineman at Carroll White REMC in Monticello, Indiana, for the first 13 years and moved into the Line Superintendent position of the south office 4 years ago.

• Why did you want to work for PPEC?

"The reputation of the co-op and the people who work here is highly regarded around both the states of Ohio and Indiana."

• What sorts of tasks will you be doing?

"I will be working to make as smooth as possible of a transition in the operations department after Ted Slusser retires."

• What are you looking forward to?

"I am looking forward to finding my place at PPEC and hope to add value to the co-op."

• What are some of your hobbies/interests outside of work?

"I collect glass insulators and dabble in woodworking when I have time. I enjoy watching my grandkids play baseball, football, and softball. I have umpired fastpitch softball and baseball off and on for the last 10 years or so."

• What's a fun fact about you?

"I am a Purdue fan and a Dallas Cowboys fan (I know, I know) from living in Texas for a time as a child and learning to play football there. You had to be a fan of Dallas or Houston, and I couldn't bring myself to root for a team called the Oilers!"

• What's a quote that inspires you or that you like to live by?

"I have 3:

• "The best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago."

• "The second-best time is today."

• "There is no such thing as a free lunch!"

Part-time Cashier Kathy Kuckuck of Paulding, Ohio

• Tell us about your family and personal life.

"I've been married to my husband, Bill, for 19 years. We have 4 very active children: Dylan is 17, Carlea is 16, Xander is 13, and Kayde is 11."

• Why did you want to

work at PPEC?

"I've run my own business for 12 years. I saw the opportunity to work part time back in the workforce, and this seemed like the perfect fit!"

• What sorts of tasks will you be doing?

"I'll be covering the front desk - member service, taking payments, answering phones... anything that's needed."

• What are you looking forward to?

"Learning more about the co-op and being comfortable enough with that to perform my job well."

• What are some of your hobbies/interests outside of work?

"I am a full-time, on-location photographer. That was a hobby that turned into a career. I love watching, playing, and coaching basketball."

• What's a fun fact about you?

"I am addicted to cruising! I try to go on multiple cruises a year. If you see me on break, don't be surprised to see me searching for cruise deals!"

Engineering Intern Hunter Kausser of Paulding, Ohio

• Why did you want to intern at PPEC?

"To help me understand what an electrical engineer does and to help make a decision if this is what I want to go to college for."

• What sorts of tasks will you be doing?

"Right now, filling paper into NISC. Once school is over, I will be going out in the field helping Steve and Rob and doing meter readings."

• What are you most looking forward to?

"Going out in the field and understanding what each part does in the substation, how the poles are set up, and why."

• What are some of your hobbies/interests outside of work?

"Sports, weightlifting, and friends"

• What's a fun fact about you?

"My family and friends call me Wingnut."

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is a member-owned electric utility serving over 12,900 member-owners in Paulding, Putnam, Defiance, Van Wert and Allen counties in Ohio, and Adams and Allen counties in Indiana. For more information, visit www.PPEC.coop or follow the community cooperative on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, or Twitter.

OHIO DD COUNCIL SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON 2022-2026 FIVE YEAR STATE PLAN

January 6, 2021 (Ohio) - The Ohio Developmental Disabilities Council (Ohio DD Council) is seeking public comment on its Five Year State Plan that will take effect from 2022-2026.

Based on survey results collected about the problems or needs of Ohioans with developmental disabilities, the Ohio DD Council drafted the 2022-2026 Five-Year State Plan. The State Plan lists the projects that the Council plans to fund to address the needs identified by people with disabilities, families and stakeholders across the state.

The DD Council is seeking public comment on proposed in the following areas:

- Children and Health
- Community Living
- Employment
- Leadership Development
- Outreach

MINUTES FOR THE WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON 12/21/20

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Councilmen Voirol, Martin, Thompson, Gerig, and Watts. Chief Parker was not present. The meeting was held remote and monitored by Kaleb from Reliance.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.
Superintendent's Report: The superintendent explained a situation involving the new owner of the laundromat on Woodburn Road. After discussion, it was determined that the council would not cause him undue stress in his efforts to winterize the new property for a short-term solution.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor brought to the Council the fact that the City of Woodburn was awarded a Community Crossings grant for upgrading Hickory Street with curbs, sidewalks, etc. The amount awarded to the City is \$497,928. The American Legion property has utilities setup in the city's name currently until a future use is determined. Shambaugh and Sons is working on scheduling a time to do work at City Hall that will transfer service as well as finish other related items. The streetscape portion of the Stellar Designation has been submitted to OCRA for their consideration.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the December 7th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the December 7th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor except Councilman Martin who abstains. Warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer explained the need to formalize the purchase of the new street sweeper through Resolution 20-256 (Matters Regarding the Purchase of a Street Sweeper). After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to read Resolution 20-256 by title only, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. Councilman Voirol moved to accept the first reading of Resolution 20-256 as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all in favor. Councilman Voirol moved to adopt Resolution 20-256 as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. Resolution 20-256 is ratified as presented.

Councilman's Report: Councilman Thompson thanked the community for their support for the Toy Patrol despite the problems that arose beforehand with COVID. Councilman Voirol asked why the new sign at City Hall is not showing any messages. It was explained to him that, due to illnesses within the organization, training to use the new sign has been postponed until a future unknown date.

Audience: Nothing to report.
Councilman Voirol moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

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

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Here's how you can submit your comments:

Review the draft Five-Year Plan by reading the Executive Summary of the projects; or the entire 2022-2026 State Plan; or reviewing specific project(s) that interest you.

You can submit your comments on all projects or the ones that are of interest to you.

The comment period will end on February 28, 2021.

The Council's Five-Year State Plan is a strategic plan that will drive the Council's mission to create change that improves independence, productivity and inclusion for people with developmental disabilities and their families in community life.

The State Plan, agreed upon by its Governor-appointed council members, will help in developing specific grant proposals toward relevant projects across Ohio that will positively impact people with developmental disabilities, family members and guardians and other stakeholders.

For more information, please contact Fatica Ayers at fatica.ayers@dodd.ohio.gov or call 614-466-5205 or 800-766-7426.

RAIDERS OPEN GMC PLAY WITH WIN ON THE ROAD

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HICKSVILLE - Last Friday the Wayne Trace Raiders hit the road north to Hicksville to open up Green Meadows Conference action. After an evenly played first half the Raiders exploded in the third quarter to close out with a 62-43-point win over the Aces.

Wayne Trace, who improves their overall record to 3-2, held a 16-12 margin after the first quarter of play and by halftime was hanging on to just a two-point advantage 26-24. However, things changed quickly in the second half when the Raiders changed up their defense - going to a triangle and two. The results were exactly what the Raiders were expecting.

In the third period the red, white and blue came through big offensively with 20 points. Equally as impressive as the offense was the defense that gave up just three points in the third quarter. Once the Raiders commanded its large lead, it never

dropped below 13 the rest of the contest.

Leading 48-35, early in the fourth period, Raider freshman Brooks Laukhuf responded with three consecutive buckets to push the Wayne Trace advantage out to 54-35. Hicksville would not recover as the Raiders settled for a 19-point opening conference win.

Laukhuf led the Raider's attack with 16 points including 7-9 shooting from the two-point area. Also in double digits for the winners was Cam Sinn with 15 and Kyle Stoller adding 13. Cam Sinn had a good performance shooting the ball - hitting all three of his two-point goals and 3-5 from behind the arc. Like Sinn, Kyle Stoller shot well on 5-9 from the floor and picking off six rebounds.

Trevor Sinn finished with seven points along with five assists while team mate Cameron Graham chipped in five followed by Grayson McClure with three, Garrett Williamson two and Joe Munger one to round out the Raider scoring.

For Hicksville, Landon Turnbull collected 13 points to lead the Aces followed by seven points each from Jackson Bergman and Mason Slattery. Aaron Klima chipped in six followed by the four points from Kyler Baird and three points from Brody Balsler. Bergman also collected nine rebounds on the evening.

Wayne Trace shot well from the floor on two-point goals hitting 19-27 for a torrid 70 percent. Behind the arc the Raiders struggled a bit hitting 5-17 for 29 percent. Hicksville shot 10-22 from the two-point area and 7-22 in their three-point attempts.

Wayne Trace won the rebound battle 31-20 while committing 11 turnovers to 15 for the Aces.

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