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Steve and Marsha (Howell) Franklin will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary on July 11th, 2021.

They were married July 11, 1986 in Antwerp, Ohio at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

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JOE BLYSTONE, CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR,



On Tuesday, June 29, Joe Blystone and his crew visited Paulding County at the Cafe at Hollywood to discuss current issues with the residents of the county. He had a question and answer time to talk about the stances of the people that are disenfranchised with Governor DeWine.

https://www.blystoneforgovernor.com/policies is the website that discusses his policies and much of what he talked about at the this town hall style meeting with the packed building room on the

Blystone has numerous stances from preserving second amendment rights, sanctity of life, health autonomy, no special rights for people who claim to be transgender, getting spending under control at the local, state, and federal levels. Shrink the tax burden on businesses and individuals.

Ohio's spending is far from efficient. Our state and local rates and business

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VACCINE CLINICS STILL BEING HELD AT PCHD

Paulding County Health Department will continue to make vaccine clinics available this summer to anyone who hasn't yet been vaccinated for COVID-19. Several options will be available on a recurring basis. Recurring clinics are planned at the following times and locations: • Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Paulding County Health Department, 800 East Perry Street, Paulding.

Áll Paulding Health Department vaccine clinics are free, and no ap-

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pointment is needed. Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines are available at all events. Youth ages 12-17 are eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine with a parent or guardian present.

All of the COVID-19 vaccines have been proven to protect the individuals who receive them from disease, to limit transmission in the community, and to reduce the risk of severe illness.

The more people in our community who are vaccinated, the better we can protect ourselves and one another.

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REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES FOR U.S. SENATE SEAT **HEADING TO PAULDING**

The Paulding County Republican Women will host a community town hall meeting for Ohioans to meet and hear from upcoming candidates running for the Republican ticket for U.S. Senate. Laurie Lucas, President of the Pauld-County Republican Women, stated,"The Paulding County Republican Women do an educational event every year to provide information relevant to our community. This Town Hall will help the residents of Paulding County and the surrounding area to form an opinion on the candidates running for the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Rob Portman. We hope everyone will attend to listen to the candidates views."

The town hall will begin at 6:30 p.m. July 8 at the Paulding County OSU Extension Center, 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding. It is free and open to everyone.

Those in attendance will include candidates Michael Leipold Sr., Michael Pukita, J.D. Vance, Neil Patel and Mike Gibbons.

Senatorial candidates will be running for the seat to be vacated by retiring Senator Rob Portman.

Leipold is a U.S. Army veteran earning honors as an Apache helicopter pilot, including the Meritorious Service Medal and Air Medal of

Leipold will work to confront the opiate pandemic as well as support Ohio busi-

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Community Calendar

July 6-10

- Bargain Box Bag Sale Tues., Thurs., Sat. 9-Noon Wed., Fri. 9-5 (See ad for details)
 - July 8
- Meet the Candidate Town Hall at OSU Extension 5:30
- ACC Monthly Meeting 7pm

July 9-10 Treasure island Swap Meet &

Flea Market, Antwerp (see ad for details)

July 10

- Country Shoppes of Grabill Outdoor Market 10-4
- ACC Airsoft 11am

July 11

ACC Trap Shoot 1 am

July 13

- Antwerp Grab Your Neighbor - 5pm kiddie parade ending with bingo at the VFW pavilion
- Defiance Coon Hunters Club Open Mic 6-8:30

July 14

• PC Senior Ctr Health, Business & Industry Fair

July 15

• Huber Summer Patio concert 7pm

July 16,17,18

• Xanadu Jr. @ Huber Youth

July 17

- Big Boys Toys Car Show -Antwerp Main St.
- ACC NRL22 Match -
- Registration 8a, starts 9a Food Distribution - Cecil
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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN OF-FERS SPACE FOR 127 **GARAGE SALES**

Did you know the 127 Garage Sales will be taking place in one month? The Paulding Presbyterian Church has spaces that could be used on their parking lot as a service to the community for those who do not have access to larger drives and lots. The church has a large area right next to the US 127 and is making it available the August 4-7 to local people.

Just want cool off and get out of the house? Coke and root beer floats in the A/C-

and highly sanitized—fellowship hall will also be available. Proceeds from the 127 Yard Sale go to support scholarships for mission trips. Recent trip participants spent their 'vacations" at the Rancho 3M orphanage in Guadalupe, Mexico (rancho3m.com) building animal enclosures and working with the children. Despite the pandemic, last year we raised more than \$1000. For more information con-

tact Brent Fishbaugh at 419-378-2068. There is limited space available and must be reserved ahead of time.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

St John Lutheran, 812 East High Street, Hicksville is happy to announce that they will be again having Vacation Bible School this year. The theme this year is BIG FISH BAY - HOOKED ON GOD'S MERCY. The dates this year are July 26 - 30. Time is $\dot{6}$ - 8 pm. It will be open for Pre - K thru 6th Grade. If you have questions or need more information call the church office at 419-542-6269.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

I see many people with tattoos. Is this right or wrong, and does the Bible have anything to say about it?

Many things that I have seen tattooed on people were wrong and displeasing to God, whether printed on skin, paper or anything else. The Bible says we are to let our whole way of life be as "becometh the gospel of Christ" -Philippians 1:27.

Tattoos are usually an expression of the bearer's heart's desire, at least at the time the tattoo was acquired. The Bible says, "out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" Matthew 12:34. Not only does the tattoo speak for the individual, but the individual also had to tell the person doing the tattooing what they wanted. I have seen some folks who had a change of heart later and wished they

had never had the tattoo to begin with.

Some tattoos in and of themselves may not be objectionable. They may even have a good message. However, it is plain that God did not want us to purposely desecrate our bodies, which were created in His likeness - Genesis 1:26, and made His very temple when we received Christ. "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?" - I Corinthians 6:19. Note what God says in Leviticus 19:28, "Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD." If God wanted to print a message on our skin, He would have done so, but He made us the way He wanted us. He wants His message engraved upon our hearts and seen outwardly by our actions, character and countenance – I Peter 3:3-4.

What then should be our attitude toward those who have tattoos? Most of them have never been taught that it is displeasing to God. It should be easy for us to be kind and understanding toward them. But what about those who couldn't care less whether it displeases God or not? They need our love and prayers even more than the others.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman-@juno.com

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Openings in All Grades Pre-Kindergarten - High School

The Paulding County Carnegie Library was awarded 50 COSI Learning Lunchbox kits to distribute to local families. The Ohio Distance Learning Initiative is an innovative program led by COSI and a collaboration of meal providers, libraries, museums, and cultural institutions across the state to deliver 50,000 free, hands-on science kits called "Learning Lunchboxes" across the state of Ohio. These boxes provide five activities aligned with Ohio's learning standards and promote science, technology, engineering, arts, (STEAM), culture, history, and more. The kit is designed to provide a STEM activity for five days. The Learning Lunchboxes are Space related and were created in partnership with NASA.

Boxes will be distributed at each of your PCCL library locations starting July 1, 2021. There is a limit of one kit per family. Those receiving a box must have or apply for a PCCL library card. We hope those receiving the Learning Lunchboxes will share their experiences with feedback or pictures of the children as they experience the activities.

Additional information about the program can be found at https://cosi.org/zoo/ item/ohio-distance-learninginitiative Please contact Ellen Williams at 419-399-2032 or ewilliams@mypccl.org if you have any questions.

LUTHERAN BARIATRIC CENTER EXCEEDS 2,000 SURGERIES

The Lutheran Bariatric Center has surpassed a surgical milestone – 2,000 bariatric procedures - and patient number 2,000, Kara Papaik of Fort Wayne, says the experience has changed her life.

Papaik was diagnosed with polycystic ovary syndrome and metabolic syndrome as an adolescent, making it difficult to lose weight and keep it off. She first looked into weightloss surgery five years ago, which is when she met Dr. Dale Sloan and his team. At the time, she didn't feel she had the personal support structure needed for long-term success. After moving several times and returning to Fort Wayne, Papaik decided the time was

"I couldn't have children naturally because of the weight, but we have two adopted daughters," explains Papaik. "I decided it was time to serve my kiddos and my husband by losing the weight in a more permanent fashion rather than just dieting for the rest of my life."

"Many people believe bariatric surgery will solve all of their weight problems, but weight loss involves more than just the surgery," says Sloan. "Lifestyle changes and personal support are essential elements of long-term success. Kara needed to be at the right point in time to give herself the best opportunity to achieve her goals."

The Lutheran Bariatric Center, an accredited comprehensive bariatric surgery center, offers extensive pre- and post-surgical services that provide patients with both physical and emotional support. Besurgery, candidates participate in information sessions, as well as physical and mental health assessments, to determine if bariatric surgery

is appropriate. After surgery,

patients attend support groups and receive lifetime checkups designed to keep them on

There are four surgical procedures available to patients sleeve gastrectomy, Roux-en-Y gastric bypass, duodenal switch and single anastomosis duodenal switch (SADS). The procedures take approximately one to three hours, depending on the procedure chosen, and require a one- to two-day inpatient stay. There are various individual indications for the different bariatrics surgeries. Papaik had significant reflux so the gastric bypass was the best procedure for her to treat her gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD) as well as her Papaik says her journey

from preparation to procedure moved fairly quickly. Classes began in February, including sessions to prepare her family for what would be expected of Papaik, and the surgery took place in early April. Papaik enjoyed the informative classes and preparation and especially appreciated the support after the procedure. She says it has been very helpful talking to other people who are of similar age or experience about how they are doing.

This is a complete lifestyle change," she says. "It's not just you you're changing, you also have to inform and educate your family so they can understand what you can and cannot

Papaik has lost more than 40 pounds over the past few months, which has impacted her and her family in a number of positive ways. "It's significant," she says. "I'm not worrying about what's on the scale anymore. It's the small things I notice day-to-day. I can walk up flights of stairs, carry the kids longer and go on longer

"I've also noticed my shoes don't fit anymore. They are too big. And my rings don't fit," she adds. "I don't have headaches anymore from my sugar imbalance. I sleep better and my husband says I don't snore anymore."

According to Sloan, Papaik's story is a familiar one and something to share with other patients. "When we see patients like Kara embrace the process and see the results of her hard work, it serves as a great example to others of how you can transform your life."

In terms of advice, one factor stands out for Papaik. "The education piece was huge for me," she says. "There are so many misconceptions. People assume those who get weightloss surgery are giving up on dieting and it's the easy way out. Oh my gosh, if you only knew! You have to maintain this every day. I think it's important for people to understand. I've had a positive experience."

Learn more about the Lutheran Bariatric Center, take an online bariatric assessment or call (260) 435-7844 for more information.

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Scripture of the Week

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance. —Psalm 33:12

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PAULDING COUNTY AREA FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES WAYNE TRACE EXCLUSIVE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Paulding County Area Foundation is happy to announce the recipients of various Wayne Trace exclusive scholarships. The Brian Myers Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Morgan Hefner, daughter of Lindsay Timm and Jesse Hefner. Morgan will be attending The Ohio State University-ATI to study agribusiness. The Deb Haney Memorial

Scholarship was awarded to two deserving students. The first recipient was Gabrielle Donis-Jackson, daughter of Chasity Jackson and Reyes Donis. Gabrielle plans to attend Purdue Fort Wayne to study early childhood education. The second recipient was Joseph Munger, son of Emily and James Munger. Joseph plans to attend Bowling Green State University to study sports medicine. Joseph was also awarded the Hey Buddy Scholarship.

The Tammy Gibson Scholarship was awarded to Emma Crosby, daughter of Angela and Chad Crosby. Emma plans to attend Grace College to study environmental stud-

The Robbie Seffernick Scholarship was awarded to Bryce Rosswurm, the son of Amy and Bruce Rosswurm will be attending Owens Community College to become a John Deere technician.

The Paulding County Area Foundation is excited to see the accomplishments of the recipients and wish them the very best in their endeavors!

NORTHWEST STATE COM-**MUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AP-**PROVES 2021-2022 BUD-

The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, June 25 on the Archbold campus. The meeting was highlighted by the Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget discussion. The proposed budget included revenues of \$26.4 million, and expenses of \$26.1 million, for a surplus of roughly \$300,000.

LOOKING DEEPER AT

THE NUMBERS

On the revenue side of the budget, Tuition and Fees account for \$13.3 million (51%), an increase of over \$580,000 from the previous year. Public Support also accounts for \$11.8 million in revenue (45%), which is a \$317,000 increase from the previous year. On the expense side, Per-

sonnel accounts for \$13.6 million (52%), an increase of over \$788,000 from last year. Partnerships (including Van Wert site expansion) account for \$8.6 million (33%), which is a \$305,000 increase from last

"Northwest State is blessed to be in a strong fiscal position, which allows us to be progressive in position hiring," NSCC President Dr. Todd Hernandez said. "With this new budget, we can continue to best serve our learners, expand our adult education services, and increase our capabilities for serving Paulding and Van Wert Counties with a brand new site in the city of Van Wert," Hernandez continued.

In other Board action:

- Approved the employment of Albert Lewis, Jr. - Executive Vice President, and Brenda Housh - Success Coach (TRIO-SSS).
- · Approved the College's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Statement
- · Accepted items generously donated by Northwest Custom Mechanical and Memorial Home of Mercy Filling Home in Napoleon. Total value of items donated:
- Approved miscellaneous employment contracts, and two resignations

ROAD CLOSURE NORTH COUNTRY KNOLL

This closure will begin Wednesday, July 7, 2 02 1 at 7:00 a.m. and go through Thursday, July 8, 2 02 1 at 12 :00 p.m.(noon). The closure will be on North Country Knoll between Green Road and Country Knoll. This closure is for Fox Contractors to work on Sanitary sewer installation for the new Canal Square Townhomes.

No detour will be posted.

BIRTHDAY! Orlea Seeley, past teacher at Antwerp High School, will be turning 95 yrs. old. Please help her celebrate by sending cards to

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Penny For Your Thoughts By: Nancy Whitaker

Yikes! What is it? Does it bite, fly, walk, hop or jump? When we all prepare for winter, so are the critters and insects. One of those insects who is looking for a nice warm place to stay is a spricket, also known as a caramel spider.

I don't know if I ever saw



the creepy beasts of some people's nightmares. They are actually crickets but they have a hunched back and also look like a spider. I am actually scared of a cricket, let alone one that looks like a spider.

These insects love dark places and basements, and while it is bad enough they resemble the dreaded spider, they also can jump like a cricket. If you are not expecting it, they can scare the daylights out of you.

Nothing will make kids scream louder than finding a camel cricket (spricket) in the basement. And really, who can blame anyone for freaking out when they see one? There's something just wrong with a giant bug that looks like its Mama was a spider and its Papa was a cricket.

Even though they look like a spider, they do not have the fangs or the ability to bite. However, once they congregate in your home, they can eat indoor plants, other insects and even fabric. This is why they are in your basement. Our basements and garages spell P-A-R-T-Y time for these party bugs. I guess there is more safety in numbers and that is why they say the sprickets congregate with those of its kind. (I really think it is more like a cult).

Of course it would not be a spricket party without the insects finding a mate. Sprickets rely on their sense of smell to seek out a partner. Hmmm. I wonder if they are looking for Old Spice or Calvin Kline? Some studies show that male

sprickets have long spurs on their legs which can be used to duke it out over a lady. Personally, I think that a group of sprickets may be like a com-In some countries crickets

are delicacies and some consider them a sign of good luck. As for me, I yell and scream like a banshee if I ever see a cricket, spricket or any kind of hopper, jumper, or biter.

If anyone has ever observed a caramel spider or spricket let me know. Also if you know how to chase them away from partying in our homes, I will give you a Penny for your Thoughts



MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

Dr. Ray Henry Mouser was one of Paulding County's leading citizens, whose family showed volunteerism, as well as providing medical care for numerous citizens of the

Ray was born July 20, 1895, in the town of Latty, Ohio. His father was Dr. Ambrose Henry Mouser, born November 23, 1866, in LaRue, Marion County, Ohio. Ray's mother was Rose Belle Price, born 1871 in Jackson Township, Paulding County. They were married, September 10, 1890. Her mother was Catherine Holtsberry, her father James is this writers, great, great grandfather!

Alright, back on topic! Dr. Ambrose and Rose Belle Mouser had a son, Justus Ambrose, born September 13, 1892, in Latty, Ohio. A daughter, Nellie Merle, was born September 23, 1897 also in Latty, Ohio. The Mouser family lived on Alexander Street in Latty, Ohio.

By 1900, the Mouser family moved to Paulding, Ohio. Ambrose still practicing Medicine and Belle, raising

three children. By 1910, the family moved to Paulding. As country's in the world saw governments dealing with unrest, World War broke out. Justus had registered for the draft, June 5, 1917, he will not serve. Ambrose served on the Officers Reserve Corp for the Medical Dept. Ray graduated from Ohio State Medical School in 1916, with a degree in Medicine. Ray had plans to work with

his father, but he had to register for the draft, May 28, 1917. With his status as a single man, he knew he would be selected. Ray was slender and medium built, black hair, and brown eyes. He was given a nice uniform, and the rank of 1st Lieuteant. After arriving in France, he was sent to join the Medical Corp with the British Expeditionary Forces. From April 16, 1918 - December 18, 1918, Ray saw a lot of wounded and dead soldiers. He was slightly wounded in action, September 10, 1918. On April 16, 1918, Ray was awarded a medal by the British Government for being



a Chief Surgeon. Ray also served with the American Expeditionary Forces, before returning to the United States. Ray also served in Washington D.C. and New York Medical facilities before returning to Camp Sherman, Ohio.

Ray was Honorably Discharged, January 4, 1919. Ray was able to put behind the nightmare of war, he met a gal named Lelia Agness Morgan, from Haviland, Ohio, she was born 1895 in, and was the daughter of Peter Schuylar and Agnes Morgan. Ray and Lelia were married May 27, 1922. She was a strong educated woman, who went to college at Henry Kendall College, then transferred to the University of Miami, where she became a member of The Independent Women's Asso-

In 1920, Ray and Lelia, were living with Ray's parents in Paulding. Ray and Lelia's first child, a daughter, Eleanor Nell, was born, April 11, 1924, followed by another daughter, Lelia Belle, May 16, 1927, and Marilyn Rae, January 6, 1932. Ray's father Dr. Ambrose Mouser passed away, January 15, 1925 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana and was buried in Live Oak Cemetery. By 1930, Ray, Lelia and three daughters, moved to 615 North Williams Street in

Ray's mother, Belle, passed away in Latty, Ohio, May 20, 1936, and was buried alongside her husband Ambrose. During the depression, Ray did not make a lot of money, but the family did not go hungry either. The residents of Jackson, Latty and Paulding Township's kept the family in eggs, butter and milk. The occasional pheasant or chicken plus some beef or pork made it to their dining room table. In 1940, the family still lived on North Williams Street. The daughters all going to Paulding school.

In 1942, at the age of 46, Ray had to register for the draft. He was not selected, but I would imagine his fear of the possibility of being selected. By the 1950's Ray and his wife Lelia were enjoying a quiet house. But Ray caught influenza, and passed away, March 15, 1955. He was buried in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding. As a side note, his brother Justus, delivered a baby boy, November 30, 1943. That baby was named Justus, who was my uncle! Until next time!



Financial Advisor

DON'T LET INVESTMENTS GO ON VACATION

Now that we've gained at least some space from the COVID-19 pandemic, summer travel is heating up. But while you might be eager to hit the road, you won't want your investments to take a vacation - you need them to work hard for you consistently. But how can you make this happen?

Here are some ideas:

- Know your destination."If you don't know where you want to go, then it doesn't matter which path you take." This bit of wisdom, paraphrased from the classic children's book, Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, may be appropriate for, say, hikers exploring a new landscape. But as an investor, it matters a great deal which path you take. If you only dabble in investing, occasionally putting some money into one investment or another, it will be difficult to build a portfolio that's consistently working in your best interest. It's important to create a long-term investment strategy based on where you want to go in life – that is, how long you plan to work, what sort of retirement lifestyle you envision, and so on.
- Match goals with investments. Some investments are designed to achieve certain goals. To illustrate: When you contribute to an IRA and a 401(k) or similar employersponsored plan, you're investing for one specific, long-term goal: a comfortable retirement. While you can tap into these accounts for other purposes - though doing so might incur immediate taxes and penalties - they are designed to provide you with income during your retirement years. Similarly, you may have other investments for other purposes, such as a 529 education savings plan. Here's the key point: Goals-based investing, by its nature, can help ensure your portfolio is always working on your behalf, in the way you intended.
- Invest for growth. Ideally, hard work produces results, and one of the main results you want from your investments is growth - that is, you want your investments to appreciate in value so they can eventually help you meet your goals. But if you are overconcentrated in vehicles such as certificates of deposit (CDs) and government securities, you may end up lowering your growth potential. That's not to

say that CDs and Treasury

bills are in some sense "lazy." They can provide you with income and help you reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio. But to achieve most of your goals, you'll need a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments working for you, with the exact percentage based on your needs and life stages. Check

progress. How else can you ensure your investments aren't just taking it easy? By checking up on them. If you follow a buy-and-hold strategy, your portfolio shouldn't require many changes if it already reflects your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Too much buying and selling could jeopardize your ability to follow a consistent, longterm strategy. However, "buy and hold" doesn't mean "buy and forget." By reviewing your portfolio at least once a year, you can determine if your investments are performing as they should. If they're not working for you as you'd like, you may need to make some If you're traveling this

summer, relax and enjoy yourself - but keep those investments working hard.

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Each of the above people have been deemed invaluable by friends, family and neighbors in the village of Antwerp. Each have been named a Gem

PAGE 3 – WEST BEND NEWS – JULY 7, 2021 of the Year at Antwerp Chamber of Commerce's Day in the Park. This year's event is set to take place on August 14, 2021, and another selfless resident will be named Gem of the

Do you know such a Gem? A member of this village that puts the betterment of the community of Antwerp above self? Then take this time to nominate them to be this year's recipient of the annual Gem of the Year award.

Nomination forms can be found online at Antwerp Chamber web page, Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page, Petals and Vines, and at the Antwerp Exchange Bank. Mail forms to Antwerp Chamber, PO Box 893, Antwerp, OH 45813 or drop off in the "Gem Nominee" box at the Antwerp Exchange

SAFE MEDICATION PRAC-TICES FOR SENIORS

By: Casey Bishop, OSU Extension Family and Consumer Sciences, Paulding County

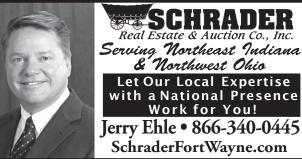
The Paulding County Extension office will provide education and information opportunities on Medication Practices. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health from 2018, it is estimated that 16.9 million Americans have misused prescription medications at least once per year. The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy has designed the program Generation RX to help combat these significant statistics.

Teaching medication safety to both younger and older residents of the state, Generation RX is focused on providing education to citizens in hopes to lower the number of prescription medication accidents and incidents. The OSU Paulding County Extension office will be offering two in-person programing dates for senior citizens of Paulding County free

Times:

Friday July 16th @11:45 (Continued on Page 4)







July 8th - Monthly Meeting at 7pm

July 10th - Airsoft at 11am

July 11th - Trap Shoot at 1pm

July 17th - NRL22 MATCH- Registration and sight in opens at 8 am. Match begins at 9am.

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Veterans' Service Office The Paulding County Veteran's Service Office

The Paulding County

is dedicated to aiding Paulding County veterans and their families in time of need.

There are two basic services the agency provides:

1 - EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.

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

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

> Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

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Pictured here is Grayson Webster 8.5 months old reading a book provided by DPIL&OGIL. Grayson is the child of Rebecca Starner and Isaiah Webster.

PAULDING COUNTY AREA FOUNDATION GRANTS **FUNDS TO UNITED WAY OF** PAULDING COUNTY FOR **DOLLY PARTON IMAGINA-**TION LIBRARY

Currently the United Way of Paulding County has 615 children actively participating in the collaboration of Ohio Governor Imagination Library and Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Each month over 600 children in Paulding County receive a book for free. Grand total in 2020 over 7,200 books were distributed in Paulding County and in massive thanks to the Paulding County Area Foundation's support through their grants. "Early childhood education is so key to successful learning in life, and the quicker these children have access to books the faster they begin to learn and comprehend. We simply cannot thank the Paulding County Area Foundation for their continued support of this program and the ongoing investment in our children's future." Stated Lora Lyons, the Paulding County United Way Executive Director.

If your child would like to participate in the Dolly Parton/Ohio Governor Imagination Library, please visit https://ohioimaginationlibrary.org/ to register your child. Children newborn to age five are eligible to participate and it is 100% free, no matter their socioeconomic status. Now thanks to the Ohio Governor's Imagination Library the program is available in every county in Ohio!

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Tuesday July 27th @2:00 pm at the Paulding County Extension Office

To sign up, please register at: go.osu.edu/pauldingcountygenrx or call the Extension Office for more information @ 419-399-8225.

For additional information on any FCS programs, contact Casey Bishop (Paulding County Extension Educator, Family and Consumer Sciences) at bishop.807@osu.edu or call 419-399-8225.

(Continued from Page 1) taxes repeatedly rate among the worst in the nation.

We have a state budget of approximately \$75 billion with a population of 11.7 million (and this is just a shell of Ohio's "actual" spending). States with comparable populations budget much less than what Ohio plans to spend on an annual basis.

"Georgia's budget is about \$43.2 billion with a population of 10.6 million. North Carolina budgets \$52.1 billion with a population of 10.4 million. Michigan budgets \$59.2 billion with a population of 10 million. And while Florida has about double Ohio's population, their budget is nearly the same as Ohio's at \$88 billion. Something is amiss here. We are overtaxing our citizens and overspending."

Another serious issue is online censorship. "Our first amendment rights have been under assault for decades. The past eleven months have made it even more obvious many players want to silence opinions of those who dare to speak against the rising factions within our country and our state. Big tech has played a major role in eroding free speech. Ohio must take serious action against these subversions of police power.

"Ohio can and should join Florida and Alabama in taking steps to protect this inalienable right for our citizens and the businesses who want to flourish here. As governor, I will work with industry leaders, small business owners, county and city leaders, as well as our General Assembly to protect our economy and our God-given right to use our voice for causes He deems important."

Blystone answered many questions on problems that are facing Americans today. He had questions directed at him from the crowd and was glad to be their representative in the primaries coming up in

Material from the website is used in this article.

WOODBURN DAY IN THE

The rain held out and it was a perfect day for fun in the Park. Events for young and old. Good Food, Great Music and Fantastic Fireworks ended the day on Saturday. Raffle Winners were \$500 cash- Dustin Sarrazine, a Flat Top Grill- Dawn Logan and a Kate Spade Purse with a Gas Card and Book- Gary Messman. The 50/50 Raffle was won by Crystal. Gloria Gerig was named Honorary Citizen of the year. There will be pics in City Hall to check out. Thanks to all who donated and to our volunteers. A special Thank You to Dean Gerbers (Gerbers Electric) for taking care of our electrical needs year after year.

The Association is in need of a new Board Members. Please step up if you are interested. This is the last year for Laurie Szajna, Rex Coomer, Jan Palmer and Denny Miesle. It has been a pleasure planning events for the City over the years but our time has come to an end.

Jan Palmer City of Woodburn

FIELD REPORTS FROM **OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS**

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One

In June, State Wildlife Officer Brad Kiger, assigned to Franklin County, received a call about a possible injured peregrine falcon in downtown Columbus. Falcons have nested in the area for several years, and this year's young birds recently fledged. This pair is popular and wellknown by the Columbus downtown community. Three birds were hatched in the nest this year. When Officer Kiger arrived, the caller only saw two birds. One was found along the building among some cars, and the second was found on a fire escape. Officer Kiger safely captured the falcon on the ground, but when he attempted to capture the second one it flew off. It was determined by talking to building employees that two of the falcons were flying, but the third was not ready and needed more time to grow. This was the bird captured by Officer Kiger. With the assistance of building management, the captured bird was safely returned to the nest. The parents were nearby and returned to care for the fledging. The bird finished developing its feathers and built enough strength to fly the next week.

In May, State Wildlife Officer Austin Levering, assigned to Knox County, was conducting routine hunting enforcement during the spring wild turkey hunting season when he noticed a wild turkey tail fan in the bed of a truck in

front of him. Officer Levering

ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS DAYCARE HONOR THEIR GRANDMOTHERS



Shown here in back are: Braylon Hogans, Mason Gutierrez, Miss Sue, Alayna White, Landen White, Isabel Isidoro and Skilerr Good. In front are: River Stoller, Mylann Good, Henry Clark, Hadley Mohr, Colton Barajas, Cayden Barajas, Aydenn Good, Kyla Barajas, Kamden Laney, A"Darius Edwards and Damien Selzer.

Ann's Bright Beginnings Daycare children were recently visited by Mrs. Sue Thomas. She brought along some fun songs to share with us and the book, "Grandma's

Purse". Afterwards, we made a flower arrangement to give to our own grandmothers. We sure did enjoy having Miss Sue come to visit. We love all of our guests! They are the

utaries during this time of

year is two fish per person. In-

vestigator Hadsell explained

that each individual could

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contacted two individuals in the vehicle after they stopped at a nearby residence. Officer Levering discovered a shotgun and other turkey hunting equipment in the cab of the truck. After further investigation, it was determined the driver of the truck killed the turkey earlier that morning. Officer Levering then determined the man did not possess a valid spring turkey permit or a hunting license. A summons was issued for possessing a wild turkey without a valid permit. He paid \$305 in fines and court costs at the Mt. Vernon Municipal Court, and the turkey was forfeited to

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

In May, State Wildlife Officer Michele Butler, assigned to Erie County, was patrolling Milan Wildlife Area when she contacted two turkey hunters in the parking area. They had been unsuccessful in calling in a turkey that morning and were unsure of where to go next. Officer Butler spoke with the hunters and recommended a section of Milan Wildlife Area that turkeys often pass through and wished them luck. Later that afternoon, Officer Butler noticed that one of the hunters had game checked a turkey. She later spoke with the hunter who had an exciting afternoon hunt at the wildlife area and was able to harvest a tom. He was thankful for the suggestions and Officer Butler was happy to see the hunter

In March, State Wildlife Investigator Jason Hadsell was working sport fish enforcement in one of the Lake Erie tributaries when he observed a man and a juvenile fishing for steelhead trout. The man was seen catching and placing three trout on his stringer before gathering his gear to leave. The man and the juvenile both walked to a parked car where a woman was waiting and began loading their equipment. Investigator Hadsell contacted the group and asked the man about the three fish he had on the stinger. The man claimed the third trout had been caught by the woman earlier in the day, but later admitted that he had caught and kept all three

trout. The daily bag limit for

trout in Lake Erie and its trib-

have a successful season.

catch and keep two trout each day. The man was issued a summons for taking over the limit on trout and paid \$296 in fines and court costs. Northeast Ohio - Wildlife

District Three

State Wildlife Officer Randy White, assigned to Lorain County, received a report of a white-tailed deer fawn that was separated from its mother. For several hours, the concerned caller heard and saw the two animals in distress and realized that the fawn had squeezed through a small gap in a fenced enclosure but couldn't find its way out. The fence was 6 feet tall with barbed wire stretched across the top, so the doe couldn't jump the fence. Officer White immediately responded to the scene and started making phone calls to contact the power company that owns the property. Even

though it was after hours, Officer White managed to connect with someone who opened the gate. The fawn was encouraged out of the enclosure and subsequently reunited with its mother. While patrolling Harrison

County during the whitetailed deer archery hunting season, State Wildlife Officer Nick Turner contacted a deer hunter who had just exited the woods near his vehicle. During the conversation, Officer Turner noticed blood on the hunter's boot and pants, which led him to a small buck on the ground behind the hunter's vehicle. Further investigation revealed the deer was killed with a rifle that morning. The hunter was issued a summons for taking a deer with a firearm during the archery season. The deer and rifle were seized as evidence. The hunter appeared in the Harrison County Court and paid more than \$800 in fines, restitution, and court costs.

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feited to the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four In April 2021, State

Wildlife Officer Ted Witham, assigned to Jackson County, was on patrol at Cooper Hollow Wildlife Area when he located a large pile of dead fish in one of the parking lots. The dead fish were carp and suckers, and appeared to have been harvested with bow fishing gear. The next day, Officer Witham received additional information about this littering case through the Turn In a Poacher (TIP) hotline. As he was attempting to contact the suspect, he received a phone call from State Wildlife Officer Jared Abele, assigned to Vinton County. Officer Abele had responded to the parking lot where the fish had been dumped and had just talked to the suspect. Officer Witham joined them at the parking lot and spoke to the suspect, who admitted to dumping the fish that were harvested with his bow several nights earlier. He had returned to pick up the fish because he heard that Officer Witham was looking for him. The suspect was issued a citation for littering on state property. He appeared in the Jackson County Municipal Court and pleaded guilty to the offense. He was found

guilty and ordered to pay \$385 in fines and court costs. The court also imposed 40 hours of community service to be competed.

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife District Five

During the spring, State Wildlife Officer Mark Schemmel, assigned to Auglaize County, received a call from a teacher at a local high school. The teacher informed Officer Schemmel that a hen mallard duck had recently nested inside the school's courtyard, which was surrounded by the building on all sides. The hen duck was able to fly out of the area to feed and seek water, but her recently hatched ducklings were trapped inside. Officer Schemmel responded to the school and assisted the teacher with safely capturing the ducklings. They were then transferred out of the courtyard to the waiting hen. She quickly marched them to a nearby pond.

During the spring wild turkey hunting season, State Wildlife Officer Houston Wireman, assigned to Adams County, and State Wildlife Officer Mathew Bourne, assigned to Clark County, contacted a man hunting over bait. He had serval piles of shelled corn located on different areas of a property in Highland County. The offi-

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cers observed the man walk to a hunting blind and placed turkey decoys in the bait pile. He then got into the blind and called and hunted over the bait. The officers contacted the man and issued one summons for hunting turkeys over a baited area. The man pleaded guilty and paid \$314 in court cost and fines.

CHOW LINE: BLACK LICORICE WARNINGS AND TIPS FOR SAFE HAL-**LOWEEN CELEBRATIONS**

I heard that eating too much black licorice can cause heart problems. Is that true?

In some cases, for some people, yes.

With Halloween coming in a couple of weeks and candy sales up 13% this year as compared to this same time last year, according to the National Confectioners Association, it's a good time to revisit the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's warning regarding black licorice.

The FDA warns that people over 40 who eat 2 ounces of black licorice a day for at least two weeks could experience an irregular heart rhythm or arrhythmia that could land them in the hospi-

As mentioned in a previous Chow Line, black licorice contains glycyrrhizin, which is the sweetening compound derived from licorice root. The problem is that glycyrrhizin can cause potassium levels in the body to fall, causing some people to experience abnormal heart rhythms, high blood pressure, swelling, lethargy, and congestive heart failure, the FDA said in its ad-

The issue is primarily a concern for people over 40, some of whom have had a history of heart disease and/or

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nesses and workers. He also is an advocate for issues such as Constitutional rights, equality, veterans' rights and national security.

"I am running for the United States Senate because I believe that the citizens of the great state of Ohio deserve better," Leipold said in a statement. "Our country is at a pivotal time in history and needs strong leaders that are transparent in their dealings."

Pukita is running on an "American First" platform and is a strong supporter of the Constitution, election integrity, border security and term limits.

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NEW HAVEN JULY 3RD PARADE AND PICNIC IN THE PARK

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On July 3rd, the New Haven Lions Club cooked Hot Dogs to raise money for the future needs of the New Haven Community. 12 lions participated and we raised \$300.00. We appreciate your support!!

Dublin resident Pukita is a business owner, creating thousands of jobs. He promises to be a one-term Senator, if elected.

'It's time for Americans to take our country back from career politicians, tech oligarchs and academic elites," Pukita said.

Cleveland businessman investment banker Michael Gibbons' platform including border security, curtailing federal spending, aiding businesses and defending the 2nd Amendment.

Gibbons has served as the Ohio financial chair for President Donald Trump in 2016. He has won several awards including Entrepreneur of the Year for Northeastern Ohio in 2002 and is managing partner of the Cleveland Crunch professional soccer franchise.

"I've achieved my American Dream," he said. "I'm running for Senate to help more people achieve their American Dreams. I'm a businessman, not a politician."

Columbus businessman Neil Patel also is running for the Senate seat. Patel immigrated to the U.S. in 1979 and became a citizen in 1994. He has stated he wants to serve the public, his state and country. He is a conservative speaker and has acted as a facilitator for the Indian ambas-

sador with U.S. businesses. Patel has stated that he is running to ensure all citizens and states are equally repre-

Home

sented in Washington

"In our world today, our county, our Ohio citizens, need reprepsentation that reflects the issues of the times and concern for all, while promoting ethical representation and assuring every citizen's freedoms that are given in the Constitution," his website

First-time candidate and author Vance will discuss his platform at the town hall. He is a Marine Corps. Veteran, attended Yale Law School and has worked in corporate law. Vance is a principal at a capital

firm and has special interests in biotechnology and other economic sectors. His book "Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis" showcases the Ohio working class and is a memoir of his life growing up in Ohio.

His top issues will be immigration, the economy and social/cultural issues.

Members of the public are encouraged to come out to the town hall on July 8 and learn about what these candidates have to offer the great state of Ohio in the upcoming elec-

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FUEL GOOD OPENS IN PAULDING!



The Paulding Chamber members and Paulding County Economic Development, along with the mayor welcome Fuel Good Energy to Paulding in the latest ribbon cutting for the village.

Erika Mefferd joins the club of small business owners on the Paulding Square as she opened the new business on June 18. Fuel Good Energy has four employees to serve each and every customer with great food and service!

Erika is married to Rob,

The Green Meadows Con-

ference All-Sports Standings

were wrapped up recently

with the Fairview Apaches

APACHES SWEEP TO GMC

ALL-SPORTS TITLE

accountant for the business, and they have three children and 2 grandkids. Together they have made Erika's dream of a great nutrition club that can serve about 35 people at a time.

Ms. Mefferd is a graduate of Wayne Trace and grew up in the county-line town of Scott. Now She and Rob live in

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taking the league championship for the 2020-2021 high school sports seasons. Fairview totaled 82-1/2

points to take first place in the league with Tinora finishing second at 76-1/2 points. Wayne Trace placed third at 70-1/2 points followed by Edgerton (50), Antwerp (47-1/2), Ayersville (43-1/2), Holgate (37-1/2) and Hicksville (35).

The black and gold won both the boys and girls titles as well, taking first in the boys

with 42-1/2 points while placing first in the girls with 40 points.

Tinora and Wayne Trace took second and third place, respectively, in both the boys and girls races with the Edgerton boys placing fourth.

The Rams totaled 42 points on the boys side with Wayne Trace picking up third at 38-1/2 points. Edgerton finished fourth at 31 points followed by Antwerp (28), Ayersville (24-1/2), Holgate (21-1/2) and Hicksville (16). In the girls portion, the

Apaches won it with Tinora second at 34-1/2 and Wayne Trace finished third at 32 points.

Antwerp (19-1/2), Ayersville (19), Edgerton (19), Hicksville (19) and Holgate (16) rounded out the girls field.

RAIDERS RALLY PAST

The Wayne Trace ACME baseball team dug out of an early hole and rallied for a 9-5 win over Fairview in sectional action at Defiance High School on Friday.

However, the Raiders rallied in the top of the third.

Wayne Trace plated four runs in the frame, highlighted with a two-run triple by Kyle Forrer, to knot the game at 4-

After Fairview got one run in the home half of the fifth to go on top 5-4 when Jude Shininger singled in Kolton Schooley, the red, white and blue answered in the sixth.

Lane Morehead tripled to start the Raider sixth to ignite the rally, which was far from done. With the bases loaded, Tyler Davis ripped a basesloaded single that put Wayne Trace on top and the red, white and blue would not trail

The Raiders went on to plate three runs in the inning and added two more in the seventh to wrap up the 9-5

APACHES

It was all black and gold early as the Apaches scored once in the first and added three more in the third for an early 4-0 lead.

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Allen Minck got the win for Wayne Trace, which improves to 8-5-1 over the summer. Minck tossed the complete game, giving up five runs and seven hits while striking out six and walking three.

Forrer had a single and triple for the Raiders while scoring twice and driving in three runs. Tyler Head added a pair of singles and Jordan Lotz posted a triple. Hunter Long and Allen Minck each scored twice for the red, white and blue with Davis driving in two runs.

Adam Lashaway took the loss for Fairview, giving up five runs (three earned), six hits and three walks while fanning three in four innings of work for the Apaches, who fall

Schooley topped the Fairview offense with a single and a triple while also scoring twice. Keaton Singer also picked up two runs batted in for the Apaches.

NHEG HOLDS ANNUAL RECOGNITION DAY

New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) held its annual Recognition Day on June 20, 2021, from 3-5 pm Central time. The event celebrated the nonprofit's 15th anniversary and many accomplishments, students, volunteers, families, sponsors, partners and affiliates. Walmart of Defiance provided a \$500 grant for the event and was recognized during the event for their contribution.

30 Volunteers of the Year were recognized:

Rhone-Ann Huang - Reading Ambassador of the Year

Khrista-Cheryl Cendana Research Coordinator of the Allene Yue - Music Instruc-

tor of the Year Meghna Kilaparthi - In-

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fle during the event, and winners were Jody Bowden (Mystery Prize Package and \$25 Amazon Gift Card) and Zachary Clark (\$50 Gift Card).

The following were winners of the Recognition Day Draw-

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NEW HEIGHTS EDUCA-TIONAL GROUP WINS 7 GLOBEE® IN THE 13TH AN-NUAL 2021 GOLDEN BRIDGE BUSINESS AND IN-NOVATION AWARDS

New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) Named Winner in Golden Bridge Awards Defiance, Ohio - June 29,

2021 - NHEG announced to-

day that The Globee® Awards,

organizers of world's premier business awards programs and business ranking lists, has named NHEG, Executive Director Pamela Clark, and Team Members 7x winners in the prestigious awards. Executive Hero of the Year

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The following names were recognized as Team Members in these awards.

Board Members: Pamela

Clark, Jon Aitken, Sheila Wright. The following people are being recognized for leadership, courses, lessons, data entry completed. Pamela Clark - Development Director, Dylan Schnur - Education Intern, Allene Yue, Linghua Ding, Leah Sedy, Meghna Kilaparthi, Samuel Iglesias, Sampan Chaudhuri, HR Coordinators screening these talented individuals: Jyoti Aggarwal, Caroline Chen, Stephanie Gross. Website Gurus: Michael Anderson,Sarika Gauba. Julia Landy for creating the advertisements for the courses. Marina Klimi - Production Manager of Magazine and AVDD of Social Media and Marketing. Social Media Team: Khrista-Cheryl Cendana, Bruno Patrick Moses, Allene Yue. Student Leaders: Aayush Gauba, Alina Sheikh, Caroline Chen, Doyoon "Dean" Kim, Rhone-Ann Huang, Charlotte Picardo, Michelle Alwin. Accountants - Padmapriya (Priya) Kedharnath, Lead Accountant and Setiani Bhuiyan (Tia), Assistant Accountant. Graphic Design: Tyler Maxey-Billings (AVDD), Jeff Ermoian (Adviser), Marina Klimi, Ginnefine J.), Janene Kling, Julia Landy. E.A.S.Y. Toons: Tyler Maxey-Billings (Production Manager), Rachel Fay - Cartoonist, Jane Wen - Comic Colorist/Inker, Javier Cortes -Inker/Cartoonist Assistant. Clerical: Nayana Mogre Aayush Gauba, Alina Sheikh, Sapna Shukla, Dylan Schnur. Radio Show: Briana Dincher – Pre-Recorded, Anna Shi – Pre-Recorded, Shannon Williamson - Pre-Recorded. Kaden Behan – Pre-Recorded, Charlotte McGuire - Pre-Recorded, Kathy Woodring -Pre-Recorded, Sadia Eijaz –

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ery - Pre-Recorded, Freddie

Bandola Jr - Pre-Recorded,

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Judges from a broad spectrum of industry voices from around the world participated and their average scores determined the 2021 award win-

New Heights Educational Group was recognized in the above categories. "We are proud of our team and the work we do here at NHEG, and for being named a 7-time winner by the Globee Awards," said Pamela Clark. "Behind this distinguished success is our program and project innovations and relentless drive to stay mission focused. Looking over the list of winners, we are further honored to stand with these changemakers. Our volunteers are incredible people driven by hope and focused on improving and providing

See the complete list of 2021 winners here: https:// globeeawards.com/goldenbridge-awards/winners/.

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FOOTBALL SQUADS FIND OUT REGIONS

The Ohio High School Athletic Association released the 2021 high school football regional assignments last week with area squads finding out potential playoff oppo-Sixteen teams in each re-

gional will qualify for the

OHSAA playoffs following

the 2021 regular season with a

pair of Paulding County teams looking at a possible matchup in the postseason. Both Paulding and Wayne Trace have been assigned to Division VI, Region 22, as the squads will meet in Green Meadows Conference play

and could meet in the post-

season for the first time. The rest of Region 22 includes teams from Archbold, Ashland Crestview, Bluffton, Bucyrus, Cardinal Stritch, Carey, Castalia Margaretta, Colonel Crawford, Columbus Grove, Delta, Evergreen, Gibsonburg, Fairview, Hicksville, Liberty Center, Montpelier, New London, Northwood, Ottawa Hills, Riverdale, Seneca Tinora, Van Buren, Western Reserve and Woodmore.

Northwest Ohio is also represented in Division VI, Region 24, with schools including Coldwater, Delphos Jefferson, Fort Recovery, Minster and Parkway.

Antwerp is assigned to Division VII, Region 26, where the Archers will battle with many local schools for the berth in the playoffs.

Other teams in the region are Ada, Arcadia, Arlington, Ayersville, Cory Rawson, Crestview, Delphos St. John's, Edgerton, Edon, Fremont St. Joseph, Hardin Northern, Hilltop, Hopewell Loudon, Leipsic, Lima Central Catholic, Lima Perry, Mc-Comb, Mohawk, North Baltimore, Pandora Gilboa, Patrick Henry, Spencerville, Tiffin Calvert, Upper Scioto Valley, Vanlue and Waynesfield Goshen.

Marion Local, New Bremen and St. Henry will take part in Division VII, Region 28, as that trio looks for a playoff berth.

In Division I, Findlay and Perrysburg will both be in Region 2 along with Toledo Start and Toledo Whitmer.

Northwest Ohio squads in Division II, Region 6 include Ross, Holland Fremont Springfield, Oregon Clay, Sylvania Northview, Toledo Bowsher, Toledo Central

Car Show — on July 17, 2021. categories for vehicles - 1996 Rain or shine, the event is scheduled to take place on Catholic, Toledo St. Francis,

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Region 8 in Division II.

Division III, Region 10, will feature area squads from Ashland, Bowling Green, Defiance, Lexington, Mansfield Madison, Mansfield Senior, Maumee, Norwalk, Sandusky, Sylvania Southview, Tiffin Columbian, Toledo Rogers and Toledo Woodward.

Western Buckeye League members Celina, Elida, Lima Shawnee, St. Marys and Wapakoneta all will take part in Division III, Region 12.

Schools from the area that will take part in Division IV, Region 14, are Bellevue, Bryan, Clyde, Galion, Huron, Kenton, Milan Edison, Napoleon, Ontario, Port Clinton, Rossford, Sandusky Perkins, Shelby, Toledo Scott, Upper Sandusky, Van Wert and Wauseon.

Teams in Division V, Region 18, include Bucyrus Wynford, Eastwood, Elmwood, Fostoria, Genoa, Kansas Lakota, Liberty Benton, Lima Bath, Millbury Lake, Oak Harbor, Otsego, Ottawa Glandorf, Swanton and Willard.

OHSAA ANNOUNCES FOOT-BALL REGIONS FOR 2021 SEASON

The Ohio High School Athletic Association announced the football region assignments for the upcoming 2021 season on Tuesday. The 10-week regular-season begins the week of August 16, with the top 16 schools in

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and Newer, 1995 and Older, each region qualifying for the playoffs that begin October

South Main Street in the Vil-

lage of Antwerp. The event

takes place in the afternoon

with registration from 3-5pm

There will also be several

at the Antwerp VFW.

As previously announced, schools' divisional assignments for the upcoming 2021-22 school year will remain the same as the 2020-21 school year in all sports. The 2021 football regions

are posted at: https://www.ohsaa.org/Sports-Tournaments/Football/Football-2021

In all sports, coaches have an unlimited number of days from June 1 through July 31 to conduct voluntary conditioning, strength training and instructional opportunities. In football, helmets may be worn during summer voluntary ses-

Also in the sport of football, there is a mandatory fiveday acclimatization period for all student-athletes prior to contact. Two of those days can be completed in July so that shoulder pads can be worn on the first day of practice August 1.

2021 OHSAA Football Calendar

Sunday, August First Day of Official Coaching Permitted

August Scrimmage Dates

Monday, August 16 Regular-Season Begins (First Friday is August 20)

Tuesday, Sept. First Weekly Computer Points Rat Rod, and Motorcycle.

There will also be dash

plaques to the first 100 en-

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BAD BOYS TOYS CAR SHOW IN ANTWERP FOR 2021

There will be food, Music, 50/50 raffle, Chinese raffle, door prizes, silent auction, and lots of fun!

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Oct.

Regular-Season Ends 24 Sunday, Oct. Final Computer Points and Playoff Qualifiers Announced

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The Antwerp Girls Basketball Team held a skills camp recently with 27 future Lady Archer campers taking part from grades one through six. Members of the Antwerp girls varsity basketball squad helped the youth, which was directed by Archer head coach Scott McMichael and junior varsity coach Shawn Schuette. Pictured are some of the campers who took part in the camp.

MIAMI TRIBE OF OKLA-HOMA

Update on Miami Indian Office in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. July 2021

The former item "Chief Little Turtle" was printed about 5 years ago. In the meantime, we have had the Covid problem in 2020 and many offices have made

As of 2021: Diane Hunter is the "Tribal Historic Preservation Officer of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma" and is now working out of her home on 3522 Walden Run, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46815. Doug Peconge of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, 11031 English St. Hoagland, Indiana 46745 is person of high status in the

All American historians know that Miami Indian "Little Turtle" did go along with the Greenville Treaty against the wishes of Tecumseh. Blue Jacket signed for the Shawnee and the Miami also accepted American rule as Little Turtle touched the pen. He declared: "I am the last to sign it, and I will be the last to break it." True to his word he remained a peaceful partner and became a celebrity among the white settlers.

(Note: I spoke with Diane Hunter by phone a few weeks ago and she is doing internet and work from her home. We hope to meet soon.) The Ottawa and Miami Indian Nations should never be forgot-

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ten in this area and their memorials should be commemorated.

The area of the "Three Rivers", Fort Wayne, and Fort Defiance is extremely historical and we are so fortunate to have the Ft. Wayne Library and Genealogical Collection nearby, also. The Native American history in Ohio and in the tri-state has filled up a room in my house.

Info submitted by Caroline Wells Longardner

CHIEF LITTLE TURTLE

By: Caroline Zimmerman

Mihsihkinaahkwa (The Turtle or more commonly known as Little Turtle) was a war chief of the Myaamia (Miami) people, and one of the most renowned Native American military leaders of his time. Under his leadership, the Myaamia, Delaware, Ottawa, Shawnee, and Wyandot achieved major victories against Mihsimaalhsa (United States) forces in the 1790's during the Mihsimaalhsa Wars (also called the Northwest Indian Wars, or Little Turtle's War). In 1791, they defeated General St. Clair, who lost 600 men, the most decisive loss by the United States against Native American forces ever.

The Native Americans from these tribes were all defeated at the battle of Fallen Timbers and later forced to relocate West. The Miami tribe mostly relocated to Kan-

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sas and later to Oklahoma. Some that hung back stayed around Peru, Indiana (in Miami Co.).

NEW PURCHASE OF PROPERTY -In 2015 the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma wanted to boost its presence in Fort Wayne, Indiana. They have purchased property at 10910 Trentman Rd. in SE Allen Co. near interstate 469 for the tribe's planned Cultural Resources Extension Office. It will enable the tribal organization to better consult with the U.S. Government on construction projects involving the discovery of tribal remains or artifacts — a right afforded to Native American tribes by the National Historic Preservation Act.

"It's up to the state to notify former tribes that lived there about the discoveries, and sometimes they leave us out", said Chief Doug Lankford of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma. For that reason a more centralized office is being formed in Indiana. Chief Little

Memorial is being refurbished and his trail is being mapped out. Mound Builder sites in Northeastern Indiana and Northwestern Ohio are being marked and archaeological studies are being done. (http:/ /www.gravecrawler.com)

The office will also provide cultural programming for the 500 Miami tribe members who reside in Indiana. This includes: language classes, dinners, get-togethers, arts, and crafts events and story telling. In the next 2 or 3 years, they hope to purchase another property in or around Ft. Wayne. There are about 500 Miami tribe members who reside in Indiana (Jan 2015). For more info contract the Miami Tribe (of Oklahoma) at 10910 Trentman Rd. Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Or dgong@jg.net

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 6/21/21

This 21st day of June, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtsberry, Clint A. Vance and Heather Barnhouse,

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS Warrants documented as 269624 through 269708 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

TRAVEL REQUEST

- Timothy Baumle OSAVSC Summer Conference, Dublin, OH, July 23-25,
- William Mowery OSAVSC S
- William Mowery OSAVSC Summer Conference, Dublin, OH, July 24, 2021
 Greg Geyer OSAVSC Summer Conference, Dublin, OH, July 23-25, 2021
 Dan Wilder OSAVSC Summer Conference, Dublin, OH, July 23-25, 2021
 John Daeger OSAVSC Summer Conference, Dublin, OH, July 23-25, 2021
 IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 009)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2021 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Gas Tax Fund (Fund 009), to-wit; 009-001-00012/Gas Tax Fund/Ad

wertising AMOUNT: \$ 65.80 Meeting Notes of Appointments • Tim Yenser, Maintenance Director,

updated the Commissioners on mainte-nance operations and procedures.

• Larry Manz and Dennis Recker, Eco-

nomic Development Board Members- Mr. Manz informed the Commissioners that Economic Development's Board wants to be involved and would like to meet with the Commissioners more in efforts to keep the partnership and planning going in the same direction for the good of the county. Commissioners stated that they have a great partnership built with Tim Copsey, great partnership built with 11m Copsey, Economic Development Director, and they appreciate all of Mr. Copsey's efforts he has put in to the county. Mr. Manz and Mr. Recker stated that they are working with Roberta Streiffert from RCAP on Paulding County's Strategic Plan and their board seats are all full seats are all full.

 Judge Wehrkamp- informed the Commissioners that his annual report will be filed by June 30th and he will then set up a meeting time for discussion after the Commissioners have reviewed the annual

 James Bailey, Benefits Consultant with Brown & Brown Insurance- Mr. Bailey met with the Commissioners, Tera Shull, Tammy Showalter and Claudia Fickel with continued discussion about compliance of the County's 125 plan and insurance bene-

• Ed Bohn, EMA Director, updated the Commissioners on the American Rescue

Act and reported that he will be attending the Homeland Security Grant meeting on Thursday, June 24th.

WRIGHT TO PERFORM AT **CONVOY OPERA HOUSE**

The Convoy Historical Society will present Woody Wright in concert on Saturday August 14, 2021, at 7 pm. All seating is reserved by calling Dave Thomas at 419-749-

Plan to spend the evening in the newly restored Convoy Opera House at 111 South Main St, in Convoy OH. Bring your family & friends for an evening of great music and entertainment. Check Woody Wright out on Woody Wright's songs

have been recorded by dozens of your favorite Country & Gospel music artists. His blend of musical genres classics, humor and story will entertain and encourage every age group. He has been featured at venues from the Fellowship Hall at rural churches to the grand stages of Radio City Music Hall, Carnegie Hall and the Grand Ole Opry.

He sang with some country groups, including the Matthews, Wright and King, which toured with Reba McEntire as well as having featured performances on the popular Gaither Homecoming Video series. He was also part of The Scenic Land Boys, which included Convoy's own Jimmy Cash back in the early 1980's.

This show is sponsored by the Village of Convoy Histori-

Proceeds from the concert will be used for the restoration of the Opera House Annex.

REGULAR MEETING COUN-CIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP 6/21/21

The regular meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 5:36 p.m. by Mayor Jan Reeb. Council persons present: Dean Rister, Rudie Reeb, Kenneth Reinhart, Mike Rohrs, and Keith Wes

(who participated via zoom).

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, EMS Coordinator-Clerk Ashley Mcdougall and Police Chief George Clemens. Visitors: Clint Vance, Bill Boylan, Tim Copsey, Bryce Steiner and Gabe Oberlin.

Minutes from the regular council meeting held May 17, 2021, were reviewed.

• Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rister, to accept the minutes from the May 17, 2021, regular council meeting. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The May disbursements were re-

• Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rister, to accept the May reconciliation re-port. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and ap-proved.

Visitors Clint Vance addressed council as Paulding County Commissioner to see if the village needed anything and to also let council know that the county is looking into broadband with the covid relief

Tim Copsey present if any questions on CRA application. Bryce Steiner present to observe only.

Bill Boylan addressed council to see if

there was a zoning meeting scheduled.

Gabe Oberlin was in attendance as

ETTA MAY AND THE SOUTHERN FRIED CHICKS TO HATCH LAUGHTER IN VAN WERT

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for comedy! Unverferth Family Dentistry is pleased to present Etta May & The Southern Fried Chicks at the Niswonger on October 23 at 7:30 PM. The Southern Fried Chicks have busted out of the hen house for a night on the town with their new show, the "Cage-Free Comedy Tour!" Rated as the top-grossing comedy tour on the road today, The Southern Fried Chicks provide an evening of free-range comedy starring Etta May, Sonya White, Mia Jackson, and Style Network's Trish Suhr. The audience will get to know the Chicks like never before in this new Cage-Free Comedy Tour featuring new stories, music, audience participation, singing, dancing, and a multimedia show. Since the debut of their onehour comedy special on CMT, this hilarious, all-female comedy tour has entertained legions of fans and has never been funnier. Four different stand-up comedians share their hilarious takes on life, love, and living in middle America - think Blue Collar Comedy Tour with better hair and bigger attitude.

Leading the flock is Etta May, winner of the prestigious, American Comedy Award's "Comic of the Year ." This Kentucky woman is a comedy icon, described as

'Minnie Pearl with a migraine." Etta has been seen on 'Oprah", CMT, Showtime, "Comic Strip Live", "Comedy Stage" plus many others. Etta May is an audience favorite of XM/Sirius Radio Comedy Channels and on the syndicated radio show "The Bob and Tom Show." She's a regu-

lar on CMT countdown shows

and featured programming.

CMT's Documentary Series

that featured the "Blue Collar"

boys and "Etta May" places her

as one of the top southern

comics in the business. VWLive Event and Membership information can be found at vanwertlive.com or through the Box Office by phone 419-238-6722 or inperson from Noon - 4 PM, Monday through Thursday, and Noon - 6 PM on Friday.

The Van Wert Area Performing Arts Foundation presenting VWLive events is powered by the Van Wert County Foundation. The VWLive HQ and Box Office is within the Niswonger Performing Arts Center, 10700 SR 118 S, Van Wert.

zoning inspector for the Village of Antwerp. Gabe updated council on status of zoning map and certain ordinances passed in 2016 that the believes should be repealed in order to amend the zoning ordinance: ordinance nos. 2016-19 and 2016-20. Gabe would like the Planning and Zoning Commission to continue to meet until these issues are addressed and everything is up to date. Gabe believed that the meeting scheduled for June 22, 2021, was a Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. Upon further review, the notice published for June 22, 2021 is for a public hearing on the pending proposed amendments to zoning map and zoning ordinance. The public hearing is scheduled to commence at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall. It was confirmed that this public meeting notice was published. Gabe does not believe these proposed amendments are necessary at this time. The public hearing will still occur and then

council can review at July council meeting. Mayor Reeb recommended the ap-pointment of Michelle Reinhart, Mark Greenwood and William Boylan as new members of the Planning and Zoning

 Motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to approve the mayor's appointments of new members to the Planning and Zoning Commission. 5 yeas, 0 nays. motion carried and approved.

carried and approved.

Police Report
Police Chief Clemens provided a written report showing 93 calls for service for the month of May with 11 offenses.

EMS Coordinator-Clerk Ashley Mc-Dougall provided a written report showing 137 outstanding runs. EMS had 25 runs in May. Collections in May were \$3,840.79. A year to date total of collections is \$32,185.29, with a year to date run total of

116 runs.

Fiscal Officer's Report Second reading of ordinance no. 2021-09: an ordinance amending section 8 on tapping fees for waterlines in ordinance no. 2016-27 entitled an ordinance amending ordinance no. 2014-21 authorizing the change of water rates for the Village of Antwerp, County of Paulding, Ohio. This ordinance increases the tapping fees when a boring is required to cover the increased cost to the village in this situation (\$50 in-

Emergency reading of resolution no. 2021-04: a resolution authorizing the mayor of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio to

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COPSEY INTERVIEWS MERCER LAND-MARK REPS ON PCBW



County Business Weekly Tim Copsey says, "Our next guests on Paulding County Business Weekly will be Jen Zartman and Kirk Roetgerman with Mercer Landmark. Listen in as they share how Mercer Landmark is vastly growing

ness in Paulding County."

The radio program hosted by WMYW is making strides at getting the word out on the business progress in the county. Be sure to tune in to 102.7 WMYW to listen.

IMPROVING FERTILIZER AVAILABILITY

As fertilizer costs increase, farmers want to either lower their fertilizer costs or find ways to conserve soil nutrients. Cover crops can help do both things. Legumes and clovers sequester nitrogen (N) and grasses and radishes make phosphorus (P) more available. Most conventional soil tests measure inorganic soil nutrients but are less reliable accounting for organic or carbon-based plant nutrients. As soil health improves, nutrient availability and nutrient efficiency generally improves due to higher soil microbial activity.

Manure improves soil health and soil organic matter (SOM). Solid chicken manure is high in N, P, and calcium. Liquid manures (hog and dairy) can be major sources of nutrients but have a high-water content (dairy, 98% water; hog, 95% water) and with high transportation costs, can be more expensive. Composting solid manure tends to concentrate available nutrients because as manure decomposes, the volume generally reduces to about a third of the

original volume. Good decomposed compost is an excellent source of soil nutrients, including macro- and micro-nutrients, stimulating soil microbial activity and improved nutrient availability if applied appropriately. Most farmers apply nutri-

ents based on the Law of the Minimum, meaning they apply the nutrient that is limiting. The Law of the Maximum may also apply which means that nutrients that are over applied may tie up other nutrients, especially micronutrients which are needed to make proteins and enzymes. For example, too much nitrogen ties up boron, potassium, and copper. Too much nitrogen may increase soil magnesium levels, which tends to make our soils hard. To improve nitrogen efficiency, make sure you have adequate molybdenum which is needed by soil microbes to fix nitrogen. Liming acid soils improves molybdenum and improves nitrogen fixation. So sometimes cutting back a little on fertilizers that tend to be over applied can be beneficial.

For phosphorus (P), the interactions are much more complicated. High P may de-

magnesium but the reverse also occurs; high calcium, iron, and magnesium soil values decrease P availability. Soils that are compacted and have poor soil structure tend to have higher levels of iron and magnesium and may make P and calcium less plant available. Often, calcium can be soil limited, so adding lime or gypsum (calcium sulphate) may help improve nutrient availability. High soil P levels decreases potassium (K), copper, and zinc. Both liming (when needed) and adding SOM (which acts as a buffer) makes soil nutrients plant available and increases nutrient efficiency. SOM is a storehouse for most plant available micor- and macro-nutrients.

crease calcium, iron, and

For potassium (K), too much calcium, N, or P can decrease K plant availability. Adequate molybdenum may increase plant K absorption and improve N fixation. Molybdenum and manganese are often foliar applied in the summer. Manganese deficiency is common in soybeans. High K values will reduce boron availability. Potassium (K) availability is reduced when soils are saturated and compacted because the K ion gets tied up in the soil minerology, which is called potassium induction.

Legumes and clovers are cover crops that can fix N. The highest N fixation comes from cover crops that were planted in the fall. Hairy vetch (well drained soils), winter peas, alfalfa, white clover, Balansa, and sweet clover may add 120-200 pounds of soil N if allowed to start blooming (1/10 bloom). Crimson, red, berseem, alsike and sun hemp or cowpeas (both summer annuals) may also add 75-150 pounds of N. For immediate N fixation this spring, try planting lupins and lentils in March for 50-75 pounds of N with good growth. Most legume and clovers need to be planted the previous year and must to be inoculated with the right inoculum at planting to maximize N production.

Several plants, including most grass and brassica cover crops, help scavenge soil nutrients. While legumes and peas provide N to plants, grasses provide plant available P. Oats, cereal rye, barley, triticale, and annual ryegrass make P plant available. If your P soil test values are low, buckwheat tends to raise P soil test levels. Daikon radish are one of the best scavengers of both N and P, but only until they freeze. If planting radish as a scavenger, plant no more than 2 pounds radish per acre and add to a mixture that includes some winter grass annuals which can recycle those nutrients forward. Adding manure or compost and planting cover crops improves soil health and is a great way to improve nutrient efficiency and lower your fertilizer bill.

> James J. Hoorman, Hoorman Soil Health Ser-

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,

DOYLE WHITAKER, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 21 032

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

355 North Sherman Street, Scott

Parcel Numbers: 07-01S-004-00 and 07-01S-005-00

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

Total amount of judgment is One Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-six and 62/100 (\$1,426.62) Dollars, plus interest and costs of this suit.

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

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction for cash to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel at 10:00 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 29th day of July, 2021, and continue from day to day thereafter. If any parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same time of day and at the same place on the 12th day of August, 2021 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the

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

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

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

CHAIRMAN BANKS LEADS RSC TRIP TO BORDER **WITH TRUMP**

Chairman of the Republican Study Committee Jim Banks led 23 of his colleagues on a trip with President Trump to the southern border this week. Over the duration of two days, the conservative members conducted a late night tour of the southern border Tuesday and spent Wednesday afternoon with President Trump and Texas Governor Abbott near an unfinished portion of the border wall to highlight the Biden administration's failure to secure the southern border. Banks said: "I want to

thank Donald Trump-the best president we've ever had on immigration—for coming to the border and drawing attention to the largest humanitarian crisis on the border our nation has ever seen. As Governor Abbott clearly laid out during Wednesday's security briefing, border crossings are much higher than they were one year ago. The reason for that change is simple: the Biden administration overturned the successful Trump policies that allowed our border agents to turn away migrants, effectively rolling out a welcome mat for illegal migrants. Therefore, the solution to ending the crisis is simple too: We must reimplement the Trump policies of 'Remain in Mexico' and finish building the wall."

In April 2020, border encountered just 16,182 illegal crossers. But in May 2021, border agents encountered 180,034 illegal

The Republican Study Committee has consistently pointed to the overturning of Trump policies as the reason for the increase.

On day one of Biden's presidency, he halted construction of the border wall and revoked the Trump administration's national emergency dec-

On June 1, the White House formally ended the policy forcing asylum seeks to remain in Mexico while their claims were being processed after signaling he'd end the policy in early February.

Next, the Biden administration is targeting Title 42, the last remaining tool of border agents to turn migrants away at the border. Even the White House has admitted that after this policy is repealed they expect to see an uptick in migrant families coming to the U.S./Mexico border.

SEN. RICK SCOTT, COL-LEAGUES INTRODUCE THE SAVE DEMOCRACY ACT TO RESTORE CONFIDENCE IN **OUR ELECTIONS**

Senator Rick Scott and colleagues introduced the Save Democracy Act to improve our election system and restore confidence in our nation's democracy. The legislation creates much needed national standards and guidelines to safeguard the accuracy and integrity of our election system and prevent fraud. Senators Cindy Hyde-Smith, John Barrasso and Cynthia Lummis are also co-sponsors of the bill.

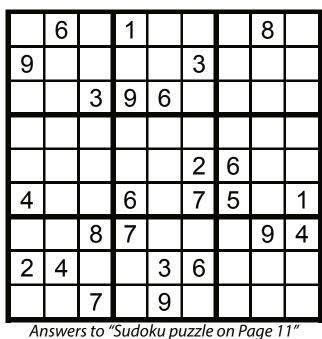
Senator Rick Scott said, "The United States is a beacon of democracy in the world, and free and fair elections are one of the guiding principles our nation was founded on. However, if the American people don't have confidence in our elections, we don't have a true democracy. What we saw this past election was confusion and chaos caused by inconsistent standards and last minute changes to established election laws by state officials and activist judges. It's now more clear than ever that there is a serious need for ma-

jor reforms to our election

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systems. The Save Democracy Act establishes common sense, nation-wide standards and requirements for voter ID, mail-in ballots and vote counting. To restore confidence in our elections, we need consistency and the ability to ensure accurate and timely election results. I look forward to my colleagues joining in this effort to help our country move forward, restore public trust and protect the democracy our nation cherishes."

Cindy Hyde-Senator Smith said, "Broad participation in the American electoral

process is not only ideal, but necessary. At the same time, everyone needs to have confidence that our elections are conducted in a consistent and transparent manner. Setting basic federal standards would go far to begin restoring public trust in the integrity of our elections, and, I believe, encourage more citizens to participate in our democratic process."

Senator John Barrasso said, "The right to vote in America is sacred. Americans deserve confidence that our elections will always be both

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTIC

on June 28, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-12 ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE VILLAGE OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 202 SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 1 ON THE COMPENSATION FOR THE POSITION OF VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance increases the annual salary amount for the position of Village Administrator.

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.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTIC

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04 on June 21, 2021, entitled, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO TO ENTER INTO ANY AND ALL NECESSARY AGREEMENTS RELATED TO THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP CRA #04A AND THE COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA PROGRAM APPLICATION PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC; AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to enter into the necessary agreements to effectuate the community reinvestment application of JL Property Management, LLC, including the Community Reinvestment Area Exemption Agreement for a 60% real property tax abatement for a 10 year period for the new improvements to be located

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

Real Estate Taxes Are Due

Mobile Home Tax are Due Friday, July 30, 2021

<u>Failure To Receive A Tax Bill Will Not Avoid</u> Penalty or Interest Charges.

For your convenience, there is a new burgundy colored drop box along the sidewalk on the East side of the courthouse.

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B. Please refrain from bringing children into the office C. If you have not received the Covid19 vaccine, please wear a mask.

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would also like to share a new option for you to pay your taxes online. I have partnered with Point & Pay, an online payment system, this option does include fees to the landowner, but if you are interested, please visit our website at <u>pauldingcountytreasurer.com</u>, and look for the Point and Pay link on the tax tab.

Paulding County Treasurer • Lou Ann Wannemacher Phone: 419-399-8280

Office Hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

ANTWERP POLICE RE-

On June 17, a resident reported receiving a fraudulent phone call alleging she owed several thousand dollars and she needed to contact her

On June 18, A resident of North Garden Apartments reported suspected drug activ-

On June 19, the police department received a report of two vehicles that were parked down town that had eggs busted on them. The case is under investigation.

On June 21, a resident of Island St. reported that at 2:30 a.m. two juveniles had banged on their front door and windows several times. He stated that his wife was very ill and had been for several days and she was on the couch. When he went to the door there was no one there, a short time later his wife saw two young males around their vehicle. The case was investigated, the juveniles were located and spoken with, their parents were notified and a report was prepared.

On June 23, a minor motor vehicle accident was reported at the parking area of The Genesis House.

On June 23, a resident of the village was arrested on a warrant for domestic violence from Defiance County.

On June 25, a resident of Maple Drive called and asked that an officer assist her in getting down the stairs of her front porch. The officer went and assisted.

On June 25, a minor accident was reported at Riverside Veterans Memorial Park. A vehicle had accidentally side swiped the 'Speed Bump Ahead' sign that was posted

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there. An accident report was prepared and the village employees were notified about the sign.

On June 26, a resident reported he had accidentally ran over the stop sign in front of the Napa store. An accident report was prepared and the village employees were contacted in reference that the sign was down.

On June 26 the Manor House contacted the police department and asked for assistance with contacting the EMS. They stated they were having trouble with their phone lines. The officer radioed and requested that EMS respond for a patient. On June 27, it was reported

that a person was going door to door in the area fo Woodcox St. The individual was located, it was explained to him that he had to have a solicitor permit from the village in order to sell. While the officer was investigating the situation it was determined that the driver of the vehicle was suspended. The driver was sited for driving under suspension.

On June 27, while an officer was on patrol, he heard the alarm at the Dollar General store go off. He responded to the location and determined that the alarm was set off accidentally.

On June 28, the police department received a report of an unwanted person at an apartment at the North Garden Apartments. An officer responded, the individual agreed to leave without inci-

On June 29, it was reported that a semi truck and trailer had failed to stop at the traffic light in the center of town. A plate number was given, the company/owner of the truck was contacted and a report was prepared.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COURT

Criminal/Traffic Disposi-

Joseph R. Stahl, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct w/ persistence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no contact with victim or addresses Bobby Thompson, Scott,

OH; Breaking and entering (2 counts); Theft (2 counts); Defendant waived preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over to Paulding County Common Pleas Court William Nimon Wehby Ir.

Scott, OH; Breaking and entering (2 counts); Theft (2 counts); Defendant waived preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over to Paulding County Common Pleas Danielle K. Stokes, Pauld-

ing, OH; FRA suspension; Case dismissed Lance T. Sinn, Haviland,

OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Gina M. Holliday, Fort

Wayne, IN; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Peter G. Madison Jr, Fort

Wayne, IN; Endanger child, Case dismissed per state, Costs to defendant; OVI, Case dismissed; Drug paraphernalia; Possession of marijuana; Driving under non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared with Mr. Danny Hill, Pled 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; Complete DIP by 9/24/21; ALS va-

Holly B. May, Antwerp, OH; Theft; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Shall make restitution in the amount of \$8.35 to Dollar General in Antwerp through the clerk's office; Placed on standard probation; Write a letter of apology; No unlawful contact; Remain med compliant; Risk assessment

Jose D. Alvarez Jimenez, Indianapolis, IN; No operator's license; Case dismissed

Tyler J. Hammond, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jonathan A. McKeever, Hicksville, OH; OVI/under influence; Seat belt/drive; Loud exhaust; Case dismissed without prejudice

Dakota W. Alexandria, IN; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Julius T. DeVincentz, Defiance, OH; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Penelope L. Romlein, Ann Arbor, MI; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course

Joseph F. Munger, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Christal L. Norris, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Ean

Landwehr, Cloverdale, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Pay or collections set for 3/25/22

Richard L. Bogdonanwicz, Fort Wayne, IN; Reckless operation; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant shall maintain general good behav-

ior; Pay all fines and costs Penelope L. Romlein, Ann Arbor, MI; Marked lanes; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Noemi Rodriguez Varner, Scott, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Stephen L. Taylor Jr, Oak-

wood, OH; No operator's license; Pled no contest, found guilty Viviana A. Rosse, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Shawn M. Imber, Venedocia, OH; Seat belt/drive;

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Jacob A. Krick, Willshire, OH: Seat belt/drive: Guilty:

Case was waived by defendant Clayton A. Dawson, Van Wert, OH; Possession of drugs; Case dismissed; Filed in wrong court

Klint W. Svec, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant **Zachary E. Sickles**, Akron,

OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant Emiliano A. Dagoberto, El

Paso, TX; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

AUGLAIZE TWP

6/28/21 Ross Genetta B to Kelly Jimmy R Kelly Kristy R; 16243 Rd 153 Defiance Oh 43512, 5.91 acres, Pt Se1/4 Se1/4 Auglaize Twp S-13; Rd 153, 3.904 Acres, Pt Se1/4 Se1/4 S-13auglaize Twp **BENTON TWP**

6/29/21 Lentz Kenneth R Lentz Barbara J to Lentz Barbara J; 715 W Townline St; acres; necorne1/4nw1/4 S-3 Outlots Payne Vill

6/30/21 Scheiner Austin Tyler Scheiner Jessica to Lee Crosby Christopher T Crosby Kristina L; Brian Dr, 0.277 acres, Lot 15 Young Subdiv Ph I Payne Vill; 833 Brian Dr, 0.277 acres, Lot 16 Young Subdiv Ph I Payne Vill

BROWN TWP

6/28/21 Meeks Shaun A & Meeks Michelle L to Bohner Brent A Bohner Mackenzie A: 22440 Sr 613 Oakwood Oh 45873; 4 acres; Pt Ne1/4nw1/4 Brown Twp S-34

6/29/21 Stucky Phillip R @(2) to Webb Trevor L; 506 E Main St Oakwood Oh 45873; 0.177 acres; Pt Lot 106 O.P. Less W 3' Oakwood Village

CARRYALL TWP

6/30/21 Coleman I David & Coleman Denise M to Coleman Andrew C Coleman Mackenzie P; 6125 Rd 424 Antwerp Oh 45813; 3,246 acres; Pt Sw1/4 S-24 Carryall

6/30/21 Huss Wayne E to Huss John W; Rd 424; 5.018 acres; Pt Nw1/4 Ne1/4 Carryall Twp Sec 26

HARRISON TWP

6/29/21 Diehl Dee A to Hughes Daniel L Hughes Kristi; 3354 Rd 124 Payne Oh 45880; 2 acres; Fr Pt Nw 1/4 Harrison Twp Sec 21 6/28/21 Medley Jo Anne

Le & Holtz Lisa M to Shaffer Zane A; 403 Foust St; 0.157 acres; Lot 2-90ft Es Less S15ft & Less 12ft Ns Block E Payne

JACKSON TWP 6/28/21 Meeks Shaun A

Meeks Michelle L to Elston Steven H Elston Connie L; 18.27 acres; S1/2nw1/4sw1/4jackson Twp S-13 LATTY TWP

6/30/21 Ruble Terry E Ruble Kay E to Mcclure Farms Llc; 16258 Rd 72 Haviland Oh 45851; 40 acres; E1/2nw1/4nw1/4&W1/2ne1/4

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PAULDING TWP

6/30/21 Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W to Huss Cathy Jo Huss John W; Rd 71; 30 acres; S Pt Ne1/4 & N Pt Se1/4 S-7 Pldg Twp Easement Ref V 583 6/28/21 Colley John W to

Goyings Jeremy D Goyings Jessica S; 8576 Rd 95 Paulding Oh 45879: acres; Ptsw1/4nw1/4 W-26 Pldgwt **WASHINGTON TWP**

6/29/21 Pier Bonnie M Etal to Pier Bonnie M Etal; Rd 177, 25 acres, S 5A N1/2 Ne1/4 Se1/4 & N1/2 Se1/4 Se1/4 Washington Twp Sec 5 Paulding Dist; Rd 72, 39 Acres, Pt Ne1/4 Nw1/4 Washington Twp Sec 9 Paulding

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fair and transparent. This Save Democracy Act makes important reforms that will increase efficiency, security, and certainty in our voting process nationwide." Republican Study Com-

mittee Chairman Jim Banks said, "We have a crisis of faith in our electoral process, and maybe Congress's most important job in 2021 is to restore that trust. The Save Democracy Act is a way for Congress to go beyond reassurance and prove that our elections are secure. Americans know common-sense reforms like citizenship verification and poll-watchers will make our elections safer. Democrats' election bill, H.R. 1, would do the opposite by banning things like signature verification for absentee ballots. The contrast between each party's agenda has never been clearer."

Heritage Action Executive Director Jessica Anderson said, "I applaud Senator Scott for putting forward commonsense, targeted reforms to help protect the integrity of our federal elections and the sanctity of the vote. The Save Democracy Act will protect against fraud and restore American's confidence in our election systems while respecting sovereignty."

FreedomWorks President Adam Brandon said, "FreedomWorks thanks Senator Rick Scott for taking on the crucial task of ensuring the integrity of our nation's elections. The Save Democracy Act can also serve as an exemplar for states to use in making their own electoral reforms, so that every American citizen can feel confident in our democratic process."

Family Policy Alliance Vice President of Strategy Autumn Leva said, "Fair elections are foundational to our democracy and to the American way of life. After the most divisive election in modern history, the time is ripe for real reform and legislative solutions. Sen. Scott's 'Save Democracy Act' offers just that - from voter ID requirements to absentee ballot reforms to vote counting standards - this legislation is needed now. Family Policy Alliance wholeheartedly endorses the 'Save Democracy Act' because all Americans must have faith in our election processes." The Save Democracy Act

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in federal elections. Requires that absentee ballots are received by the close

of Election Day. Maintains current protec-

Improving Accuracy in Tabulation of Ballots Requires that at least two

representatives of each Presidential campaign in a general election are permitted to observe polls and vote counting Requires that ballot count-

ing, once begun, must continue until completed-no de-Requires the audit of ballot

tabulation systems within the 30-day period following a fed-

REP. JIM BANKS AN-NOUNCES SERVICE ACAD-EMY DAY IS JULY 17

Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) announced he will host a Service Academy Day at the Fort Wayne Air National Guard Base on Saturday, July 17.

Said Rep. Banks: "Students and their parents and/or guardians will have the extraordinary opportunity to meet representatives from each the five service academies. I am proud that young Hoosiers and their families are willing to invest a part of their day, and their lives, to their future and the future of our country."

A comprehensive overview of the respective academies and their admissions processes will be provided to students who are interested in attending one of the five U.S. service academies.

The briefing will be held at the Air National Guard Base, 3005 Ferguson Road, Fort Wayne. The event will be held from 10:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m. Doors open at 9:45

The five service academies include: United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.; United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.; United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn.; United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings



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DAVIS WEL-COMED AS NEW ADMINISTRATOR IN ANTWERP



The Village of Antwerp recently put out feelers for a new Village Administrator, as Sara Keeran recently put in her resignation.

Mayor Jan Reeb said they received numerous applications and one so happened to be from Brian Davis. The village council selected Davis in a non-regular meeting by an emergency resolution.

Bryce Steiner from the West Bend News interviewed Brian Davis and he gave us insight into his positions that he currently holds and how he will guide the Village into the future.

Brian was elected and currently serves as a Williams County Commissioner. Since 2007, he has sat on the board and and has been reelected regularly by his constituents. For the past 14 and a half years he has put 110% into making Williams County, along with other leaders, the place that it is today.

Brian and his wife of thirty one years, Kathy, have two daughters and six grandchildren. They attend and serve at the First Brethren Church in

With all of this background Brian believes the town of Antwerp has great potential, and his goal is make things run smoothly and correctly, with the rules fairly applied. He has an in-depth knowledge of the Ohio Revised Code as he has had to study it as a Commissioner.

The council has set Brian's office at the Depot just as before. When he cannot be there, he will be working from

Point, N.Y.; and United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

To RSVP for the briefing on July 17, email Rep-BanksAcademies@mail.house .gov with all attendees listed along with their full names, date(s) of birth, and driver's license number(s) and state of issuance. Deadline to RSVP is Friday, July 9, 2021 at 4:00

USDA ANNOUNCES EF-FORTS TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY IN PROD-**UCT OF THE USA LABELING**

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack released the following statement today following the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) vote to strengthen its enforcement of the Made in USA standard:

"The Federal Trade Commission took important steps to enhance its ability to enforce the Made in USA standard. I congratulate the FTC on strengthening this important protection for American consumers. USDA will complement the FTC's efforts with our own initiative on labeling for products regulated by FSIS, an area of consumer labeling where USDA has a long tradition of protecting consumers from false and misleading labels. American consumers de-

pend upon accurate, transparent labels to obtain important information about the food they consume. American farmers and ranchers depend upon those same labels to convey information about their products that consumers value and demand. We have taken note of the many comments submitted to USDA and the FTC regarding meat labeling and understand that the current "Product of USA" label on meat products may no longer effectively serve either of those purposes, to the detriment of consumers, producers, and fair and competi-

USDA announced last year our intention to conduct our own rulemaking to address the concern that the voluntary "Product of USA" label may confuse consumers about the origin of FSIS regulated products. After considering the many comments received by the FTC and USDA on this issue, we are initiating a top-tobottom review of the "Product of USA" label that will, among other things, help us to determine what that label means to consumers. We believe this review will enable our upcoming rulemaking on the topic, announced in the Biden-Harris Administration's Spring Regulatory Agenda, to be comprehensive, effective, and

I am committed to ensuring that the Product of USA label reflects what a plain understanding of those terms means to U.S. consumers. Throughout the rulemaking process, we will be asking questions, collecting data, and requesting comments. And we will be considering all

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ideas suggested by the whole range of stakeholders, including our trading partners with whom we will engage to ensure that this labeling initiative is implemented in a way that fulfills our commitment to working cooperatively with our trade partners and meeting our international trade obligations."

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enter into any and all necessary agreements related to the Village of Antwerp CRA #04a and the Community Reinvestment Area program application of JL Property Man-agement, LLC; and declaring the same an

 Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rohrs, to suspend the rules regarding reso-lution no. 2021-04. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

• Motion made by Rister, seconded by

West, to accept resolution no. 2021-04. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and ap-

RITA Tax collection for the month of May, paid in June, was \$41,816.46. RITA informed the village that a new delegate and alternate delegate need appointed to represent the village on the regional council of governments. cil of governments. Rohrs nominated Keith West to be the Village of Antwerp's

delegate.

• Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rister, to close nominations for delegate. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and ap-

• Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reeb, to appoint West as delegate. 5 yeas, 0

nays. Motion carried and approved.

West nominated Rohrs to be the Village of Antwerp's alternate delegate.

 Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reinhart, to close nominations for alter nate delegate. 5 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to appoint Rohrs as alternate deleyeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and an-

Fiscal Officer Lichty also informed council of a State Highway CD in the amount of \$3,962.74 that will mature on 08/05/21. Finance Committee will meet after July 9th to discuss the potential use of this cd and also paving of WaterPlant Drive. Once a quote is received on dump truck purchase, Lichty will send to Finance Committee members for their meeting as

Administrator's Report Planning and Zoning Commission met on rezoning of S. Erie Street on Thursday, May 27th at 5:30 p.m.: Planning and Zoning Commission met on May 27, 2021, at Town Hall regarding council's resolutions to a good the street of the tions to amend the zoning map to re-zone 4 lots on S. Erie Street and amend the zoning ordinance as to certain sections per-taining to B-2 Gateway Commercial Dis-tricts. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended that the suggested changes to the B-2 Gateway Commercial District to the B-2 dateway Commercial District section of the zoning ordinance be affirmed with one modification: section 307.09 on screening allow vinyl fencing as screening material. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the proposed amendment to the zoning map to re-zone the lots suggested in resolution no. 2021-06 be affirmed, which included 2 parcels owned by Matt Hopkins, known as parcels 12-17s-015-00 and 12-17s-016-00, and two parcels owned by Rob Gerken, known as parcels 12-17-s-020-00 and 12-17s-017-00. A public hearing is scheduled on these two

zoning amendments on Tuesday, June 22,

2021 at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Public Hearing set on Erie Street ex tended vacation request: an application for street vacation and the survey were submitstreet vacation and the survey were submit-ted to the administrator. Todd Cook and Jeff Cook wish to vacate Erie Street ex tended between lots 14 and 5, the Erie Street extended right-of-way. This again is an extended street that will never be developed and is not used by the village. The ap-plicants will be the owner of the lots and the vacation of the small amount of land will go to them. Abutting the property to the north is the railroad and they have given permission to vacate the street. The railroad will not receive any of the vacated road as they simply touch the lot. A public hearing on this request will be heard right before the July 19, 2021 council meeting at 5:15 p.m. at Town Hall. An ordinance on this vacation request will be presented at the July council meeting.

Farmer's Well to discontinue sale of

bulk water: as reported to council at the May council meeting, the backflow preventer on the Farmer's well is broken and the cost of repair and/or replace is more than what the village brings in for the sale of water to local farmers in 10 years. The village only brings in \$300.00 a year and the cost for replacement could be \$5,000.00. The administrator contacted the few local farmers that extracts the contact of the few local farmers that extracts on the contact of the few local farmers that extracts on the contact of the few local farmers that extracts on the contact of the few local farmers that extracts on the few local farmers that extracts of the few local farmers that extracts on the few local farmers that extracts on the few local farmers in the few local farmers i ers that get water from this source and they were not interested in participating in the cost of the repair. The administrator would request that council make a motion to stop the sale of water from this well so that the utility office could send a formal letter to local farmers that this well is no longer available. EPA regulates backflow preven-ters be used on all wells and with the failure of the preventer, the village would be noti-fied to shut down this well since the village is not repairing it.

 Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reeb, to authorize the village to stop the sale of water from the Farmer's Well and to shut down this well effective immediately. 5

yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.
A letter will be sent out to the farmers that have used the well in the past letting them know if will not longer be in use. The village will also post on its website that the Farmer's Well is closed effective immedi-

Fiber optic to be extended in the village and surrounding area: On June 2, 2021, Phil Maag, President of Metalink Technologies, met with the administrator and informed her that Metalink intended extend fiber optic line currently Main Street north on Main to Road 192 as their expansion of fiber optic continues Metalink would also be extending fiber to the side streets off of Main Street and would install the cable in the village's road right-of-way between the curb and side-walk. the expansion of 5g would also con-tinue as they are able to install hubs in the north end of town. Additionally, a fiber optic route is planned to bring more fiber optic into town from the east on CR 180. Enclosed with council packets is a map showing their two routes they intend to in-stall. The new routes are shown in red. They will contact the village as it nears time for installation and for permission to lay fiber optic in the right-of-way.

Railroad crossings at Harrmann and Kroos to receive the following signals and gates this summer: Last summer, the administrator met with the Ohio Rail Com-mission, PUCO and the Pioneer Rail at the Harrmann Road and Kroos Drive crossings. These were scheduled for review for signals and crossing gates. Both of these crossings are scheduled for upgrades. After a thorough review on traffic, potential for more trains to use the track and growth surrounding both of these areas, it was determined by the Rail Commission that sig-nals and gates should be installed. As an update from the last review five years ago, the concern expressed by the village at that time was the chance that traffic could be stuck either on the track or hanging out

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nity. To help protect the underground aquifer and the water supply wells from potential contamination, the City of Woodburn has developed a Wellhead Protection (WHP) Plan, which has been approved by the Indiana Department of Environ-Management (IDEM). The WHP Plan and educational pamphlets are available to the public at City Hall (22735 Main Street, Woodburn, Indiana). The Local Planning Team

(LPT) held a wellhead protection meeting on May 18, 2021 to discuss the WHP Plan and public education and pollution prevention efforts. Educational information can be found on the City of Woodburn's Water Department website (https:/ /cityofwoodburn.org/waterbilling/). Water, oil and gas wells

that become damaged or are no longer used are a potential conduit for surface contamination to reach the ground water and contaminate our drinking water source. Additionally, inactive wells should be plugged to ensure the well does not allow oil/gas to discharge to the ground and so wells do not pose a threat to public health or safety or interfere with agricultural uses of the land. The City is working to identify the location of wells and determine whether these wells are active, inactive, or abandoned. The landowner is ultimately responsible for the proper plugging of an inactive well. If you have a well on your property and/or seal a well, please contact the Woodburn Utilities Office at 260-632-5318 so that it can be added to a tracking database.

Protect The Drinking Water Supply - Here are some actions you can take to get involved:

- Learn about groundwater and your water source.
- Participate in watershed clean-up activities.
- Limit your use of chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, and other hazardous products. Buy only what you need, reducing the amount to be later discarded. Be sure to follow label directions.
 - · Recycle used oil, auto-

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motive fluids, batteries, and other products. Don't dispose of hazardous products in toilets, storm drains, wastewater systems, creeks, alleys, or the ground. This pollutes the water supply. Contact the Allen County Department of Environmental Management for recycling and disposal locations (260-449-7878) or visit their website: http:// www.acwastewatcher.org/. · Check your car, boat,

motorcycle and other machinery for leaks and spills. Collect leaks with a drip pan until repairs can be made. Clean up spills by absorbing the spill. Do not rinse with water or allow it to soak into • If you have a septic sys-

tem, have it inspected and serviced every three years.

 Plug abandoned wells on your property as these old wells provide a direct route for surface contamination to reach ground water supplies. Contact a licensed well driller for assistance.

· Keep in mind that groundwater aquifers collect and store rainwater and snowmelt that soaks into the ground.

Drinking water protection is the responsibility of all citizens. The WHP plan will ensure that a clean water source is available for our community's current needs and a supply is preserved for future generations.

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TWO SMALL PARKS WITH BIG HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



Located on the Auglaize River, at the junction of State Routes 111 and 637, Five Span Park is the most utilized park under our authority. more than seven decades it has been a recreational park, with many Independence Day celebrations held here, as well as family picnics. Just a hop,

provided by REAL Waste Disposal through an anonymous donors. So don't forget to stop by Five Span Park relax, swing awhile or do a little fishing and enjoy the atmosphere.

Moving south on the Auglaize River, you will find Fort Brown. A monument, dedicated to Fort Brown is lo-



skip and a jump from the historic Miami Erie Canal and the Buckeye Border Trail, Five Span is regaining much of its former bucolic charm.

Five Span boasts picnic tables, fire ring, benches and a swing. For public use our FOPPD provides a Port-a-John and trash receptacles are cated a few miles south of Charloe. The Park is divided by County Road 171, with a sweet fishing spot on the east side of the road, where the Little Auglaize drains from the west and empties into the Auglaize.

The Auglaize River played an important and pivotal role in the settlement of Northwest Ohio. Fort Brown's role was to guard the supply line from Indians and British in the War of 1812. The word Auglaize in Shawnee language means "Fallen Timbers" and the French form of the word means "clay filled water".

FOPPD still has 25' x 25', non electric spaces for the US 127 World's Longest Yard sale, August 5-8, 2021 at New Rochester Park. For more info call Lori at 419-782-0749 or Pam at 419-769-1688 or check us out on our Facebook page, Friends of the Paulding Park

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onto E. River when the gates came down The solution to this potential problem will be addressed by solar powered led signage on E. River that would come on 5 seconds before the gates came down on the Har-rmann Road crossing that states; "no right turn"; if coming from the west headed east and "no left turn", if coming from the east heading west. All of the costs incurred for these improvements will be bourn by the State Rail Commission, PUCO and the railroad. The additional solar led lights will not be required onto Kroos Drive. As a follow be required onto Kroos Drive. As a follow up to this meeting, the administrator was recently contacted in a conference call involving the rail commission, puco and the railroad that this project would go forward and that permission to place the solar signs in the village's road right-of-way would be needed. The maintenance of the solar signs will be the responsibility of the railroad.

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Re-inspection of home at 107 E. River: the home at 107 E. River was re-inspected on June 7, 2021, by housing inspector Bruce Essex. Bruce noted 95% of all shortcomings in the house have been completed and the gas company said it would be 2 more weeks before they can connect the lines. He noted it has been quite a transfor-mation. Completion is anticipated in the next week. He will schedule a final inspection at that time.

Patching and paving to be completed:
Loop Asphalt will complete patching and
paving throughout the village this summer.
The administrator noted pot holes and waterline break repairs throughout town and supplied Loop a map and street addresses on what needs repaired. Dump bed 3500 Sierra truck: The ad-

ministrator worked with Bob Ross Buick Inc., a state awarded contract company for sales to municipalities, and should have a quote for council to review. Curtis will review the specifications, and this will then be reviewed by the finance committee.

Committee Reports
Solicitor Farr informed council on the process of hiring an engineer. Ohio Revised Code requires the village council to

select and rank at least three qualified engineering firms for the project at issue. The Utilities Committee may make a recommendation and the village council would need a motion approving the recommenda tion. The Utility Committee will schedule a meeting after July 9, 2021, to select and rank at least three qualified engineering firms in order to make a recommendation to council.

Public Safety Committee and Solicitor

Farr met on June 1, 2021, to discuss regulations on food trucks. The committee was not able to agree on a recommendation to council and will meet June 28, 2021, 4:30 p.m., at Town Hall to discuss further. Personnel Committee has been inter-

viewing applicants for the administrator position. They also met and have spoken with village employees on how to handle matters after administror Keeran's retire-ment and prior to position being filled. New Business

NONE

Old Business
Mentioned in committee reports

Mayor's Report

Mayors Report
Mayor's court brought in a total of
\$935.00 in the month of May 2021 with
\$662.00 going to the village, \$262.50 going
to the state, and \$10.50 going to the indigent driver's fund.

• Motion made by Rister, seconded by

Reinhart, to adjourn the meeting. 5 yeas 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

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high blood pressure, according to the FDA. The agency said that potassium levels are usually restored in people with no permanent health problems once the person stops eating black licorice.

So, if you like eating black licorice, it's best that you don't eat large amounts of it at one time-regardless of how old you are, the FDA says.

The FDA also advises that people who experience irregular heart rhythms or muscle weakness should stop eating black licorice immediately and contact their doctor. Lastly, it's important to know that black licorice can interact with some medications and dietary supplements, so talk to your pharmacist or doctor to be sure none of the medications you take could be impacted.

It's also important to note that with Halloween right around the corner—occurring this year for the first time during the COVID-19 pandemic—there are measures to take to help you safely celebrate the fall holiday.

Already, a Morning Consult poll found that 80% of people believe that they will find creative and safe ways to celebrate the Halloween season this year. Meanwhile, 80% of the general public and 90% of millennial moms and young parents who participated in a recent Harris Poll, say they can't imagine Halloween without chocolate and candy, and that trick-or-treating is irreplaceable.

Here are some questions the Cleveland Clinic advises parents to consider if you plan to have your children participate in trick-or-treating:

How will your child maintain social distance from othHow many houses will

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they be allowed to visit?

and not touch their face?

Cleveland Clinic:

kids in the backyard.

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scavenger hunt at home.

kins at home.

How will you help your

If you'd rather avoid the

child keep their hands clean

Beggar's Night tradition of go-

ing door-to-door for candy,

here are some other creative

celebration options from the

Decorate or carve pump-

Set up a piñata for your

Create a candy or festive

Host or attend a virtual

Halloween party and costume

If you do choose to participate in trick-or-treat with your kids, you are advised to wear a proper face mask that covers your mouth and nose, has multiple layers, and ties around the ears or back of your head.

PAULDING COUNTY RE-**TIRED TEACHERS**

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