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HOLLY BEACH ANNOUNCED AT RECORD BREAKING TURTLE TROT 5K



CAPTION: John and Maria Kobee with Tim Cosey announcing the new Holly Beach planned.

The Turtle Trot that coincided with Antwerp's Day in the Park was a huge success and had hundreds of people who were there. Over 300 shirts were made by Hines and all sold out to raise funds

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SIERRA IS THE NEXT PCBW GUEST!



Our next guest on the Paulding County Business Weekly broadcast is Megan Sierra. Megan is the Executive Director for PC Workshop, including Paulding County's own "Limitless" retail store. Listen in as Megan discusses how the store came to fruition, and how it is not only helping develop the individuals that work there, but together developing a new retail economy in Paulding County and beyond! Tune in weekly on Tuesday and Thursday at 8am and 5pm to learn more!

MAUMEE VALLEY ANTIQUE STEAM AND GAS ASSOCIATION TO HOLD ANNUAL SHOW

The Maumee Valley Antique Steam & Gas Association 43rd and 44th Show will be held August 19-22, 2021 at Jefferson Township Park, east of New Haven, Indiana between U.S. 30 and U.S. 24 at 1720 Webster Road just north of Dawkins Road. A fun show for the entire family. More information and a map can be found at (www.maumeevalley.org).

We are featuring two great shows in one. Allis-Chalmers & Rumely and Minneapolis-Moline and Moline Universal line of tractors plus garden tractors. All exhibitors of antique tractors, cars and trucks are also welcome and get free admission when registering at the office. We will be threshing wheat, sawing lumber and plowing with tractors and steam engines. See the 15 ton, 125 HP Buckeye Oil Engine from the elevator at Grabill, IN and the Chuse Stationary Steam Engine from the Hicksville, Ohio Handle Factory in operation.

There will be daily demonstrations by The Indiana Chapter of the Maumee Valley

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GMA FINANCIAL SERVICES MOVES TO NEW LOCATION



New Location Reinforces Commitment to Providing Excellent Service

GMA Financial Services Inc. - Adkin's Bookkeeping & Tax Services, a local provider of business, individual, and farm tax services, QuickBooks, and bookkeeping, is excited to announce its office relocation. GMA Financial Services, Inc. is now located at 131 Central Ave., Van Wert, OH.

The new facility will provide staff and customers with much-needed space to accommodate growth and plenty of parking across the street.

GMA Financial Services inc. was relocated at the complete expense of Van Wert Forward to make way for the future historic renovation of our previous location on Main Street.

For more information about GMA Financial Services, Inc. contact us at 419-238-4253.

For more information on Van Wert Forward visit vanwertforward.org or call 419-238-1743.

SHERIFF'S CITIZENS ACADEMY

Sheriff Jason K. Landers is accepting applications for his Citizens Academy. This addition to the Sheriff's Office was implemented in 2019 and was

not held in 2020. This will be the second academy.

The Citizens Academy will begin Monday, September 13, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The program will continue for 8 Monday sessions at the same place and time, concluding Monday, November 1, 2021. Each session will be held at Paulding County's recently purchased annex building located at 451 McDonald Pike in Paulding, which many will remember as the Fritz House complex.

"I am excited to get this second session underway. After a fantastic inaugural session in 2019, I was forced to not have it last year to do the

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Community Calendar

August 17

- Len Collier Band Open mic 6-8:30 at Defiance County Coon Hunters Club.
- Howard and Fisher Sing Country and Gospel at Oakleaf Restaurant. 5:30-7:30 pm.

August 18

- St. Jacob's Church Praise Service at 7pm in Payne.

August 19-22

- Maumee Valley Antique Steam & Gas Engine Show-East of New Haven, IN.

August 21

- ACC NRL22 Match. Registration 8am and starts 9am. Open to Public.
- Lifewise academy Community kickoff: Lafountain Park- Paulding 5:30pm-7:00pm.

August 22

- Cecil Community Church: Morse Family Gospel Singers and Taco Bar at 11am. 6 pm Movie.

August 24

- Health Department Shot Clinic at Huber Opera House- Call DCHD for appointment.
- Len Collier Band Open mic 6-8:30 at Defiance County Coon Hunters Club.
- Howard and Fisher Sing Country and Gospel at Oakleaf Restaurant. 5:30-7:30

August 25

- St. Jacob's Church Praise Service at 7pm in Payne. pm.

August 26

- Lunch on Canal Landing in New Haven, 11am-2pm.
- Pumpkin Field Day, South Charleston, Ohio 5:30-7:30pm.

Add your event to the calendar
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OBITUARIES

AUBURN, IN
Bruce K. Wells, 64, of Auburn, Indiana passed away Tuesday, August 10, 2021. Arr by DOOLEY FUNERAL HOME, ANTWERP, OHIO.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
It says somewhere in the Bible we will get new bodies in the next life. When exactly does that take place?

We, in fact it appears, get two new bodies. The first one is a temporary body everyone gets at death. Note the story of Lazarus and the rich man in Luke 16. Both died; Lazarus went to Paradise, and the rich man went to hell. Notice Luke 16:24 where the rich man in hell requested of Abraham that he would sent Lazarus from Paradise to dip his FINGER in water and cool the rich man's TONGUE. They both had temporary bodies. Note also Elijah and Moses, present at the transfiguration of Christ in Matthew 17:2-3.

All will also receive an eternal body at the resurrection. The bodies of those saved will be fit to serve and worship God in heaven forever. The bodies of those lost will be able to suffer punishment without being consumed, like the burning bush (John 5:29; Exodus 3:2).

Those saved shall receive their new eternal body at the Rapture (I Thessalonians 4:13-18). The unsaved shall receive their eternal bodies at the Great White Throne Judgment (Revelation 20:13:15).

While you are in your earthly body you should prepare for your heavenly body by receiving Christ (John 1:12, 14:6).

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

BLENDING IN OR STANDING OUT

By: Doris Applegate

Do people know that you are a Christian? Do you have on your "coat" of righteousness that Jesus Christ gave to you when He forgave your sins?

The "coat" of many "colors" of love, joy, peace, mercy, gentleness, goodness, kindness, meekness, temperance, etc. is a "coat" so bright and

colorful that others will know that you stand out for God. We are to let out light shine so as to overcome the darkness. Have you told others of your experience when you gave your life and heart to Jesus Christ and confessed that you were a sinner and needed His salvation?

Your testimony is powerful and meaningful to someone thinking of becoming a believer! "When I got saved, I knelt at an altar of prayer after the preacher explained everyone's need of Jesus Christ as their Savior. The joy and peace I felt was instant and wonderful! Jesus was so real to me and for close to 78 years I've been with Jesus and He has been close to me. Just to be with Him forever is so awesome. Let my testimony help convince you of your need of the Savior.

If we "blend" in as a Christian and don't wear our "coat" proudly for the Lord, then people may not know that you are anybody different than the world.

Joseph in the Bible was happy to wear His coat of many colors given to him by his father (Genesis 37:3). Sometimes we wear our coat of Godly "colors" and it may lead to rebuke and persecution because others hate our "dreams". We will always end up as a ruler and leader helping many people if we "stay the course" Read all of Joseph's great story in Genesis 36 and on!

We don't want to "blend in" so that folks don't know we are a Christian. Let this verse help! Wear your "coat" of colors. Just as Joseph did. Don't give in to hateful men, and those who live in sin. Set your face above the crowd, "stand out" and you will see the end will be productive, with many folks set free!

Yes, your coat of righteousness is important to wear.
 Amen

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Auglaze Chapel Church of God, Oakwood, will hold an ice cream social on Friday, August 20, from 4-6:30 p.m. Several flavors of homemade ice cream, as well as sandwiches, soups, and pies will be available for a freewill donation. Carry-out is available.



STRONG TOWER FITNESS

ANTWERP, OH - The Strong Tower Fitness business is just like it's name ...STRONG! Owner Reta Ptak has a passion for the business, mainly because of her belief in good health and positive outlook on life. Whether it be personal training or class training in a variety of over 30 different options, Strong Tower Fitness will help you achieve your healthy goals.

The business hasn't always been on solid strong tower. Originally established as Rip It Fit in Paulding, Ohio, Reta had a battle with a health issue that grew into an infection and affected her way of life. Specialists explained that she may not be able to continue in the format she was used to. At that time the building was sold and the business closed.

Through much patience, rest, rehabilitation and faith, Reta has been able to return a strong as ever. In addition to having a Personal Training, Fitness and Nutrition Degree, and being Aerobic & Fitness Association of America (AFAA) Certified, Ptak was recently voted "Best Personal Trainer" in a recent poll for readers in Defiance/Paulding County businesses. "God showed me the way back to health! I decided to make the name of my new business Strong Tower Fitness because HE is my strong tower and got me through. Our bodies are our temple and we need to take care of them to honor him" she noted.

Many children suffer with issues of weight and looks as they grow and mature. This was the same for Ptak. Being teased and called names was becoming the norm until about the age of 16. At that time it was decided to help others and make them feel good about themselves, which in turn helped her as well. "I would tell them about healthy directions, even when they didn't want to hear it, because of how strong I felt about health, fitness and well-being. It opened my eyes to see how God directed me in the right direction for others as well as myself."

Today you can find Reta instructing in the Antwerp "old gym" Wrestling facility on the Antwerp Manor Assisted Living campus located at 204 Archer Drive. There are many formats including: refit dance fitness & toning, bounce dancefit, Badass, Ironside Yoga, Cardio Drumming, Buti Yoga, STF Cardio Dance, or Surfset Fitness board is offered in personal training only.

For current class offerings and schedules you can reach Reta at 419-487-2590, retaptak@gmail.com Strong Tower Fitness on Facebook or retaststrongtowerfitness on Instagram.

NEW MINISTRY IN ANTWERP UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Lighthouse is a new ministry located in the

Antwerp United Methodist Church, as a resource for foster families in Paulding and Defiance counties. Many, if not most, foster children are placed with little to no belongings, so I wanted to provide a resource to alleviate some of the initial spending the foster parents have to do with a new placement, but also have a space where the kids get to choose items themselves. Hopefully this will give them some sense of control in a time when their life likely feels very out of their control.

When speaking with job and family services about starting this ministry, they said that we get a lot of teens locally, so we're starting with our focus on that demographic and hope to be able to grow enough to provide items to any age of new foster care placement. We have received monetary donations as well, so when we were contacted a couple of weeks ago about a new placement who needed a few items that we did not have in stock, I was able to purchase those items needed and drop off to the child's social worker, so that has been a helpful asset as well. Currently we are offering a "shopping" trip for new placement teens and preteens in the county where they can pick out any needed items such as a bag/backpack, blanket, socks, underwear, pajamas, personal hygiene items, a journal, etc and a new outfit. We will also be providing one of the Usborne books of their choosing that was donated by Kasey.

We are very thankful to Kasey and all of the community members who have rallied together to help us get started. I would like to grow this ministry enough in the future where we could offer a "back to school" and/or "Christmas" shopping day for foster children in our counties. 100% of all monetary donations go towards The Lighthouse, it is all ran volunteer based. There is an updated list of needs on The Lighthouse Facebook page and we also have an Amazon wish list. I'll also attach that list if you'd want to place it in the story. Donations can be dropped off at the Antwerp United Methodist Church Monday through Thursday from 9am to 12pm or message The Lighthouse page on fb and we can arrange for another drop off/pick up time. If any business/family/church/organization would like to donate items needed contact us on Facebook or email thelighthouseantwerp@gmail.com

All items donated need to be new with tags as we want the kids to be able to get brand new items that will be just for them. Limitless in Paulding is a great place to shop for us as their clothing is all new with tags.

Lighthouse needs:
 Boys pajamas: Kids size 12/14/16; Adult XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL
 Girls pajamas: Kids size 12/14/16; Adult XS, XL, XXL, XXXL
 Girls jeans: Kid size 10l Adult size 2, 6, 8, 12, 18, 20
 Girls sweatpants/athletic pants: Kids size 12/14; Adult size M, XXL, XXXL
 Boys jeans: Kids size 16; Adult size 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 39, 40
 Boys sweatpants/athletic pants: Kids size 10/12; Adult size XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL

Boys tops: Kids size M, L; Adult size L, XL, XXL

Scripture of the Week

Therefore, since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

— Corinthians 7:1

FAITH ALIVE CHURCH VISITORS



Pastor John Maloney; Pastor Carla Maloney; Lay Minister Athlene Patton; and Lay Minister William Patton.

The Faith Alive Church of Paulding, Ohio, pastored by John and Carla Maloney of Indiana, hosted a preaching engagement by lay ministers: William and Athlene Patton of 411 Quail Run Rd, Versailles, Kentucky 40383. They do local preaching mostly from Eastern Kentucky and are personal friends of the Maloney's.

The regular service was

held on Sunday, Aug. 8 at 3:00 p.m. 2021 followed by a very inspirational preaching session by both Mr. and Mrs. Patton. Several persons spoke personally with the Patton's after the service.

Faith Alive Church has services each Sunday at 3:00 P.M. in Paulding, Ohio. Please join this friendly Christian family soon.

Boys tops: Kids size M, L, XL; Adult size S, M, XL, XXL, XXXL
 4 rectangular cloth tablecloths, navy blue

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS, TEACHERS AND STAFF

As K-12 schools prepare to start the new school year, Paulding County Health Department supports full in-person learning. To facilitate and maximize keeping our students safe in the classroom, while also minimizing the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19, the health department strongly recommended schools follow CDC guidance and adopt universal masking policies for all students, teachers and staff regardless of their vaccination status.

Our fight against COVID-19 is not over. Emerged that increase the risk of transmission and result in worsening illness. The Delta

variant is rapidly becoming the dominant strain in Ohio. Because the Delta variant spreads so quickly, these strategies to reduce transmission in schools are critically important to protect students, teachers, staff and communities.

It is proven that masking reduces transmission of the virus which causes COVID-19 and it also protects those who are not vaccinated. Because a significant portion of the student population is not yet eligible to be vaccinated, and as a county only 35% of our community is vaccinated, universal masking will add another layer of protection to keep our children in school.

Schools should continue to take a multi-pronged, layered approach to protect students, teachers and staff. Hand washing and sanitizing continue to be important tools in preventing the spread of COVID-19. Everyone should

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August 21, 2021

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	5:30pm - Food	
	6:00pm - Live Music	
	6:30pm - Puppet Show	
	7:00pm - Live Music	

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MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

Dr. Aaron Fenton Burson This story is about an Oakwood boy who made good of himself. Aaron was born in Oakwood, Ohio January 1.8, 1885. His parents were, Dr. Harrison S. and Sarah Elizabeth (Harmon) Burson. (As a side note, Harrison was a Civil War Veteran, serving with Company A. 21st Ohio Volunteer Infantry.)

Aaron, being the oldest



son, was expected to achieve great things. Being that his father was a doctor, the bar was set high. Aaron had five other siblings, sisters Jessie R. and Georgia M., brothers Harrison S., Wilbur J. and John, who died at birth in 1897. In 1890, the family was living in Melrose, Ohio. His father, a practicing physician with four children, lived moderately. The stress for education was a must in the Burson household. In 1899, Harrison filed for his Civil War Pension. By 1900, the family had moved to

Delaware, Ohio. Sad news was brought to the family, as on January 18, 1901, Dr. Harrison S. Burson dies. He was buried in Mt. Blanchard Cemetery, Mt. Blanchard, Hancock County, Ohio. Aaron stayed to his studies and graduated from Mt. Blanchard High School as his class Valedictorian.

In 1907, while going to College at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, he met and married Minnie lone Hornish. Minnie was born February 9, 1886 in Defiance, Ohio, the daughter of George and Amanda Maude (Haney) Hornish. The couple moved to Oakwood, Ohio, and live with her parents. Aaron continued his study of medicine at Eclectic Medical College in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he graduated in 1910. After graduation, Aaron began his medical career. Aaron became a partner with Dr. Ancel C. Sherrard. They had their office in the building on Main Street in Oakwood. This is where Bob's Barber shop was.

In 1913, Aaron set up an office of his own on the northwest corner of what is now 15th and Cooper Streets. Aaron and Minnie celebrated the birth of their first child, a son, George Lowell, June 7, 1912. Sad news was brought again to the door steps of Aaron's life. His mother, Sarah, passed away, May 21, 1915. She was buried with her husband, Harrison, in Mt. Blanchard, Ohio. Another son was born, Harrison Fenton, February 20, 1917. Aaron's practice was interrupted, as the United States was drawn into a World War.

September 12, 1918, the age of 33, Aaron registered for the draft. Medium build and medium height, brown eyes, black hair. Serving with the Medical Corp, as a 1st Lieutenant at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia. Aaron was honorably discharged, December 24, 1918. By 1920, the Burson family was still living on Main Street in Oakwood. A third son, Paul Eugene Burson, was born February 25, 1928. By 1930, Dr. Burson, enjoyed a wide and extensive practice

and is favorably known. The family was still living on Main Street, in Oakwood. By 1940, Aaron along with Minnie and son Paul are still living in Oakwood on Main Street. As World War Two loomed, Aaron registered for the draft in 1942. His son's, George and Harrison, served in World War Two. George with the U.S. Engineers and Harrison in the South Pacific.

August 8, 1944 at the intersection of State Route 637 and County Road 123 (Charloe Trail) Dr. Aaron Fenton Burson was killed in an automobile accident. The impact of the crash threw Aaron out of the car killing him instantly. At the time of his death, Aaron was a member of the local 1.0.0.F. lodge, Masonic Order of Continental, Modern Woodman of America, American Legion, Paulding County Medical Society, and Methodist Church. Dr. Burson was buried in Riverside Cemetery, Defiance, Ohio. April 18, 1975, his wife, Minnie passed away and was buried beside Aaron. Until Next Time!

Editor's Note: We here at the West Bend News print all "Letters to the Editor" because we believe that everyone has a Constitutional right to freedom of the speech and press. In saying that, we do not hold agreement with the content that is printed. We are just the messengers. However, any letters that attack a person rather than the discussion will not be printed. The name of the person who wrote the letter is placed at the end of each article. To be considered for publication, letters must be no longer than 1000 words, and you must provide a name along with a phone number and/or address to confirm validity of content for our readership area. You can respond or submit a new letter by email, USPS or fax.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I would like to tell people in other towns, other than Paulding, Ohio about Paulding County Senior Center's failing shut in, disabled seniors that are not able to drive a car anymore due to medical problems.

The senior center's monthly newsletter states 'not possible to provide one on one transport'. I was told that if I wanted to be picked up to go to a one hour program, I would have to wait two hours or so before the program started and may have to wait after, two hours, before being taken home. It is so wrong on so many levels. They want me to go through all this just to go to an hour long program, when I live three minutes from the Paulding Senior Center.

I have many medical problems which would make it very painful for me to wait that long. I tried to reason with the director of the senior center and all she did was be defensive about anything I said. So defensive that she made sure it was in last

month's newsletter and this month's.

I just can not believe that there in no one there that could pick me up living only three minutes away. They have over a half million dollar budget a year, but can't come pick up a disabled American senior - three minutes away? I think this is very sad treatment and they should be ashamed of themselves. I have great concern for many disabled seniors.

I think the director of the senior center is not able to put constructive criticism to good use. Instead, she is always on the defense.

Steven Dailey,
Paulding, OH

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

All of us need to stand for free America now because those in charge are not. Their party prefers socialism/marxism to a free democracy. Each of us must speak out often or one day soon ALL of our freedoms will become past history. It only takes the stroke of a pen.

I just discovered on 8/9/21 that our president made that stroke in January. His executive order paved the way for HUD to force religious schools to violate their Christian faith by opening their rooms and shared shower spaces to members of the opposite sex. Besides being unconstitutional and illegal, it's sick. This administration is already being sued by at least on Christian college. This sickness won't end until we unite as one against it.

Christianity and democracy made America the most desired nation on earth. It's impossible for any socialist nation to ever make such a claim. I've listed the greatest socialist/marxist nations next-you liberals choose the one you want us to imitate. Just remember, there is no God, only Satan: Russia, China, Cuba, North Korea and Venezuela.

The first thing you must realize under socialism is that you give up Christianity and all freedoms. Socialism becomes your atheist master as your Christian friends/family are now your enemies. Only the toughest of Satan's warriors can stand up to this. Government will take control/ownership of everything, including you. Are you ready?

Our vice-president praised the looting, burning, destruction of religious/historical symbols and killing during recent riots saying "They have to remove God, eliminate all freedoms/history and replace them with their deranged Russian style anti-God control. Don't ever expect anything better from them.

They're ever saying "Defund the police." This will make their take over and gun confiscation easier.

All Americans, particularly those voting for the present ruling administration, need to find out just what socialism stands for. It is atheist and stands for death to all others, mainly Christians.

I believe we're well into the "end times" spoken of in the Bible when bad will be called good and good will be called bad. If you can't see this, then maybe you're one of those the Bible speaks of being blind to truth and morality. The Bible also speaks of the end coming when it is taught to all the world. That day is on our horizon. Are you prepared?

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

Richard Mastin
Hicksville, OH

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REVIEW YOUR IRA, 401(K) BENEFICIARIES

If you've had an IRA and a 401(k) for many years, you may occasionally ask yourself some questions: "Am I contributing enough?" "Am I still funding these accounts with the right mix of investments for my goals and risk tolerance?" But here's one inquiry you might be overlooking: "Have I used the correct beneficiary designations?" And the answer you get is important.

It wouldn't be surprising if you haven't thought much about the beneficiary designation - after all, it was just something you once signed, possibly a long time ago. Is it really that big a deal?

It could be. For one thing, what if your family circumstances have changed since you named a beneficiary? If you've remarried, you may not want your former spouse to receive your IRA and 401(k) assets or the proceeds of your life insurance policy, for which you also named a beneficiary.

However, upon remarrying, many people do review their estate plans, including their wills, living trusts, durable powers of attorney and health care directives. If you've revised these documents, do you have to worry about the old beneficiary designations? You might be surprised to learn that these previous designations can supersede what's in your updated will and other documents. The end result could be an "accidental" inheritance in which your retirement accounts and insurance proceeds could end up going to someone who is no longer in your life.

Furthermore, your retirement plans and insurance policy may not just require a single beneficiary - you may also be asked to name a contingent beneficiary, to whom assets will pass if the primary beneficiary has already died. As you can imagine, the situation could become quite muddled if stepchildren are involved in a remarriage.

To avoid these potential problems, make sure to review the beneficiary designations on all of your accounts at some point - and especially

State mandates," said Sheriff Landers. "We received good critical feedback from the group that attended year one. I hope to build off that and bring some solid information to this next class."

Topics to be covered during this 8-week course include, but are not limited to administration/budget/payroll, communications division, road patrol operations and special assignments, corrections division, civil process and the overall criminal justice system from start to finish.

To apply, go to the Sheriff's Office website at www.pauldingohsheriff.com or stop by the office to pick up an application. People interested in attending this informative program should apply no later than Friday, August 27, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

Up to twelve applicants will be notified by September 3rd of their acceptance. There will be no costs for this academy.

after a significant change in your family situation. If you see something that is outdated or incorrect, contact your retirement account administrator - or your insurance representative, in the case of life insurance - to request a change-of-beneficiary form.

And if you really want to be on the safe side, you may want to enlist a legal professional to help you with this review to make sure the beneficiary designations reflect your current family situation and are consistent with what's in your estate plans.

In fact, if you're already working with an experienced estate planning attorney - and you should - you might also pick up some other suggestions for dealing with beneficiaries. Just to name one, it's generally not a good idea to name minor children as beneficiaries. Because children can't control the assets until they become adults, a court would likely have to name a guardian - one that you might not have wanted. Instead, you could either name your own custodian to manage the assets designated to the minor or establish a trust for the benefit of the minor, which can distribute the money in sev-

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Event Schedule

August 21st- NRL22 MATCH- Registration opens at 8 am. Match Begins at 9 am. This even is open to the public.

September 5- Monthly IDPA Match. Registration opens at noon. Match begins at 1pm. This is open to the public.

September 9- Monthly Meeting at 7pm.

September 12- Monthly Trap shoot at 1pm.

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The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

There are two basic services the agency provides:

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

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

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

Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments

Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

PAULDING FFA OFFICER TEAM ATTENDS OFFICER RETREAT



Pictured in the 2021-2022 Paulding FFA officer team. Pictured left to right Jaylyn McCloud, Tyler Schlatter, Carter Manz, Sydney Trahin, Paige Jones, Kyle Mobley, Mason Schlatter, Ally Jo Merriman, Jamy Hunt, Lathan Schneider.

By: Asst. Reporter, Jaylyn McCloud

The officer team this year is made up of President Paige Jones, Vice President Kyle Mobley, Secretary Sydney Trahin, Treasurer Mason Schlatter, Reporter Carter Manz, Student Advisor Tyler Schlatter, Parliamentarian Jamy Hunt, Asst. Treasurer Lathan Schneider, Asst. Reporter Jaylyn McCloud, along with Ag Education Teacher and FFA advisor Mrs. Staci Miller and FFA advisor Nicole Harris.

On August 10th-12th, the Paulding FFA officer team went to an officer retreat in Rockbridge near Hocking

Hills. Officer retreat provides a time for the students to get to know each other and work better as a team. Also during this time, the budget and the yearly calendar is made so the FFA is ready for the upcoming year.

On Thursday, the team was joined by Andrew Delong, Ag teacher, from the Chief Logan chapter. He performed many team building exercises with the team to help strengthen their relationships with each other. They also took some time to develop the Program of Activities (POA) for the year. The team discussed the goals they had for the chapter and some new ideas to help

the chapter grow with their FFA advisors.

On the last day, the team talked about their favorite parts of the retreat and some things that they had learned. Then it was time to head back home. The team learned a lot of new skills and bonded during this trip and are ready for an exciting new year full of Agriculture Education, Career Development Events (CDEs), Supervised Agricultural Experiences (SAEs), community service projects, and FFA! The officer team would like to thank the Paulding FFA Alumni for their support of the officer retreat.

you how to work with little and plan on the go. My workbench became the floor and when I needed an elevated bench, I lined chairs up in a row, which worked for a long thin project like this clock.

Joining the clock case and its corners well became what seemed like an insurmountable task. I then had a flash resourceful thinking and remembered my 60 pounds of faithful encyclopedias ... and tie down straps from our vehicle. With straps and the weight of encyclopedias, I was able to build a tight clock case with tight corners. My family laughed as they saw the encyclopedias being used over the course of a week.

The encyclopedias actually served a key role in bringing the clock project to completion, but maybe did not justify the need to bring 30 heavy volumes overseas.

Something similar ever happen to you? Contact me and let me hear your story! mattsmishaps@gmail.com Matt's Mishaps, PO BOX 114, Grabill, IN 46741

PAULDING ELEMENTARY 2021-22 CLASS LIST

Mrs. Niese (K-1): Bullocks, Annabella; Good, Ayden; Gutierrez-Santillan, Jose; Horner, Mason; Kline, Alyana; Manz, Carly; Manz, Edison (Eddie); Mericle, Natalie; Puckett, Aleigha; Schlueter, Nolan; S u f f e l , Cole; Wilhelm, Wyatt; Van Deurzen, Max; Wright, Carl; Kunz, Owen

Miss Collins (K-3): Brown, Adeline (Addie); Goyings, Axel; Goyings, Garrett; Houck, Sebastian; Kinnie, Ja'Vareyon; Mangette, Cole; Manz, Andrea; Manz, Keatyn; Miles, Abbigail (Abbi); Powell, Kaylee; Schlegel, Debra Jean (DJ); Stork, Hudson; Walz, Emma Sue; Wilhelm, Everett; Winhoven, Faith

Miss Kelly (K-4): Banks, Da'Lonnice; Branch, Ellie; Gross, Lute; Grubb, Adalyn; Johnson, Ryker; Krill, Macyn; Larson, Owen; Manz, Aubrey; May, Paislee; Reinhart, Trent; Sexton-Scott, Kylee; Steele, Leon; Witkouski, Rowan

Mrs. Carnahan (K-5): Arend, Quynn; Calixto-Gutierrez, Dilan; Cantu, David; Font, Mervin (Dean); Goings, Meela; Hanenkratt, Joshua; Miles, Braylin; Ramon, William; Rosalez, Nora; Smith, Adriana; Spangler, Sophia; Thompson, Lyndon; Vance, Samuel; VanVlerah, Wyatt; Wilhelm, Marshall

Mrs. Deisler (1-1): Adams, Brody; Coressel, Mallory; Dangler, Evelyn; Dasher, Braxton; Dobbelaere, Caydius; Eckhart, Molly; Foltz, Boston; Gutierrez, Alizae; Kipfer, Harlow; Lehnert, Noah; Martinez, Santino; Schlegel, Aylene; Tromblay, Madison; Vickers, Aubree; Wolfe, Merrick

Mrs. Karzynow (1-3): Adams, Mariana; B l a n d , Viktor; Buchert, Summer; Cortes-Becerra, Elizabeth; Dunakin, Rylan; Froelich, Richard; Hull, Jesse; Jasso, Bella; Lee, Paul; Ringler, Kolby; Smith, Glen; Sprow, Liberty; Steingass, Emma; Thomas, Alyssa

Mrs. Hagerman (1-4): Ball, Allison; Foltz, Brooklyn; Foltz, Kenan; Griffiths, Addison; Hernandez-Reyes, Edith; Howard, Kyson; Jones, Liam; Leal, Abigail; Miller, Noah; Mullins, Harmony; Rohlf, Kye; Salisbury, Madison; Schuchart, Logan; Vance, Mackinlee; Wiechart, Kaden

Mrs. March (1-5): Eutsler, Miracle; Gamble, Allison; Gill, Hunter; Gochenour, Nora; Gonzales, Chloe; Hale, Ella; Harshman, Landyn; Hastings, Kaiden; Kline, Jaxon; Miles, Alonzo; Ramirez Cortes, Brayden; Shaffer, Jacob (Jake); Vance, Ashlynn; Vega, Selena; Wilson, Maggie

Mrs. Tice (2-1): Bortel, Bayla; Doctor, Nolan; Donaldson, Allison; Donaldson, Sophie; Gutierrez-Santillan, Violeta; Hahn, Leigha; Hernandez-Palacios, Erick; Miller, Elizabeth; Rodriguez Reyes, Venecia; Sajuan, Jeremiah; Smith, Sophia; Snyder, Bay; Steffes, Levi; White, Landen; Wiechart, Brennen; Workman, Milo

Mrs. Taylor (2-2): Arend, Georgiana (Georgie); Brehm, Dominic; Copeland, Lonzo; Dunbar, Troy; Frederick, Jase; Kinnie, Zendaya; Laney, Kamden; Lee, Cadence; Mapes, Easton; Richards, Brooklyn; Ross, Zarla; Salisbunny, William; White, Aleigha; Wood, Brooklyn; Swary, Raven

Mrs. Richey (2-3): Arend, Kiersten; Buchholz, Olivia; Dasher, Logan; Gonzales, Isabella; Heller, Graeson; Martin, Boe; May, Carson; Miller, Caroline; Parrett, Avery; Smith, Wyatt; Spangler, Ella; Stoller, Briggs; Stoller, Bristol; Wesley, Isabella; Whiting, Phoenix

Mrs. Yant (2-4): Barnes, Elijah; Crossland, Carter; Fentler, Karmyn; Harris, Sienna; Hunt, Hadlyn (Haddie); Lehnert, Mya; Lero, Reese; Manz, Kendra; Mericle, Rebeka; Michel, Ryder; Munoz, Bentley; Papataskis, Sage; Reilly, Mackenzie; R o s a l e z , Nolan; Wilhelm, Wyatt

Mrs. Doster (3-1): Bland, Teagan; Bullinger, Hunter; Elder, Mallory; Finch, Harmony; Gonzales, Chad; Gutierrez, Gabriella (Bria); March, Zaniyah; Martinez, Alejandro (AJ); Moreno, Dominick; Myles, Brantley; Ringler, Kolton; Schnepf, Braylix; Scott, Devin; Smith, Cierra; Steffes, Lillian; Sunday, Kinley

Mrs. Buss (3-2): Adams, Richard; Adkins, Zeke; Bandler, Alanna; Clark, Landyn; Dulaney, Carolyn; Fry,

Andrew (Drew); Kausler, Bayne; Luty, Margaux; Mack, Madison; Manz, Kyle; Molina, Jocelyn; Nicelley, Raegan; Padilla, Olga; Schroeder, Avri; Turner, Brantley

Mrs. Rohlf (3-3): Bassler, Blaze; Cortes Becerra, Julio; Cameron, Mia; Grimes, Aubrea; Hastings, Michael; Hull, Julia; Jones, Kole; Kline, Aerie; Lindsey, Jaxson; Maniz, Zoey; Martinez, Ximena (Sofi); Repka, William (Liam); Reyes, Iridessa; Roddy, Jack; Smith, Indi; Steingass, Viktor; Valle, Trent

Mrs. Agler (3-4): Aldred, Kyra; Apkarian, Logan; Bat-Liam; Brown, Brayden; Griffith, Joseph; Isidoro, Maria; Lechuga, Carlos; Lin, Ryan; Manz, Alexandria; Mitchell, Daryus; Pease, Kinsley; Ramirez Cortes, Melissa; Schindler, Aiden; Sunderman, Lexi; Walz, Hunter; Wiswell, Elliana

Mrs. Keller (4-1): Adams, Mary; Barnes, Savannah; Bryant, Lila; Cler, Nevyah; Dick, Zariaha (Zari); Fisk, Levi; Guilford, Austin; Hunt, Sawyer; Justinger, Brooklyn; Lechuga, Victor; Madden, Ashtyn; Mullins, Dominic; Rice, Braydon; Aaliyah Schlueter; Stoller, Tucker; Zimmerman, Ella Grace

Mrs. Stoller (4-3): Antigo, Bethany; Arend, Katherine; Carlisle, Nahla; Dunson, Logan; Escobar, Abisai; Font, Binky; Gee, Easton; Gray, Kayla; James, Gavin; Mungler, Jackson; Parrett, Gavin; Schlueter, Lylah; Speelman, Sophia; Thomas, Noah; Thompson, Lincoln; Vergara, Abril; VanVlerah, Grayson

Mrs. Warner (4-5): Baker, Elena; Baughman, Anna; Bradford, Dyllan; Cline, Preslee; Dunham, Brady; Jackson, Elijah; Keeling, Brayden; Elayna Kleman; Lero, Carlisle; Mosier, Gabriella; Mudrack, Kevin; Mullins, Madalaina; Pease, Piper; Spangler, Hudson; Sprow, Lane; Wesley, Paxton; Winhoven, Chance

Ms Looser (5-2): Athy, Levi; Bauer, Eli; Clark, Madison; Gutierrez, Mason; Harris, Savannah; Hodge, Kendal; Howard, Caden; Kuhl, Shyann; Laguna, Zephaniah; Lin, Kevin; Mangette, Bryn



MATT'S MISHAPS

"Serving overseas as a small-town boy from America is intense, stressful and humorous! Enjoy a light-hearted story with me from our last 20 years overseas!" - Matt

ENCYCLOPEDIA CLOCK

Whenever going on trips, it is always important to not under pack nor over pack. However, sometimes it is a good thing when you realize you did not ever need to use things you packed, like an umbrella or raincoat - and encyclopedias might be another thing.

I remember growing up with a couple sets of encyclo-

pedias in our house. My dad sold encyclopedias for two or three hot summers when starting his teaching career. In 2003, when the library was selling a new set of Encyclopedia Americana from the year 2000 at a giveaway price, I bought the 30 volumes and 60 pounds of information. We had friends coming to visit the following months, so they happily offered to bring them to us.

The internet was still getting started where we lived overseas and those encyclopedias were much used in the first years that we had them. But the internet came on strong, and our sons would much rather click keys on a computer to get information. I told my sons not to trust Wikipedia that had 12 year olds editing topics and to go to a reliable source like my encyclopedias, but it didn't work. I even found myself starting to click keys for information too. After a decade of scorn from my family asking, "When are we getting rid of those encyclopedias that not

even you use?" they found their real use.

I have an older friend named Lyle who worked as an



A final key step in completing the projecting was finding the right glass. I had seen photos of old German musical clocks with stained glass. I did some research around our area and found a German craftsman in a mountain town. He helped fix the stain glass in churches whenever they'd be broken by vandals. He enjoyed the novelty of doing glass for a clock and helped add the final touch to the "encyclopedia clock."

engineer for Motorola and in retirement developed an amazing woodworking shop. He built furniture to sell and gave the profits to non-profit organizations. In talking together one day when back in Indiana on furlough, we developed the idea of a grandfather clock project. He would get the mechanical parts and build the pieces of the case from 100-year-old Black Walnut timbers he had in his wife's family's barn in Ohio. I would pack and transport the pieces to our home overseas, and then fine sand it, build it, stain it, mount the mechanics, and get the glass for it.

I was not worried about my tools equipment to pull it off and finding the right glass. We live in a small apartment and have no garage, work bench nor equipment. However, living overseas teaches

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considered to have an equivalent level of immunocompromise," according to the FDA. This group of eligible individuals is estimated to include less than 3% of the U.S. population and 3% of Ohioans.

response to COVID-19 vaccination and should follow ongoing prevention measures including:

Wearing a mask. Staying 6 feet apart from others outside their household.

Avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces.

Close contacts of immunocompromised people are strongly encouraged to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

These additional doses for immunocompromised persons should not be confused with booster doses. At this time, additional booster doses are not authorized or recommended for any individuals based upon waning immunity over time. The need for and timing of a COVID-19 booster dose have not been established, according to the FDA.

FREE AND REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM FOR PAULDING COUNTY

Paulding Exempted Village Schools, Antwerp Local Schools, and Wayne Trace Local Schools are announcing their 2021-2022 program year policy for free and reduced meals, for students unable to pay the full price of meals or milk served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast, After School Care Snack or Special Milk Programs. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

The Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines will be used to determine eligibility. Children from families whose annual income is at or below the federal guidelines are eligible for free and reduced-price meals or free milk if the school participates in the Special Milk Program.

Application forms are either distributed to all homes in a letter to parents/guardians or provided online. To apply for free and reduced-price benefits, households should complete an application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. A complete application is required. Households which currently receive Special Nutrition Assistance Program Benefits (SNAP, formally known as food stamps) or Ohio Works First (OWF) funds for a child must provide the child's name, the SNAP or OWF case number and signature of an adult

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household member on the application. Households that do not receive SNAP or OWF funds must provide the names of all household members, the last four digits of the Social Security Number of the adult signing the application or state "none" if the adult does not have a Social Security Number, the amount and source of income received by each household member, (state the monthly income) and the signature of an adult household member. If any of this information is missing, the school cannot process the application.

FREE HEALTH CARE: Families with children eligible for school meals may be eligible for FREE health care coverage through Medicaid and/or Ohio's Healthy Start & Healthy Families programs. These programs include coverage for doctor visits, immunizations, physicals, prescriptions, dental, vision, mental health, substance abuse and more. Please call 1-800-324-8680 for more information or to request an application. Information can also be found on the web at <http://jfs.ohio.gov/ohp/consumers/family-child.stm>. Anyone who has an Ohio Medicaid card is already receiving these services.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose to determine eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year by school or other program official. To discourage the possibility of misrepresentation, the application forms contain a statement above the space for signature certifying that all information furnished is true and correct. Applications are being made in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Schools or other officials may check the information on the application at any time during the school year. Deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and federal laws.

Households will be notified of the approval or denial of benefits.

Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits regardless of the household's income. If a family has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals or milk for

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Saturday, August 28, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Sunday, August 29, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Old Fort, witness the 1700's come alive as French and British forces clash for control of the area. Fur traders, Native Americans, civilians, and soldiers will demonstrate daily activities at the French outpost known as Post Miami during the French and Indian War. Experience battles and infantry drills, visit merchants, tour the Old Fort, see a cannon be fired, and talk with historical artisans.

The Old Fort is located at

1201 Spy Run Ave Fort Wayne, IN 46805. Parking is available at Headwaters Park, Lawton Park, and the lot across from the Fort on Spy Run Ave. Visitors should use the Rivergreenway Trail under the Spy Run bridge to access the Fort. Check www.facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne for any event updates or changes. Admission is free; donations gratefully accepted. For more information go to our website at www.oldfortwayne.org or call (260) 437-2836.

FDA UPDATES EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION

The FDA has updated its emergency use authorizations for the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines to include a recommended third dose for individuals with moderate to severe immunosuppression who are at heightened risk for serious outcomes from COVID-19. This includes solid organ transplant recipients or those who are "diagnosed with conditions that are

considered to have an equivalent level of immunocompromise," according to the FDA. This group of eligible individuals is estimated to include less than 3% of the U.S. population and 3% of Ohioans.

The CDC has further defined this eligible population to include:

- Individuals undergoing active treatment for cancer (solid tumor and hematologic malignancies).
- Individuals who have received a solid-organ transplant and are taking immunosuppressive therapy.
- Individuals who have received a CAR-T-cell or hematopoietic stem cell transplant (within two years of transplant or taking immunosuppression therapy).
- Individuals with moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (e.g., DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome).
- Individuals with advanced or untreated HIV infection.
- Individuals undergoing active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids (i.e., ≥20mg prednisone or equivalent per day), alkylating agents, antimetabolites, transplant-related immunosuppressive drugs, cancer chemotherapeutic agents classified as severely immunosuppressive, tumor-necrosis (TNF) blockers, and other biologic agents that are immunosuppressive or immunomodulatory.

The CDC recommends extra precautions for immunocompromised individuals alongside an additional dose: Immunocompromised people (including those who receive an additional mRNA dose) should be aware of the potential for reduced immune

response to COVID-19 vaccination and should follow ongoing prevention measures including:

Wearing a mask. Staying 6 feet apart from others outside their household.

Avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces.

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them, contact the school for more information.

2021-2022 Public Release: Under the provision of the policy, the Superintendent, his/her secretary, or Food Service Manager, will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent or guardian disagrees with the decision on the application or the result of verification, the decision may be discussed with the determining official on an informal basis. If a formal appeal is desired, the household has the right to a fair hearing. A fair hearing can be requested either orally or in writing from: Paulding: Kenneth Amstutz, Superintendent, 405 N. Water St, Paulding, OH 45879; Paulding Phone:

419-399-4656; Oakwood Phone to Paulding: 419-594-3309; Wayne Trace: Ben Winans, Superintendent, 4915 US 127, Haviland, OH 45851, Phone: 419-399-4113; Antwerp: Dr. Martin Miller, Superintendent, 303 S Harman Rd, Antwerp, OH 45813; Phone: 419-258-5421

The policy contains an outline of the hearing procedure.

Households may apply for benefits any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible and if the household size increases or income decreases because of unemployment or other reasons, the family should contact the school to file a (Continued on Page 9)

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 Marathons 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, Marathons Main Stop, Marathon (East)
Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, Library
Hicksville: Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center
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: Marathons, 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
Woodburn: Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop, Library
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during this 5k event. The park was literally packed with people. It was announced that the Turtle Trot was not the end but the beginning of something great - the Holly Kobee Foundation and the Holly Beach Splash Pad.

237 participants had pre-registered and 58 were added as walk up registrants, make a combined total of 295 participants at the Turtle Trot 5k! 360 T-shirts were sold (more are coming to full-fill all the orders!) There were 67 pathway sponsors. Altogether \$15,000 was raised to start the Holly Kobee Foundation!

Maria announced the winners of the event: Kyler Johnson first mile winner, 5k first place - Sam Williamson, 5k 2nd place Jake Rinehart, 5k 3rd place Landon Brewer. The

custom engraved rock winner was Maggie Rinehart.

Maria stated that there were many volunteers that made this event a success and she recognized them all. This dream made possible to recognize Holly Kobee who passed away last year in July, as a beloved community individual who made a difference in so many ways, and in so many lives. The community is now ready to support her legacy. Maria said, "Wow what a wonderful day Saturday was! These are the reasons why we moved to Antwerp to raise our family!"

There will be several fundraisers in the days to come. The next large event will be the Fall Harvest Festival Oct. 23rd at the Mac Gym.

Tim Copey from the Paulding County Economic Development stated, "Maria

Kobee had the motivation to reach out and make this possible. We are here to connect the dots!" The sites for the location of Holly Beach Splash Pad are not finalized. The pad would be the first in Paulding County, and the committee, through the ACDC and other groups, are trying to make the splash pad sustainable with solar power and water recycling. It is estimated that the pad will cost around \$250,000. There are still many things that need decided and funds to be raised. If everything was in order and ready to go today, it would not be in until Fall of 2022. Tim said a more realistic date would be 2023. As a community, we can make all of this happen.

You may reach out to Maria Kobee for Questions at hollykobeeememorial@yahoo.com or Tim Copey at the Paulding County Economic Development - and you can make a difference! The Holly Kobee Foundation address is 151 Maumee Lane Antwerp, OH 45813

Watch the video announcement at westbendnews.net

LOCOS CRUISE PAST ARCHERS

Aidan Higbie carded a forty to lead the Montpelier Locomotives to a 168-190 victory over Antwerp in boys golf action at Suburban Golf Club outside of Bryan on

Tuesday.

Jax Richmond added a 41 and Trent Thorp carded a 43 for the Locomotives, who also picked up a 44 by Drake Sommer. Easten Richmond and Greyson Saneholtz recorded a 46 and 59, respectively.

Antwerp was led by Gaige McMichael with a 42 and Braylen Moreno, who added a 43.

Ethan Lichty chipped in a 50 for the Archers followed by Ross Lee (55), Draven Baumert (80) and Karsen Donut (80).

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practice hand washing and proper respiratory etiquette (covering coughs and sneezes) to keep from getting and spreading COVID-19 and other infectious diseases. Additional recommended layers of protection include good

ventilation and maintaining at least three feet of social distance between students.

Vaccination is currently the leading public health prevention strategy to end the COVID-19 pandemic. Paulding County Health Department continues to urge all eligible individuals to be vaccinated as soon as possible.

These are not orders but are data-driven and science-based recommendations and they follow CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations. The final decision is made by each school district.

Paulding County Health Department will continue to work closely with local schools to monitor the situation and provide updated recommendations as appropriate.

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VANTAGE PRACTICAL NURSING PROGRAM HOLDS PINNING CEREMONY



Congratulations to the Vantage Career Center Adult Education Practical Nursing Program Graduates, Class of 2021.
Front: Marynetta Hairston-Bates (Ft. Wayne), Victoria Sharp (Spencerville), Victoria Mooney (Van Wert). **Middle:** Kecia Pontius (Van Wert), Amy Hartman (Van Wert), Stephanie Folgar (Van Wert). **Back:** Mandy Renner (Middle Point), Sarina Hittle (Van Wert), Toby Boroff (Grover Hill), and Alex Degraw (Ft. Wayne).

Ten graduates of the Vantage Career Center Adult Education Licensed Practical Nursing program were recognized during a Pinning Ceremony held on August 5, 2021. Practical Nursing Instructor Jessica Hoyng welcomed family and friends who attended the ceremony in support of the graduates, while Superintendent Rick Turner commended the students for their hard work and dedication to their skills.

Class speaker and graduate Victoria Mooney also delivered an empowering speech declaring that, "Each one of us

had to push through independently. No one learned the information for us. We each are sitting here because we proved that we're capable of being critical thinkers, problem solvers, empathetic listeners and fantastic nurses."

Special awards were presented by Practical Nursing Instructor Sara Beining to students who achieved high test scores in the following categories: Kecia Pontius, highest score for HESI Exit Exam, highest score for HESI Medical-Surgical Exam and highest score for HESI Fundamentals of Nursing Exam; Victoria

Sharp, highest score for HESI Maternity Exam; Sarina Hittle, highest score for HESI Pediatrics Exam, and Victoria Mooney, highest score for HESI Pharmacology Exam. Two other distinguished awards were given to Sarina Hittle, Nursing Excellence for Outstanding Nurse, Readiness, and Patient Advocacy, and to Stephanie Folgar, Nursing Excellence for Outstanding Determination and Drive. Beining completed the special awards with words of encouragement. "I think we can all agree that this past year was unpredictable, but you all rose to the occasion in a way that nursing professionals are expected to do. I was fortunate enough to be part of both your clinical, and classroom, experiences here at Vantage Career Center, and looking back, I can see the incredible growth of each, and every one of you.

During the pinning ceremony, family members of the graduates were welcomed to present the students with the Practical Nursing graduate pins. The 2021 Licensed Practical Nurse graduating class includes: Toby Boroff (Grover Hill), Alex Degraw (Ft. Wayne), Stephanie Folgar (Van Wert), Marynetta Hairston-Bates (Ft. Wayne),

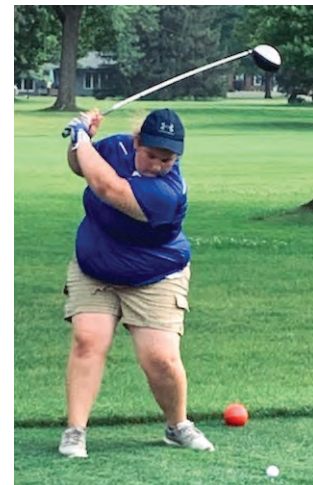
Amy Hartman (Van Wert), Sarina Hittle (Van Wert), Victoria Mooney (Van Wert), Kecia Pontius (Van Wert), Mandy Renner (Middle Point) and Victoria Sharp (Spencerville).

Closing remarks were delivered by Erin Askins, Practical Nursing Instructor.

A special thank you was mentioned of the following hosting clinical facilities of this year's graduating class: Ridgeview Behavioral Health, Van Wert County Health Department, Mercer Health, Mercy Health St. Rita's, Paulding County Hospital, Lincolnview Schools, Crestview Schools, Van Wert Schools, Vancrest Health Care, Van Wert Manor, Van Wert Health and Wee Care Day Care.

Classes will begin for the Class of 2022 on September 7. The Practical Nursing Program consists of 1318 hours completed in 11 months, with clinical and laboratory components. Clinical experiences will take place at local hospitals and long-term care facilities. For more information about the Vantage Adult Education Practical Nursing program, please visit <http://www.vantagecareercenter.com/practicalnurseprog.aspx>.

LADY RAIDERS PLACE TENTH AT WAUSEON INVITE



The Wayne Trace girls golf team took part in the Lincolnview Invitational on Monday at Willow Bend Country Club in Van Wert. Shown is Lady Raider junior Kristin Wannemacher, who finished with a 116 to help the red, white and blue to a fourth place finish as a team.

Calaway Gerken shot a 79 and Halle Frank added an 86 to lead the host Wauseon Lady Indians to the championship of the Wauseon Girls Golf Invitational Tuesday at Ironwood Golf Course.

The host Indians carded a 369 to win the tournament over second place Otsego, which finished with a 378. Hicksville placed third with a 383 while Fairtop was fourth at 398 and Hillview placed fifth with a 417.

Napoleon (419), Lake (432), Woodmore (433), Rossford (456) and Wayne Trace (465) rounded out the top ten teams.

Kenzie Schroeder of Hicksville took tournament medalist honors with a 78 on the day, carding a 41 on the front nine before shooting a 37

on the back nine. Riley Daeger topped Wayne Trace with a 95 and Kristin Wannemacher totaled a 116. Hannah Maenle added a 123 for the Lady Raiders, who also got scores of 131 from Keegan Hohman, 138 from Morgan Riebesehl and a 157 by Ava Dougal.

GOLDEN BEARS WIN DEFIANCE BOYS GOLF INVITE

Eagle Rock Golf Course hosted 16 teams as part of the Defiance Boys Golf Invitational on Monday where the Bryan Golden Bears took home the team title with a round of 328.

The Golden Bears defeated second place Ottawa Glandorf by 15 strokes as the Titans posted a 343 and Napoleon took third with a 345.

Lima Bath finished fourth at 346 with Van Wert (351), Defiance (352), Paulding (363), Fairview (370), Ayersville (370) and Wayne Trace (373) rounding out the top ten teams. Antwerp also took 11th place with a 373.

For Van Wert, Jace Fast and Keaton Foster both recorded an 82 with Sam Houg posting a 92 and Blake Bohyer added a 95. A.J. Profit also had a 113 for the Cougars.

Paulding was paced by Kyle Dominique with a 77. Other Panther scorers included Ethan Foltz (93), Logan Tope (95), Boston Pease (98) and Isaac Reeb (111).

Evan Crosby recorded an 83 to lead the Raiders and Kyle Sutton carded an 84. Nyle Stoller totaled a 99 followed by Tyler Davis (107) and Kaden Clark (134).

Gaige McMichael led the way for the Archers with a 78 and Braylen Moreno added an 86. Ross Lee chipped in a 97 with Ethan Lichty posting a 112.

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Blacksmiths. Women will enjoy the flea market, Trading Post and a large quilt display. Paulding-Putnam Electric will give special demonstrations on Friday at 1:00 and 3:00 pm on "The Danger of Electricity". Children can ride the Barrel Train and play in the sand box or take a tractor driving lesson. On Saturday, a Kiddie Tractor Pull will be held at 2:00 pm and there will be an Exotic Animal Show at 3:00 pm. Parades will be at 4:00 pm on Friday and Saturday. Free hay rides and demonstrations with horses and mules will be on Friday and Saturday. Antique tractor pulls will begin at 5:00 pm on Friday and at 3:00 pm on Saturday weather permitting.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Adam M. Mason, Defiance, OH; Possession of marijuana; Drug paraphernalia, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Driving under suspension/operator license forfeiture, Defendant appeared via video without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay all fines and costs, Forfeiture may be released once paid in full; No tail lights, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine, Forfeiture may be released once paid in full; Theft, Defendant waived the preliminary hearing, Case shall be bound over to the Paulding Common Pleas Court, All bond conditions continue
Benjamin L. Sanchez, Paulding, OH; Possession of

marijuana, Dismissed, 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; OVI/under the influence, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Show insurance by 8/13/21, SCRAM removed 8/12/21, ALS vacated, Pay all fines and costs, Placed on probation, Evaluation at Westwood, Risk assessment, Sign release of info at Westwood; OVI suspension, Count B dismissed; No tail lights, Count C dismissed; Seat belt/drive, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Christopher M. Fries, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gary L. Schmeer, Delphos, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Felipe A. Carreto Delgado, Indianapolis, IN; No operator license; Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond

Andricka N. McIntosh, Indianapolis, IN; No tail lights; Defendant pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 9/30/21

Ezell Jackson, Milledgeville, GA; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nathan A. Dobbelaere, Oakwood, OH; Failure to control; Distracted driving; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Cases waived by defendant

Chad C. Bland, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Mitchell D. Newcomer, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jason Chad Kremer, Latty, OH; Failure to register dog (2 counts); Confinement of dog; Dismissed

Earl J. Adkins Jr., Trinity, AL; Failure to reinstate; Defendant appeared in court without counsel, pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs; Show proof of insurance by 8/13/21; Warrant and warrant block recalled

Quan D. Vong, Indianapolis, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jerry L. Shaffer, Grover Hill, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Alicia D. Childs, Payne, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jennings F. Alderman, Elkhart, IN; Prohibited turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Ahmad B. Moore, San Antonio, TX; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nathan K. Edgell, Fort Wayne, IN; Attempt - pos dr; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; 9 days jail; 9 days credit

Dorin Braga, Niles, IL; Assured clear distance; Defendant pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 9/30/21

Takia S. Litt, Indianapolis, IN; Driving under suspension, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Chapel, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Speed 85/65, Count B dismissed; Distracted driving, Count C dismissed

Terry N. Montrey,

Leominster, MA; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course

Levi D. Noggle, Payne, OH; Failure to reinstate; Case dismissed at defendant's cost; Pay court cost by 8/27/21

Jan Marie Geisler Thomas, Fair Oaks Ranch, TX; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle

Hunter Zent, Fort Wayne, IN; No operator's license; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 9/24/21

Jason George, Hicksville, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs

Wade E. Rice, Delphos, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Benjamin R. Ramirez, Columbus Grove, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY

Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted (7) persons on Thursday, August 12, 2021

John M. Chaffins (5/10/83), Paulding, OH; Illegal conveyance of weapons, drugs or other prohibited items onto the grounds of detention facility, F3; Aggravated possession of methamphetamine, F2; Corrupting another with drugs, F2; Trafficking in methamphetamine, F4

Devin J. Swain (2/20/97), Anderson, IN; Possession of marijuana, F3

Alexander N. Van Dame (5/17/96), Defiance, OH; Possession of LSD, F5

Clay R. Dockery (9/18/99), Paulding, OH; Burglary, F4; Grand theft, F4

Nicollette L. Collins (5/5/90), Paulding, OH; Possession of methamphetamine, F5

Adam M. Mason (3/1/98), Fayette, OH; Grand theft, F4

Charles J. Thompson (6/15/92), Paulding, OH; Aggravated possession of methamphetamine, F2; Possession of drugs, F5; Possession of methamphetamine, F5; OVI, M1

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BROWN TWP
8/11/21 Ankney Paula to Epling James Todd Epling Johnna; Rd 71, 08-20A-004-00, 0.233 acres; 9972 Rd 171 Oakwood Oh 45873, 0.225 Acres

8/9/21 Sherry Greg S to Sherry Terri Et Al; 713 State St, 09-05S-003-00, 0.172 acres; 709 State St, 09-05S-004-00, 0.172 Acres

CRANE TWP
8/10/21 Bennett Richard A Bennett Rebecca S to Freese Joshua M & Freese Angela M; Rd 230, 13-04S-027-01, 4.71 acres; 9518 Rd 230 Cecil Oh 45821, 13-04S-040-00, 1.09 acres

EMERALD TWP
8/9/21 Martinez Secundino Martinez Donna K to Martinez Secundino Martinez Donna K; 14585 Rd 115 Paulding Oh 45879; 16-30A-002-00; 0.39 acres

8/9/21 Cummings Tayler N Et Al to Cummings Tayler N Et Al; Rd 168; 16-33S-014-00; 62.788 acres

JACKSON TWP
8/10/21 Gamble Ashley A to Miller Rolla H Jr & Miller

Lavera J; 726 Tom Tim Dr; 23-46S-001-00; 0.275 acres

FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS

Central Ohio - Wildlife District One

State Wildlife Officer Tony Zerkle, assigned to Fairfield County, was off duty and pumping gas when he observed a truck pulling a trailer that was missing a wheel and dragging on the axle. Officer Zerkle followed the drag marks of the trailer to see how far the driver had gone. After about a mile, he observed smoke in the side ditch. It appeared that metal shavings from the dragging trailer had started grass fires. Officer Zerkle used a canoe paddle to put out one small fire when he noticed more smoke in the distance. He contacted the Fairfield County Sheriff's dispatch and requested they alert the fire department. Officer Zerkle continued to put out two more fires with the paddle and was working on another when a landowner and the fire department arrived to assist. All the fires were contained before property was damaged. The landowner was appreciative of the assistance and recognized the efforts of the officer and fire department with a nice Facebook message thanking them. Officer Zerkle continued along the trail of the truck and discovered the trailer had lost its other wheel and was abandoned nearby. He notified the sheriff's office of its location and a description of the vehicle responsible.

State Wildlife Officer Brian Motsinger, assigned to Union County, was on patrol in Delaware County when he encountered an individual getting ready to go fishing. Although the individual was not yet fishing, Officer Motsinger asked to check his license. The individual did not produce his license and after a database search, Officer Motsinger did not find a record of the individual purchasing one. Because the individual was not yet actively fishing, Officer Motsinger did not issue a ticket but instead directed him to the HuntFish OH app to purchase his license. A short while later, Officer Motsinger was pleased to find the individual had purchased a license. Visit wildohio.gov or download the HuntFish OH app for hunting and fishing license options.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

While on patrol in late July, State Wildlife Officer Matt D. Smith, assigned to Huron County, received a call from Back to the Wild, a wildlife rehabilitation center in Castalia. The caller stated that someone had reported a white pelican with a fishing lure stuck in both of its feet. Officer Smith arrived at the location and found that the bird was unable to fly but could still swim by kicking like a frog. A bystander grabbed his kayak and paddled offshore toward the pelican, while Officer Smith waited onshore with a large fishing net. The kayaker pushed the bird toward the shore and Officer Smith jumped into the water to scoop the bird into the net. The pelican was transported to Back to the Wild, where it was examined for injury and the hook was removed. The pelican will stay at Back to the Wild for a short time to be monitored and regain its

strength before being released into the wild.

In October 2020, State Wildlife Investigator Kevin Good, assigned to the Lake Erie Unit, was on patrol at Catawba Island State Park when he contacted an angler who had been previously ticketed for several wildlife violations. While talking to Investigator Good, the angler admitted that he did not have a valid Ohio fishing license. Investigator Good informed him that he would be receiving a ticket for fishing without a license. When the angler's information was run through dispatch, State Wildlife Officer Reid Van Cleve, assigned to Ottawa County, overheard the radio traffic and contacted Investigator Good to inform him that he had issued the same angler a summons for fishing without a license several months earlier. The angler was issued the second fishing without a license ticket and advised to stop violating wildlife laws. The man was found guilty in Ottawa County Municipal Court for both violations, paid significant fines, and had his fishing license suspended for two years.

Northeast Ohio - Wildlife District Three

State Wildlife Officers Nick Turner and Scott Traver, assigned to Harrison and Stark counties respectively, were patrolling Tappan Lake in Harrison County when they received a complaint about an angler keeping undersized crappie. The minimum length limit for crappie from Tappan Lake is 9 inches. The officers contacted the individual in question and discovered 16 undersized crappie in his bucket. As a result, a summons was issued for the violation and the angler was subsequently sentenced in Harrison County Court. He was ordered to pay \$250 in fines, \$320 in restitution, and the fish were forfeited to the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

Wildlife Officer Craig Porter, assigned to Jefferson County, along with the Jefferson County Drug Task Force and numerous other law enforcement agencies, hosted an annual Cops and Bobbers event for 7th and 8th grade students from Toronto City Schools. The students fished in a privately-owned pond and caught an abundance of largemouth bass and bluegill. The goal of the event is to showcase the outdoors while using fishing as a tool to connect law enforcement officers with the youngsters in their communities. There is also an emphasis on getting kids hooked on fishing rather than drugs and crime. Learn more at copsandkidsfoundation.org.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four

During the spring of 2021, State Wildlife Officer Jerrod Allison, assigned to Coshoc-ton County, was patrolling Woodbury Wildlife Area when he observed a wild turkey hunter exiting the woods. Officer Allison spoke with the hunter and asked to see his license and spring turkey permit. The hunter showed Officer Allison his hunting license but said that he had left his turkey tag at home. Officer Allison checked through his mobile computer to see if the hunter had purchased a spring turkey permit and found that he had not. The hunter then admitted that he bought his hunting license and was not

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Shown here with Firefighter Mike and their mascot fire dog are in back: Alayna White, Mason Gutierrez, Landen White, Braylon Hogans and Skilerr Good. In front are: Isabel Isidoro, Aydenn Good, Damien Selzer, Henry Clark and Jacob Shaffer.

Ann's Bright Beginnings Summer program visited the fire station this summer. Firefighter Michael Schweinsberg showed the kids around the station and allowed us all to

spray the hose - major fun! It's not too late to sign up for fall preschool! Call 419-399-KIDS (5437) for more information.

sure if he was going to turkey hunt this year or not, so he didn't buy a spring turkey permit. The hunter was issued a summons where he paid fines and court cost through Coshocton Municipal Court.

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife District Five

Several state wildlife officers from southwest Ohio, including Gus Kiebel, assigned to Adams County, Ben Smith, assigned to Brown County, Jasmine Grossnickle, assigned to Miami County, and Wildlife Officer Supervisor Eric Lamb attended National Night Out in their local communities. The events were hosted by the Pierce and Miami townships police departments in Clermont County, and the Piqua Police Department in Miami County. The events had food, music, games, and prizes. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police and community partnerships, and neighborhood camaraderie.

State Wildlife Officer Brad Buening was working at Grand Lake St. Marys in Mercer County when he noticed someone using a cast net. Of-

ficer Buening observed the person keeping sport fish as well as forage fish. In Ohio, only forage fish and minnows may be taken with a cast net. Officer Buening inspected the bucket containing the fish and found several crappie, bluegill, and small catfish. The person was summoned into the Celina Municipal Court for the violation and the sport fish were seized.

ANTWERP POLICE REPORT

On July 26 an employee at a local business called and requested that an officer assist with asking a customer to leave. Officer arrived and individual left without incident

On July 27 a suspicious person was reported near Dollar General and the old Country Time Market. Officer responded and located the individual laying on the sidewalk in front of Dollar General. Officer gave him money for a meal and provided transportation to Paulding.

On August 1 a domestic dispute was reported on Canal St. Officer went to location and no violence had occurred.

Officer left without incident. On August 1 a suspicious person was reported downtown taking pictures of businesses. Officer responded and located the individual. It was determined the individual was local and stated he was taking pictures for a book he was writing.

On August 3 a resident requested that an officer keep the peace between himself and his girlfriend while he gathered some items. Officer went and there were no issues.

On August 3 the sheriff department received a 911 hangup from West River St. It was determined the location was the old train depot. Dispatcher explained that she believed she heard the name Tony. It was investigated and determined there was a meeting going on and a person by the name of Tony had accidentally called 911.

On August 5 the coping center from ProMedica contacted police and asked for a welfare check on a resident that was having issues.

On August 6 a resident reported they received a call and the caller stated they were from Amazon and tried to get all sorts of personal information. Call was deemed a scam.

On August 7 a vehicle was reported coming into village from the direction of Hicksville. It was blue/grey Silverado that appeared to be swerving. Officer attempted to locate vehicle but was unable to.

On August 8 a domestic dispute was reported to police from Defiance sheriff. The police returned the call and determined it happened out in the county and referred to the sheriff dept.

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

DELTA VARIANT IS A GAME CHANGER

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recently updated its interim public health recommendations for limiting the spread of COVID-19 in response to the Delta variant, which is driving an increase in cases across the U.S. In its updated guidance, the CDC recommended that everyone, including fully vaccinated people, wear masks in indoor public settings in communities with substantial or high transmission.

Paulding County Health Department is continuing to monitor new cases of COVID-19. After spending much of the summer averaging less than 2 cases per week, Paulding County is currently recording about 10 cases of COVID-19 per week. Our county reached 64.3 cases per 100K people in a 7-day period ending last week, there is substantial transmission Paulding County.

The Delta variant behaves differently than other coronavirus variants. As a result, we have to be prepared to change our strategy for limiting the spread of COVID-19. Delta spreads twice as easily as other variants and is driving case increases across the country. Infections in fully vaccinated people, even with the Delta variant, happen only in a small proportion of peo-

ple. When they do, most of these cases are mild. However, unlike previous variants, preliminary evidence suggests that fully vaccinated people who become infected can spread the virus to others.

In most cases, those who are vaccinated are protected from serious disease and hospitalization, so we continue to urge anyone who can do so to get vaccinated. Getting vaccinated is still the best way to protect yourself against COVID. Adding a mask indoors will help to further protect those in our community who can't yet get the vaccine, including children under 12 and people with health conditions that limit the effectiveness of the vaccine.

The only way we will defeat this pandemic is by working together. By applying the tools we have—getting vaccinated, masking, distancing and limiting indoor gatherings—we can limit the spread of COVID Paulding County. Everyone can play a part. Stay informed for updated information and learning what you can to help protect yourselves and each other from COVID-19.

The mission of the Paulding County Health Department is to prevent disease, promote healthy lifestyles and protect the health of everyone in Paulding County. We welcome all patients, including uninsured or underinsured clients, regardless of their ability to pay, and we accept most third-party insurance. For more information call the health department at (419) 399-3921

APACHES CLAIM LINCOLNVIEW INVITE TITLE

Lorelle Hetrick shot a 92 while Eva Wermer and Andrea Macsary added a 97 each to lead the Fairview Lady Apaches to the championship of the Lincolnview Girls Golf Invitational Monday at Willow Bend Country Club in Van Wert.

The black and gold posted a team total of 413 to win the tournament while Defiance was second at 436 and Celina finished third with a 490. Wayne Trace placed fourth with a 498 and Lincolnview rounded out the top five schools with a 523.

Jamie Reineck shot a 127 to round out the Apache lineup.

Mallory Weaver of Defiance claimed tournament medalist honors with an 82 while teammate Emily Wahl chipped in a 96.

Maddie Fleck shot an 89 to pace Celina and Grace Romer had a 97.

Riley Daeger carded a 107 for Wayne Trace and Kristin Wannemacher chipped in a 116. Keegan Hohman (134), Rylee Miller (141) and Anna Miller (147) completed the Raider lineup.

Lincolnview was led by Zoey Tracy with a 99 followed by Paige Dunn (108), Liz Phillips (123) and Sydney King (153).

Antwerp had three individuals play in the tournament. McCartney Lucas recorded a 98 for the blue and white while Breanna Fulk had a 132 and Bella Litzenberg posted a 146.

The West Bend News
Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

(Continued from Page 5) new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for free or reduced-price benefits if the family income falls at or below the levels shown above.

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(2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov

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VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed **RESOLUTION NO. 2021-08 on August 11, 2021**, entitled, "AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE MATERIAL TERMS OF THE ONE OHIO SUBDIVISION SETTLEMENT PURSUANT TO THE ONE OHIO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THE JULY 21, 2021 NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT." This Resolution authorizes the Mayor to accept the proposed settlement on behalf of the Village in regard to the National Opioid Settlement, pursuant to the terms of the OneOhio Memorandum of Understanding.

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.

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO -PROBATE DIVISION- IN THE MATTER OF:

Jacqueline S. Hyman, Administratrix of the Estate of Carroll Eugene Conley, deceased, Plaintiff V. April L. Hollingsworth, et al., Defendants,

Case No. 20191044. To: Erica L. Emerick LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

Residence is unknown and cannot with reasonable diligence be ascertained, will take notice that on July 31, 2021 Jacqueline S. Hyman, Administratrix as aforesaid filed her Complaint against April L. Hollingsworth and others as Defendants in the Probate Court, Paulding County, Ohio in Case No. 20191044 in that division, demanding the sale of real property of said decedent, Carroll Eugene

Conley, deceased, situated in the Township of Auglaize, County of Paulding, and State of Ohio, and in directions of the Court respecting the rights of the parties in interest and for other proper legal and equitable relief.

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PROBATE COURT PAULDING COUNTY, OH

You are required to answer the Complaint twenty-eight (28) days after the sixth consecutive publication hereof.

You are also required to serve a copy of your Answer upon Plaintiff's Attorney of record, David A. Hyman, Esq., 123 North Main Street, Paulding, Ohio 45879 and upon the other defendants.

Carroll E. Conley
Clerk of Probate Division
Court of Common Pleas of 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. JIMMY R. MCMICHAEL, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 21 068

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

609 West Perry Street, Paulding Parcel Number: 30-06S-064-00

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 Six Thousand Three Hundred Forty-nine and 10/100 (\$6,349.10) 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 10:05 a.m. at the East door of the Courthouse in Paulding, Ohio, on Thursday, the 9th day of September, 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 23rd 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.

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

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DAY IN THE PARK - HUGE SUCCESS



At Saturday's big Event for Paulding County was the Antwerp Day in the Park, there were lots of winners! Giveaways all day long kept people at the fair event that took place in Antwerp's Riverside Park. The day was absolutely beautiful from the time of the Turtle Trot to the parade starting, to the taking down of the tents at the end of the day.

The 50-50 winner was Vern Laukhuf and won \$258. The Cutie Pie Contest winner was Marcus Friend. Over \$760 was raised for the Chamber Scholarship. The Antwerp Rotary Club announced the winner of the kayak at 3 pm. Barry DeLong announced the winner - John Dudley

The Parade float winner was announced as the Genesis House. The Genesis House gets the traveling trophy for the year, accepted by Darci Hopkins.

The Gem of the year was Laurel Hopkins who thanked everyone for their support and stated it was the people in this community who makes things possible.

The West Bend News was told by the food vendors that many had sold out! The cheerleaders' Dunk Tank raised nearly \$500 for the program! Not to mention to see the infamous Drew Altimus be in the tank!

More pictures of the parade and the Day in the Park at westbendnews.net

FLAT ROCK GAS, STEAM, ENGINE AND TRACTOR CLUB MEMBERS

The Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival is moving forward this year! Since we were not able to conduct our business meeting due to COVID restrictions this past Spring, we are sending out a letter to all those we have mailing addresses for with this year's information.

Important Dates to Remember:

September 12th - Work Day at the Fairgrounds starts at 1:00p.m.

September 17th-19th - Flat Rock Creek Fall Festival

September 18th - Tractor Pull starts at 9:00 a.m.

Feature Tractor: Case and Ford

One more item of importance if you would like to get your club registration completed ahead of time, someone will be available on September 12th from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the small building next to the Grandstand.

Same as in years past, you

will need to take care of your camping and/or other registrations when they are available. Flat Rock Gas, Steam, Engine and Tractor Club is not able to assist you with any of these. For further information, please contact flatrockcreekfestival@gmail.com

9TH ANNUAL SHEPHERD'S HOUSE BENEFIT AUGUST 21ST AT VFW POST 857

Veteran Norman Lay and his wife Sharon started fundraising for Shepherd's House in 2011. Covid 19 prevented last year's event but this year the fund raising continues. On Saturday August 21st VFW Post 857 located at 2202 W Main Street, Fort Wayne, (on the hill) will host the 9th annual benefit for this worthy cause.

The event will run from Noon until 7pm. There will be fun, food and music. "Fierce Invalids" will perform from 1-3pm and "The Bad Hombres" will entertain from 4-6pm. There will be raffles all day long with 100% of the pro-

ceeds benefitting Shepherd's House. Chef Kenny will be cooking up "American Wieners" with a snap, all day with a portion of food proceeds going to Shepherd's House also.

All Veterans and the general public are invited to attend this special fund raising event. For more information or to be a sponsor of the event please contact Sharon Lay at 260-341-7012.

NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY NOTES

By: **Caroline Longardner**
Indian Treaties and Land Cessions (Part 3)

Some Indian treaties were merely agreements of amity and friendship, but these were usually followed by other of land cession. Clauses providing for removal usually occur in the treaties of cession. That the government was concerned over the problem of the half-breed is evidenced by many treaty references. Gifts to individual Indians were often provided. Particular chiefs were frequently rewarded for influencing tribal acceptance of an unpopular agreement. those of the Pottawatomie.

The MIAMI Treaty of 1826 provided land for the Wabash-Erie Canal at tribal expense. A strip of land across Indiana for the Michigan Road was relinquished by the tribe according to the terms of the POTTAWATTOMIE Treaty of 1818. Indian tribal claims to the same area often overlapped and sometimes necessitated treating with two or three tribes for the same area. The Treaty with the MIAMI in 1826 signed at the mouth of the Mississinewa River, is an example, for Miami claims overlapped those of the Pottawatomie. The story of Frances Slocum is famous for her allegiance to the Miami Indians even after being kidnapped as a child. "By Act of Congress, Ma-con-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 revert to her heirs forever. She died March 9, 1847 and was given 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,"

Some treaties are concerned with secondary cessions. Tribes removed west to lands ceded them by the government, and new treaties with new removals followed; these were know as secondary cessions. The MIAMI tribe removed from Indiana to a 500,000 acre tract in Kansas. Later they were induced to relinquish all but 70,000 acres of this domain; part of this residue was later ceded for railroad purposes.

Historically, it is well known that there were diplomatic problems in making Indian treaties. Many Indian chiefs were able diplomats and were often well-aware that the language of the treaty effectively concealed the confiscation of their lands. Intimidation was sometimes used to overcome the tribal unwillingness to accept a treaty.

Some army officers and Indian agents often displayed unusual zeal in extinguishing land titles. Two of these were: Indianian Edwards in Illinois, and Gen. William Henry Harrison in Indiana.

Corruption and fraud were frequently present in the treaty negotiations. Calhoun, almost without a blemish in his public life effectively concealed the confiscation of their lands.

Tribal unwillingness to accept a treaty was sometimes overcome by intimidation. Jackson himself said that corruption of Indian chiefs was a "sine qua non" to successful negotiation. President Van Buren, in the fact of indubitable proof of a fraudulent treaty, ratified it. The American Fur Company secured senatorial consent to a treaty favorable to its own interest through Sen. Benton, a giant of his day.

Some of the early treaties are blots on American History. Many of them are! The Treaty with the SEMINOLES in 1823 was filled with bribery and brought great misery to 4,000 Indians. Excessive use of liquor depraved and demoralized the Indian, sometimes he was so inebriated that he was not responsible for the treaty obligations he assumed. On one occasion Gen. Harrison found it necessary to take a firm stand against the use of liquor at the treaty council. TOPENEBEE, the last great chief of the POTTAWATTOMIE, told Gen. Cass that he and his people no longer cared about their land but only wanted whiskey. Occasionally Indian tribes attempted to repudiate treaties; failure to understand the provisions justified repudiation in their eyes.

One successful technique of overcoming tribal opposition to a treaty followed a pattern: (1) incite dissension between factions, (2) recognize one for the purpose of accepting the treaty, and (3) hold the entire tribe bound by the treaty. PUCKSHENUBBE, a CREEK chief, was soundly beaten by his tribe for his subservience to Gen. Jackson, long after the treaty was concluded. Exchange of gifts between tribes were a long-established Indian custom. The practice was adopted by European nations and the U.S. as an integral part of treaty negotiations. Keen rivalry among the European nations brought costly and showy gifts to the Indians and more and more gifts of the white men greatly exceeded those of the Indians. After a while, the gifts became "bribes" to chiefs and leaders of tribes for whatever particular advantages that were gained, such as preservation of peace, or indemnity for loss of game, etc. These early gifts were the basis for the annuities granted later in some cases.

The "quid pro quo" for the Indians was sometimes more abstract than tangible. The CHEROKEE Treaty of 1819 cites the preservation of the tribe as the reason for cession of tribal lands. The CHICKASAW Treaty of 1805 states that lands were being ceded for funds enabling the tribe to liquidate debts to traders. The Florida Treaty is 1823 provided for cession of ancestral lands, except each part of these lands as should be allotted to the tribes by the United States. The objective of the cession of the Pottawattomies in 1827 was, so the treaty preamble states, to enable the tribe to move as far away as possible from white men. In the CHICKASAW Treaty of 1832, past calamities and the gloomy outlook for the future are cited as reasons for tribal cessions.

The satisfaction derived by the POTTAWATTOMIE tribe to making a gift to the palefaces accounted for the cession of the Michigan Road land in 1826. The Shawnee Treaty of 1825 indemnified the Tribe for losses of hunting grounds occupied by homesteading white settlers. One the other hand, the Creek Treaty of 1814 ceded the Creek territories as a "quid pro quo" for the cost and inconvenience to the US government in conquering the tribe. By the CHEROKEE Treaty made at

PAULDING COUNTY BUSINESS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETS



PAULDING, OH - The Paulding County Business Advisory Council meeting was held at the OSU Extension Building in Paulding this week. Over 30 business owners and administrative leaders from around the county joined with administrators from all three county school systems. The main topic of discussion was workforce development.

Attendees heard presentations about the tools and options they currently have available to help ease the workforce development issues we are all facing. Economic Development Director Tim Copsy stated, "At one time our businesses all felt they needed to keep all hiring information within their walls. No one shared hiring practices or workforce needs outside their own entities. Today all of our employers are facing the similar hiring pains. We need to collectively share ideas of what is working and what isn't working for the betterment of the entire county." Copsy continued, "We need our employers to share what their critical workforce needs are. If we have a collective thought of repetitive needs around the county, Vantage and NW State can create the teaching instruction modules required to train those individuals for upskilling current workers or future employment. We don't know what need is if employers don't share that with us."

Presenters included: Superintendent Rick Turner from Vantage Vocational Career Center; Jim Drewes from Northwest State Community College; Tiffany Dargenson

with Paulding/Defiance County Ohio Means Jobs office; Lu Cooke, the NW Ohio Liaison for Governor Jon Husted office; and Tim Copsy.

Each entity conveyed what they can provide to help employers. Thoughts were then shared about how to promote economic and workforce development beyond high school students down into the junior high and elementary school levels. The hope is that the more students know about their county employment opportunities, the more they are likely to stay in the county when they choose employment.

The Paulding County Business Advisory Council Developed out of what was originally the Paulding County Human Resource Manager Roundtable and the Western Buckeye Educational Service Center and Paulding County Schools meetings. The two groups were combined to possibly share expectations and communication in regard to what schools currently offer and what businesses hope they can receive in future workforce. The group attempts to meet quarterly throughout the year. The fourth quarter meeting will be scheduled soon.

Eighteen business from all over Paulding County joined in the event making this the largest turnout to date. For more information about how to get involved with the Business Advisory Council or to hear about any of the information shared please reach out to the PCED office 419-399-8295.

Doak's Stand, the tribe was ceded lands in Arkansas in return for tribal lands, but when the CHEROKEES attempted to possess their new holdings, citizens of Arkansas had already occupied these lands. Usually a tribe was permitted to hunt in adjacent and ceded land while unoccupied by white men.

For a half century the idea of Indian removal became a mania with some politicians and military diplomats. In the Northwest, the evacuation of Indian land by Gen. Harrison was unprecedented. Within 7 years he

had negotiated 8 Indian treaties, which brought 29 million acres of land (mostly in Indiana) under white control.

The removal of the Indian tribes was seldom accomplished without great misery and hardship. When the POTTAWATTOMIES of northern Indiana were removed to Kansas the rigors of the sad journey was unusually severe. More than 115 died on the trail, with the mortality particularly heavy on the aged and children.

Continued next week.

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REP. JIM BANKS INTRODUCES COUNTERING COMMUNIST CHINA ACT

Congressman Jim Banks (IN-03) introduced the Countering Communist China Act, the most serious and comprehensive effort to combat the China threat introduced this Congress. The bill is nearly 300 pages long and you can read it here.

Rep. Banks is introducing the bill as a counterproposal to Sen. Schumer's expensive and ineffectual Endless Frontier Act, which House conservatives have been critical of since its introduction and as it took various forms since.

Congressman Jim Banks said: "Democrats' China spending bills fall short, so that's why House conservatives are introducing our own China bill as a benchmark for how Congress should address the China threat. Their bill places a burden on taxpayers and lets China off easy, but our bill protects taxpayers and holds the Chinese Communist Party accountable."

Chairman of the Republican Study Committee's National Security and Foreign Affairs Task Force Joe Wilson said: "The United States can no longer stand for China's malign influence, human rights abuses, and dishonest behavior. As Chairman of the Republican Study Committee National Security and Foreign Affairs Task Force, I'm grateful to work with RSC Chairman Jim Banks on the toughest China legislation in years. Enough is enough, China must be held responsible for their actions."

Among other things, the Countering Communist

China Act:

- Bans the United Front Work Department—China's political ops arm—from accessing U.S. financial institutions

- Prohibits American companies that get federal subsidies to go and expand their business in China affiliate with businesses with ties to the Chinese military
- Prohibits universities getting grant money from the National Science Foundation to work with entities with ties to the CCP

- Establishes new sanctions on Chinese companies that steal US intellectual property, including prohibiting them from transacting again with a US person

- Requires a determination into whether China's negligence and coverup of the COVID-19 virus would meet the criteria of negligently using a biological weapon

- Creates new Select Committee inside Congress to investigate the COVID-19 coverup

- Spends just \$1 billion as compared to the \$250 billion Senate bill

SPECIAL MEETING COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP 8/11/21

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

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, and Administrator Brian Davis. Visitors: none

- Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to excuse Dean Rister from the August special council meeting. 4 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

Fiscal officer's report
Emergency reading of resolution no. 2021-08: an emergency resolution to accept the material terms of the One Ohio Subdivision Settlement pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021 National Opioid Settlement Agreement

- Motion made by West, seconded by

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Rohrs, to suspend the rules regarding resolution no. 2021-08. 4 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

- Motion made by West, seconded by Reinhart, to accept resolution no. 2021-08. 4 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved.

- Motion made by Rudie Reeb, seconded by Reinhart, to adjourn the meeting. 4 years, 0 days. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:01 a.m.

VANTAGE AUGUST BOARD MEETING HELD

The Vantage Board of Education held the August Board meeting on Thursday, August 5, 2021 in the

District Board Room. After the traditional opening of the meeting by the Board President, Superintendent Rick Turner welcomed guests from the media along with Mr. Andy Drerup of Kenn-Feld Group who was presented with a certificate in honor of Kenn-Feld's contributions to Vantage and the community on behalf of the Ohio School Board Association Honor Roll. Ms. Kelly Sutton of Van Wert Family Physicians was unable to attend the meeting.

During the treasurer's portion of the board meeting, minutes from the June 24, 2021 regular Board meeting were approved along with financial statements for the month of June, 2021. The Board also reviewed graphs from Fiscal Year 2021.

Superintendent Rick Turner began his update to the board thanking the Vantage Teachers Organization for working with the board to complete the contract negotiations. He continued on praising the staff at Vantage. Mr. Turner also discussed a new event called "Build Your Future" that Vantage is collaborating on with the Van Wert Economic Development office and several local contractors. Students in grades 9-10 will gain experiences in carpentry, construction equipment, electricity, welding and HVAC. There was also discussion about the beginning of the school year in regards to goals that each department has set along with COVID procedures that will be followed.

Vantage High School Director Mike Knott began by thanking the various office staff members, supervisors, and technology department for their work in preparing for the upcoming school year. Information has been mailed to students and staff providing information for the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year. Vantage will continue to use the StopIT app this year, which is a free reporting process through our insurance provider.

Adult Education Director Angie Fahy was unable to attend the meeting; her report was provided by Mr. Turner. Mrs. Fahy has been touring and meeting with other Adult Education directors around the state to gain an understanding of their programs. She will also be joining an OTC New Directors cohort beginning mid-August. Much of Mrs. Fahy's time is being spent gathering information on the Vantage programs and financials, along with meeting with staff to create departmental and personal goals for the 2021-2022 school year.

In new business, the Board:
Employed the following list, as Adult Education Instructors, as needed, as scheduled, for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year: Erin Askins, Health Occupations (MA); Nicolette Dugger, Health Occupations (PNP)

Employed the following list of employees for the 2021-2022 school year, as needed, as scheduled: Casey McConahay, English/Language Arts Instructor; Zachary Weber, Maintenance

Approved the following Supplemental Contracts: Katie Drerup, Lead Teacher; Jerry Robinson, Carpentry House

Employed the following list, as Adult Education Instructors, for the 2021-2022 school year: Brenda Adams, Health Occupations (PNP); Brock Blackmore, Public Safety (Police); John Cannon, Public Safety (Fire Fighting, EMS); David Cummings, Public Safety (Fire Fighting); Nicolette Dugger, Health Occupations (PNP); Mark Figert, Public Safety (Police); Jeanne Elise Hoaglin, Health Occupations (PNP, MA); Samantha Joseph, Health Occupations (PNP, MA); Ashley Kindle, Health Occupa-

tions (STNA); Craig King, (Public Safety, Fire Fighting)

Passed a resolution to approve the list of Ohio Teacher Evaluation System (OTES) certified evaluators, effective July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2023.

Mike Knott, High School Director Ted Verhoff, CTE Supervisor Paula Vantilburg, CTE Supervisor

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Ryan Parrish, Van Wert Satellite Administrator

Robert Priest, Van Wert Satellite Administrator

Appointed Lonnie Nedderman as the 2021 OSBA Vantage Career Center Capital Conference

Delegate and Pat Baumle as the Alternate OSBA Vantage Career Center Capital Conference

Delegate to be held November 7-9, 2021.

Reviewed and approved Neola policy 2413- Career Advising per ODE required guidelines (no changes).

Approved the Vantage Career Center substitute list of certified/non-certified employees and subsequent revisions for high school and adult education operations for the 2021-2022 school year.

Approved the Western Buckeye ESC substitute list and subsequent revisions for the 2021-2022 school year.

Approved the Vantage Career Center bus & van drivers list for the 2021-2022 school year pending recertification requirements.

Approved the Adult Education Catalog and Student handbook for the 2021-2022 school year.

Passed a resolution to waive the 45-day notice and approve the Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) agreement in lieu of taxes from Cheryl Streicher of 102 West Forrest Street, PO Box 5,

Continental, Ohio 45831 100% abatement on improvement only for 5 years.

Passed a resolution to accept the purchase contract for the sale of the property at 148 Kepler Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891 (parcel number 12-021932.0000).

End of Superintendent's Consent Agenda Items

Outside of Consent Agenda Items

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eral disbursements over a period of years – which is often a good move, since young adults aren't always the best at managing large lump sums.

If you're like many people, you have a strong desire to leave something behind. But you'll want to do it in the right way. So, pay close attention to your beneficiary designations – when you first create them and throughout your life.

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Edward Jones, Member SIPC.

June 30, 2023.

Tonya Temple, Student Services Supervisor

Approved Wendy Baumle as a van driver for the 2021-2022 school year pending recertification requirements.

Approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the Vantage Teachers Organization and the Vantage Career Center Board of Education.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(4), the Superintendent hereby requests that the Board adjourn to executive session to review negotiations sessions with employees concerning compensation and other terms and conditions of employment.

Approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Vantage Teachers Organization, AFT, Local #4321 and the Vantage Career Center Board of Education effective July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

Approved salary schedules: Positions include:

Cafeteria Personnel Custodial/Maintenance/Warehouse Teacher Secretary EMIS/Asst. Treasurer/Superintendent Secretary Supervisor Media Center Community Relations Coordinator In-school Suspension Coordinator Preschool Head Teacher

Approved salary schedules: Positions include:

Computer Technician Approved the reduction in days of the 10-month High School Secretary contract from 209 days to 203 days per non-certified committee request.

Approved salaries of individuals not on salary schedules to be increased per the equivalent of the Vantage Teacher Organization negotiated agreement: FY22 -3%, FY23 -2.5%, FY24 -2%

Position include: Technology Coordinator Cafeteria Manager High School Director

Approved salaries of individuals not on salary schedules to be increased per the equivalent of the Vantage Teacher Organization negotiated agreement: FY23 -2.5%, FY24 -2%

Position include: Maintenance/Custodial Supervisor

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(4), the Superintendent hereby requests that the Board adjourn to executive session for the purpose of considering matters required to be kept confidential by federal law or regulations or state statutes.

No Board action was taken

Adjournment - at the call of the President and at the pleasure of the Vantage Career Center Board of Education

Next meeting - Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. In District Conference Room

Sudoku solution from page 9

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

ANTWERP GIRLS GOLF 8/11/2021

The lady archers traveled to Delphos Country Club to play with Delphos Jefferson and Edgerton. Once arriving, plans had changed on the fly. St. Johns and Versailles joined in the action. Scoring for the archers was lead by McCartney Lucas with a 44. Lucas tied for second on the day. Following was Melanie Mills with a 57. Rounding out the scoring for the archers was Breanna Fulk with a 58. The ladies will compete Saturday, August 14 at Eagle Rock to play in the Defiance Elks Girls Golf Invite.

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Heat Treat Operator-(Located in Pioneer, Ohio) Starting wage is \$19.10 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$ 25.46 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is (Friday-Sunday 6am-6pm). This person will be responsible for loading and maintaining loads of product and for filling out required paperwork. This person may also perform job responsibilities of staging, loading, and moving materials for a continuous operation. This position requires continuous bending/twisting at the waist, continual lifting, standing up to 8-12 hours a day.

Maintenance Position-(Located in Pioneer, Ohio) Starting wage is \$32.00 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$ 41.41 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am. This position requires 2 years of technical training plus 2 years of related work experience or equivalent. The desired applicant should have the following qualifications in mechanical: The ability to use machine tools (drills, grinders, and welders), perform work on motors, belts, and chains, the ability to trouble shoot situations, occasionally make replacement parts. The applicant should also have the following qualifications in electrical: The ability to replace fuses and set circuits breakers on high and low-tension circuits, diagnose electrical trouble, read blueprints, pneumatics and electrical schematics. The applicant must also be able to work from simple wiring diagrams. The hourly rate is dependent on experience and qualifications. Applicant MUST be willing to attend additional schooling, paid for by the Company, but is considered a requirement for the position.

Packaging/ Packaging Machine Operators – Starting wage is \$14.50-\$15.50 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$19.43 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. We have openings on second shift (Monday -Thursday 4pm-2am) and our weekend shift (Friday- Sunday 6am-6pm), within our packaging department. General labor jobs packing product into smaller size quantities. Environment calls for high level of teamwork, standing all day for 10-12 hours, multitasking skills, visual inspection of parts, reading a tape measure, good attitude, and good attendance.

Applications can be filled out at altenlohbrinck.appone.com



GROWTH THROUGH HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

A city's motto can tell a lot about the area. For Defiance, it's motto -- a great place to live -- rings true, so true in fact, it has caused a bit of a challenge. "I've had multiple people say



they chose to move to Defiance from one place or even another state, and they are not looking back," said Mayor Mike McCann. "They like it (here) very much."

He said it's easy to see why so many people want to live in the city. "We've worked hard to improve quality of life, have a really low crime rate, good school systems (with Defiance City, Ayersville and Tinora) and more. ... I don't know anyone who wouldn't want to live here."

With so many people wanting to live in the city, it has

caused a housing shortage. "There's a house that goes up here and there," McCann said. "As far as a new subdivision, we're struggling to find land close to the city for sale. We have residential developers wanting to build (here) but need land."

McCann said officials have sat down with developers and driven all around the city and even left its boundaries to find a suitable area for a new housing development. "We have to be careful when we view property (outside the city)," the mayor said. While city officials are willing to work with other municipalities, it has to be economical to get the infrastructure in place for potentially new subdivision sites.

The city is working to address the housing issue. Housing is so important that it has its own pillar/committee under Defiance's strategic plan. Erika Willitzer, executive director of the Defiance County Economic Development Office, said housing is imperative for any community and that Defiance is right to be addressing the issue so fully. "The communities who have a well thought out housing strategy for the future

will win the workforce," Willitzer said. "That strategy has to include building relationships with landowners to a point where they have an open mind. We need to communicate what a pivotal role they can play in growth for Defiance."

Liz Keel, housing coordinator for the Maumee Valley Planning Organization and leader of the housing pillar of the Defiance Strategic Planning Committee, said many people are working to address the housing issue. Keel said that realtors, bankers, developers, organizational leaders and others on the housing committee. "We're always talking about the community as a whole and how housing fits in," she said. "We're one of many groups that collaborate to improve our city. We want people to live here and are trying to fill the gaps (that prevent that from happening)."

Willitzer praised the mayor and housing committee for their work. "Their biggest hurdle is getting willing landowners who want to sell," she said. "We have developers willing, but we can't access the land to develop. That's a concern, and it's a mindset change that needs to happen, if we want to get our workforce eco-system in balance."

Keel echoed her statement. "Developers want to come in and need to have enough land to build," Keel said. She pointed out there are a lot of costs associated with that including ensuring the infrastructure is in place for such endeavors. Keel said another of the biggest challenges to housing in Defiance is affordability, particularly for those in the lower- to moderate-income brackets. However, finding housing can be difficult across all income levels. "It's frustrating," Keel said.

McCann said a housing ana-

lyst done by Premier Bank and Keller Logistics several years ago, found there was a need for more housing across the board. "There is a demand for everything," he said.

Realtor Karol Yeager sits on the housing committee. During a recent meeting, she presented statistics pinpointing that there were only 28 homes listed in the city for sale. "It's an extremely low number," Yeager said. "We're in a very low inventory market. It (the number of homes for sale) can change by the hour. Because of the market, there is competition. If they (potential buyers) put in an offer, there may be two or three others." Yeager said she is happy to be part of the housing committee because it helps her "know information about the community I live in and help people move (in) to."

There are several projects being discussed to help with the housing issue, while officials seek out more land for potential subdivisions.

Among those projects are the 1918 school building downtown. There is talk to develop that into a boutique hotel or a senior housing facility. City officials are working with potential investors on that project.

McCann said there is some land on Perry Street south of the city hall that is being looked at as well for a possible multi-family site. While those projects will help ease some of the housing shortage, work will continue to establish a new subdivision in the city limits.

The mayor said ideally, in five years he would like to see a housing development with 50-100 new affordable homes and curbed streets in the city. "The only way we can grow the town is to have more housing opportunities," McCann

ARCHBOLD EQUIPMENT CUSTOMER APPRECIATION LUNCH



On Tuesday, August 10th Redline Equipment in Sherwood, OH hosted a customer appreciation lunch. The Fairview FFA Chapter was asked to create a display for

the event. Kaitlyn, Carrie and Brady Zeedyk created and displayed a poster that demonstrated the changes in FFA throughout the years.

VAX-IN-CENT-IVES

The Paulding County Health Department is offering \$100 VISA Reward Cards to persons 12 and older for getting their COVID-19 vaccine at the Paulding County Health Department. Each vaccination recipient can receive a \$100 VISA Reward Card for receiving their first dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine, or the single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at the health department. No vaccinated recipient can receive more than a total of \$100 Funding is limited and provided from the Ohio Department of Health COVID-19 Response Supplemental Grant.

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