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## TRAIL SYSTEM PROVES TO BE A DESTINATION IN DEFIANCE COUNTY



When Defiance County Commissioner Ryan Mack says he's hitting the trail, he doesn't mean the campaign one.

Mack can be found several times a week hiking along area trails. He said hiking not only provides some physical exercise but "depending on the trail system you're on, it also helps develop a sense of community."

"Every hike I've had in our area, I have met and run into overwhelmingly friendly people just enjoying the outdoors," Mack said.

Mack first became interested in hiking and exploring trails as a child. His father took him hunting and fishing, helping instill a fondness for (Continued on Page 4)

## RECYCLING ROUNDUP BIG CHANGES ARE UPON US!

It is with great sadness, that the residents of Paulding County must say good bye to our friends at Erie Recycling. Robb and Kathy Gerken, have decided to close down the business after 10 years of serving the recycling needs of our County. I know I can speak for our recycling community when I say, "thank you so much for your efforts in providing a safe and convenient 24/7, drop-off facility for all of our material, and we certainly wish you the best."

As a result, we will have a bit of a different look to our Program moving forward. With maneuvering of dates, recruiting some students/parents that are part of our 4-H and Homeschooling Clubs and relying on our ever-faithful Boy Scout Troop 315, we are going to be just fine as we continue to provide recycling opportunities around the County. This is what we have lined up so far, so please be sure and take note of location /date changes that could affect you.

Paulding Fairgrounds will remain the 1st Saturday of the month from 9-11 at the same location. Our Leaders of Tomorrow 4-H Club will now be in charge of that pickup.

Grover Hill pickup (no longer will include Haviland) (Continued on Page 5)

## DAY IN THE PARK NEEDS YOUR PARADE FLOAT!

August 14, 2021 is quickly approaching & with it, Antwerp Day in the Park. Antwerp Chamber is set to start this day off great - after the 1st Annual Turtle Trot 5K & 1 mile walk, the Parade will start at 10:00 a.m. at the school & make its trek thru town & past the Park to initiate the festive day at Riverside Veterans Memorial Park. The Parade Theme for 2021 is Best Summer Vacation. Let's your imaginations' soar as you assemble your work group, youth group, small group, after hours group or whatever group you want & submit an entry into the Parade! Find the entry form at [www.antwerpchamber.com](http://www.antwerpchamber.com) or on the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page. Submit the entry form to Audrey Feasby at Small Town Bliss or email it back to Audrey [audrey\\_lee06@hotmail.com](mailto:audrey_lee06@hotmail.com) or to the Antwerp Chamber at [antwerpchamber@gmail.com](mailto:antwerpchamber@gmail.com) or mail it to: Antwerp Chamber of Commerce, PO BOX 893 Antwerp, OH 45813.

## JACKSON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL REUNION

Former students and staff of Jackson Township (Allen Co.) School are invited to an All-Classes Reunion get-together at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at the St. Rose Community Hall at 209 Mulberry Street, Monroeville, IN.

Anyone having old photos, yearbooks or other memorabilia are invited to have them on display. The hall will be

## PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL DISCUSS HEALTH AND HISTORY ON THIS WEEK'S PCBW



The guests on the next Paulding County Business Weekly broadcast will be Community Relations Coordinator Naomi Nicely and HR Manager Kim Wannemacher with the Paulding County Hospital. Naomi and Kim will

cover some history about the hospital, discuss current business and help everyone understand that there is more offered at PCH than one might think. Tune in and find out more.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR LIBRARY IN AUGUST!



The Paulding County Carnegie Library is open Monday to Thursday 10-7, Friday 10-5 and Saturday 10-1. For any information, please call 419-399-2032. Check out the website at [www.mypcd.org](http://www.mypcd.org), we have databases of useful information. Ancestry.com is free to use at the library. Be sure to click on the

calendar for upcoming events at all the branches. The meeting room is available for use (Continued on Page 7)

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## Community Calendar

### July 26-30

- VBS @ St. John Lutheran, Hicksville, 6-8pm

### July 27

- EACS Elem enrollment Noon-7. Southwick & Prince Chapman Academy only
- Defiance Coon Hunters Club Open Mic 6-8:30
- Huber Health Dept Shot Clinic

### July 28

- EACS Elem enrollment 8-noon. Southwick & Prince Chapman only
- EACS Elem enrollment Noon-7 pm. Excluding Southwick and Prince Chapman

### July 29

- EACS Elem enrollment 8-noon. Excluding Southwick and Prince Chapman
- PC TWP Assoc Fish Fry & Chicken Tender Meal 5-7 PC Fairgrounds
- Huber Patio Concert 7pm

### July 31

- Pink out the Park at Antwerp Riverside Park. Registration starts at 9am. Event starts at 10am.

### August 1

- Randy Long in Worship Paulding UMC - 10:30 am St. Paul UMC Payne- 9:00 am.

### August 2

- First Baptist VBS 5-7:30. Registration starts at 4:30, Ages 4-12.

### August 3

- Special Election Day. Polls open from 6:30am-7:30pm.

### August 5 & 6

- Woodburn Lions Club Donuts at Harlan Days
- Monroeville Harvest Festival

Add your event to the calendar  
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**OBITUARY**



Friday, July 30 at Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. There will also be visitation on Saturday from 10 AM until time of service at the church.

The family suggests memorial contributions made to Paulding United Methodist Church.

Friends may share condolences and fond memories at [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com)

**LIFEWISE - PAULDING EXEMPTED NOW ENROLLING FOR FALL 2021**

Bible-based character education program to start at Paulding Elementary this fall Paulding, Ohio - This fall, Paulding Elementary will launch a program that will provide character education to students.

After months of planning and preparation, LifeWise - Paulding Exempted is preparing to launch. Once a week, students will be escorted to the Paulding United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall during school hours to participate in interactive lessons about the Bible. Each lesson relates a Bible passage to a relevant character trait that the students are encouraged to practice in their families and communities. The program will not only strengthen students' character development and mental health, but it will also benefit educators' efforts to build strong students in their classrooms.

Paulding Elementary students will have their first LifeWise lesson on September 7th. Twenty-three parents have already enrolled their kids in the program, and the leadership team expects enrollments to grow significantly as the school year approaches.

LifeWise Academy is a Released Time Religious Instruction (RTRI) program that provides character-focused, Bible-based education

**CECIL COMMUNITY CHURCH GETS A SIGN**



The Cecil Community Church (CCC), 203 S. Main St, Cecil Ohio 45821 419-564-8383 will host 2 concerts in August 2021. The West Bend produced sign is designed for certain things to show from the road driving by and details appear when walking by the sign. The copyrighted stain glass window is visible from the road, yet a description of each symbol on the stain glass window is visible when standing near the sign. The church in the Cecil Community made use of local experts to make the sign with certain specifications for being able to still slide letters in the sign and keep it permanent on the name and information. This is a great way to communicate. West Bend Printing & Publishing has been making signs and vinyl for years along with other printed products.

CCC offers Sunday School at 10 AM & Sunday Worship 11 AM with different activities on Sunday Evening. The First Sunday 6 PM is always a prayer meeting. Anyone may come to receive prayer for

themselves or for someone else. Requests may be texted to 419-564-8383 The Third Saturday is food pantry hours 12 noon to 3 PM and emergency food is available weekly following the 11 AM Worship Service on Sundays. Various small groups are offered throughout the year. Living free groups are offered to help people deal with life controlling problems. A Thursday group 7 PM helps people stay sober, have a sound mind and think clearly about life.

Morse Family Gospel Singers (<https://themorsefamilygospelsingers.godaddy.com/>) will be leading worship at Cecil Community Church Sunday morning August 22nd 11 AM at 11 AM. A taco bar will be served afterward.

Jacob's Well (<https://www.jacobswellband.com/jacobswell-band-members>) will be rocking at an outside concert at Cecil Community Church Sunday Evening August 29th 6 PM and we will have a cook-out.

to public school students. With parental permission, students are released from school during the day to attend classes that are off school property and privately funded. LifeWise Academy has provided character transformation to over 1,500 students since its founding in 2018 and will expand to 28 schools by September 2021.

For additional information about LifeWise Academy, visit [www.lifewiseacademy.org](http://www.lifewiseacademy.org). If you are interested in enrolling your child in LifeWise - Paulding Exempted this fall, please contact your local LifeWise Director, Traci Koenig, at 419-670-3159 or [pauldingoh@lifewiseacademy.com](mailto:pauldingoh@lifewiseacademy.com). You can also register online at [www.lifewiseacademy.org/pauldingoh](http://www.lifewiseacademy.org/pauldingoh).

**DARK OF NIGHT**

By: Doris Applegate

In the darkness of the night  
When billows 'round you roll  
When Father God seems far away  
And death doth seize your soul,  
When all alone without a friend  
Not knowing where to turn  
Remember this is just a "test"  
God "tries" so we will learn.  
When your prayers are only whispers  
From deep within your breast  
Just remember "I am with you"  
And "I will give you rest!"  
These are the words of Jesus.  
His promise to you

Because He walked this way before,  
He knows just how you feel.  
God wants to know just how you feel.  
God wants to know "Will you walk on  
And bear your painful cross,  
Or will you 'cave' and curse the night,  
Complain and murmur in the fight?  
If you stand true and faithful  
And let the billows roll,  
I promise you, that you'll come out  
Rejoicing in your soul!  
For as we all go through these trying times and so much trouble, hated and stress in our nation and our individual lives, we surely are being tested!

God has always tested His people to know the "depths" of love they had! The days are better and brighter AFTERWARDS! It's like the exercise of our bodies, not pleasant, and even sore muscles, but then "wow" look and feel so great! We must realize when going through a hard time that "tears are for the night but joy comes in the morning" (Psalm 126:5) I'll write a verse on joy at another time but for now, "Let not your heart be troubled" because things WILL get so much better for us and our nation!  
This is a "wake-up" call for us to see the dark side of evil against the bright side of good. Those who love righteousness will be blessed greatly and help turn our country back to God! The best of times is just ahead. Keep your eyes on Jesus and HOPE always. Have Faith in God and LOVE everyone.  
Amen!

**Scripture of the Week**

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

—Hebrews 11:1

**"LIVE UP TO THEIR LEGACY"**



This is our 4th year for Wreaths Across America in Paulding, OH

You know that you can order your Wreaths early ..it's never to early to order.

The Ceremony this year is December 18th. and as usual the cut off date is November 1st.

So if you would like to order or donate, we can help you anytime.

Also remember we are NOT covering Live Oak ..Cooper-Haines.. Paulding Memorial ...this year, we did them and are moving on to cover other cemeteries. So with that being said if you have a Veteran there and want a Wreath you'll have to purchase and pick it up for these

cemeteries.

This way we can try to cover more cemeteries and Honor more Veterans, if you are asking why we always do St. Paul Cemetery this is our registered cemetery with Wreaths Across America here in Paulding.

Thank you everyone who has helped us in anyway and to all of you who buy and place Wreaths for our Veterans..we are just amazed how much we are growing each year.

Motto this year: "Live up to their Legacy"

Remember Honor Teach

For more information contact Linda McCain 419-670-2659 or mail to 8313 Rd.71,

**PARSON TO PERSON**

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,  
I have heard people mention something about praying a hedge of thorns around someone. Where do they get that and what does it mean?

The hedge of thorns is mentioned in Hosea 2:6, "Therefore, behold, I will hedge up thy way with thorns, and make a path, that she shall not find her paths." The children of Israel had been very wayward at that time and they found it very easy to walk in their evil paths. So God, in love, decided to provide some divine restraints to help prevent His people from so easily falling into their old ways. I think it is great to know that God can do this sort of thing. Thus, we should take advantage of this for ourselves and those we love by daily asking and believing God for a hedge of thorns, which will help us

**PINK OUT THE PARK**

Please join us Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> for the first annual Pink Out The Park event! It will be a one hour, all levels, yoga event with all proceeds going to breast cancer research.

The cost is a \$5 minimum donation and each participant will receive a wrist band and water.

Time will be from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Riverside Park in Antwerp, Ohio. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please bring mat, beach towel or heavy blanket.

Come out to the park to support a loved one, remember and celebrate all those whose lives have been touched by breast cancer.

and others from falling back into our old sinful habits.

Send questions and comments to: [jamesbachman@juno.com](mailto:jamesbachman@juno.com)

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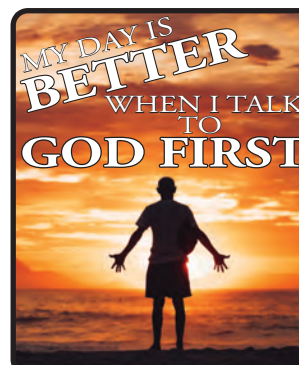
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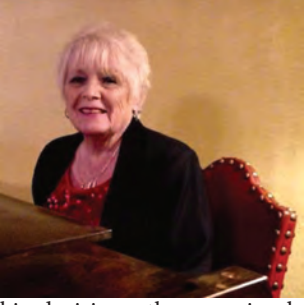




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**DECISIONS OR DIVINE INTERVENTION?**

**Penny For Your Thoughts**  
By: Nancy Whitaker

Every day, we literally make tens of thousands big and small decisions, consciously or unconsciously. From priorities we set at work, to stories we tell, from which shirt to wear, to what we have for dinner. Now these are not



big decisions, they are simple choices we make such as: "What do I want for breakfast? Do I want tea or coffee? Do I even want breakfast?"

Then we decide, "Do I want to take a bath or shower? Should I pack my lunch? Should I eat out? Oh my! What should I wear today? How should I do my hair? Shall I wear a jacket or a sweater?"

These every day choices we make may only effect us, but sometimes even these choices can alter your life or someone else's. For instance here is a scenario of what happened to a man when he was preparing for work. The story goes: "It's a sunny day in Midland, Texas, in 1954. It's 8:00 am and the

man is about to leave for work. He walks out of his home, closes the door behind himself and walks towards his car. While he opens the car door, he notices he is not wearing his watch. He thinks for a couple of seconds and decides to go back in the house and retrieve it from the kitchen table. At 8:01 am he walks out again, to his car, heading for another day at work. A mere 30 seconds later, he hits a young boy crossing the street, because he failed to notice the child. The child is dead.

Now, look at the other picture. This is the same scenario, but a different outcome. Instead of making the decision to go back in and get his watch, the man decides that he didn't really need a watch that day, drove away and headed for another day at work. Approximately 30 seconds later, he looks in his rear-view mirror and sees a young child crossing the street. The man goes on without his watch and the child goes on his way to school. The child is alive.

Let's assume the second scenario actually happened. The child would grow up, and as a young man, gets married (which would not have happened had he been killed in a car accident) to a girl he met at a barbecue (where he would not have been had he been killed in a car accident). Had he actually been killed in a car accident, it is likely that the girl would have married someone else.

Now that same couple had two daughters, twins, which they would not have gotten had he been killed in a car accident when he was a child; the young man went into poli-

tics and had quite an impact on his country and the world, which would not have happened had he been killed in a car accident when he was a child.

Small decisions (or the lack thereof) have the potential to change the course of your life and the lives of others, and potentially the entire world. This doesn't mean we have to ponder each decision we make each day. That would set us nuts. But it doesn't hurt to think through this concept and become more aware of the processes that lead to different outcomes.

I have read and heard about how a gut feeling not to take a certain flight or travel at a certain time has resulted in what I like to call divine intervention. In a lot of these cases the airplane crashed or there was a pileup on the highway. Again decisions have the power to impact.

When looking at it from a different perspective, doing something small for another person can have a great positive impact on one's life. Recently while playing music at a restaurant, I went up to pay my bill. I still don't know why, but I paid for one of the musicians pie and coffee. I just felt like doing it.

He was amazed that I had paid for his food. Actually it made his day because he had just helped another person by doing a good deed. We discussed how it all played out and how that sometimes when you do good things for people, good things will return. Even little decisions can help someone and sometimes little decisions and circumstances can harm or hinder someone.

Did you ever make a very small decision that, in the end,

had enormous good things return to you? Do you believe that certain decisions we make can impact someone's life? Decisions, choices, divine intervention? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

**MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY**

By: Mark Holtsberry

Nathan Wyatt was a prosperous agriculturist and stock raiser of Latty Township. He was known for being one of the leading citizens in the area and was born November 10, 1844, in Wilkes County,



North Carolina to David and Parmelia (Winkler) Wyatt.

His family was one of the oldest families of North Carolina. David and Parmelia, or Milly as she was known, raised eight sons and six daughters. Nathan's opportunities for receiving an education were limited, so most, who knew him, would say Nathan was a self-educated man.

When war between the states or Civil War broke out,



October 19, 1863, at Camp Holmes, Raleigh, North Carolina, Nathan was drafted into the Confederate Army. He served in Company D. 26th North Carolina Infantry. Other records show that the date was November 19, 1863.

On April 28, 1864, Nathan got sick and was allowed to come home. Other records show that he went home and never returned to the Company, thus listing him as absent without leave, or AWOL. He had served six months and eighteen days.

In 1868, Nathan left his home in the mountains of North Carolina and walked some three hundred miles to Catlettsburg, Kentucky; came by boat to Cincinnati; traveled by train from Cincinnati to Belfountain, Ohio. From there, he made his way on foot to Covington, Miami County, Ohio. When he arrived, in his possessions were two suits of clothes, five dollars in silver and the same amount in gold.

Nathan became a farm laborer and worked in Newberry for about seven years in the tile making business. It has been said, that Nathan worked at a tile mill, in Van Wert County, called Hattlerly Tile Mill. In April of 1872 Nathan's father, David, passed away, followed by his mother Parmelia, in 1878.

Nathan married Sarah c. Fristoe, December 21, 1876. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fristoe of Shelby County, Ohio. In 1877,

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Nathan and Sarah, moved to Latty Township, Ohio. They settled on a 160 acre farm in Section 26. Nathan also worked for Willard E. Eaton and B.W. Longworth at their tile mill. He purchased tile to be used on the farm to improve production.

By 1880, Nathan and Sarah had two children and were living in Blue Creek Township. Nathan and Sarah were the parents of ten children, the last, Nathan E. was born May 3, 1896. Nathan's wife, Sarah passed away, June 16, 1897, then his son Nathan E., passed away June 7, 1898.

Nathan remarried a gal named Ida Jay, from Miami County, Ohio, June 1, 1899. By 1900, Nathan, Ida and 9 children were living outside Grover Hill, still on the 160 acre farm. By 1910, Nathan, Ida and five children were still running the family farm.

At one time, Nathan was reported to have been paying more money in taxes than any other citizen of Latty Township. Nathan was elected and served six years as a Township Trustee. Also serving as a member of the Board of Education, a member of the Republican Party, a member of the Middle Creek Christian Church, a member of 1.0.0.F lodge of Miami County, Chapter #574.

Nathan was also a stockholder in the Grover Hill Exchange Bank. Nathan was a large man, noted to be six feet one inch tall, weighing about one hundred eighty four pounds. He was known for his honest dealings, being thrifty and upright in all his business dealings. He passed away October 3, 1919 in Paulding, Ohio. He was buried beside his first wife, Sarah, in Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill, Ohio. His second wife, Ida, passed away, in 1921. She was also buried in Middle Creek Cemetery.

Until Next Time!

**IS ROTH IRA BETTER FOR YOUNG WORKERS?**

If you're in the early stages of your career, you're probably not thinking much about retirement. Nonetheless, it's never too soon to start preparing for it, as time may be your most valuable asset. So, you may want to consider retirement savings vehicles, one of which is an IRA. Depending on your income, you might have the choice between a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA. Which is better for you?

There's no one correct answer for everyone. But the more you know about the two IRAs, the more confident you'll be when choosing one.

First of all, the IRAs share some similarities. You can fund either one with many types of investments - stocks, bonds, mutual funds and so on. And the contribution limit is also the same - you can put in up to \$6,000 a year. (Those older than 50 can put in an additional \$1,000.) If you earn over a certain amount, though, your ability to contribute to a Roth IRA is reduced. In 2021, you can put in the full \$6,000 if your modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) is less than \$125,000 and you're single, or \$198,000 if you're married and file jointly. The amount you can contribute gradually declines, and is eventually limited, at higher income levels.

But the two IRAs differ greatly in how they are taxed. Traditional IRA contributions are typically tax-deductible (subject to income limitations), and any earnings growth is tax-deferred, with taxes due when you take withdrawals. With a Roth IRA, though, your contributions are never tax-deductible - instead, you contribute after-tax dollars. Any earnings growth is tax-free when withdrawn, provided you've had your account at least five years and (Continued on Page 5)

# VBS

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Any questions, please call 419-399-8285



**JULY 21ST KID'S MARKET AT SCHNELKER PARK**



New Haven Lions Club sold hot dogs to raise funds for future needs of the New Haven community. Funds raised were \$243.00.

**LONGTIME EACS TEACHER AND FIRST GRADE CLASS RECOGNIZED FOR NATIONAL AWARD**



The EACS Board of School Trustees recently recognized Ms. Karen Augustine, and her first-grade class at Cedarville



Elementary School for being finalists in the 2020-2021 National Book Challenge! As a finalist in the one-and-only National Book Challenge, Ms. Augustine's class-book was selected from en-

tries across the country and awarded as a Top 50 book based on its originality, creative storyline, and colorful illustrations. This nationwide contest was open to more than 60,290 books that were submitted to Studenttreasures for free publishing this school year.

For this honor, her class will receive a \$50 gift card, plus a published author certificate for each student (26 of them). Each of the first-grade authors were recognized for their contributions to their book, "Super Special Me!", which was published earlier this year through Studenttreasures' free publishing program.

Ms. Augustine and her students created "Super Special Me!", when they were inspired by how they see themselves

and what they want to be when they grow up. The first-grade authors put forth their best effort, researching, writing about, and illustrating their all about me book, before they sent their completed pages to be published.

Ms. Augustine said, "Helping to build up my first graders' self-confidence was an important component and taking time to have the kids create their own book pages celebrating ways they are unique and special, and then having all their hard work and effort published into hardcover and softcover bound books, was a wonderful way to do just that! Witnessing the comments and squeals of delight in themselves and their work was priceless. The class book, "Super Special Me!" is a precious keepsake that they can open and enjoy again and again."

**JPHS CHICKEN BBQ/ CRUISE IN**

It is Chicken BBQ and Cruise-In time at the John Paulding Historical Society museum located across the street from the fairgrounds in Paulding! The Annual Chicken BBQ by Port-a-Pit will be held on Aug. 7th from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For information call Kim Sutton at 419-399-2388.

In addition to enjoying a great chicken dinner, you can also enjoy cool cars, trucks & motorcycles! JPHS will be holding their 4th Annual Cruise-In as part of the Chicken BBQ event! Open to all cars, trucks and motorcycles. NO ENTRY FEE - it's just for fun! There will be door prizes for those who enter the Cruise-In. Musical entertainment will be provided by Dan Wilder. "We cancelled the Cruise-In last year due to Covid. This year we are looking forward to a nice turn out. We hope this will be a growing event! Who doesn't love to look at cool cars and trucks!" remarked Kim Sutton, President of JPHS. "Great thing to do after you've eaten your chicken dinner!"

Meal includes Port-a-Pit chicken, baked beans, cole slaw or fresh vegg., apple sauce, potato chips and a drink. Carry-outs will be available or eat in our air conditioned dining room and enjoy the fellowship!

**PAULDING COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT URGES RESIDENTS TO GET VACCINATED**

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Health Department has an obligation to prevent disease in the community;

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Health Department values empowerment by providing individuals with the information necessary for healthy decision-making;

The Paulding County Health Department released the following statement of concern and call to action:

COVID-19 is spreading in Paulding County. Paulding County had the 34th highest COVID-19 cases per capita (cases per 100,000 population in 2 weeks) in the state of Ohio on July 22, 2021.

The Delta variant is actively spreading in Ohio. The COVID-19 variant known as "Delta" (B.1.617.2) has been identified as a variant of concern by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. While less than 1% of all

COVID-19 cases in Ohio were associated with the Delta variant at the end of May, the percentage of cases from Delta are doubling each week. Projections show that Delta will be the dominant strain in Ohio.

The following is known about the Delta variant:

- The Delta variant is more transmissible.
- The Delta variant affects younger people (ages <50).
- The Delta variant has double the risk of hospitalization than the variant spreading last winter.
- The Delta variant is actively spreading in Ohio.
- The Delta variant is a real threat to unvaccinated Paulding County residents.

Vaccination is the best protection against the Delta variant.

Paulding County's COVID-19 vaccination rates lag behind our neighboring Ohio counties (Defiance, Putnam, & Van Wert County) and Ohio. As the Delta variant spreads, it is critical for Paulding County residents to get a COVID-19 vaccine.

We ask that individuals encourage their family members to take the opportunity to protect themselves and others by getting vaccinated.

We ask business leaders to provide information about COVID-19 vaccines to their employees and encourage them to get a COVID-19 vaccine for themselves, their friends, and their families.

We ask faith leaders to reach out to their members to encourage them to obtain a COVID-19 vaccine for them-

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hiking and the great outdoors.

His love of trails increased later, as Mack's best friend in the Army had been a mountain guide in Colorado prior to enlisting and took him on several trips when they were stationed in Washington State.

"He and I ended up going on a lot of trips to Rainer National Park and the Olympic National Park, where we did a lot of hiking and climbing," Mack recalled. In fact, one of Mack's favorite hiking memories was at Olympic National Park.

"It's just a beautiful place and is known for being a very rare climate rainforest," he said.

To date, Mack has hiked in six states, as well as two other countries.

Weekly, he now can be found taking a short walk on one of the many trails in the region. Mack said he manages to get a couple of longer distance hikes each month too.

He's also introducing his children, Caroline and Henry, to hiking as well. Mack said another of his favorite memories associated with trails is one of the first hikes with his kids in Defiance County.

"We had a lucky day when it comes to wildlife sightings," he recalled. His children were able to watch bald eagles, an owl and blue herons. They even found butterfly cocoons and cicada shells.

His children still love going on hikes with him.

"My kids always enjoy a new trail," he said. "At the age they are, everything is about exploring something new in the wilderness." Mack said he's proud that Defiance County has so many great trails and parks for individuals to dis-

cover and enjoy.

"I think the continued work by the different municipalities and even private organizations to improve parks throughout Defiance County has been tremendous," he said. "During the pandemic, people needed something to be able to do (and getting out to a park or on a trail was ideal). I think it has led to a great resurgence in many communities to take a look at parks and trails and the quality of life it brings to any community."

Mack pointed out there are many great trails in the area including ones at Independence Dam State Park, Penney Nature Center, Oxbow Lake and others.

"I hope to see more public awareness for trails through Defiance County," he said. "Many people are unaware that we have one national scenic trail (the North Country Trail) that runs from North Dakota over 4,600 miles to Vermont and actually comes through Defiance County. We also have the Buckeye Trail, which ... runs a loop all the way around the state."

History buffs also can take a walk along the Tow Path in the county. "The Tow Path along the old canal is a great highlight to the past of our community and, if hiked through, actually leads up into the Toledo Metro Parks Systems -- which gives a person insight into how connected our communities have been for so long," Mack said.

Mack even helped bring a water trail to the area.

"The Maumee River Blue Water Trail was a great enhancement to our area," he said. "I worked as commissioner with Stephanie Singer, who at the time was with our county soil and water (district) to bring that reality to our community. We are roughly the halfway point in a kayaking trip affectionately known as Fort to Port. It's another feature in our outdoor arsenal that brings quality of life to the community."

Trails are great quality of life assets for any area.

"I know that having more trails, and better trails in our (county) makes life better for our community," Mack said. "It gives people access to our beautiful natural resources and walking through the woods, or along a river, or through some natural grasslands just helps provide some clarity and relaxation in stressful lives. It's also a great family-friendly adventure. Instead of kids staring at screens, it challenges them to get out and experience life rather than just watch it. It's also easy exercise. It doesn't matter what type of trail; I have seen people walking, riding bikes, or running."

Hiking trails also have economic benefits for communities. They increase the value of nearby properties and make communities a more attractive place to live, according to the American Hiking Society. A good trail system also may affect where a business or industry decides to locate, as trails are considered a great amenity for a community to offer. They can help attract workers, and their use helps lower medical costs. According to a report by the National Park Service, individuals who took part in outdoor recreation such as hiking filed 14 percent fewer health insurance claims than those who did not utilize parks or paths as part of their lifestyle.

No matter the reason, Mack encourages others to get out and enjoy area trails.

"Defiance County has abundant natural resources, beautiful parks for kids to play that I know every municipality has worked to improve over the years, as well as, great state parks. I would encourage anyone to try something new in any of these places we have whether it's hiking, kayaking, running or just going to have lunch and enjoy the outdoors," he said. "Also, remember, many of these places have associated outdoor groups that help maintain and promote what is offered. If you really enjoy these places, don't be afraid to volunteer to get out and help make them even better."

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**Antwerp Conservation Club**  
**Event Schedule**  
 July 31st- Air Soft match. Begins at 11am till 5pm. For more information and rules, go to our website's calendar for that date. Open to the public.  
 August 1st- Monthly IDPA. Registration opens at noon. Match begins at 1pm. This event is open to the public.  
 August 7th- Hunter Education. Registration is open on the Wild Ohio website. Just Visit: Wildohio.gov  
 August 8th- Monthly Trap at 1 pm. This event is open to the public.  
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**ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNINGS DAYCARE CHILDREN LEARN ABOUT WORMS WITH THE MORANS!**



Shown here in the back are: Jen Moran, Joy Moran, Chuck Moran, Alayna White, Laren White, Peyton Hollar, Celeste Hollar, and Kyla Barajas. In the middle are Savannah Coil and Braylon Hogans. In front are: Hadley Mohr, Cayden Barajas and Colton Barajas.

Chuck, Jen, and Joy Moran recently visited Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool and Daycare. They read us a story about worms, shared a Bible story and then we made a worm habitat together. We got to eat the habitat that was

made out of pudding, cookies and gummy worms! Deelicious! For more information about fall preschool or before and after school care for your school age child, please call 419-399-KIDS (5437).

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**LETTER TO EDITOR**

The Bad Boys Car Show Saturday, July 17th was a real nice show. The cars were nice and they had between 120 - 130 cars. The day turned out beautiful with no rain.

But there was a problem. At a car show, there is a cardinal sin to all car shows. One trophy winner to a car, even if it is a fantastic car. If a car is fantastic, it will probably receive the "Best of Show" trophy. I was told there were approximately 60 trophies and

plaques for the show and too many trophies went to too few people.

At the car show on Saturday, some cars received multiple trophies. This is a NO, NO. This will spoil a car show fast. I know. I've been to a couple of shows that have been shut down because of this problem. If you have a computer program set up right, it will kick out a red flag showing that a car already has been picked for a certain category and is receiving a trophy.

I know a lot of people were upset and said they will not be back. I know I've run a lot of shows and I've been to a lot of shows. Multiple trophies to one car is not the way to go. Also, we want people to know that this show was not sponsored but Big Boys Toy Car Club, Inc. as previously advertised.

Larry Copsey,  
Antwerp, OH

*(Vaccine - Continued from Page 4)*

selves and their loved ones. For those who choose not to get the vaccine, we urge you to wear a mask and practice social distancing as much as possible.

COVID-19 is a vaccine-preventable disease. Get a free COVID-19 vaccination to protect yourself and loved ones, and to end the pandemic.

Please call (419) 399-3921 and schedule a vaccination appointment or attend a walk-in clinic at the Paulding County Health Department on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am-4pm

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you don't take withdrawals until you're at least 59½.

So, which IRA should you choose? You'll have to weigh the respective benefits of both types. But when you're young, you may have particularly compelling reasons to choose a Roth IRA. Given that you're at an early point in your career, you may be in a lower tax bracket now than you will be during retirement, making the tax-deduction of traditional IRA contributions less beneficial. So, it may make sense to contribute to a Roth IRA now and take tax-free withdrawals when you're retired.

Also, a Roth IRA offers more flexibility. With a traditional IRA, you could face an early withdrawal penalty, in addition to taxes, if you take money out before you're 59½. But with a Roth, you'll face no penalty on withdrawals from

the money you contributed (not your earnings), and you've already paid the taxes, so you could use the money for any purpose, such as making a down payment on a home. Nonetheless, you may still want to be cautious about tapping into your IRA for your spending needs before you retire, since IRAs are designed to provide retirement income.

If your income level permits you to select a Roth or traditional IRA, you may want to consult with your tax advisor for help in making your choice. But in any case, try to max out on your IRA contributions each year. You could spend two or three decades in retirement - and your IRA can be a valuable resource to help you enjoy those years.

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

*Edward Jones, Member SIPC*

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at the VFW will now be the 2nd Saturday of the month from 9-11 and will be directed by our Homeschoolers Club of Paulding County.

Payne pickup at the Park will remain the 3rd Saturday from 9-11 and be staffed by our Boy Scout Troop 315.

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At this time, we have no clubs that have been able to commit to providing service on the 4th Saturday. I have been in contact with a number of entities and am hopeful of getting a "yes" very soon. The first pickup with the big trailers will be the last Saturday of July, IF we're able to find a club/clubs willing to take on the timeslot. This is a fluid situation with tweaking going on everyday so remain patient as we iron out the details. Worst case scenario, I'll come over during the week to accommodate as many folks as possible. Obviously, having Saturday pickups is very desirable because it's much more convenient and will result in higher volume. I believe we'll get there, it's just going to take some time.

Starting in July, the 3rd Wed of the month will now include Cecil 11:30-12:00 (Fire Station) Junction

12:30-1:00 (Old Catholic Church)  
Haviland  
1:30-2:00 (Park on 114)  
Latty  
2:30-3:00 (Park by the Village Meeting Hall)

As we all adjust to this new schedule, I would like to include a few reminders:

1. Absolutely, no material will be picked up off the ground. All of the students/parents have been instructed to NOT process any bags, etc., that are present when they arrive. This is an issue of safety. I work very hard to keep our volunteers from any accidents that can result from unseen insects, any snakes that have been taken up residence, material that has been urinated on overnight by our nocturnal friends, hidden steel cans with lids that have not been pushed down inside the can, etc.. The County does not provide insurance for any of our volunteers so if an accident occurs, the financial hardship will fall on the family. I want to avoid that at all costs so please work with me to keep our kids and fantastic volunteers safe. I wish I was able to accommodate everyone's schedule but we do the best we can so I'm hopeful you're able to respect that.

2. Please sort all of your material. I am trying to provide as many opportunities for pickups around the County as possible. If I have to spend time sorting, it cuts down on time for pickups. I've been able to add 9 additional pickups to an already challenging schedule because so many of you have made a concerted effort to sort your recycling before bringing it. Thank you so much for doing that! You are appreciated.

3. Remember to sort your clear milk jugs/vinegar containers from the rest of your number 2 plastics. White milk jugs go in with your number 2 plastics. Some of our faithful, junction recyclers, actually

number the bags for me so I know if it's a 1 or a 2. You guys are the best!

4. STAY PATIENT! We're going to have some new faces so let's encourage them in their efforts. I am delighted to be able to make donations to these clubs for their contributions to the WMEA Program and hope to be able to offer scholarships in the future. The EA of the WMEA Program stands for Education/Awareness. Although we are sorry to lose Erie Recycling it has opened up a tremendous opportunity for educating our students on the importance of recycling. We are able to go from theory to "hands on" training as they see exactly what's involved in the WMEA Program. Who knows, one of these students may catch the bug and decide on an Environmental Sciences major as they move forward with their education.

5. Kohart's Salvage on SR 613 will take all of your recycling with the exception of plastics and glass. Their number is 419-399-4144 for hours of operation.

6. Van Wert County Solid Waste Management District will take all of your recycling including glass and plastics. Their address is 1135 N. Washington and phone number is 419-238-7767 for hours of operation.

7. Werlor's of Defiance no longer provides residential drop off service.

8. I will have articles in the West Bend News, Paulding Progress, the WMEA website, as well as PSA's on 102.7 to keep everyone updated on Program changes. As always, feel free to call me at the office or on my cell. The number is 419-399-3630 for the office and 832-444-4814 for my cell. If you're able, call my cell because you'll get me much more quickly. I try to get into the office at least once a day, but if it's time sensitive, definitely call my cell.

**READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS**

**OHIO LOCATIONS**

**Antwerp:** Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor Assisted Living, Antwerp Public Library, Genesis House, Antwerp G Mart  
**Bryan:** Chief, Town & Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General  
**Cecil:** 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village  
**Charloe:** Charloe Store  
**Continental:** Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware  
**Defiance:** Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid, Split Endz Salon  
**Edgerton:** Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Utilities Dept., H & W Napa, Marathon Main Stop, Marathon (East)  
**Grover Hill:** N&N Quick Stop, Library  
**Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassing Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center  
**Melrose:** Morning Star Convenience Store  
**Ney:** Marathon  
**Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip  
**Paulding:** Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW

Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Paulding Kwik Mart, Library  
**Payne:** Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Maramart, Library  
**Sherwood:** Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank  
**Scott:** Scott Post Office  
**Van Wert:** CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Family Video, Orchard Tree

**INDIANA LOCATIONS**

**Fort Wayne:** Hahn Systems, Walmart, Walgreens, Great Clips & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Golden Years Nursing Home, Golden Years Assisted Living  
**Grabill:** Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales  
**Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank  
**Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub  
**Monroeville:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland's Pizza Pub  
**New Haven:** Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's  
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**ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GRAB YOUR NEIGHBOR AND EXPLORE**

The Dog Days of Summer are upon us. Come out with the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce and Grab your neighbor and explore your downtown on August 10th.

We thought we would say good bye to summer by celebrating the Dog Days of Summer with our very own 3rd annual Antwerp's dog show.

Categories will be simple: Big dogs (over 30 pounds) and little dogs (30 pounds and under). All breeds are invited to participate. Dogs will be judged against "dog standards": Most appealing eyes, waggiest tail, dog the judge would most like to take home, best paw shake, and dog that looks most like their owner.

We do have to limit our furry friends to 8 pups in each category.

"Best in show" will be rewarded. The winning dog will become Antwerp's "top dog" for the next year. His/her reign will begin with a tour of

the town, followed by an appearance and interview on Facebook.

Judging will begin at 6:00 in front of Dr. Mowery's office. To register your pup for the dog show, please send an email to antwerpchamber@gmail.com with your dog's name and weight or bring your dog up before 5:45 that day so we have time to get him/her entered. We are taking only 8 large pups and 8 small pups. Entry fee will be an item (or money) that will be given to the Paulding County Dog Kennel.

Several of our businesses will continue to be open that evening for your shopping pleasure. We encourage you to stop in and check out any summer items that will be on sale.

**DUPONT HOSPITAL LAUNCHES OBSTETRICAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SETTING HIGH-MARK STANDARD OF CARE**

Lutheran Health Network's Dupont Hospital has

**CMH AUXILIARY DONATION TO CMH**



The Community Memorial Hospital Auxiliary recently paid for a landscaping project near the physician's entrance at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville. The CMH Auxiliary has donated over \$150,000 in the last three

years to equipment purchases and special projects at Community Memorial Hospital. In the pictures are members of the CMH Auxiliary Board (L-R) Linda Miller, Brenda Zeedyk and Jeannine Luder-

launched a dedicated Obstetrical Emergency Department (OB ED), reinforcing the hospital's extensive maternity care services.

The Dupont Hospital OB ED is a separate emergency department, further enhancing the hospital's Perinatal Center designation. Accessed through the dedicated maternity entrance or the general ED, the OB ED is designed for patients at 20 weeks gestation through two weeks post delivery.

Dupont's OB ED boasts a 24-hour OB physician, anesthesiologist and neonatal provider. In addition, the department features ultrasound units, wireless fetal monitors and other dedicated equipment. Because of this focus, an OB ED can assess, treat and discharge an OB patient much faster than a general emergency department or triage setting. All patients coming in for an unplanned visit will be seen by an obstetric physician.

"One of the big differences

between a typical ED and an OB ED is that in an obstetrical emergency department, a specialized provider will see the patient," explains Kathryn Garner, MD, FACOG, Lutheran Health Physicians Women's Specialty Care. "An OB laborist is always there to assess and treat the mother-to-be, even if her personal OB is not available."

"We have designed the Dupont OB ED to employ the best practices and address the circumstances that are unique to a prenatal or postpartum mother," says Thomas Wheeler, Medical Director of Maternal Fetal Medicine, Dupont Hospital. "High-risk pregnancies can require immediate and specialized care. The OB ED is set up to handle a broad range of perinatal emergencies."

Major differences between an OB ED and ED include:

- A provider will see the patient along with a nurse in an OB ED
- Multifaceted approach to

care as ER and OB work together on needs of both mother and baby

• Postpartum moms can be seen by an OB provider versus a general ED physician

• OB ED provides a higher level of care for perinatal patients and babies

• Assess, treat and discharge obstetrical patients much faster than a general ED or triage setting

• Services provided in an obstetrics ED are separate from general ED population minimizing exposure to mother and baby

The OB ED also serves postpartum situations. Kim Fulkerson, MSN, RN, Chief Nursing Officer, Dupont Hospital gives important advice for postpartum mothers needing care, "The majority of postpartum complications occur within the first two weeks of release. We are ready to care for those as early as twenty weeks pregnant up to two weeks after they have delivered. This gives our patients continued access to obstetric trained physicians and nurses who are familiar with you and your obstetric history."

The Dupont Hospital OB ED opening compliments a recent honor given by The American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN), which granted a silver-level Beacon Award for Excellence to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Adds Fulkerson, "I am extremely proud of the NICU team at Dupont Hospital in receiving this recognition. This specialized team lives out our mission with the commitment to excellence in all aspects of individualized care by their dedication and compassion towards mother, baby and their families every day."

The Beacon Award for Excellence recognizes unit caregivers who successfully improve patient outcomes and align practices with AACN's Healthy Work Environment Standards.

**THE ANTWERP COMMUNITY BAND IS BACK - JOIN US**

Have you ever thought about joining the Antwerp Community Band but decided that it had just been too long since you last played your instrument? Well, if so, this is the perfect time to put that line of reasoning aside. On July 8, 2021, the Band had its first meeting since March 2020, when we, like everyone else, were sidetracked by Covid. That's sixteen months during which very few of us did any substantive practice at home. So, if you think you would be at square one if you resumed playing, be comforted. Most of us are now at square two! We recognize that our group is starting over and that it will take time to get back up to speed. New members will have a great opportunity to improve along with the somewhat rusty veteran players. The Band owns a number of instruments, so if you don't have your own, we may be able to help you. If you have questions, please call our director, Steve Hahn, at (260) 486-4148. We meet on Thursday evenings at 7 pm in the bandroom at Antwerp Local Schools. Please come and join us - there has never been a better time for starting over, for both the Band and you.

**MERCY HEALTH - DEFIANCE CLINIC HOSTS BLOOD DRIVE**

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic the ability to donate blood was brought to a halt as public health orders kept many businesses closed. As society returns to a sense of normalcy, the need for blood has once again become critical.

Mercy Health - Defiance Clinic will be hosting a blood drive on from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2021, in the East/West meeting rooms at 1400 E. Second Street, Defiance, Ohio, 43512.

The American Red Cross has stated that with few exceptions, anyone who is 14 days or more out from testing positive or receiving a COVID-19 vaccination, is eligible to donate blood. Vaccinations cards are a great resource to provide details on the vaccine you received.

Additionally, the American Red Cross has enacted a number of safety protocols and measures that further make the donation process safe as well as convenient.

Mercy Health encourages all willing and able to donate blood to help manage the current crisis that is being faced. Donating blood today can help save a life tomorrow.

Visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) for more information or contact Brandy Wilson at 419-783-3288.

**VETERANS NATIONAL MEMORIAL SHRINE AND MUSEUM TO HOST NATIONAL KOREAN WAR VETERANS ARMISTICE DAY CEREMONY**

On Tuesday, July 27th the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum will host a Korean War Veterans Armistice Day Ceremony from 11am to 1pm at the Shrine Pavilion located at 2122 O'Day Road. Korean War Veterans and their families are invited to attend. There will be a ceremony honoring Korean Veterans in attendance. Antoinette Lee will be the featured speaker at the event. Snacks and refreshments will be served.

This year marks the 68th Anniversary to the end of the Korean War. The war began in June of 1950 when communist North Korea invaded South Korea. After three years of fierce fighting, an armistice was signed and a new border between North and South Korea known as the demilitarized zone was established. The war cost the lives of millions of Koreans and Chinese, as well as 50,000 Americans.

The Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum is open Monday, Thursday and Sunday 11am to 4pm. Memorial grounds are open 24/7. Admission is free. Donations are always accepted.

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| <b>WEDNESDAYS</b> | <b>PCH Vaccine Clinic</b><br>(Building adjacent to ED)<br>9:00 am - 1:00 pm                          |
| <b>THURSDAYS</b>  | <b>Antwerp Regional Medical Center</b><br>608 S. Erie Street, Antwerp, OH 45813<br>9:00 am - 1:00 pm |
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# WOODLAN OVERCOMES ALL ODDS TO WIN 12U TOURNAMENT



**Back Row Coaches (Left to Right):** Dan Bontrager, Chuck Vachon, Justin Merica. **Middle Row (Left to Right):** Griffen Johnson, Christian Bontrager, Jackson Powell, James Goldin, Evan Koch, Shepard Merica. **Front Row (Left to Right):** Liam Hertig, Justin Fiedler, Steven Troyer, Colin Vachon, Eli Funk

Over the July 4th weekend in Hicksville the 12u tournament too place with 12 teams

competing. Woodlan won the tournament as the 11<sup>th</sup> seed overcoming the 6, 3, 2, and #1

seeds to win the tournament bracket.

## CORN FUNGICIDE USE

With humid wet weather occurring comes the concern for corn fungal diseases. The goal of using fungicides is to optimize plant health and keep your corn crop alive to

optimize crop yield. Healthy biologically active soils should be your foundation for healthy plants and yields. Fungicides should be used to enhance and aid plant health—not a primary tool for growing healthy crops. There

may not be a right answer to whether applying fungicides to healthy soils and plants is really needed or even profitable.

Fungicides are commonly used to control of fungal pathogens by changing the activity and the number of soil microbes. Beneficial fungus breakdown and mineralize nutrients, making these nutrients plant available. Some foliar applied fungicides reach the soil and may have a negative effect on the soil microbial population. Crop scouting is critical so that fungicides are only used when necessary and fungus resistance does not occur. Most fungicides are broad spectrum meaning they are designed to suppress or terminate most fungi, even the beneficial ones.

Some beneficial fungi suppress plant root diseases and promote healthier plants by attacking plant pathogens with fungal enzymes. Fungi decompose soil organic matter and efficiently supply nitrogen, phosphorus, many micronutrients, and even water to the plant better than the plant roots themselves, since fungi hyphae are so small and numerous. Beneficial fungi also produce antibodies to reduce or suppress other harmful microbes. Over applying fungicides carelessly may be harmful to beneficial microbes, especially beneficial fungi.

Corn tar spot is a relatively new corn fungus disease that has some farmers concerned

and thinking about applying a fungicide. Corn tar spot shows up as small, raised, black spots scattered across the leaf surface. The leaf is rough to touch and looks similar to rust. Currently, there are no corn hybrids that are resistant to corn tar spot but some hybrids are more tolerant than others so the disease may progress slower and the yield loss may be more limited. Corn tar spot exists in the crop residue and is carried on air currents and can travel several miles. Healthy soils with good residue decomposition may be beneficial in reducing this fungal disease. Corn tar spot thrives when summer growing conditions are wet and humid.

There are many fungicides labeled for corn tar spot suppression. Fungicides can reduce the incidence of tar spot but this disease reproduces quite rapidly. Timing of corn fungal application is critical and should be applied to corn during R1 (Silking) to R3 (milk stage). There is a natural fungal parasite that infects tar spot but not much is known about its effectiveness yet. Increasing corn spacing and reducing corn population may help reduce canopy humidity also help. In Mexico where this disease is common, corn experts suggest a good practice is to avoid over fertilizing corn.

Crop rotation may help some but the inoculant can easily travel several miles from a neighbor's infected fields. It has been observed that many fields that had soybeans then rotated to corn had as much disease as fields planted corn back to corn. Crop rotation helps with other diseases like grey leaf spot, northern corn leaf blight, and anthracnose which are also common in corn.

Grey leaf spot can rapidly increase with warm temperatures 70-90°, high humidity greater than 90% or periods of prolonged (12+ hours) leaf wetness. Scout the lower corn leaves about two to three weeks before tasseling. Corn leaf lesions are long (up to 2 inches), narrow, rectangular, and light tan colored turning grey. Northern corn leaf blight symptoms are canoe-shaped lesions 1 to 6 inches long. The lesions are initially bordered by gray-green margins that turn tan colored and may contain darker areas where the fungal spores form. Northern corn blight starts on the lower leaves when temperatures are 64 to 80 degrees with high moisture. Grey leaf spot and

northern corn blight generally have to be sprayed preventively before the disease shows up. Pick corn varieties that are resistant to both these two diseases if possible.

Corn anthracnose symptoms start on the lower leaves is often the first corn disease that shows up. Small, round to irregular, water-soaked spots first appear on lower leaves. Spots later turn yellow and then brown with reddish-brown borders. Anthracnose thrives under cooler temperatures and moisture and tends to slow down when summer temperatures are hot and dry. Most crops can resist fungal disease better when they have adequate nutrition and good soil health.

James J. Hoorman  
Hoorman Soil Health Services

*(Your Library - Continued from Page 1)*

by calling the library to reserve it today.

The Adult Services has resumed their Cookbook club, they will meet the third Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. Bring a prepared dish with a printed recipe. Sewing machine projects will be available starting August 12. There will be sewing machines set up and all materials provided for several projects. Beginners to experienced welcome to attend. Coming soon a Cricut machine will be available for in-library use. Come learn with us or if you are experienced, please come and share your tips and skills with us. A KIC mini scanner has been installed, which revolutionizes the way books, newspapers, delicate oversized documents and 3-D objects are digitized. It can be used for scanning, copying and editing copied materials. We are just learning everything this machine does, come on in and check it out. The KIC machine will be very useful for genealogy projects and historical documents. The library is compiling a history book about the 2020 Covid epidemic. Watch for more information about the COVID Chronicles. The Adult Summer Reading Program has been extended to August 6th. Return your reading log by then. The Adult Services Department is pleased to announce local author Sue Paulus will be at the library on August 5 at 6:00 PM with her book. Follow us on Facebook for more information.

The Children's Room is busy planning Preschool Storytime on Wednesdays, August 11 and 25; 10:00 AM. Call

to register anytime. Every time you check out a book in August you will be entered into a "Back to School" drawing for prizes. Before you go on vacation pick up some playaways, playviews, books, books on cd and movies.

The Antwerp Branch will continue Storytime on Wednesdays at 11:00. Crafts every Friday during Library hours. Book Club is August 9 at 6:00 PM and Cookbook Club is August 16th at 6:00 PM.

The Grover Hill Branch end of Summer Reading Program party to announce the top readers of each age group will be Wednesday, August 4. The party will run all day during library hours. Munchin Club story times are Monday August 9th and 23rd, at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. Stop by every Friday for the red freewill book cart and pick up a make and take craft. Check out the new electronic sign in front of the library due to the generosity of donors and the Grover Hill Branch Friends of the Library.

The Oakwood Branch is "Goin Buggy" this month. Every Tuesday is craft time at 11:00. Storytime is every Wednesday at 11:00. Adult coloring takes place on Tuesday August 11 at 10:00 am. Thursday, August 12 at 11:30 am is Adult Bingo, and Thursday, August 19 at 5:30 is Adult Cookbook Club. The library is also celebrating National Root Beer Float Day on Friday, August 6, stop by and have one on them.

The Payne Branch will continue Storytime on Tuesdays at 11:00. The PBL is pleased to announce Stan Pratt Wood Carver on August 5th at 1:00. Stop by for a free demonstration. All ages are welcome to attend.

Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will NOT meet in August. Enjoy your summer. Buy the Book used bookstore, located in the Annex, would like to thank everyone who donated books this summer. The shelves are loaded with new Children's, YA, Mysteries, Romances and even some nice Encyclopedias. Sets. Some nice Swamp Bookworms will meet on Monday, August 9th at 6:30 pm in the Annex. We are reading "American Dirt" by Jeanine Cummins. Pick up your copy today and join them.

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## CIVIC THEATRE INVITES FAMILIES TO NEXT PLAY



The jurors in *Twelve Angry Pigs* rehearse a scene.

Van Wert Civic Theatre will present *Twelve Angry Pigs* under the direction of Monica Campbell. Families are invited to attend the performances July 30 and 31 at 7:30 p.m. and August 1 at 2 p.m. In this comedic parody of *Twelve Angry Men*, a certain wolf is on trial for blowing down a pair of houses owned by the Three Little Pigs. A Jury of Swine must now decide if they will convict, or declare the wolf not guilty. Most of the angry pigs believe the wolf is big and bad. However, some storybook

characters help the pigs review the facts, and Juror #8 asks some tough questions that will make the rest of the pigs realize that the testimony of Little Girl Blue is nothing but hogwash. The cast of Lulu Bash-Ross, Lola Campbell, Vaydah Deming, Harmony Dillon, Kortnie Galloway, Beth Garrett, Shawn German, Connor Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson, Meah Libaneth, Sydney King, Brody Kreisler, Dante Lippi, Ivy Lippi, Hannah McKenzie, Abbie Mengerink, Colt Morrow, Natalie Palazzolo, Nora

Perkins, Evie Petrie, Lea Rode, and Emerson Roy bring these characters to life.

For information go to: [vwct.org](http://vwct.org), or call 419-238-9689 to leave a voicemail. Please leave a message with your name, performance date you would like to attend, the number in your party, and your phone number. Someone will call you back within 24 hours to complete your reservation. This show lasts 60 minutes and is appropriate for all ages. Live theatre is back better than ever.

## CHOW LINE: DEEP YELLOW FIELD SPOT ON WATERMELON KEY TO CHOOSING SWEET, RIPE MELON

*What's the best way to choose the perfect melon?*

Whether it's watermelon, cantaloupe, honeydew, or other melons, summer days (or any day!) are a wonderful time to indulge in these delicious, nutritious fruits.

Not only do these fruits taste wonderful, but they are also healthy, low-calorie treats that are packed with vitamins.

For example, a cup of cantaloupe has 60 calories and is rich in vitamins A and C, while a cup of honeydew has 64 calories and is rich in vitamin C and potassium and provides B vitamins. A cup of watermelon has about 45 calories and has significant amounts of vitamins A and C.

Watermelon is also 93% water, and the red variety is a good source of lycopene, a phytonutrient that gives watermelon its color. Lycopene appears to protect the body against a growing list of cancers, which includes prostate cancer, breast cancer, en-

dometrial cancer, lung cancer, and colorectal cancers, according to an Ohio State University Extension Ohio line fact sheet.

Another benefit is that lycopene helps protect cells in the body from damage associated with heart disease.

When choosing the perfect cantaloupe, it is important to make sure the melon has no bruises or discolorations. It should have a smooth, slightly sunken, and well-rounded stem end; a sweet, musky aroma; and a prominent and evenly distributed corky web-pattern that is buff or a light tan color on either a green, yellow, or gray background.

Ripe honeydew should have a creamy yellow color when picked. If the melon is green when picked, it will never ripen, according to the OSU Extension fact sheet. The skin should have the feeling of velvet, and the blossom end should feel slightly springy.

When it comes to watermelons, here are a few tips from OSU Extension, the Watermelon Board, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture on how to pick the best one:

- Look at the spot where the melon has been resting on the ground. A pale yellow or cream spot indicates ripeness, while a pale green or white spot indicates immaturity.

- Scratch the surface of the rind with your thumbnail. If the outer layer slips back with little resistance, showing the green-white under the rind, the watermelon is ripe. Scratching unripe melons leaves only a darker, depressed line.

- Choose a melon with a smooth surface, a dull sheen, and well-rounded ends.

- Choose a melon that doesn't have bruises, cuts, or dents.

- Pick up the watermelon. It should be heavy for its size. As a watermelon is 93% water, most of the weight is water.

- If you are choosing pre-cut watermelon, the more red flesh and less white rind, the riper the melon.

And remember, even though you typically don't eat the peel from most melons, it is important that you wash the melons under running water before cutting into them. Melons are grown on the ground and can sometimes harbor harmful bacteria. Peeling or cutting unwashed produce can transfer dirt or other contaminants from the surface of the produce to the portion of the fruit or vegetable you plan to eat.

In fact, firm produce such as melons should be scrubbed with a clean produce brush before peeling or cutting into them. And they should then be dried off with a clean paper towel or cloth to further reduce harmful bacteria that may be on the skin, according to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Chow Line is a service of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and its outreach and research arms, OSU Extension and the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center. Send questions to Chow Line writer Tracy Turner, 364 W. Lane Ave., Suite B120, Columbus, OH 43201, or [turner.490@osu.edu](mailto:turner.490@osu.edu).

## ODOT CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Defiance, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert Counties this week. All outlined work is weather permitting.

**DEFIANCE COUNTY:**  
U.S. 24 PROJECTS: U.S. 24 between State Route 66 and the Henry County line will have lane restrictions in both directions for a resurfacing project. Visit the project page for more information.

**TRAFFIC IMPACT**  
• State Route 66 to the Henry County line is nearly complete. Lane restrictions may occur for finish work.

• State Route 66 to Baltimore Street, work is underway. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in both directions.

U.S. 127 at Huber Road, approximately three miles north of the village of Sherwood, will be restricted to one lane for drainage repairs.

State Route 15 at Cleveland Avenue in the city of Defiance will close July 6 for approximately 90 days for the construction of a roundabout at the intersection.

**TRAFFIC IMPACT**  
• Detour: SR 634 to SR 613 to SR 66 to Downs St. to Holgate Ave. to Third St. to Clinton St. to Second St./SR 15

State Route 18/Main Street between Elm Street and Meuse Argonne Street in the village of Hicksville closed on April 5 for railroad repair. The project will be complete in mid-November.

**TRAFFIC IMPACT**  
• Detour: Meuse Argonne St. to Elm St. back to SR 18 / Main St.

State Route 111 (in Paulding County) between State Route 637 and Cromley Road will close July 19 for approximately two weeks for a project to stabilize the slope along the Auglaize River. Access to the boat ramp will be maintained at all times.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
Detour: SR 637 to SR 66 to Second St. back to SR 111/Clinton St.

State Route 281 between Harris Road and Snyder Road will close July 12 for 10 days for culvert repairs.

**TRAFFIC IMPACT**  
• Detour: SR 18 to SR 108 to back to SR 281.

**PAULDING COUNTY:**  
State Route 49 between U.S. 30 in Van Wert County and the southern corporate limit of the village of Antwerp will be restricted to one lane for pavement repairs.

State Route 111 between State Route 637 and Cromley Road will close July 19 for approximately two weeks for a project to stabilize the slope along the Auglaize River. Access to the boat ramp will be maintained at all times.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
Detour: SR 637 to SR 66 to Second St. back to SR 111/Clinton St.

**STATE ROUTE 114 PROJECTS**

Listed west to east  
State Route 114 and Road C-17 (1.5-mile marker) are open following a closure for a culvert replacement project. Temporary traffic impacts are possible for finish work occurring off the roadway.

State Route 114 and Road C-87 (9.0-mile marker) are open following a closure for a culvert replacement project. Temporary traffic impacts are possible for finish work occurring off the roadway.

State Route 114, east of Grover Hill, closed February 23 for approximately seven months while crews replace three structures and repair another between Road T-165 and State Route 66 as listed below. Visit the project page.

• Between T-165 and Road C-173 (19.6-mile marker), construct a new bridge and approach slabs over Middle Creek.

• Between Road C-173 and Road C-177 (19.9-mile marker), place a new culvert.

• Between Road T-193 and Road 197 (21.7-mile marker), construct a new bridge and approach slabs over Dog Creek.

• Between Road T-197 and Road T-1016 (22.5-mile marker), rehabilitate the bridge over the Auglaize River by replacing the deck edges and performing an overlay on the bridge deck and approach slabs.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS:**  
• Detour: SR 637 to SR 613 to SR 66 back to SR 114

**PUTNAM COUNTY:**  
State Route 65, just north of the village of Belmore, is open following a closure for railroad repairs.

State Route 108 just south of the village of Miller City will close August 2 for approximately two weeks for slope repairs along a tributary to Miller City Cutoff.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
• Detour: SR 613 to SR 109 to SR 18 back to SR 108

State Route 109 between Road G and Road F-6 will close July 19 for approximately 45 days to replace the existing structure over Pike Run with a new box culvert.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
• Detour: SR 65 to SR 15 to SR 108 to SR 613 back to SR 109

State Route 115 over Plum Creek, between Broad Street and Birch Drive in the village of Kalida, closed March 29 for approximately 120 days for a bridge replacement.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
• Detour: SR 114, to SR 694, back to SR 115

State Route 613 in the village of West Leipsic will close July 20 for approximately five days for a railroad crossing repair.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
• Detour: SR 65 to SR 18 to SR 109 back to SR 613

Villages of Ottawa and Fort Jennings—U.S. 224, State Route 15, State Route 65, State Route 109, State Route 189, and State Route 190—will

have lane restrictions and roadway delays for curb ramp upgrades and pavement repairs.

**VAN WERT COUNTY:**  
U.S. 30 between the Paulding County line and the Allen County line will have lane restrictions for bridge and guardrail repairs.

Market Street between Central Avenue and Crawford Street in the city of Van Wert closed on March 15 for 150 days to replace the bridge over Town Creek. Visit the project page.

**TRAFFIC IMPACTS**  
• Detour: Central Avenue to Washington Street, to Maple Street, back to Market Street.

Lincoln Highway (County Road 418) from Wayne Street in the city of Van Wert to Middle Point-Wetzel Road will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for resurfacing beginning June 15.

**DISTRICT WIDE**  
All overpasses and underpasses along Interstate 75 and U.S. 30 will have temporary lane restrictions to replace guardrails. Traffic will be maintained at all times with automated flagging devices.

All four-lane routes -- Interstate 75, U.S. 23, U.S. 24, U.S. 30, State Route 15 -- will have temporary lane or shoulder closures for highway lighting upgrades. High-pressure sodium fixtures (HPS) will be replaced with light-emitting diode (LED) luminaires. Lighting will be added at 12 locations where drivers make key decisions. Nonessential lighting will be removed. Temporary lane or shoulder restrictions may occur. Visit the project webpage for more information.

## THE PAULDING COUNTY TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION INVITE YOU TO ATTEND ANNUAL FUNDRAISER DINNER

This Thursday evening July 29th from 5pm-7pm the Paulding County Township Association will serve their annual meal but only through "drive and go" service. Small changes were made to the menu this year to simplify the drive-thru meals & eliminate excessive handling of bulk items due to COVID protocols. Meals will come with your choice of fish or chicken or a mix of both, along with a bag of chips, and choice of

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Section 5739.021 of the Ohio Revised Code; the Board of County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, will conduct Public Hearings for the purpose of considering the renewal of one half percent (1/2%) sales tax on all retail sales in addition to the tax imposed by Section 5739.02 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Public Hearings will be held in the office of the County Commissioners, located at 115 North Williams Street, Suite B-1, Paulding, Ohio 45879 on Wednesday, August 4, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 11:30 a.m.

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

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP

THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THURSDAY AUGUST 12, 2021, AT 5:00PM AT VILLAGE HALL 118 NORTH MAIN STREET, ANTWERP OHIO PROPOSED VARIANCE ISSUE

Please be advised that Jamie and Chantel Lawson of 614 South Erie Street filed a variance request with the Village of Antwerp requesting that the required 5-foot side setback be amended to allow them to place a privacy fencing on the south side of property line.

A variance public hearing has been set for Thursday, 12, 2021, at 5:00pm at Village Hall, 118 North Main Street to receive opposition and/or comments on this request. Detailed information may be viewed at the Village Hall, 118 North Main Street, Antwerp, Ohio 45813.

Paulding County Township Association  
**ANNUAL FISH FRY & CHICKEN TENDER MEAL**  
**Thurs., July 29, 2021 5-7p**  
at Paulding County Fairgrounds  
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## VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-09 on July 19, 2021, entitled, "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 amends the ordinances authorizing the change of water rates, specifically to increase the tapping fees for waterlines in the event a boring is required to connect to the Village's waterline, with the new tapping fee to be \$1,400.00 per tap.

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.



cookies. Please come out to the Paulding County Fairgrounds OSU Extension building and follow the signs/cones for the drive thru.

Please consider making the short trip to the fairgrounds and allowing your township officials the chance to serve you a great meal.

Chad Benschneider  
Paulding County Township Association

**THE ANTWERP SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

The meeting took place on Thursday, July 22. Bob Herber said Governor Dewine signed bill 244 to not require students to have vaccinations that have not been approved by the USDA. There will be \$10,000,000 allocated for school security. Vantage rep, Dennis Recker, did not have an update as there had not been any meeting since the previous school board meeting.

The financial report was given by treasurer, Kristine Stuart: Income \$637,026.09; Expenditures: \$865,245.56; interest: \$1,720.44

The five year updated forecast was compared to the 2021 and the budgets were \$549,000 added to the general fund for the 2020-21 school year - no deficit spending and rare for schools this year.

Travis Lichty suggested hiring Kelly Bradbury for the Intervention Specialist. Marty Miller said Britney George is taking maternity leave and probably a parental leave.

Traci interviewed Mackenzie Turpening to hire in for Britney's place. Building and grounds update: Loop completed the parking lot sealing. The entries have new carpet.

The A wing also has new carpets after 18 years with the previous.

Harold Gottke said fiber internet was put in out at the football field. My Sports is planning on streamcasting games this year. Several smart TVs are coming in in late August. There has been delays on getting products in.

Josh Hoepfner is moving to DeKalb County for school. Interviews will take place for his position. So far six applicants have been received.

The state test results have preliminarily been received. The Antwerp school is above state average, but the numbers are still low for what they should be. The state is only around 40% passing while Antwerp may only be around 60%. It is known which kids did not do well and the school is going to try and help those specific kids to improve. New online requirements means Antwerp will have an "online" school in addition to the regular school. There will be a grant, hopefully to help cover this.

The Health and Wellness Challenge - 103 different school districts - EPC funds health fair - 10th highest percentage of staff for meeting the challenges. The staff gets \$100 gift card each and the school received funds.

OSBA conference is planned this November and a delegate will need to be selected.

TJ Hammer is moving to "Good Samaritan" in Defiance.

The school board concluded the meeting by going into executive session.

**BERNIE MORENO: OUT OF TOUCH JOE BIDEN INSULTS**

**AMERICAN SMALL BUSINESSES**

Businessman and outsider U.S. Senate Candidate Bernie Moreno blasted Joe Biden today for his out of touch comments at town hall in Cincinnati this week. At the town hall, Biden was asked by a restaurant owner about the struggles small business owners are having to get workers. Biden responded "We kept you open" and that they were "going to be in a bind for a little while."

"Joe Biden's comments were insulting to every small business owner in the country," Bernie Moreno said. "They show just how out of touch career politicians really are with regular Americans. The truth is that the government shut these businesses down and closed entire states. They caused millions of Americans to lose their jobs and thousands of businesses to close that will never reopen. I spoke out against the draconian shutdowns at the time when no one else did. That's why I'm running for office. We don't need more out of touch politicians running our country."

Bernie Moreno was the only candidate who spoke out against the lockdowns as they were happening, despite not being a public figure, former statewide office holder or Hollywood celebrity.

"Thanks to President Donald J. Trump we have a vaccine months or years before others said was possible. Americans are trying to regain their lives without the overreach of out of control government. This is something Joe Biden will never understand because he's spent his entire life as a politician."

Bernie Moreno is a businessman, first-generation American, and first-time candidate for political office. He is running for U.S. Senate to stop socialism, combat cancel culture, create opportunity for all Ohioans, and enact term limits for D.C. politicians. He believes that we must work to protect the American Dream and the prosperity that should belong to all Americans. Learn more at www.BernieMoreno.com

**MINUTES FOR THE WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 6TH, 2021:**

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey (via phone), Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Councilmen Voiron, Thompson, Gerig, and Watts. Chief Parker and Councilman Martin were not present. Jamal, Landon, and Jay with A & Z Engineering were also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: The water filters have been bypassed for the last several weeks due to necessary repairs. Once repairs began, it was determined that more work than expected was necessary to complete. The floor of the tank needed to be sandblasted and repainted. After being repainted, 8 days are necessary for the paint to dry prior to being used again. Testing should be able to occur in another week, give or take. The superintendent has been alerted to water pressure variance occurring at certain

locations. He is currently trying to locate and remedy the cause of this issue.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the June 21st meeting. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the June 21st meeting as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Voiron moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Watts, all present in favor. The clerk-treasurer explained that there are three homes remaining that have not resolved their illegal sump pump connections. Fees are still accumulating to the owners of these properties as described in the notice provided on April 1st which began to accrue on June 1st. The clerk-treasurer explained the results of the IT project survey that was presented at previous meetings. The top three of the six items will be incorporated into the first draft of the 2022 budget. The clerk-treasurer informed the council of upcoming training events offered to them through Accelerate Indiana Municipalities. A donation request from the Woodlan Band Boosters was submitted to the city for their consideration. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to contribute \$100 to the Woodlan Band Boosters, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Watts mentioned that the summer midges are currently overwhelming in the Homestead Addition and wanted treatment to be applied as soon as possible.

Audience: A & Z Engineering went over details regarding the current Stellar Sidewalks/Trails projects.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

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

**CALL TO ACTION - VAN WERT AMENITY PLAN JOIN THE STEERING COMMITTEE WORKING TO DEVELOP AN 'AMENITY PLAN' FOR VAN WERT.**

The Center for Regional Development (CRD) at Bowling Green State University (BGSU) recently launched their initiative "Reimagining Rural Regions," or R3 for short. The R3 Initiative is a two-stage process that begins with a community-led CRD facilitated process to identify assets, opportunities, challenges regarding current and future placemaking opportunities. Part one of the process will involve significant public outreach and engagement and ultimately result in the identification of 2-3 placemaking projects. Part two of the R3 Initiative will use teams of BGSU undergraduates from the Placemaking and Community Engagement (PaCE) program to provide capacity to move the projects identified by the community toward implementation.

Van Wert was selected as one of three communities in the CRD's inaugural R3 cohort. Building off the 2021

The West Bend News

**Sudoku Puzzle**

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

Downtown Redevelopment Master Plan, The Van Wert County Foundation (VWCF) and Van Wert Forward wants to use the R3 process to determine what types of community amenities will successfully attract a wide array of Van Wert residents and visitors to the downtown core, with a focus on the residents. An amenity is "A regular, intermittent, or singularly occurring indoor or outdoor element, program, or event available to all residents and visitors of the City of Van Wert, that helps establish a sense of community identity and provides comfort, ease

and/or enjoyment." The VWCF is seeking interested individuals who would like to serve on the R3 Steering Committee to help guide this process forward and determine initiatives included in the amenity plan. If interested, please complete the following form if you would like to be considered for the steering committee or would like more information about the R3 project.

Link to Form: <https://forms.gle/WLvs4tYhvi-CRiYQc6>

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**URGENT MESSAGE**

**PLEASE BE ADVISED AND TAKE NOTICE THAT THE PREVIOUS LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR RECEIVING BIDS FOR THE REAL ESTATE ON A CASH RENT PER BASIS FOR THE JACOB FARM-CHILDREN'S HOME (FSA #1586) WAS INADVERTENTLY PUBLISHED ON JULY 20, 2021. PLEASE DISREGARD THE LEGAL NOTICE. THANK YOU**

HEATHER BARNHOUSE,  
CLERK BY ORDER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

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

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1

**IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO**

In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:  
**LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER**  
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,

vs.

**ALFRED B. CONNER, ET AL., Defendants,**

Case No. CI 21 028

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

**301 West Second Street, Grover Hill**

**Parcel Number: 26-05S-003-00 and 26-05S-004-00**

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 Three Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-nine and 18/100 (\$3,479.18) 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 26th day of August, 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 9th day of September, 2021 for an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against the parcel.

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers  
Paulding County, Ohio  
[www.pauldingohsheriff.com](http://www.pauldingohsheriff.com)  
Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

The Paulding County Commissioners, acting for Brown Township, will receive sealed bids for the Brown Township Road Resurfacing Project.

Bids will be received at the Paulding County Commissioners office located at 115 N. Williams Street B-1 Paulding, Ohio 45879 on August 4, 2021 at which time and place bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids received after 11:00 a.m. (local time) on August 4, 2021 will be returned unopened.

Bids will be received on a unit price basis as outlined in the bid documents.

The project consists of road resurfacing on township road 191 between township road 148 and county road 166. The materials used are 448 asphalt.

Bids must be signed and submitted on the separate bidding forms included in the Bidding Documents, sealed in the provided envelope, and shall be accompanied by either a Bid Guaranty Bond in the amount of 100% of the Bid amount or by a certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit on a solvent. Bid security, furnished in Bond form, shall be issued by a Surety Company or Corporation licensed in the State of Ohio to provide said surety. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond in the amount of 100% of the Bid.

All contractors and sub-contractors involved with the project will, to the extent practicable, use Ohio products, materials, services, and labor in the implementation of their project. Additionally, contractor compliance is compulsory under the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and Governor's Executive Order 84-9.

Attention of bidders is called to all of the requirements contained in this bid packet, particularly to the Federal Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates, encouragement of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) utilization, various insurance requirements, and various equal employment opportunity provisions.

The Bidding Documents, which include Drawings, Specifications and blank bid forms, may be examined and obtained at the office of Maumee Valley Planning Organization, 1300 E. Second Street, Suite 200, Defiance, OH 43512. After posting, Bid Documents can be found on the web at [mvpo.org/bid](http://mvpo.org/bid).

The Owner reserves the right to reject each and every bid and to waive informalities, irregularities and errors in the bidding to the extent permitted by law.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

HEATHER BARNHOUSE,  
CLERK BY ORDER BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO  
CLINT A. VANCE  
ROY KLOPFENSTEIN  
MARK HOLTSBERRY



# LIFE SAVERS AWARDED RECOGNITION AT JULY MEETING



Ashley McDougall, Matt McDougall, Connie Gaisford and Damien Esparza were in attendance at the request of Mayor Reeb and Police Chief George Clemens to be recognized and receive a life saving certificate and pin for their efforts on an EMS run that saved a life.

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

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, and Police Chief George Clemens. Visitors: Bill Boylan, Steve Jordan, Bryce Steiner, Oley McMichael, Connie Gaisford, Ashley McDougall and Matt McDougall.

Minutes from the regular council meeting held June 21, 2021, were reviewed.

- Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to accept the minutes from the June 21, 2021, regular council meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.
- Minutes from the special council meeting held June 28, 2021, were reviewed.
- Motion made by West, seconded by Reinhart, to accept the minutes from the June 28, 2021, special council meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The June disbursements were reviewed. Discussion on expenses.

- Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rohrs, to accept the June reconciliation report. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Visitors

Oley McMichael was in attendance to ask council to look into a way that he can plat the remaining vacant properties in a Maumee Landing subdivision so when he sells a lot he does not have to have council approve it since it has all been previously accepted. Solicitor Farr will review and get back with council.

Bryce Steiner, Bill Boylan, and Steve Jordan were in attendance to observe.

Police Report

Police chief Clemens provided a written report showing 95 calls for service for the month of July with 13 offenses.

EMS Report

EMS Coordinator-Clerk Ashley McDougall provided a written report showing 143 outstanding runs. EMS had 27 runs in June. Collections in June were \$3,560.03. A year-to-date total of collections is \$35,745.32, with a year to date run total of 143 runs.

Administrator Davis informed EMS Clerk McDougall that any uncollected balance on EMS runs can be turned over to the Attorney General's Office and they will collect those balances from patients for the village.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Final 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

- Motion made by Rister, seconded by Reinhart, to accept ordinance no. 2021-09. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

First reading of ordinance no. 2021-11: an ordinance authorizing the village administrator to reside outside the Village of Antwerp

First reading of ordinance no. 2021-12: an ordinance amending ordinance no. 2020-12 establishing compensation for the Village of Antwerp, Ohio for the calendar year 2021, specifically amending section 1 to add a new position with the title "supervisor"

Ordinance no. 2021-13 to amend zoning ordinance and ordinance no. 2021-14 to amend zoning map were tabled. Discussion had on timeline not being met on the requirements to amend the zoning ordinance and zoning map due to a quorum not being present for plan commission meeting.

First reading of resolution no. 2021-07: a resolution amending resolution no. 2020-07 authorizing the sale of surplus village property by internet auction in calendar year 2021

First reading of ordinance no. 2021-15: an ordinance vacating that portion of Erie Street extended, which runs north and south parallel to South Main Street between lots 14 and 5 located at 106 Stone Street and 202 Stone Street (parcel nos. 12-02s-004-00 and 12-11s-001-00) in Antwerp, Ohio, and reserving an easement

Rita tax collection for the month of June, paid in July, was \$33,861.25.

Fiscal Officer Lichty informed council of cd# 20221 in the amount of \$6,176.06 plus this month's interest that will mature on July 29, 2021. Council discussion on not renewing cd# 20221 and depositing monies into general fund.

- Motion made by Reinhart, seconded by Rohrs, to not renew cd# 20221 that will mature on July 29, 2021. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Administrator's Report

Water tower: Administrator contacted Dixon Engineering of Medina, Ohio to quote a cost to do a complete inspection of the village 300,000-gallon water tower using a submersible rover. A few years ago, an inspection was performed, but no repairs were made at the time. This inspection when completed will provide a report which will include anticipated repair cost. Cost of inspection is \$3,200.00, and a purchase order was given July 12.

Water Plant Drive: Currently, village has a quote from Loop Paving for approximately \$19,000.00 to make patch repairs to the street. It appears the village makes repairs to this street annually. Administrator contacted Tom Lingvai of Lingvai Excavating. The village has used Tom in the past.

Lingvai Excavating has worked on the village's water and sewer lines. Tom and administrator discussed the viability of making repairs, and the longevity of such repairs. Tom is of the opinion patching would continue to fail as the sub-base is insufficient to support the load. Administrator reached out to Ward Paving of Leipsic to provide the village with a quote to chip seal the street so village could maintain its current integrity and seal out water until it can fund a complete reconstruction.

Village Phone Service: Village pays \$700.00 monthly for phone service. Currently, internet is provided by Metalink at no cost under a contractual agreement in which village allows them to site antennas on its water tower. Metalink can provide VoIP phone service to village offices at a reduced cost. Administrator is having the service quoted. Update since original report is new service with Metalink will save the village approximately \$3,700.00 annually with this change.

Direct Deposit: Fiscal officer and administrator are working with Antwerp Exchange Bank to provide direct deposit to village employees. This will mitigate misplaced or lost payroll checks. It will also help fiscal officer with end of month balancing of affected accounts.

Website: The village website needs updated or replaced. The current website has its limitation such as not being able to be updated remotely. There is also an issue with oldest announcement always showing first. Administrator will review other governmental entities to see who their web provider is and get cost for consideration.

Paulding County Economic Development: Administrator had the opportunity to meet with Tim Copey twice over the past couple of weeks. Tim provided an update on opportunities that affect our community. We have also gone door to door in the downtown district for the purpose of making introductions. Tim updated administrator on the CIC option located at 24/49. Currently, CIC has an option on 50 acres. They are working on securing arrangements on additional acreage. Discussion needed on zoning to ensure it is inline with their target demographic.

GMC dump truck: A purchase order was placed on July 13 in the amount of \$41,935.00 with Bob Ross GMC of Centerville, Ohio under state term pricing.

Stone Street lift station: Re-engaging with the landowner to purchase a small parcel of land that village's lift station sits on. The survey and appraisal have been completed.

Shaffer Street:

A portion of Shaffer Street has been temporarily closed. Village administrator will be meeting with DGL and TTL Associates to discuss Shaffer Street. Mayor Reeb went door to door to speak with residents on Shaffer Street and inform them of the temporary closure.

Committee Reports

Finance committee met July 13, 2021, to discuss state highway CD maturity and use. It is the recommendation of the finance committee that CD# 20224 not be renewed and monies to be deposited in state highway fund for future state highway repairs.

- Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rohrs, to accept recommendation and not renew CD# 20224 that will mature on August 5, 2021. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The utilities committee met July 1, 2021, and ranked three qualified engineering firms in order to make a recommendation to the village council to hire an engineering firm for general water plan. The selection and ranking of qualified engineering firms were recommended in the following order: (1) Jones & Henry Engineers, LTD., (2) Wessler Engineering, and (3) Poggemeyer Design Group.

- Motion made by West, seconded by Rohrs, to accept recommendation of utilities committee on selection and ranking of qualified engineering firms for general water plan. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Administrator will contact Jones & Henry Engineers, LTD.

Public safety committee met on June 28, 2021, to discuss food trucks and sidewalks. Sidewalks were tabled. Public safety committee's recommendation to council was to have Solicitor Farr prepare ordinance that will prevent food trucks from parking on roads unless roads are closed for an event. Solicitor Farr will move forward with preparing ordinance.

New Business

Discussion on PK Company tearing out concrete in apartment's private drive off State Highway 49.

Rudie Reeb informed council that there is a lot of water laying behind condos on Daggett Street that occurs from storm run off and build up off Mercer Landmark

property. Council discussed and said landowner should contact Mercer Landmark regarding this since it is private property.

Old Business

Mentioned in committee reports above.

Reminder zoning and planning commission will be meeting on July 22, 2021, 5:30 pm at Town Hall to discuss general zoning.

Mayor's Report

Mayor's report brought in a total of \$2,585.00 in the month of June 2021 with \$2,010.00 going to the village, \$554.00 going to the state, and \$21.00 going to the indigent driver's fund.

Mayor Reeb informed council of public meeting held at 5:15 pm today regarding vacating South Erie Street extended. No one appeared for the hearing so council proceeded with first reading at tonight's meeting.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to adjourn the meeting. 4 years, 1 nay. Motion carried and approved. meeting ad

## PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

### Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Reasia D. Richardson**, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Shannon M. Highwarden**, Paulding, OH; Attempted possession of drugs; Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Maintain general good behavior

**Susan A. Trammell**, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Rebecca A. Stonebarger**, Parma Heights, OH; Drug paraphernalia; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

**Christopher K. Collins**, Paulding, OH; Hit Skip, Count A dismissed; OVI/under influence, Count B dismissed; Failure to control, Guilty, Defendant entered a plea of guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Seat belt/drive, Count D dismissed

**Catherine S. Aguilar**, Melrose, OH; Child restraint; Defendant pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 10/29/21

**Brooke N. Trigg**, Fort Wayne, IN; No operator's license; Defendant appeared in court; Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs

**Selena L. Mooneyhan**, Garrett, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Carnell L. Duhon**, Detroit, MI; No operator's license, Defendant appeared in court, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Fictitious registration, Count B dismissed

**April L. Kennedy**, Waterford, MI; Driving under non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in court; Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs; Defendant shall report to the court within 6 months to give update on operator's license

**Lynne K. Hawkins**, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Breanna C. Ross**, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive (2 counts); Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Rakan G. Alharbi**, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed, Costs to defendant; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Chapel, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs, ALS vacated immediately; Clerk to notify the BMV, Maintain general good behavior; Speed (120/65), Guilty, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Chapel, Pay all fines and costs

**Fred W. Sights**, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good

behavior; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

**Jallen J. Willis**, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of drugs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Denise D. LaFayette**, Indianapolis, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Devin Moore**, Paulding, OH; Left of center, Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Elijah Green**, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Zachary A. Miller**, Oregon, OH; No motorcycle license; Case dismissed; Costs waived without prejudice

**Kelton A. Fries**, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of drugs; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived

**Brendan C. Imhoof**, Defiance, OH; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Bradley J. Wilcox**, Haviland, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**George H. Brown III**, Potosi, MO; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Gabe I. Sinn**, Haviland, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

**BENTON TWP**  
7/20/21 Laukhuf John E  
Laukhuf Marcia A to Laukhuf John E Trustee Laukhuf Marcia A Trustee; Rd 48; 80 acres  
**BLUE CREEK**  
7/20/21 Laukhuf Rodney A Et Al to Laukhuf Rodney A; Rd 75; 40 acres  
**BROWN TWP**  
7/21/21 Hicks June A to Hicks June A Hicks Earl L; 7472 Rd 151 Paulding Oh 45879; 5.97 acres  
**EMERALD TWP**  
7/21/21 Eckart Roger C Eckart Patricia L to Workman Charles R Jr Workman Holly D; 17093 Rd 139 Cecil Oh 45821; 5.137 acres  
**HARRISON TWP**  
7/22/21 Baumle Emily to Bowman Ryan D; 104 Maple St, 0.1722 acres; 102 Maple St, 0.1722 acres; Maple St., 0.124 acres  
**LATTY TWP**  
7/21/22 Lang Walter R to Eblin Brian; Walnut St Grover Hill Oh 45849, 0.0485 acres; 100 E Walnut St Grover Hill Oh 45849, 0.2 acres  
**PAULDING TWP**  
7/22/21 Wilson Jess An-

thony Wilson Kathleen Ann to Dangler Excavating Llc; 120 N Dix St Paulding Oh 45879; 0.2015 acres

## PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES 7/14/21

This 14th day of July, 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, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS

Warrants documented as 270060 through 270140 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 147)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit; FROM: 147-001-20214/PHEP/Other Expenses TO: 147-001-20211/PHEP/Salaries AMOUNT: \$ 1,293.30

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 003)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit; FROM: 003-001-00001/General Health/Salaries TO: 003-001-00009/General Health/Other Expenses AMOUNT: \$ 20,000.00

**Meeting Notes of Appointments**

- Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor-discussed County operations and procedures
- Shannon Ruschel, WMEA Director, informed the Commissioners that due to liability issues the Boy Scouts and 4H groups will not be able to provide services for the County's WMEA recycling program. Ms. Ruschel stated that she is sad that the WMEA program can no longer support these local groups and use their services to help with the recycling pick up program. Ms. Ruschel also stated that these local groups have done an amazing job but she understands that the county must follow legal guidelines. Ms. Ruschel presented a proposal from WiltonKeck Recycling for Paulding County Recycling Trailer Saturday pick ups for Grover Hill, Payne, Antwerp and Paulding. Ms. Ruschel will send the proposal to the Prosecutor's office for approval.
- Sheriff Landers presented his 2021 Monthly Projections and Jail report as of June 30, 2021. There were 49 male inmates serving 630 days and 11 female inmates serving 152 days in the month of June for a total of 782 days served. Total inmates held were 60. The average inmates held per day was 26.0 with 21.0 being male and 5.0 fe-

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**MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE**

210 South Laura Street, Payne (garage off alley behind house) - Thursday, July 29/Friday, July 30 (9A-5P), Saturday, July 31 (9A-12P)

Hoover Sweeper, Tent, Heavy Duty Lunch Box, Couch, Metal Folding Table, Yard Trimmers, Exercise Bike, Outdoor Balls/Games, Kitchen Items, Christmas Decorations, Books, Cookbooks, Shoes, Kids' Rocking Chair, Toys, Puzzles, Walkers, Dishes, Stadium Chairs, Vera Bradley Purses, Longaberger Baskets, Geese Clothing, Towels, Lots of Clothes (kids thru Adult XXL)

**WEHRLE COLLECTIBLES ONLINE ONLY AUCTION**

Lots start closing Mon., Aug. 9th @ 8:30 pm ET

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Owner: Melinda & the Late Donald Wehrle Auctioneer: Darren Bok & Shane Sumner

**Garage Sale**

July 30-31st (7am-4pm) & August 1st (10am-2pm) at Stoett Industries 600 Defiance Avenue (St. Rt. 18) Hicksville

SALE SALE

All proceeds will go to a Stoett Family Member in need.

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male. The average inmates stay per day was 13.0 with 12.8 being male and 13.8 female. Total meals served for the month of June totaled 2,137 meals.

• Ann Pease, Clerk of Courts- discussed title office operations with the Commissioners along with submitting March-June 2021 legal disbursement reports.

## DUNK PEOPLE IN THE DUNK TANK @ DAY IN THE PARK!

How fun would it be to dunk the school principal into ice cold water? What about a coach? You can have your chance at Antwerp Chamber's Day in the Park on August 14th. The Antwerp cheerleaders will have a dunk tank at Day in the Park this year. Mr. Lichty, Mr. Altimus, Mr. Billman, Jagger Landers, Luke Krouse, Lydia Brewer, and Kayden Recker are just some of the people that will be available to dunk. Come out and join in on the dunk tank fun! The Day begins after the parade!

## THE TALE OF FRANCES SLOCUM

The story of Frances Slocum is true and has been told in many American history books. She was kidnapped from her family by Delaware Indians when she was five years old and remained with Indians until her death in 1847. She may have even come down the Maumee River and stopped at the trading post North of Cecil at one time.

The family of her father, Jonathan Slocum and her mother came to locate where the present city of Wilkes-Barre is. They came from Warwick, Rhode Island in about 1777 with the family of nine children. The father was against the warlike spirit of the Tories and the British, however, one son, Giles, did take part in a battle of July 3, 1778.

It has been said that there were prowling clans of savages and Tories harassing the valley and causing much mischief after the battle. On such a day, the Delaware Indians approached two of the neighboring Kingsley boys. The elder had on a Continental coat, which aroused the savages

The Slocum neighbors were aroused in time to see the neighbor scalped. The elder daughter ran to the woods with a young child, two years old, to hide. It was said that the Indians laughed at her and were about to take away a boy at the home when Mrs. Slocum pointed to the lame foot. They dropped the boy and discovered little Frances Slocum hidden under the staircase. They kidnapped her to the mountains.

Mr. Slocum was absent at the time. When he came home with Isaac Tripp, his father-in-law, Mr. Slocum was shot dead and Mr. Tripp was wounded and scalped. Later that month, in sight of the fort the Indians shot and scalped the others. In little more than a month, Mrs. Slocum had lost "Frances", taken away as a captive; two more taken as captives and her husband and father were killed and mangled by the Indians.

In 1784 two of the Slocum bros. visited Niagara trying to find their sister after peace had settled in the country. Rewards were offered. Nothing came of it. The brothers went west in 1797 going to settlements looking for Frances. Her mother died never seeing her again. She was adopted into a family of Delawares, who raised her and treated her as their own child. They died somewhere in Ohio. She was then married to a Miami, by whom she had 4 children. She said she lived a long and happy life as an Indian.

In 1835 a letter was written to the Postmaster from "Geo. W. Ewing". It explained the whole story and circumstance of "Frances Slocum". He hoped to make some connections for the family. (The letter got lost in the shuffle and the post master died). The letter was finally sent to the newspaper. A lot of people were acquainted with the Slocum story and the family.

"Here then at last, by this unmistakable token, the lost was found. Her memory proved to be unerring; the details of 60 years old were perfect, and given in such a manner as to awaken in the hearts of the Slocum family warm

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woman. Her life, although rude, had been a happy one, and no inducements were strong enough to persuade her to leave the campfires of her adoption."

"By Act of Congress, Macon-a-qua, the Indian title of Frances Slocum, was granted one mile square of the reservation which appointed to the Indians of Indiana, west of Mississippi—to be held by herself during her life, and re-

vert to her heirs forever. She died March 9th, 1847, and was given a Christian burial in a beautiful spot where the romantic waters of the Mississinewa and Wabash rivers join their ripples on the way to the sea."

**Ref: American History American Indian History**  
 Submitted by: Caroline Longardner

**NEW HEIGHTS EDUCATIONAL GROUP (NHEG) WINS GLOBEE® IN THE 6TH ANNUAL 2021 AMERICAN BEST IN BUSINESS AWARDS**

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Our Mission:

The New Heights Educational Group, Inc. promotes literacy for children and adults by offering a range of educational support services. Such services include: assisting families in the selection of schools; organization of educational activities; and acquisition of materials.

## DOUBLE CROP SOYBEANS OR COVER CROPS?

Approaching mid-July, some farmers are still debating whether to plant soybeans after wheat harvest. Double crop soybeans are risky but

## Sudoku solution from page 9

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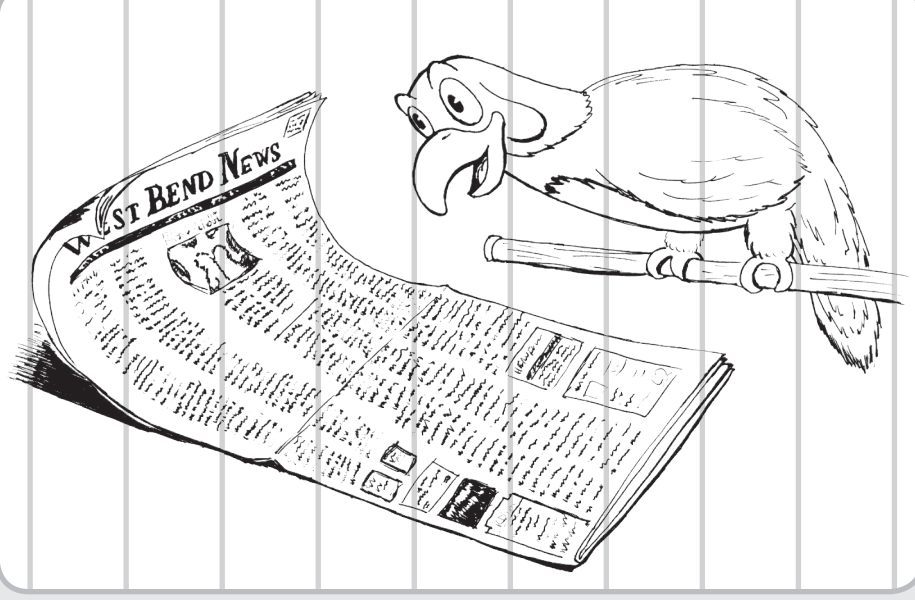
high soybean prices, early summer planting and good weather favor farmers taking the risk. As summer progresses, the risk of failure increases on double crop soybeans. Cover crops are often planted from June to October with good results depending upon the species and weather. Planting cover crops after mid-July becomes a much safer proposition.

Let's start with looking at our current crops. For the most part, corn looks great this year while soybeans are average at best, depending upon the field. Corn was planted when the soil was dry and then it started to rain and soybeans where planted. Soybeans suffered from seed corn maggot and/or wire worms, and then if the soil was vertically tilled, standing water and pathogens (fusarium, phytophthora, etc) began a problem. In some fields, soybean struggled with slow growth due to small puckered and/or cupped leaves. Usually this is an indication of herbicide damage which looks like 2-4D. However, if 2-4D was not used, what could be the problem?

Last year, the weather was exceeding dry from summer through early spring. Herbicides generally break down fairly quickly with adequate moisture, heat, and biological activity. When soils remain dry, some herbicides stay attached to the soil particles for

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**From Episode 1 - Making restaurant style Mexican Salsa for Cinco de Mayo**

A new YouTube and Rumble Channel recently appeared by area residents, Bryce and Angel Steiner. The channel features all things of rural and

episode was installing a culvert in a creek. Another was finding a cabin in the woods. We also make amazing Focaccia bread, and just last week made fresh Basil Pesto from our garden herbs! Every episode is another adventure of ideas!

Upcoming episodes will be showing how to make kombucha at home, trying out a DeWalt Flexvolt chainsaw, driving the backroads of south east Kentucky, and even building shelving for heavy tractor equipment. A whole lot more is planned and to be posted regularly.

If you are interested in gardening success (and failures), cutting/planting trees, new recipes, etc., and would like new ideas to be more inde-

pendent, check the channel out here:

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Subscribing to the channel is a great way to join the community for comments and answers from people from all over who are contributing to the conversations!

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long periods. Soluble herbicides will inhibit weed germination and also break down, but herbicides in a dry soil stay attached to the soil particles, do not inhibit weed germination, and do not break down quickly. Herbicide carryover then becomes an issue.

Resicore is corn herbicide that is a combination of acetochlor (Harness, Group 15 herbicide), mesotrione (Callisto, group 27 herbicide) and clopyralid MEA salt (Stinger or Curtail, group 4 herbicide). Group 15 herbicides include Dual, Zidua, and Harness which may cause these symptoms under dry conditions. These products usually break down fairly quickly but in fields that were very dry and or had low soil organic matter (SOM), farmers are seeing patchy issues with soybean growth, depending upon soil type and moisture. Soils with higher SOM and moisture generally have less issues because they have higher microbial diversity, they hold more water, and the SOM buffers the soil. Improving soil health

**VWCF GRANTS TO COA + SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM**



**Pictured: (Left to Right): Sheriff Thomas M. Rigenbach, Detective Nathan Huebner, Administrative Sergeant Michael East, Sergeant Rob Bender, Kevin Mathews, Director of Council on Aging, Seth Baker, CEO of The Van Wert County Foundation**

Seth Baker, CEO of The Van Wert County Foundation, is pleased to announce grant funding support in the amount of \$25,000.00 for a new public safety program in our community; Project Lifesaver. Kevin Mathews, Director of the Council on Aging, applied for the grant in cooperation with the Van Wert County Sheriff's Department.

Project Lifesaver is the premier search and rescue program operated by public safety agencies. It is strategically designed for "at-risk" individuals prone to the life-threatening behavior of wandering. The primary mission of Project Lifesaver is to provide timely responses to save lives and reduce potential in-

jury for adults and children with the propensity to wander due to a cognitive condition.

There are three key components utilized by the Project Lifesaver program which enables first responders to achieve the program's mission of "bringing loved ones home."

**CUTTING EDGE LOCATING TECHNOLOGY**

Project Lifesaver is in a constant state of research and development to ensure the program utilizes the latest and most effective technologies, both in the prevention of wandering and the recovery of a client in the event of elopement.

INNOVATIVE SAR METHODS  
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strategically designed methods and techniques for the specific use of recovering individuals with a cognitive condition. When applied by first responders, these innovative strategies enable the most efficient rescue of an eloped client.

**COMMUNITY POLICING COURSES**

Project Lifesaver provides first responders with a basic understanding of cognitive conditions, giving them the necessary tools needed to respond to an elopement and assess and effectively manage an eloped client's safe and comfortable return.

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and SOM helps prevent or least reduce some herbicide carryover issues.

Wheat prices are still high, so wheat has become a profitable crop to raise again. For both soybeans and cover crops, harvesting the straw is recommended to increase plant growth. Some farmers like to keep the straw to increase SOM. However, most SOM comes from your roots. The straw tends to tie up nitrogen and it slows down either soybean or cover crop growth. If you harvest the straw, as long as you plant another crop you are gaining live roots to improve your SOM and keep microbial populations healthy. Leave 4-6" of upright wheat stems to reduce soil drying and to protect the soil from erosion.

Since USDA-NRCS has changed their cover crops

rules, cover crops can now be mowed, hayed, or grazed. Grass cover crops like sorghum or Sudan varieties, oats, barley, and cereal rye can be sown and harvested. These grass cover crops will also benefit from manure applications. Manure can be applied either before the crop is sown or apply after the cover crop is at least 3-4 inches tall. Liquid manure may burn the leaves and slow down plant growth.

Legumes like hairy vetch (prefers well drained soils) winter peas, cowpeas, crimson clover, and Balansa clover can be planted now to obtain 100-200# of nitrogen for next year's corn crop. Most legume and clovers need to be established between Mid-July and Mid-September to get a good crop. Early planting generally improves establishment and nitrogen content. Winter peas

planted August 1st may yield 150# N while those planted in September only yield 50-75# N depending upon the stand.

Brassicas like daikon radish, kale, rape, turnips, and Ethiopian cabbage can also be planted early. Buckwheat and sunflower are great pollinators. Buckwheat goes to seed within 45-60 days and is great for loosening the top 3-4 inches of soil. Sunflowers are deep rooted and improve drainage. Farmers often plant 5 to 10-way cover crop mixtures to get multiple benefits. For the H20 program, at least 50% of the mixture needs to be a cover crop that survives the winter. After wheat harvest, planting cover crops is a great way to improve soil health.

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