

OBITUARIES



Bakle; father-in-law, Vestel "Skip" Schlegel; a sister-in-law, Doris Bakle and a brother-in-law, John Romoser.

Glenn was an over the road truck driver for over 40 years and was a former Teamster member. He was a proud supporter of his children and lead instigator of trouble for his grandchildren.

Funeral service was at 10:00 a.m., Friday, October 29, 2021 at Free Christian Church, Continental with Pastor Jimmy Fry officiating. Burial followed in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Paulding. Visitation was 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday as well as one hour prior to the service Friday at Free Christian Church, Continental.

Memorial donations are suggested to LifeWise Paulding Exempted. (Payable to - LifeWise Academy PO Box 226 Paulding, OH 45879 or www.lifewiseacademy.org/pauldingoh)

Condolences may be expressed at www.heimmeyerfuneralhome.com



CECIL, OH:

Delores I. Hart, age 92, passed away Thursday, October 7, 2021 at Community Health Professionals Hospice, Defiance, OH.

Delores was born September 2, 1929 in Walcott, North Dakota to the late Donard and Inez (Mattson) Thue. On September 4, 1949, she married Elva "E.J." Hart, who preceded her in death in 1993. Delores spent her life working on the family farm and providing a loving home for her family. She was a devoted member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Paulding, where she was a part of the church choir, Rachel Circle, and taught Sunday School for many years. Delores was also a member of the Crane Township Farm Women's Club and a 4-H Advisor for the Cecil Farmettes, she served on the Paulding County Board of

GRACE AND PEACE...



To you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

—2 Thessalonians 1:2

Elections, and the Paulding County Hospital Auxiliary as a "Gray Lady". Delores also enjoyed making quilts for the needy with her friends at St. Paul's.

Delores is survived by her five daughters: Cheryl (Marvin) Hall, Columbus, OH; Carol (Tony) Wannemacher, Payne, OH; Shelia (Michael) Hicks, Antwerp, OH; Tonya (Tim) Feathers, Powell, WY; and Betsy (David) Layfield, O'Fallon, IL. She is also survived by 21 grandchildren: Anita (Sean) MacGregor, Jesse (Lisa) Hefner, Shaun Collins, Maria Roddy, Louis Wannemacher, Natalie (Ryan) Kropuenske, Ross (Lucy) Webb, Michael Hicks, Jr., Bryson Hicks, Samuel (Carissa) Feathers, Patrick (Kimberly) Feathers, Seth (Ashley) Feathers, Emily (Joshua) Smith, Grace (Dylan) Bywater, Claire Feathers, Benjamin (Elizabeth) Feathers, Katherine Feathers, Jonathan Feathers, Nathan (Billie) Layfield, Rachel Layfield, and Meredith Layfield; as well as 41 great grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild.

Delores was also preceded in death by three brothers: Harold, Parnell, and Don Thue; granddaughter, Sarah Feathers and two great granddaughters.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, November 6, 2021 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Paulding, OH with Pastor Clyde Singh officiating. Burial will be at Rochester Cemetery, Crane Township.

Visitation will be 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. on Friday, November 5, 2021 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M. until time of services on Saturday at church.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 156, Paulding, OH 45879 or Cecil Presbyterian Church, 11949 Road 200, Cecil, OH 45821.

PAYNE, OH
Janet Lyons, 71, of Payne passed away Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at Paulding County Hospital. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 Sr 500 Payne, Ohio.

ANTWERP, OH
Martha Johnson, 91, of Antwerp, passed away Friday, October 29, 2021 at SKLD nursing home in Defiance. Arr. by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
In the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13) it says, "Hallowed be thy name." Is

that a praise statement or a petition request?

Many use it as a praise statement but in essence it is a petition. "Hallowed be" indicates the use of a verb, or something that is to be.

It is true that God's name is already hallowed (holy, sanctified and revered) but God here wants and deserves it be even more so by everyone on earth. I know as an earth-bound child of God I want to hallow His name more often and more perfectly.

Notice how this request blends in with the next one: "Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." God's will is always done in heaven and His name is always perfectly hallowed in heaven but not on earth. At the beginning of this prayer Jesus said, "After this manner pray ye (request ye)." There are seven petitions in prayer. "Hallowed be thy name" is the first.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

THE WORTH OF A SONG

By: Doris Applegate

Today, we can be encouraged as we lift our hearts in thanksgiving and praise to God in Heaven, knowing that "He dwells in the praises of His people" (Psalm 22:3). As we glorify the Lord and magnify His name, our praises go up to Him and God's presence comes down around us. We do not have to be in a church service to enjoy this presence of God. Just by yourself, start singing and praising to the Lord with a heart of thankfulness and you will feel the wonderful Holy Spirit with you. What a great way to overcome the "dreary" and the "blues". We can't be sad and glad at the same time.

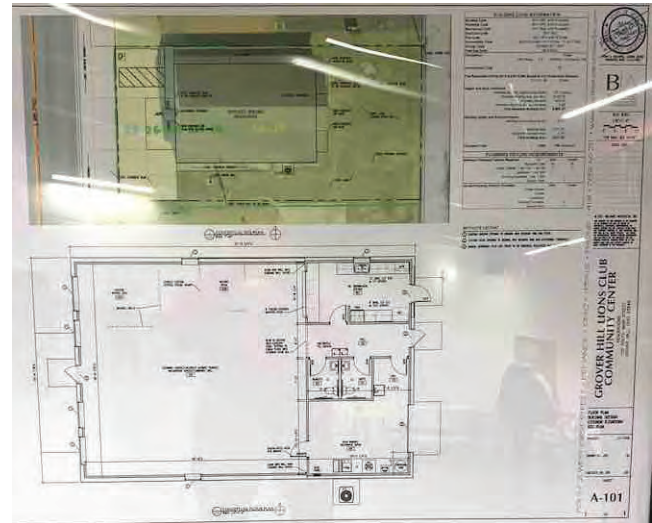
In Psalms we are told to "praise God for His mighty acts and praise Him for His excellent greatness." "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord" This pleases God and praise brings us joy. One of my favorite praise songs is: "Praise Him, praise Him, Jesus our blessed redeemer, sing, O earth, His wonderful love proclaim. Hail Him! Hail Him! Highest arch-angels in glory, strength and honor, give to His Holy name. Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard His children, in His arms He car-

Scripture of the Week

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people,

— Ephesians 5:19-20

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ter. Christina Deer, without her help and forward thinking, this project would not have happened. Lisa McClure is always ready to help with new projects for this village and its surrounding community through the Paulding

County Area Foundation. Reggie Hinchcliff and all the members of the Grover Hill Lions Club has extended its vast generosity by using their Lions Club building for its future use as a Community Center.

ries them all day long. Praise Him, praise Him, tell of His excellent greatness; Praise Him, praise Him, ever in joyful song!" Just reading these words can lift your spirit and encourage you! Some people don't sing because they think their voice is like a "train off track" but all God wants is a "joyful noise" from us. We can all do that.

When we sing and praise, the joy comes forth in us and "the joy of the Lord is our strength". (Nehemiah 8:10). Start humming a tune if you want to get started, this is like "priming the pump" and before long you will be drawing water "out of the wells of salvation". In Habakkuk 3:17 and 18 we see that even if times were dire and hopeless, he would rejoice in the Lord and find joy in the God of His salvation.

What an example for us since we also live in uncertain times and "never know what a day will bring forth". A verse: O, sing unto to the Lord a new

song, for He has done marvelous things. His right hand and His Holy arm will always bring the victory.

Amen

NORTHEASTERN DAR MEMBERS VISIT FORT WAYNE FOR MEETING

Mary Penrose Wayne Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution hosted the DAR Northeastern District Meeting, Thursday August 5, at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 2417 Getz Road.

The Mary Penrose Wayne Chapter was pleased to welcome to Fort Wayne over one hundred DAR members from Northeastern Indiana Communities.

Diann Sedam Northern District Director, introduced Indiana State Regent Cherie Bonebright Baxter who reported on the 130th Continental Congress held virtually June 30 - July 4 in DAR

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In Memory of
JESSICA THORNELL

With sincere gratitude, the family would like to thank everyone for the prayers, love and support that have been shown during this difficult time. Jessica will be remembered in our hearts forever.

—Gary, Amy and Eric Thornell

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NOVEMBER 7 - Monthly IDPA MATCH - Registration opens at noon. Match begins at 1pm. This event is open to the public.

NOVEMBER 11 - Monthly meeting at 7pm

NOVEMBER 14 - Monthly Trap Shoot. Shoot begins at 1pm. This event is open to the public.

NOVEMBER 20 - NRL22 MATCH- Registration and sight in starts at 8am. Match begins at 9am. This event is open to the public.

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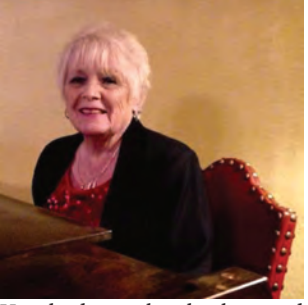


TRYING THE MYSTERY MEAT

Penny For Your Thought

By: Nancy Whitaker

One certain meat product I had forgotten about was good old canned Spam. I posed the question on social media about Spam and I was surprised how much people like it. Spam always came in a square-like can with a key.



You had to take the key and hook it onto a strip of metal and go clear around the can to get it open. Many times I broke the key and had to resort to a screwdriver.

Exactly what is Spam and what is in it? It used to be one of the cheaper meat products, and I have not bought it for a long time, but I am sure the price has went up. The Hormel Company makes Spam and unlike a hot dog, which contain separated animal parts, Spam is made from pork shoulder, ham, salt, water, sugar, starch and sodium.

Since it does not spoil easily and does not require refrigeration, Spam was the ideal food for soldiers fighting in World War II. During the war, the United States shipped more than 100 million pounds of the meat to its allies in Europe. Former Russian president Nikita Krushchev once said that Spam saved his country's army.

The Hormel plant in Austin, Minnesota produces Spam for the company. It is also the home of the Spam museum. The museum is one of the top tourist attractions in the state and features interac-

tive exhibits dedicated to the history and use of the canned meat product. I think it would be fun to go visit the SPAM Museum and observe some of their history.

State and regional fairs across the United States have annual SPAM recipe contests. Personally I have never saw a SPAM recipe contest at any fairs around here, but I think it would be a great idea. Some of the contests introduced to the world such delicacies as SPAM Mousse, SPAM Cheesecake, and SPAM stew

SPAM is also popular in the Philippines where the restaurant SPAMJAM opened in 2004. The menu features SPAM-based delicacies like SPAM burgers, SPAM spaghetti, and SPAM nuggets.

Not only do these places consume more SPAM per person than anywhere else in the United States, but also fast food chains Burger King and McDonalds offer SPAM sandwiches on their menus.

Hormel once offered Monty Python free cans of SPAM. One of the signature scenes in the movie depicted a lady trying to order something SPAM free in a restaurant. This caught the attention of Hormel and SPAM sandwiches were enjoyed by the actors.

Each year Hormel sponsors a SPAM recipe contest. The focus is on taste, creativity, presentation and using 10 ingredients or less. In 2014, contestants were asked to submit an appetizer using SPAM.

In my social media quest to find out who recalls SPAM and how they like to eat it answers were somewhat different. A lot of people liked to eat it right out of the can sliced and on a sandwich with onion, while others rolled theirs in flour and fried it. I did not find too many that didn't like it. One guy noted he used to take SPAM sandwiches to school ever day in his lunch.

I remember when I was young and first married. I took a can of SPAM, put carrots and potatoes around it and cooked it like a roast.

I have also made ground up SPAM sandwiches with Velveeta cheese. I remember adding Ketsup to the mixture, putting it on buns, wrapping in foil and putting in the oven. This was one of the special foods we used to serve at Bunco years ago.

With gas prices going up it has been suggested that food prices are going to continue to rise. I have recently observed plain old hamburger priced at over \$6.00 a pound. Who knows maybe we will be bringing things like SPAM back to our supper tables. You know, I think I am going to go buy me a can of SPAM and see what I can come up with. Maybe it will be so good I will win the recipe contest and win SPAM for the rest of my life.

Do you like SPAM? How many ways have you served it? Would you like to see SPAM served in restaurants? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.



MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

Morris Homer Spriggs is the highest ranking naval officer to come from Paulding County. He was born April 18, 1892, in Paulding, Ohio, the son of Frank and Margaret (Petty) Spriggs.

Frank Spriggs was born in Noble County in 1863 and studied law in his brother's law office in Caldwell, Ohio. He passed the bar exam then moved to Paulding in 1889 to open up a law office. Frank moved back to Noble County long enough to meet and marry his childhood sweetheart, Margaret Petty, July 16, 1891.



Margaret was born in October 10, 1864 in Sarahsville in Noble County. The daughter of Francis Asbury and Harriet Petty.

On March 20, 1894, Frank and Margaret welcomed a daughter, Florence. By 1900, the Spriggs family was living on Wayne Street in Paulding. A daughter, Francis P., was born on November 26, 1900.

Morris was raised with a religious background, as his father, Frank, taught the Sunday school class for boys. The Methodist Church became the place where the young boys in the community were taught a lot of lessons. Frank taught Sunday school for 35 years. Morris lost his mother, Margaret, August 8, 1908. She

passed away in Ft. Wayne, Indiana and is buried in Live Oak Cemetery in Paulding.

By 1910, Morris and his family were living at 214 North Cherry Street in Paulding. Morris joined the Navy in 1911. He was appointed midshipman, August 8, 1911, promoted to Ensign, June 5, 1915, promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade, July 1, 1917. He was promoted temporary Lieutenant, October 15, 1917 and was promoted to Lieutenant Junior Grade permanently, June 5, 1918. He served on the ship "Paducah" from October 28, 1916 - July 20, 1917, then was sent to New York, New York where he served on the ship, "George Washington". It was commissioned, August 2, 1917 - June 4, 1918. Between all these promotions and moving from ship to ship, Morris met and married, Helen L. Wright, in Manhattan, New York, January 31, 1918, she was born October 13, 1897.

Morris received his full promotion to Lieutenant, July 1, 1920, and he also served on the ship, "Perkins", June 5, 1918 - August 14, 1919. In 1929, Morris was stationed in Mississippi where he served until January 26, 1930. From there he was sent to the Naval yard in Philadelphia.

By July 22, 1931, Morris was living in San Francisco, California, and from there he was sent to Hawaii for duty. On June 4, 1936, Morris was promoted to Lieutenant Commander and retired June 30, 1936.

In 1938, Morris and his new wife, Marie Angela, were living in San Diego, California (I'm not sure what happened to his first wife, Helen). Morris, a graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, could not stay at home. Being put on retired list February 25, 1942, Morris offered his services in training in the Philippines. In May 24, 1942, as Corregidor Islands fell, Morris was captured, sent to Davao, Philippines, becoming a prisoner of war.

On October 24, 1944, Morris and 1,780 other prisoners of war, were boarded on the Japanese ship, Arisan Maru. This ship was going to set sail to Japan, and was being tracked by the U.S.S. Shark. At 5:30 P.M., the submarine fired three torpedos, splitting the ship in two and sinking the ship, only 9 prisoners survived. Morris's body was never recovered. He was awarded the Purple Heart, and a memorial Monument was placed in Manila, Philippines at the Manila - American Cemetery and Memorial Walls of the Missing. A memorial plaque was also placed in Live Oak Cemetery.

Until Next Time...

WATER QUALITY EXTENSION ASSOCIATES PLANNING WINTER MEETINGS AND SPRING RESEARCH NEED YOU!

The six water quality extension associates located in Northwest Ohio are gearing up for winter programming and need input from you! If there is a topic or series of topics that you would find helpful regarding water quality, soil health, cover crops, manure management, etc., please reach out to the water quality associate in your area to let us know. In addition, it's never too early to start thinking about potential field research

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.

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEER AT CARING & SHARING FOOD PANTRY



On Saturday, October 23rd members of the Paulding Middle School seventh grade class volunteered at the Caring and Sharing food pantry. Shown in the picture from left to right are: Mrs. Jill Hatcher, Jayla Griffith, Audrey Stoller, and Silas Foltz.

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projects for next year. We would love to work with you to help answer questions you may have about your operation. See the different trials we've been working on this year in the 2021 eFields publication, set to be released in mid-January, or reach out to an associate for questions.

Below is a link to the updated version of the water quality extension associate services and interest areas factsheet, where you will find our goals, information about what we do, and the contact information for the associate in your area. For Paulding, Defiance, and Van Wert Counties, your contact will be Rachel Cochran, (567) 344-5016 or Cochran.474@osu.edu. You can reach out to her with questions or drop by the Paulding County Extension Office at 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding OH 45879.

eties of bulk meat and cheese. At some point in the future they hope to implement some breakfast items as well.

Alice has a background in customer service with 20 plus years in the industry. Eleven of those years were spent working for Kroger in all different levels of management. Alice was involved with establishing and running Wilderness Restaurant and worked and managed Krystal's Restaurant in the Smokey Mountains in Tennessee.

The goal today is to get Antwerp Corner Café operating with greater visibility and open with more consistent days and hours. At this time there is not a social media presence but you can follow Antwerp Corner Café through the "What's Happening in Antwerp" Facebook page. You can also contact Alice direct at 419-567-0782 or email thecafe104@yahoo.com

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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.

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Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments
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please join the ladies for a fun day of shopping and fellowship.

Bake Sale Lunch Served

WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Wayne Trace Payne Elementary is pleased to announce the October Students of the month. They are: Front row: Maylee Stoller, Mary

Gerardot, Clara DeWaard, Elise Steffen, Briana Rupp, River Rittenhouse, Dylaine Carr, Londyn Dargenson. Back Row: Cerenity Seibert,

Zander Lelonek, Kohen Fore, Kiptyn Mills, Jenna Kipfer, Kaiden Creighton-Smith, Nora Wenninger

FESTIVAL OF WREATHS AT THE HUBER

The Huber Opera House is sponsoring a Festival of Wreaths for December 5-12, 2021. Wreaths will be donated for a silent auction during the week of Dec. 5-12 and will be included in the People's Choice Voting during the events held at the Huber that week, with winners announced at the Huber Junior Choir Concert on Dec. 12.

Wreaths will need to be delivered to the Huber Opera House by noon on Thursday, Dec 2. Weekly office hours are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10- noon. Alternate drop off times can be arranged by calling 419-506-0151. Entries from local businesses are encouraged. This is the perfect opportunity for you to advertise and promote your business while supporting a great community cause. Make a wreath that represents the services or goods that you offer the public. Themed wreaths are always a Festival of Wreaths favorite.

So get those creative juices flowing for the perfect way to support the Huber during this holiday season.

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headquarters in Washington, D.C. followed by greetings to Indiana Daughters by President General Denise VanBuren, who visited Indiana July 24 - 25.

"The Mary Penrose Wayne DAR Chapter of Fort Wayne, IN had been looking forward to having the meeting here in Fort Wayne. We were excited to not only host the meeting but introduce ladies to some of the local area attractions, such as the ACPL, and Parkview Field." Mary Penrose Wayne Chapter Regent Benita Steyer.

Meeting topics included DAR Chapter Officer ses-

sions; a session for DAR Service for Veterans that covered two new and exciting opportunities available to Indiana DAR chapters in addition to helping answer Veterans related questions; as well as a session in preparation for our nation's 2026 sesquicentennial, State Chair Charlotte Blair will host a special session on the America 250! Committee and opportunities to engage DAR chapters and communities in celebrating this milestone anniversary.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is a women's service organization whose members can trace their lineage to an individual who contributed to securing American independence during the Revolutionary War. Today's DAR is dynamic and diverse, with over 185,000 members in 3,000 chapters in the United States and abroad. DAR members annually provide millions of hours of volunteer service to their local communities across the country and world. DAR chapters participate in projects to promote historic preservation, education, and patriotism. Over one million members have joined the organization since its founding in 1890.

If you are interested in learning more about DAR membership, visit Mary Penrose Wayne Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution on Facebook. The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in 1890 to preserve the memory and spirit of those who contributed to securing American independence. For more than 130 years, the DAR has strived to bring awareness to the honorable sacrifices and enduring legacy of all patriots who fought for America's freedom. Through the DAR Genealogical Research System (www.dar.org/GRS), the public can

access a free database of information amassed by the DAR about these patriots. DAR is a nonprofit, nonpolitical women's service organization with more than 185,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters worldwide. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion, or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution is eligible for membership. DAR members passionately carry out the timeless mission of promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism. To learn more about the work of today's DAR, visit www.dar.org.

ACAC ALL-LEAGUE BOYS SOCCER TEAMS NAMED

The ACAC announced the 2021 all-league boys soccer teams recently with both Heritage and Woodlan players receiving recognition.

Heritage's Lleyton Simmons and Woodlan's Sam Handerson each received first team defender honors while the Patriots' Alex Martinez, Heritage's Logan Reece and the Warriors' Braden Hall all were named first team midfielders. The all-league first team goalkeeper was Heritage's Leroy Lepper with the Patriots' Barry Lomow and the Warriors' Jordan Weatherbe garnered first team forwards awards.

Others to received first team awards included a trio of Jay County players in defender Dylan Knapschafer, forward Cristian Marentes and at-large recipient Gavin Muhlenkamp.

Second team honorees from Heritage were defender Ian Matter, defender Evan Niemeyer, midfielder Garrett Frecker and forward Dylan Hale.

Woodlan players named to the second team included defender Jakob Lowe, midfielder Ethan Klepper and at-large recipient Jaxon Coomer.

Those from Jay County named to the second team were midfielder Dylan Marentes, forward Levi Muhlenkamp, forward Josh Dowlen and goalkeeper Ian Ruiz.

HEATING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE THROUGH HEAP WINTER CRISIS PROGRAM

The Ohio Development Services Agency and Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission want to let Ohioans know that assistance is available to help with

their heating bills this winter. The Home Energy Assistance Winter Crisis Program helps income-eligible Ohioans with their heating costs this winter. The program will be open from Nov 1, 2021 until March 31, 2022.

The Winter Crisis Program assists income eligible households, that have been disconnected (or have a pending disconnection notice), need to establish new service, need to pay to transfer service, have 25% (or less) of bulk fuel supply remaining, or have a household member who was diagnosed with COVID-19 in the past 12 months, stay warm this winter.

Ohioans can visit www.energyhelp.ohio.gov to start their application prior to their required agency interview with Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission. To schedule an appointment call, 419-219-4641 or visit www.nocac.org (under emergency services). Individuals will need to have copies of the following documents to include with their application:

- Most recent utility bills
- A list of all household members (including birth dates and Social Security numbers)
- Proof of income for the past 30 days for all household members (12 months for certain income types)
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members
- Proof of disability (if applicable)

Eligible households can receive a payment for their main heating source and/or their secondary heating source (electric). The program can also assist with fuel tank placement, fuel tank testing, and furnace repair. Ohioans must have a gross income at or below 175% of the federal poverty guidelines to qualify for assistance. For a family of four, the annual income must be at or below \$46,375.

Additional information can also be found at www.energyhelp.ohio.gov.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE LIBRARY IN NOVEMBER

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is getting ready for the upcoming holiday season. The library will be closed Thursday, November 11

to honor Veteran's Day, Thursday, November 25, and Friday November 26 to celebrate Thanksgiving. The library still has covid tests available for curbside pickup. Try the Libby app on the library website for all your reading, listening, and viewing digital downloads. Hoopla is also available for all patrons with a 25 check out limit, plus additional movies of the month are available. Check out the library website at mypccl.org for all your holiday entertainment.

The Adult section will have Cookbook Club on November 15 at 5:30 pm. Thanksgiving theme is "Favorite Thanksgiving sides, salads and desserts". Bring a prepared dish and a printed copy of the recipe. Join us November 18 at 5:30 pm for Author visit Eva Sharron Kobe. She is the author of "Back to French Lick" a story of how pursuing dreams led to challenges that turned into opportunities, memories that turned into discoveries, and all because of a love that turned into forever and beyond... There's really nothing like hearing about a book by the one who wrote it. Hope to see you there. Watch our Facebook page for upcoming crafting ideas for the holiday season.

The children's room will be having Storytime every Wednesday in November at 10 am. Are you a "Lego Master?" Lego night at the library on Thursday, November 18 from 4:30-6 pm. Fun, prizes and treats for all.

The Antwerp branch is having Book Club on November 8, from 6-7 pm. Cookbook Club is November 15th at 5:45 pm. The Crochet class is November 22nd, from 6-7 pm. Storytimes are at 10 am November 3rd and 17th. Stop by the library for a Turkey Scavenger Hunt all month and win a prize.

The Payne branch has Monday Afterschool Hangout until 5:00pm Stop by and check it out. Storytime is every Tuesday at 11:00 am. And Cookbook

Club is November 15th at 5:45.

The Grover Hill branch will have Munchkin Club storytime on Monday November 15th and 29th at 11 am. These storytimes are designed for ages 6 and under, parents do not have to pre-register. On November 10th, Stan Pratt will be doing a woodcarving demonstration from 1-3 pm. Book Club will relax in November with two dates, stop by November 8 or November 18 at 6 pm. Cookbook club will be Monday, November 22 at 6 pm, just in time to taste test some Thanksgiving menu items. To close out the month will be Photography Club on Monday November 29 at 6 pm. Fridays are FREE make and take activities for patrons of all ages. The spirit of goodwill is seasonless in Grover Hill.

The Oakwood branch will be doing adult coloring weekly on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Each Friday we offer a make and take children's craft. The OBL will be hosting a Bread machine class November 4, from 10-1. Storytimes are at 11 am on November 8 and November 22. Teen Cookbook Club is November 8 from 5-7 pm. Senior Bingo will be Thursday, November 11 at 11:30 in the community room. The Oakwood Cookbook Club will meet November 18 from 9-11 am. Don't miss November 29 from 5-7 we will be making Hot Chocolate bombs.

Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will meet Monday, November 8th at 6:00 pm at the Buy the Book used bookstore. We will be sprucing up the store to greet shoppers during the "Shop the Village" on November 27th. Black Swamp Bookworms will meet at 6:30 pm in the Annex. We are reading "Firefly Lane" by Kristin Hannah. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For any information on these or upcoming programs call the library at 419-399-2032.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

CHOOSE WISELY -GOD OR EVIL

Bible prophecy says that in the end times we'll experience wars and rumors of wars. Our world will be full of Godlessness and evil with evil being called good and good being called evil.

It also foretells of great falling away from God, truth, wisdom and righteousness will be strangers to us. We're losing all three. We're witnessing the late days of the end of times these past 100 years.

Christianity is under at-

tack world-wide but no more than right here. True, much of the world is experiencing Satan's evil that takes property, lives and souls. America has been under attack for 75 years. Are we about to fall completely to Satan?

Read your Bible. It states many will be blind to truth, wisdom and morality in the end times. Liberals will have difficulty understanding since most see nothing wrong with unmarried sex, gay sex, fatherless children, abortion, open borders, attacking Christianity and government domination. They can't see the dangers their anti-God, socialist democrat leaders pose for America.

First look at some of our churches and religions that Satan corrupted. One permitted child molestation until it became public. Others split because weak minded leaders and parishioners decided it okay to go against God's Word and permit gay pastors and teachers.

The Bible warns against changing God's Word. The above is equal to changing His Word.

Others lie and avoid Biblical truth. They say just enough to make you believe they're Christians.

Some are cults masquerading as Christian.

One religion desires world domination, even dismembering or killing to reach their goal. One has a thousand gods, some pray to statues while others must bow to their ruler only. Christianity is more than religion. It's a fellowship with God that is only possible thru Jesus. No other religion can claim this.

Stand against Christianity and you stand against America. We can only fail by re-

OAKWOOD VETERANS DAY PARADE



Oakwood Elementary School is planning a Veteran's Day Parade for all area veterans on Thursday, November 11th from 10:15-10:35 in front of the school. Mackenzie Leatherman is shown placing a flag in front of the school for last year's parade. We encourage veterans young and old to come and drive through our patriotic parade and enjoy the students and a few special events.

moving God and destroying morality. I firmly believe that is the goal of top Democrat leaders. Don't take this wrong, Republican leaders are no saints. They stand for themselves first and then maybe us. They've reversed their original intent, thus helping destroy Christianity and the Constitution.

Wake up America! Every immoral ruling/law attacks against our Constitution, Christianity, morality, marriage, education and more has come from evil embedded in the Democrat party. They don't want God in our lives.

Richard Mastin
Hicksville, OH

MIKE DEWINE APPOINTED 7 OUT OF 8 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS WHO SUPPORT CRT & RACIST TEACHINGS

In the last few days, State Board of Education president Laura Kohler and board member Eric Poklar resigned in the wake of their opposition to a resolution that would have protected children from being indoctrinated with divisive and racist teachings in the classroom. Both of them supported Resolution 20, which would have taught our children they are inherently racist and made to feel guilty simply by existing.

"Mike DeWine is responsible for stacking the school

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board with people who are trying to tear down our students by indoctrinating them with Critical Race Theory," Jim Renacci said. "Whether it is forcing our children to wear masks, implementing the Vax-2-School scam, or brainwashing students with CRT, DeWine has hurt children more than he has helped. We need new leadership that will protect our children instead of throwing them to the wolves."

The Columbus Dispatch writes:

"...a lot of Republicans saw the resolution as problematic. They said it opened the door to a controversial kind of teaching about history, racism and slavery that was anti-American."

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as you read the signage and tried to cooperate with the restrictions that we have.

Antwerp, Paulding and Payne all get two trailers each at their respective locations. So far, we've only needed one at Grover Hill. The trailer with the windows is for all your material but the cardboard. The second, open trailer is for

cardboard only. By providing a cardboard only trailer we get a discounted rate because no sorting/processing is required by Werlor's after pick-up.

Signage is placed at the drop-off locations providing direction for separating your material into the appropriate trailer and emptying your garbage sacks into the trailers and taking them home for reuse. Unfortunately, we've had some folks that have apparently misunderstood the signage and thrown mixed material into the cardboard only trailer and not emptying the sacks. Instead of the plastic dispersing throughout the trailer, the sack takes up a huge amount of the available space. The other issue is the arrival time of the trailers, in that, they arrive at different times. If you get there and only one trailer has arrived, that doesn't mean that you can throw all your material into that trailer.

Werlor's schedule is not under the control of the Recycling Program. They're having their own problems with labor shortages/drivers, and are doing the best they can. It's very frustrating when you arrive and only one of the trailers is there and then you have to make another trip. They are doing their best to have both trailers in place by 4:00 on Friday but can't guarantee it. With that in mind, there is always the option of running your material over to Kohart's. It's only a few miles away, they'll take everything but plastic and are open every day and until noon on Saturday. It's not as convenient but it does provide one solution to our dilemma.

To date, we have been able to provide recycling opportunities all over the County, free of charge. The WMEA Program is funded by tipping fees from the Defiance and Williams County landfills. As long as everyone adheres to the restrictions that we have in place we will be fine. When the material gets comingled with the cardboard that cost gets passed on to our program. That charge is \$300 straight out of the budget. If people decide to throw their trash into the trailers, that contaminates the material and results in another \$300 charge to the Program. Before long, the trailers will have to be removed because we won't have

the funds. Each Village is different and has its own recycling "culture". As with any great undertaking, cooperation and a spirit of comradery is essential. We have to think beyond our own convenience and keep the "big picture" in mind. Recycling is the right thing to do and we're all doing the best we can after losing Erie Recycling. We want to make it as easy for you to recycle as possible within the constraints of the budget we have. It would be nice if each Village could have 3 trailers and someone there to unload your material for you. As it stands now, we have the ability to recycle all weekend, we don't have to sort and we can recycle 1-7 plastics. That is a WIN!

Just as a reminder, your bags of recycling will NOT be collected if left on the ground. Please understand that it will go straight into the trash. If you can't meet the trailer at the posted times, then consider Kohart's or one of the weekend pickups provided around the County.

Next article will feature some very special ladies that worked hard all summer providing meals for our school kids and managed to recycle along the way!

As always, if you have any questions I can be reached at 419-399-3630. If you have a cell phone you can call or text me at 832-444-4814. My email is shannon@pauldingcounty-wmea.com

WT PAYNE ELEMENTARY 1st 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2021/22

3rd GRADE

ALL A'S: Zander Lelonek, Kaylee Miller, Luke Shepherd, Olivander McCague

ALL A'S AND B'S: Ella Gonzales, Adley Morehead, Donavan Strawser, Carter O'Dell, Quincy Sutton, Nuria Valdez, Garry Mendenhall, McKayla Wheeler, June Weninger, Emma Wilcox, Londyn Dargenson, Kennedy Childs, Gabe DeWaard, Cerenity Seibert, Shawn Bradford

ALL B'S: Phoenix Hall

4th GRADE

ALL A'S: Hudsyn Burkley, Megan Parker, Aubree Lamb, Lienna Stoller, Ryleigh McGarvey, Avery Welch, Mailey Stoller

ALL A'S AND B'S: Brass

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READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor Assisted Living, Antwerp Public Library, Genesis House, Antwerp G Mart

Bryan: Chief, Town & Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General **Cecil:** 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village

Charloe: Charloe Store

Continental: Okuley's Pharmacy, Dollar General, ACE Hardware

Defiance: Newman's Marathon Carry Out, Smoke Stop, Chief, Dollar General, Senior Center, Walmart, Cabbage Patch, Advanced Auto, Main Stop Marathon, Rite Aid, Split Endz Salon

Edgerton: Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Utilities Dept., H & W Napa, Marathon Main Stop, Marathon (East)

Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, Library **Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, 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:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Monroeville: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland's Pizza Pub

New Haven: Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's **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 **Milan Center:** Milan Center Feed & Grain

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ARCHERS HANG ON FOR WIN OVER PATRIOTS



Antwerp Senior Jagger Landers is left wide open to receive the pass in the end-zone to score the second touchdown for the Archers! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Antwerp defense stopped Patrick Henry receiver Ryan Kurtz at the one yard line on the final play and the Antwerp Archers held on for a 14-7 win over the Patriots in Division VII playoff football Saturday evening at Archer Field.

Antwerp's win is its first home playoff victory since a 21-17 win over Ayersville in 2000.

Reid Lichty put the blue and white on the scoreboard on the game's opening drive, capping a ten-play scoring drive with a seven-yard touchdown run.

The Archers scored again on their next possession, driving 65-yards in 15-plays when quarterback Carson Altimus connected with Jagger Landers on a six-yard scoring strike to make it 14-0 Antwerp.

Patrick Henry responded to start the second half, driv-

ing 72 yards in nine plays to dent the scoreboard.

Nash Meyer capped the drive with a nine-yard touchdown run to get the Patriots within 14-7.

However, neither team would score from there.

The Patriots threatened to pull closer, putting together a drive that went deep into Antwerp territory before the Archers' Kaden Recker picked off a Meyer pass in the end zone to keep the Archers on top with 2:51 left in regulation.

On the game's final drive with 2.2 seconds on the clock, Meyer hooked up with Kurtz across the middle of the field before the Archer defense stopped the Patriot wide receiver at the one-yard line to seal the Antwerp victory.

Jagger Landers hauled in seven passes for 62 yards for Antwerp with Altimus completing 16 of 31 passes for 141

yards. The Archer signal caller also ran 20 times for 74 yards with Lichty posting 58 yards on a dozen carries. Kaden Recker hauled in four passes for 49 yards for the blue and white as well.

Antwerp finished the night with 274 yards of offense compared to Patrick Henry's 228, limiting the Patriots to 96 rushing yards.

The victory sends the Archers to Williams County Saturday night in a rematch at Edon as Antwerp looks to show improvement from a 41-26 week two loss to the

COUNTY CC RUNNERS WRAP UP 2021 SEASON

Four Paulding County cross country athletes completed their 2021 seasons on Saturday in the Division II and Division III regional meets in Tiffin.

Panther senior Reid Johannis completed his year in the Division II boys meet, posting a 30th place finish with a time of 17:55.4.

In the girls Division III race, Wayne Trace juniors Kiara Bahena and Abby Moore each saw their seasons end in the regional race.

Bahena placed 54th overall with a time of 21:23.9 while Moore finished 57th in 21:28.3.

Antwerp junior Avin Johnson also wrapped up his 2021 season by placing 54th in 18:12.4 in the Division III boys regional race.

Congratulations to all four runners on tremendous seasons as they represented Paulding County well in 2021!

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Deandre Warr, Cleveland, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Pay fine by 10/28/22

Norfolk Amp Southern, Fort Wayne, IN; Obstructing railroad crossing, Pled, no contest found guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 11/30/21; Obstructing railroad crossing, Case dismissed

Peter J. Hopperton, Toledo, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kevin C. Francis, Lewisburg, TN; Fictitious registration; Count A dismissed

Nicole Hicks, Oakwood, OH; Driving under suspension (failure to reinstate); Count A dismissed

Suzanne Ferrara, Bay Village, OH; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brittany Batten, Grover Hill, OH; Failure to yield at intersection; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Adam M. Mason, Cecil, OH; Criminal mischief; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Pay restitution if requested; Shall have no contact with victim; Warrant and warrant block recalled

Brandi K. Bidlack, Cloverdale, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all costs; Maintain general good behavior; Shall have no contact with victim

Kevin C. Francis, Lewisburg, TN; Drug paraphernalia; Defendant pled guilty; Pay or collection on 1/28/22

Markee V. Macklin, Rochelle, IL; Reckless operation, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Bates, Pled guilty, Fines and costs to be taken from bond, Complete alcohol counseling by 12/17/21, Complete 40 hours community service by 2/25/22, Motion hearing; Left of center, Guilty, Fine to be taken from bond

Eric Adams, Oakwood, OH; Hit skip, Case dismissed, Costs waived; Distance of safety, Case dismissed, Costs waived; Hit skip, Count A dismissed without prejudice; Failure to control, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 11/19/21

Victor H. Hernandez, Grover Hill, OH; No operator's license; Guilty; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs

Travis L. Hart, Convoy, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Joseph G. Friend, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jimmie T. Praul, Haviland, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Wade C. Beer, Mansfield, OH; Telecommunication harassment, Guilty, Defendant to pay all costs, No contact with Sinn family, Placed on standard probation, Mental health evaluation or appointment set by 10/27/21 at 4:30 p.m., May be released once his parents are able to pick him up; Telecommunication harassment, Guilty, Same conditions as Count A

Zackary Kovalkevich, Bryant, IN; Endangering child; Case dismissed upon court's motion

Jason L. VanCleve, Antwerp, OH; Possession of drugs, Defendant waived the preliminary hearing case shall be bound over to the Paulding County Common Pleas Court, Bond conditions continued; Possession of drugs, Defendant waived the preliminary hearing case shall be bound over to the Paulding County Common Pleas Court

Dru A. Pettigrew, Toledo, OH; Possession of marijuana, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; No tail lights, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Seat belt/drive, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

Logan D. Smith, Oakwood, OH; No operator's license; Guilty; Defendant appeared court without counsel; Pled guilty; Proof of insurance provided; Pay all fines and costs by 3/25/22

Dillon D. Ankney, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Megan M. Bone, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension; Guilty; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs

Terrale R. Smith, Defiance, OH; Driving under suspension - operator's license forfeiture, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs; Marked lanes, Count B dismissed; Child restraint, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Gannon R. Prowant, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive;

ANTWERP FIRE DEPT & ANTWERP CHAMBER SPONSOR HALLOWEEN PARADE & COSTUME JUDGING



Pictured here is the Group category 1st place winner at the Costume Judging at the Antwerp Fire Station on October 30th. Beetlejuice — Janelle, Laura, Emma, Edwin and Lydia Miller

Saturday, October 30th dawned a little misty and a tad gloomy, but all the better for Halloween festivities across Paulding County. The atmosphere was perfect for some spooky and fun costumes and music and ... of course — CANDY!

The annual Halloween parade of the village of Antwerp began a couple hours earlier than usual this year due to the Antwerp football team playing in the playoffs that evening. Children and adults alike paraded their creative costumes down Main St. to the Fire Department for a costume judging contest. Judges for the afternoon were Antwerp Chamber board members -- Tom VanVlerah, Sue Fowler, and Veronica Wright. The Fire Department chief, Bob Addis, MC'ed the event calling the categories forward for the judging. Below are the results of the contest -- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category received a cash prize (thank you Antwerp Fire Fighters!)

Little treats under 18 months:
1st Amethyst, 2nd Avery, 3rd Bastion

Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Richard Kiefer, Saint Marys, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Eldridge R. Wells Jr, Fort Wayne, IN; Loud exhaust; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

John R. Buelow, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under suspension - non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in court without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 8/26/22

Israel Robles, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jody L. Toda, Toledo, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Defendant paid in full

Donsha Mooror, Indianapolis, IN; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

SHAPPELL TAKES 41ST AT STATE

One runner from East Allen County Schools took

part in the IHSAA state cross country championship at the

LaVern Gibson Championship Course in Terre Haute on Saturday.

Leo junior Luke Shappell completed the course in 16:26.4 to finish in 41st place to wrap up the 2021 high school cross country season locally.

In the boys meet, Brebur Jesuit won the state title with 78 points while Hamilton Southeastern finished second at 117.

Angola senior Izaiah Steury topped area runners by finishing second in 15:23.8 with Columbia City senior Austin Hall placing 14th in 16:04.2. Senior Robert Lohman of Fort Wayne Carroll was 20th in 16:11.8.

Columbus North captured the girls team championship with 79 points and Carmel placed second at 92 points.

Homestead sophomore Addison Knoblauch finished fifth in 18:18.0 and Huntington North senior Addison Wiley was seventh in 18:40.2.

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USDA LAUNCHES NEW EFFORT TO REDUCE SALMONELLA ILLNESSES LINKED TO POULTRY

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) today announced that it is mobilizing a stronger, and more comprehensive effort to reduce salmonella illnesses associated with poultry products. The agency is initiating several key activities to gather the data and information necessary to support future action and move closer to the national target of a 25% reduction in salmonella illnesses.

"Far too many consumers become ill every year from poultry contaminated by salmonella," said Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack. "We need to be constantly evolving in our efforts to prevent foodborne illness to stay one step ahead of the bad bugs. Today we're taking action to help prevent salmonella contamination throughout the poultry supply chain and production system to protect public health."

Despite consistent reductions in the occurrence of salmonella in poultry products, more than 1 million consumer illnesses due to salmonella occur annually, and it is estimated (PDF, 1.4 MB) that over 23% of those illnesses are due to consumption of chicken and turkey.

"Reducing salmonella infections attributable to poultry is one of the Department's top priorities," said USDA Deputy Under Secretary Sandra Eskin, who is leading the initiative. "Time has shown that our current policies are not moving us closer to our public health goal. It's time to rethink our approach."

USDA intends to seek stakeholder feedback on specific salmonella control and measurement strategies, including pilot projects, in poultry slaughter and processing establishments. A key component of this approach is encouraging preharvest controls to reduce salmonella contamination coming into the slaughterhouse. The data generated from these pilots will be used to determine if a different approach could result in a reduction of salmonella illness in consumers.

The effort will leverage USDA's strong research capabilities and strengthen FSIS' partnership with the Research, Education and Economics (REE) mission area to address data gaps and develop new laboratory methods to

guide future salmonella policy. Meanwhile, the National Advisory Committee for Microbiological Criteria in Foods, an independent federal advisory committee, will be asked to advise on how FSIS can build on the latest science to improve its approach to salmonella control. Since it is not just the presence or absence of salmonella, but the quantity of bacteria that can impact the likelihood of illness, FSIS will examine how quantification can be incorporated into this approach. Moreover, with emerging science suggesting that not all salmonella are equally likely to cause human illness, FSIS will focus on the salmonella serotypes and the virulence factors that pose the greatest public health risk.

Moving forward, this initiative will require collaboration and ongoing dialogue with stakeholders — industry, consumer groups, and researchers alike. USDA looks forward to working closely with stakeholders on informing and implementing key activities of this framework in the very near future.

USDA touches the lives of all Americans each day in so many positive ways. In the Biden-Harris Administration, USDA is transforming America's food system with a greater focus on more resilient local and regional food production, fairer markets for all producers, ensuring access to safe, healthy and nutritious food in all communities, building new markets and streams of income for farmers and producers using climate smart food and forestry practices, making historic investments in infrastructure and clean energy capabilities in rural America, and committing to equity across the Department by removing systemic barriers and building a workforce more representative of America. To learn more, visit www.usda.gov.

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Mansfield, Laina Matthews, Audrey Reuille, Bradley Charles, Brianna Rupp, Krandon Crites, Kiptyn Mills, Lucas Ross, Stella Sinn, Evelyn Sweet

ALL B'S: Brady Cox
5th GRADE

ALL A'S: McKenna Richhart

ALL A'S AND B'S: Kendall Folsom, Addilynn Gerardot, Grace Ringler, Emma Whitman

ALL B'S: Layla Shellenbarger, Witt Stoller
6th GRADE

ALL A'S AND B'S: Caylie Baker, Kahne Mansfield, Brinna Collins, Cayla Noggle, Jaxon Cook, Lily Shepherd, Lilly Holbrook, Mepherd Pease, Jenna Kipfer, Javiero Pease, Brock Knowles, Owen Welch

ALL B'S: Elynn Clemens, Savannah Sinn

PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 1ST 9WKS HONOR ROLL 2021/22

SENIORS

4.0: Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Alivya Bakle, Ella Cook, Audrey Etzler, Sophia Fisher, Audrey Giesige, Jerrod Hawk, Jaylyn McCloud, Karli Philipot, Lily Roehrig, Claire Schweller, Caleb Thompson, Logan Tope, Alex Tressler, Zoraya Valle, Grady Vogel

3.5-3.99: Christian Bauer, Wyatt Beckman, Gabriella Casper, Audrey Cordova, Brody Fisher, Zachary Gorrell, Kalyn Goshia, Ethan Herman, Reid Johanns, Myla Mitchell, Boston Pease, Janae Pease, Austin Pessefall, Maycee Ross, Cierra Singer, Connor Smith, Samuel Wood, Autumn Yonge

3.0-3.49: Christian Funez, Kaylena Gray, Ryleigh Johanns, Kyle Kelly, Dylan Kuckuck, Kelsey Kupfer-smith, Colin Lambert, Noah Seibert, Chloe Verfaillie

JUNIORS

4.0: Madlyn Bash, Kate-lynn Beckman, Vincente Cantu, Miranda Iler, Carlea Kuckuck, Jacob Martinez, Emily Mazariegos, Hayden Mullen, Olivia Porter, Cay-dence Rue, Ariana Sheaks, Chaz Shull, Cassandra Weller

3.5-3.99: Natali Cortes Becerra, Quinten Doster, Ethan Foltz, Marissa Gray, Kirsten Lane, Jacob Lipps, Nicholas Manz, Sheridan Matty, Emma McClure, Wyatt Pessefall, Braxton Ricker, Mikayla Shough-Germann, Bryanna Winke

3.0-3.49: Peyton Adams, Luis Cortes Becerra, Mason Doster, Wyatt Jefferies, Skylar Keezer, Zoey Kirkland, Carter Manz, Mason Schlatter, Logan Seibert, Makayla Suffel

SOPHOMORES

4.0: Casey Agler, Elli Barton, Ronald Goodwin, Aiden Herman, Jamy Hunt, Maci Kauser, Wesley Ludwig, Carla Manz, Malia Manz, Aiden Miller, Patrick Paholak, Jocelynn Parrett, Trinity Salazar, Denis Santillan-Rodriguez, Lathan Schneider, Dillon Shough-Germann, Riley Stork, Sarah Wong

3.5-3.99: Drake Ankney, Hunter Coutts, Braden Hernandez, Chloe Hicks, Mattie Hirschy, Sammie Jones, Sarah Lewis, Tytus Manz, Allyson Merriman, Kelcie Pack, Esther Rocha, Adam Stahl

3.0-3.49: Cyrah Bradford, Harley Collins, Zane Daniels, Kaiden Dick, Marlee Eastman, Kobe Foor, Joshua Funez, Adriannah Garms, Meagan Hirschy, Brayden Kingen, Taegan Manz, Charles McClure, Kylie McCray, Tyler Schlatter, Morgan Szurminski, Tristan White, Alyssia Wilson

FRESHMENS

4.0: Kiara Adams, Matthew Bai, Lucas Beckman, Brianna Bermejo, Ameah Carr, Gavin Coil, Elizabeth Dotterer, Kaitlyn Goings, Grace Goyings, Jocelynn Hawk, Emily Keezer, Austen Kinder, Jalyn Klopfenstein, Peyton Manz, Anthony McCready, Claire Miller, Marley Parrett, Emma Porter, Ashley Rickels, Brooklyn Schlatter, Brandon Schroeder, Dominic Stahl, Cully Thompson, Ethan

Warner, Jack Woods
3.5-3.99: Hannah Arnold, Brooklynn Bakle, Esther Cantu, Ryan Cantu, Jeffrey Castillo, Anna Clemens, Makenna Dunham, Carter Evans, Courtney Good, Greyson Harder, Aeylah Hitzman, Gracelynn Klopfenstein, Giovanni Linares, Christiana Martinez, Hopeful Rose, David Slawson, Ameriona Stiltner, Maxwell Stork, Kadence Thomas

3.0-3.49: Abigail Bail, Allison Carnahan, Conner Coutts, David Dulaney, Hayden Elston, Brooke Kilgore, Piper Kochel, Alex Leal, Johnathan Lipps, Halcyon Smith, Alexis Wharry, Summer Wilhelm

PAULDING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTE MEETINGS 10/13/21

This 13th day of October, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtzberry and Heather Barnhouse, Clerk

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS
Warrants documented as 271974 through 272141 or County Bills were approved and certified to the County Auditor for payment.

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

WHEREAS, the Paulding County Auditor has certified the following "Then and Now" purchase order number and payment included in the Allowance of Claims on October 6, 2021, Warrant numbered 71936 in the amount of \$92,869.73 and

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

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of County Commissioners, County of Paulding, State of Ohio concerning the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board of County Commissioners, and that all deliberations of this Board of County Commissioners and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements including Section §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

TRAVEL REQUEST
• Roy Klopfenstein - CCAO Winter Conference Columbus, OH 43215 December 8-10, 2021

• Mark Holtzberry-NOCAC Governing Board Meeting Defiance, OH 43512 October 14, 2021

• Roy Klopfenstein, Mark Holtzberry and Mike Weible- Joint Solid Waste Meeting Wauseon, OH 43567 October 18, 2021

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 068)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2021 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Sheriff's Reserves Fund (Fund 068), to-wit; 068-001-00004/Sheriff's Reserves/Medicare AMOUNT: \$200.00; 068-001-00001/Sheriff's Reserves/Salaries AMOUNT: \$2,500.00

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 287)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to amend the 2021 Annual Appropriation by appropriating the following in the Capital Assets Fund (Fund 287), to-wit; 287-001-00003/Capital Assets/Commissioners AMOUNT: \$185,000.00

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

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

IN THE MATTER OF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 078)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to make a Supplemental Appropriation in the Infrastructure Project Fund (Fund 078), to-wit; 001-00001/Infrastructure Projects/Infrastructure Expenses AMOUNT: \$65,653.13

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 052)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit; FROM: 052-001-00008/Senior Center/Vehicle Expenses TO: 052-002-00005/Senior Center/Insurance-Health AMOUNT: \$1,050.00; FROM: 052-002-00008/Senior Center/Vehicle Expenses TO: 052-002-00005/Senior Center/Insurance-Health AMOUNT: \$1,050.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-039)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of

ANTWERP VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS RECOGNIZED AT CHECK PRESENTATION



On October 11th, the Antwerp volleyball team organized a volley for the cure game against Van Wert for breast cancer awareness. Through a lot of fundraising and great support of the Antwerp and Van Wert communities we raised over \$1,500 dollars for the

Francine's Friends organization. The employees from Breast Diagnostic Center, Madison Derickson, Sue Fowler, and Cindy Brewer who help staff the mobile mammography unit to accept the check at Friday night's football game against Patrick Henry.

County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit; FROM: 001-039-00006/IT Services/Software TO: 001-039-00005/IT Services/Equipment AMOUNT: \$1,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF MODIFYING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 001-002)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby modify the 2021 Annual Appropriation and hereby directs the Paulding County Auditor to transfer the funds to wit; FROM: 001-002-00005/Auditor General/Contracts TO: 001-002-00004/Auditor General/Equipment AMOUNT: \$1,000.00 FROM: 001-002-00015/Auditor General/Workers Comp TO: 001-002-00004/Auditor General/Equipment AMOUNT: \$500.00

IN THE MATTER OF INCREASING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 284)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to increase the 2021 Annual Appropriations in the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (Fund 284), to-wit; Expense Line Item Fund/Dept./Acct 284-001-00002/WPCLF/Admin Cost, Current Appropriation \$2,745.50, Change (+ OR -) + \$ 1,254.50 New Appropriation \$4,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF DECREASING THE 2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATION (FUND 284)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby direct the County Auditor to decrease the 2021 Annual Appropriations in the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (Fund 284), to-wit; Expense Line Item Fund/Dept./Acct 284-001-00001/WPCLF/Contractors Services Current Appropriation \$150,907.00 Change (+ OR -) - \$ 4,907.00 New Appropriation \$146,000.00

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL 2022 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section §339.06(3) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Board of County Commissioners have reviewed and does hereby accept the Paulding County Hospital 2022 Operating and Capital Budget for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

IN THE MATTER OF TERMINATING A SERVICE CONTRACT WITH DIETITIAN SERVICES FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby terminate a service contract with Dietitian Solutions for the Paulding County Senior Center program effective November 15, 2021.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERING INTO A SERVICE CONTRACT WITH KRISTEN KURILEE FOR REGISTERED DIETITIAN SERVICES FOR THE PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners does hereby enter into a service contract with Kristen Kurilee for Registered Dietitian Services for the Paulding County Senior Center program beginning November 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022. A copy of said contract is

on file in the Commissioners' Office.
• Meeting Notes of Appointments
• Joe Burkard, County Prosecutor, discussed office procedure and operations for the Prosecutor's office.

• Land Bank meeting was held in the Commissioners' Chambers
• Sheriff, Jason Landers, presented his

2021 Monthly Projections and Jail report as of September 30, 2021. There were 63 male inmates serving 852 days and 12 female inmates serving 117 days in the month of September for a total of 969 days served. Total inmates held were 75. The average inmates held per day was 32.3 with 28.4 being male and 3.9 female. The average inmates stay per day was 12.9 with 13.5 being male and 9.7 female. Total meals served for the month of August totaled 2,739 meals. Sheriff Landers noted the jail will be receiving funds from outside counties for out housing their inmates. Sheriff Landers stated that the IDEP & STEP grants have been set up and that he is waiting to receive quotes from Integrity Ford as to the value of his trade ins on their obsolete vehicles. Sheriff landers also commented that he has 2 new deputies that will be starting and he will be advertising for positions for one male and one female part-time Correction Officers.

• Ron Goedde and Andrew Wannemacher- presented the Paulding County Hospital's 2022 budget to the Commissioners (see resolution above)
• James Bailey, Brown & Brown, gave an annual financial review and discussed upcoming open enrollment for county employees' benefit packages.

• Marsha Yeutter, Senior Center Director, presented the Commissioners with a contract for their approval and to terminate a contract with Dietary Solutions. (See resolutions above)
• Jim Stripe, Joe Burkard, Claudia Fickel and Lou Ann Wannemacher- Mr. Stripe along with the Budget Commission discussed the Paulding County Board of DD's budget compliance.

• Corey Walker and Amy Simonis- gave an update on Job and Family Services' building/grounds and staffing operations.

LADY RAIDERS ROLL PAST COMMODORES

The Wayne Trace Lady Raiders opened Division IV sectional volleyball play by rolling over visiting Lima Perry to victories of 25-11, 25-10 and 25-15 Tuesday evening at the 'Palace'

Rachel Stoller had four aces, two kills, two blocks and a dig for the red, white and blue with Christina Graham recording six kills, two digs and an ace. Abbie Stoller also had a pair of digs for the Lady
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ABC PARADE @OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



Oakwood Elementary Kindergarten recently finished up ABC Boot Camp. To celebrate all of their hard work and learning they held an

ABC Parade. All students and staff lined the hallways as the Kindergarten students paraded through the halls to the beat of one of their favorite

ABC songs. We're proud of their learning and the great work we know they'll continue to do. Way to go, Super Kids and Sweet Kids!

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Raiders. Sydney Sinn contributed six slams and six digs and Harper Myers posted one kill and a block as well for Wayne Trace. Kaitlin Slade picked up a pair of digs with Kacy Hornish and Paige Alber both dishing out 13 assists. Hornish also posted two aces, one block, one kill and two digs while Alber chipped in six aces and three digs.

Gracie Shepherd recorded 16 kills along with two aces, one assist and six digs for the Lady Raiders.

LADY PATRIOTS, WARRIORS RECEIVE HONORS

Girls Soccer all-ACAC awards were announced last week as both Heritage and Woodlan had players earn recognition.

Heritage's Libby Cain took first team forward honors with the Woodlan trio of defender Austin Gaff, defender Eliza Leininger and midfielder Emma Dellinger also were named to the first team.

The rest of the ACAC first team included South Adams defender Bekah Patterson, Jay County midfielder Gabi Bilbrey, South Adams midfielder Adrienne Mckean, Jay County forward Mara Bader, South Adams forward Kristen Wynn, Jay County goalkeeper Tricia Ison and South Adams at-large recipient Alison Smith.

Woodlan midfielder Kaitlyn McAlexander, goalkeeper Zoe Eager and forward Gabriella Werling all picked up second

team honors as did the Heritage trio of defender Alexis Glover, midfielder Abby Zelt and at-large recipient Anna Lawson.

Rounding out the second team award winners were Jay County midfielder Molly Muhlenkamp, South Adams defender Jayla Conner, Jay County defender Alizabeth Stotler, South Adams forward Macie Hirschy and Jay County forward Morgan DeHoff.

COA SENIOR TRAVEL SPOTLIGHT: FRANKENMUTH, MICHIGAN

Travel is back and for seniors! Getting back to traveling is really a nice relaxing way to help to improve one's mental and physical health and the Van Wert Senior Center is helping seniors to meet this need with a trip to Frankenmuth, Michigan on Friday, November 12. Trip reservations can be made by anyone age 18 and older.

For seniors that are thinking of getting back into traveling again, this one day trip offers the chance to get out without being too far from home. Frankenmuth is nicknamed "Michigan's Little Bavaria" as the city embraces their German heritage which is proudly displayed through their architecture, food and cultural aspects of the city. Who knew you could travel to Michigan and feel like you have traveled overseas to Germany?

One of the great attractions of Frankenmuth is Bronner's CHRISTmas Wonderland. From just a small store

opened in 1945, Bronner's has become the world's largest Christmas store with beautifully landscaped grounds covering 27 acres. For Wally Bronner, the store's originator, the journey of Bronner's has always been about CHRIST, and as he states about "decorating hearts with peace and love." Visitors to the store will be able to see and purchase over 50,000 items they can use to decorate for the season.

Those venturing through the downtown areas of Frankenmuth will also be delighted to find an easily walkable shopping experience offering a vast array of shops including cuckoo clock shops, quilt shops, and woolen mills. If food is your soft spot, in Frankenmuth you will find sausage companies serving up house-made Bavarian specialties, a massive Cheese Haus with 160+ options (and samples), plus plenty of sweet shops handcrafting in their open kitchens. If it happens to snow on this day, there will be nothing to worry about as downtown Frankenmuth features heated sidewalks.

For those interested in dedicating their day to "power shopping" they will have the option of spending the day at Birch Run Premium Outlets, located about 20 minutes outside of Frankenmuth. Birch Run is the largest outlet shopping experience in the Midwest and offers 3 restaurants and around 100 stores to meet all of your needs.

Those interested in reserving a spot for the excursion can stop at the Van Wert Council on Aging located at 220 Fox Road in Van Wert or you can reach us by phone at 419-238-5011 or by e-mail at info@coavw.org. For those that live out of the immediate area, arrangements can be made over the phone.

NSCC FOUNDATION SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR 2022 MAKING A DIFFERENCE AWARDS

Each day, countless people make a positive impact on northwest Ohio, and the Northwest State Community College Foundation is offering an opportunity to recognize and celebrate those who have. The NSCC Foundation is accepting nominations for the 2022 Making a Difference Award in the categories of individual, business and organization.

The 2021 Making a Difference Award recipients were Dan Yahraus in the individual category, Terry Henricks Ford & Chrysler Dodge Jeep RAM in the business category, and Farm Bureau of Defiance, Fulton, Henry & Williams Counties in the organization category.

"So much of the good work that's done in our communi-

ties is appreciated, but not celebrated. It is the Foundation's hope that recognizing the Making a Difference Award winners will inspire others to serve," said Robbin Wilcox, Executive Director of Development & the NSCC Foundation. "Residents throughout the six-county area are generous with their time and resources. Each year, the Foundation hears amazing stories of service and philanthropy during the nomination process, and we are seeking names of worthy award candidates again this year."

The Making a Difference Awards will be presented during a special celebration in May. Nomination forms can be found online at NorthwestState.edu/Making-a-Difference-Awards and are due to NSCC Foundation Office by November 29, 2021. For more information, contact Robbin Wilcox at 419.267.1460 or rwilcox@NorthwestState.edu

TREATMENTS PROVIDE REAL SOLUTIONS FOR INCONTINENCE

Stress incontinence is a type of incontinence that involves involuntary leaking of urine from the bladder when it is under pressure. This condition can develop as the muscles that support the bladder become weaker due to the natural aging process, childbirth or certain medical conditions. Studies have shown that one in three women experiences stress incontinence, and the percentage of affected women increases with age.

"Stress incontinence occurs when pressure is placed on the abdominal area by physical activity such as coughing, sneezing, laughing, exercising or lifting a heavy object," says Scott Boyd, MD a board-certified Urogynecologist with Lutheran Health Physicians Women's Specialty Care. "When the muscles that hold the bladder and control the flow of urine don't function properly, accidents can happen - especially if the bladder is full."

Stress incontinence affects more women than men, and can range from an occasional problem to a medical situation affecting daily routine and limiting participation in social, work or exercise activities. The most common cause of female stress incontinence is damage to tissues or nerves in the pelvic floor area during childbirth - which may show up immediately after having a baby, or several years later, after menopause.

Age-related changes in the strength and function of muscles can make a woman more susceptible to developing stress incontinence. At menopause, the loss of estrogen means that the tissues of the vagina and urethra are more fragile.

Other medical conditions and lifestyle habits can affect the form and function of the bladder and lead to stress incontinence: urinary tract infections, diabetes, chronic bronchitis or asthma, chronic

PLANT HEALTH PYRAMID

Soil health and plant health are closely related. Most pest issues are due to inadequate plant nutrition and poor plant health. Most weeds thrive where at least one plant nutrient is lacking. Healthy plants have adequate nutrients levels to repel insects and disease organisms. Healthy soils promote healthy plants by providing adequate

plant nutrition for plants to thrive.

The first step to improving plant health is producing carbohydrates which are the building blocks for proteins. About 50% of a plant's carbohydrates are allocated to above ground growth and 50% to root growth. Plants convert carbon dioxide and water into sugars using sunlight as the energy source in photosynthesis. Plants allocate sugar to the roots to produce root exudates to feed the soil microbes which make soil nutrients plant available for building proteins.

In the second step, the plants are looking for nitrogen to form amino acids, peptides, and proteins. Here is where plant health often starts to decline. The plant prefers whole proteins, peptides, or amino acids first, then urea (CO(NH2)2), ammonia (NH3), ammonium (NH4+) and finally nitrates (NO3-). When plants absorb only nitrates, it takes 25% more plant energy (16% of all plant photosynthetic activity) and 3X more water to convert it to the amide form (NH2+) which is used to form amino acids, then peptides, and then complete proteins. Growers can take advantage of this preference by supplying growing plants with their preferred nitrogen form as they mature.

The problem for the plant is that ammonia and ammonium nitrogen forms can be toxic, so the plant needs these nutrients at low concentration levels. In other words, the plant needs these nutrients to be spoon fed constantly in small amounts. Soil microbes convert most nitrogen forms to the nitrate form fairly quickly. In most soils and plants, nitrogen is taken up in the least efficient form (nitrates). In healthy soils, plants obtain more of their nitrogen as whole proteins, peptides, amino acids, or in the amide form from soil microbes; which requires overall less plant energy and leads to higher plant health. Part of the reason plants are healthier is because they use less energy.

When plants are becoming really healthy, the third step is that they get fat! As energy is used more efficiently, excess sugar is used to form plants lipids which are fats. The best tasting food (plant or animal) and highest quality food is high in lipids or fat. Fruit high in lipids is uniform and nutrient dense with many essential minerals, which means it tastes really good! Livestock and people can tell the difference! When you eat a really good slice of fruit or vegetable, the flavor is excellent because of the high-density nutrients and the lipids (healthy fat) in that produce. High plant lipid content is an indication of excellent plant health.

High levels of micro-nutrients

are needed by the plant to form higher level proteins called enzymes. Enzymes greatly speed up biological reactions in the plant by lowering the amount of energy required to form a molecule. Enzymes are used over and over by the plant to increase biological and energy efficiency. Some enzymes can allow ten thousand or more biological reactions to occur in a matter of seconds. A micronutrient that is lacking may be needed to activate a key plant enzyme to increase yield and or grain quality. That's why plant mineral nutrition of elements is so important. Planting cover crops this fall helps soil microbes make micro-nutrients available to plants next spring.

At the very top level of the plant health pyramid is high density, high quality, high yielding food. Weeds can not compete with healthy plants, due to shading and competition for nutrients. Insects cannot attack, process or digest plants with whole proteins and dense nutrients. Insects are looking for unhealthy plants with high nitrate levels and low protein levels which are easy to digest. Most diseases are related to micro-nutrient deficiencies, insect damage, and unhealthy plants; because these plants are leaky and easy for disease organisms to attack. A goal should be to process all plant nitrogen forms into proteins within 24 hours, an indication of excellent plant health.

Scientists estimate that plants are currently only utilizing 20% of their genetic potential for yield. Corn could potentially produce 1100 bushel and soybeans 600 bushel per acre if conditions were perfect. While it's not realistic to expect these kind of crop yields; improving plant nutrition, plant health, and soil health can improve not only crop yields but also produce healthy nutrient dense food while protecting the environment.

James J. Hoorman
Hoorman Soil Health Services

LATTA INTRODUCES THE "STOP PENALIZING WORKING SENIORS ACT" TO EXPAND ACCESS TO HSA'S

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) introduced legislation, the Stop Penalizing Working Seniors Act, to expand access to health savings accounts (HSAs) and fix a technicality prohibiting individuals who are receiving social security benefits from contributing to their HSA accounts.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Carryall Township Zoning Board at the Antwerp Fire Hall on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. to review and recommend on the request of George Clemens for change in zoning classification. The property located on Road 160 is now zoned Agriculture and request is to change classification to Business. Mr. Clemens plans to use land for flea market and sales. Anyone interested in this hearing may submit their views in writing to Carryall Township Trustees at P.O. Box 652, Antwerp, OH or attend this meeting.

— Deb Wyckoff,
Fiscal Officer
Carryall Township Trustees

NOTICE

Paulding County Auditor, Claudia Fickel, would like to inform all property owners in Paulding County of the upcoming 2022 Revaluation/Reappraisal for the county. The reappraisal company will be visiting properties over the next few months as part of the project.

All vehicles will be clearly marked and personnel will have proper identification.

Any resident with questions regarding the reappraisal project for the county may contact the

Paulding County Auditor's Office/
Real Estate Department at
419-399-8241.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
Judge Tiffany Beckman

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

vs.

Kenneth J. Collins, et.al., Defendants,
TO: Kenneth J. Collins; Unknown Spouse of Kenneth J. Collins; H. John Collins, Unknown Spouse of H. John Collins; Paula G. Collins, Unknown Spouse of Paula G. Collins

PAULDING COUNTY
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CLERK OF COURTS

2021 OCT 25 PM 3:15

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown
Case No. CI 21-146

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Kenneth Collins, H. John Collins and Paula G. Collins, to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 580 Page 1661 of the Paulding County Records.

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

Lot Number Sixty-four (64) in the Original Plat of the Village of Hedges, Paulding County, Ohio.

Auditor's Parcel I.D.
#21-33A-020-00

Property Address: 15184 Bowman Street, Paulding, Ohio (Hedges)
Prior Instrument Reference: Volume 580, Page 1661

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

Ann Pease, Clerk
Court of Common Pleas
Paulding, County, Ohio

By: *Ann E. Pease*
Deputy

Respectively submitted,

[Signature]
Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
120 S. Walnut Street
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WOODBURN LIONS CLUB WORK DAY AT THE PARK



The Woodburn Lions Club and The Woodlan Service Club did some maintenance at the Woodburn Park on October 23. Their main focus was on trimming the Crabapple trees and hauling away brush to the Woodburn compost site.

Health Savings Accounts allow individuals to make tax-free contributions and use the money for qualified medical expenses. In order to contribute to an HSA, an individual must be combined with a High Deductible Health Plan. The Employee Benefit Research Institute shows a steady growth of HSA enrollment. The HSA Database contained 11.4 million accounts with total assets of \$32.9 billion as of Dec. 31, 2020.

"After hearing from constituents and learning of their difficulties when trying to use Health Savings Accounts (HSAs), I introduced the Stop Penalizing Working Seniors Act to make HSAs easier to use," said Latta. "In Congress, we should be pursuing health care policies that work to increase options for patients and lower costs. With this bill, we would be removing unnecessary barriers people have to work through in order to contribute to or use an HSA."

Latta originally introduced this legislation during the 115th Congress after constituents who had been affected by the issue reached out to the Congressman's office.

Under current law, once an individual begins to collect Social Security benefits, they are automatically enrolled in Medicare Part A. They, and their spouse, are then disqualified from making any contribution to their HSA account. In the case of Latta's constituents, one spouse was still working. They ended up having to keep their high-deductible health insurance plan

while being prohibited from making contributions to their HSA.

The Stop Penalizing Working Seniors Act would remove the prohibition on contributions to an HSA if an individ-



ual is enrolled solely in Medicare Part A. Medicare Part A covers hospital care.

CONVOY HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST JIM PICKETT, AUTHOR OF *BONES OF KEKIONGA*

The Convoy Historical Society is proud to announce the hosting of Jim Pickett, the author of the *Bones of Kekionga* Trilogy on November 7, 2021, at 1:30 at the Convoy Opera House at 111 S Main Street in Convoy Ohio.

Mr. Pickett has a connection to Convoy having his mother born there and a great grandfather that was a conductor on the Interurban rail lines.

Mr. Pickett was raised in New Haven, Indiana and attended the University of St. Francis and attained bachelor's and Master's degrees in 1972 and 1978. Mr. Pickett now lives in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and is a retired school teacher from the DeKalb Central School District near Waterloo, Indiana. He still teaches Driver Education at Safeway Driving School in Fort Wayne and enjoys researching local and American history.

Mr. Pickett has researched the history of the Indian Wars in the Ft. Wayne area and has three books titled "Bones of Kekionga." He will have the books for sale at the Opera House. If you are a history buff, you will not want to miss this interesting, excellent presentation!

STUNNING NEW DETAILS ABOUT MIKE DEWINE & THE FIRSTENERGY CORRUPTION SCANDAL

A stunning report from the Cincinnati Enquirer provides additional details to the

HB6 pay-for-pay scandal embroiling Mike DeWine and FirstEnergy Solutions. In 2018 and bankrupt at the time, FirstEnergy Solutions funneled \$500,000 to the Republican Governors Association in order to help DeWine win his election. However, they did not disclose their large dollar donation to the federal bankruptcy court which would have obviously sounded the alarm on any potential conflicts of interest. DeWine ultimately signed HB6 which would have provided the company with a large enough bailout that would have likely helped them out of bankruptcy.

"As the walls close in on him, Mike DeWine still has not come clean about how much dirty money he took from FirstEnergy and their subsidiaries," Jim Renacci said. "More details show the shadowy operation to disguise and conceal the millions of dollars flowing from dark money groups to help DeWine and, if we don't get answers soon, who knows how much corruption will happen in 2022. Ohio taxpayers have suffered enough from this DeWine scandal, and these funds must be returned to the company to be credited back to hard working Ohioans so they can get the relief they need."

LHN HOSPITALS RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE IN INFANT & MATERNAL HEALTH

Lutheran Health Network hospitals were recently recognized by the Indiana Hospital Association (IHA), in partnership with Governor Eric J. Holcomb and State Health Commissioner Kris Box, M.D., FACOG, for their commitment to infant and maternal health at the second annual INspire Hospital of Distinction recognition program. The award recognizes the implementation of best practices in six key areas, including infant safe sleep, breastfeeding, tobacco prevention and cessation, perinatal substance use, obstetric hemorrhage, and maternal hypertension. INspire, funded by the Indiana Department of Health's Safety PIN grant, was developed to implement the delivery of best practice care for Hoosier moms and babies and recognize hospitals for excellence in addressing key drivers of infant and maternal health.

The INspire Hospital of Distinction, awarded to hospitals who meet four or five category criteria, was earned by Dupont Hospital, Kosciusko Community Hospital and Lutheran Hospital. The Category of Excellence, awarded to hospitals who meet one, two, or three category criteria, was earned by Bluffton Regional Medical Center and Dukes Memorial Hospital.

"We are honored that IHA, Gov. Holcomb and Dr. Box recognize Lutheran Health Network facilities for implementing best practices to continually improve infant and maternal health. Our hospital medical staff and maternity department teams are committed to providing education to improve outcomes and long-term wellness," said Scott Teffeteller, CEO of Lutheran Health Network.

"Indiana hospitals are grateful for the leadership of Gov. Holcomb and Dr. Box and are thrilled to be a partner

in Indiana's effort to reduce infant mortality," said IHA President Brian Tabor. "We look forward to building on the progress we've made."

Indiana Hospital Association serves as the professional trade association for more than 170 acute care, critical access, behavioral health, and other specialized hospitals in Indiana. To learn more visit: <https://www.ihaconnect.org/patientsafety/Initiatives/Pages/Reducing-Infant-Mortality-.aspx>

BALASUBRAMANIAM WINS RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT AWARD

V.M. "Bala" Balasubramaniam, a professor of food engineering in The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) departments of Food Science and Technology and Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, is the 2021 recipient of the Research and Development Award from the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT).

Balasubramaniam was honored for his groundbreaking work in high-pressure processing, IFT President Noel Anderson, said in a written statement. IFT is an international, nonprofit scientific society of professionals engaged in food science, food technology, and related areas in academia, government, and industry.

"What makes this recognition especially distinctive is the fact that (he) was nominated and selected by (his) peers and leaders in the field of food science," Anderson said.

"Balasubramaniam's integrated, multidisciplinary approach to research and industrial outreach has advanced knowledge about innovative food manufacturing technologies and has resulted in a significant impact on the thermal and nonthermal processing of foods, which significantly contributes to the understanding of food science and technology," Anderson said. "In particular, his work in the area of high-pressure processing has opened new pathways for product offerings by developing safe, clean-label, high-quality alternatives to traditional processes."

High-pressure pasteurization was originally introduced for preservation of guacamole in the United States in 1997, said Balasubramaniam. Today, high-pressure pasteurization is a commercially viable process worldwide. Deli meats, guacamole, ready-to-eat meals, juices, fruit and vegetable products, salads, and seafood are examples of pressure-treated, value-added, clean-label products available on the market.

Award winners were presented with a \$3,000 honorarium and a crystal award from IFT.

"I am very honored to receive the award, which validates the work one has done by various peers, as nominations come globally as well as by various sectors including academia, industry, and government agencies," Balasubramaniam said. "An award like this is not possible without excellent, dedicated colleagues, staff, and students."

"This includes multidisciplinary team efforts and a dedicated support ecosystem. Though each one may do a small part, these (efforts) are very critical for success of the

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Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

faculty members."

Balasubramaniam's laboratory—which includes a multi-disciplinary team of process engineers, microbiologists, chemists, and nutritionists—investigates innovative food manufacturing technologies and then works with industry to implement them.

Known internationally for his research on high-pressure and other types of nonthermal processing, or safely processing food using significantly less heat, Balasubramaniam has won numerous national and international awards and authored or co-authored some 115 journal papers, 22 book chapters, two books, five webinars, and four invention disclosures. Balasubramaniam was previously a recipient of the IFT Calvert L. Willey Distinguished Service Award.

For more information on high-pressure processing, go to u.osu.edu/foodsafetyeng/research-focus/high-pressure-processing.



PCED ANNOUNCES UPCOMING BANQUET

The Paulding County Economic Development Board of Directors has announced the date for their upcoming Business & Industry Appreciation

Banquet. The banquet will take place on November 9 at Grant's Catering in Antwerp.

This will be the 21st annual event hosted by the PCED office, although last year was cancelled due to the pandemic. "This event is held to acknowledge our business, industry and networking partners for their contributions, both to the Paulding County community, and to your economic development office. It's a time to share success stories, recap the year, and kickstart some thoughts for the future. The networking opportunity is outstanding in itself," stated Tim Copey, Economic Development Director for the county.

The networking & social hour is from 5:30-6:30pm with dinner being served at 6:30pm. The evening will include some special business acknowledgements, presentations from the top level investors, and allow the opportunity for new businesses in the county that invested with PCED to introduce themselves to the banquet attendees.

For information about how to attend the banquet reach out to PCED Office Manager Kristen Schilt at 419-399-8295 or email office@pced.net

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

In compliance with section 5715.17 of the Revised Code of Ohio, notice is hereby given that the real estate valuations and assessments in Paulding County for the current year have been revised and the valuations completed and are open for public inspection in the Paulding County Auditor's Office located at 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH.

Paulding County Board of Revision complaints must be filed in the office of the Paulding County Auditor, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, OH 45879 beginning January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022.

Claudia J. Fickel,
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- 3rd Weekend- Payne ,
(Paved lot east of Homier's)
- 4th Weekend- Antwerp ,
(13744 CR 43, sewer treatment plant)

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

- 3rd Wednesday of each month
Cecil 11:30-12:00 (Fire Station)
- Junction 12:30-1:00 (Catholic Church)
- Haviland/Scott 1:30-2:00 (SR 114 at Haviland Park)
- Latty/Briceton 2:30-3:00 (Latty Park)

For Questions Call : 419-399-3630
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WTJH STUDENT COUNCIL SOCK DRIVE



During the month of October, the junior high student council from Wayne Trace led a sock drive with the goal of collecting at least 500 pairs of socks. The junior high students exceeded that goal, and the socks will be donated to local charities who can disperse the socks to those in need. The school appreciates all the seventh and eighth-grade students who donated the socks. It was a successful Socktober!

22ND ANNUAL COATS FOR KIDS

November 1st marks the start of the 2021 COATS FOR KIDS Campaign sponsored by the Volunteer Center. Guest of Honor, Mayor Tom Henry, will kick off the campaign by distributing coats to the children at MLK Montessori School, 6001 South Anthony Blvd. on Wednesday November 10th at 10 a.m.

This is the 22nd year for COATS FOR KIDS. The program traditionally provides more than 6,000 warm winter coats to local underserved children. To date, over 72,000 coats have been delivered to over 100 area schools and social service agencies in the area.

Beginning Monday, November 1st, donations of new or gently used winter coats (Children's Size 7 & above through adult sizes) are being collected at partner locations including Peerless Cleaners, Volunteer Center, Sweetwater (main campus), YMCA (Fort Wayne, Huntington), Darlington Holiday Warehouse, Parkview Ortho Hospital and GM Union Hall. Collections will continue through Tuesday, November 30.

Volunteer Center's Executive Director, Ani Etter, states "COVID-19 has added to the struggles many families were already facing to make ends meet. Your donation will help ensure that every child in need has a warm coat this winter. We need the support

of our local community more than ever."

Cash donations are greatly appreciated and will contribute to the purchase of additional coats that are always needed. \$25 will provide a new coat, hat, scarf and mittens to a child in hardship. Secure online donations are accepted at www.volunteerfortwayne.org

Fort Wayne Firefighters, Volunteer Center community volunteers and YMCA team members will deliver the coats to schools and social service agencies during the first week of December.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 10/18/21

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

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Village Administrator Brian Davis, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty and Police Chief George Clemens. Visitors: Bill Boylan, Steve Jordan, Nathan Zuber, Gabe Oberlin, Barry Hook, Steve Bowers, Doug Bragg, government students, Andrew Elbrecht and Bryce Steiner.

Minutes from the regular council meeting held September 20, 2021, were reviewed.

- motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to accept the minutes from the September 20, 2021, regular council meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

The September disbursements were reviewed.

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

Visitors
Nathan Zuber asked about being on the board of zoning appeals, which has two (2) open positions. Mayor Reeb told him that those appointed to this board must be residents of the village. Nathan also asked about Sunshine Law training for elected officials, and status of his records request on

zoning matters.

Bryce Steiner asked about the vacant council seat.

Bill Boylan, Steve Jordan, Steve Bowers, Barry Hook, Doug Bragg, Andrew Elbrecht, and government students present to observe only.

Police Report
Police Chief Clemens provided a written report showing 79 calls for service for the month of September with 7 offenses.

EMS Report
EMS Coordinator-Clerk Ashley McDougall provided a written report showing 167 outstanding runs. EMS had 25 runs in September. Collections in September were \$6,642.82. A year-to-date total of collections is \$52,984.65, with a year-to-date run total of 237 runs.

- motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to enter executive session at 5:38 p.m. to discuss the sale of village real property. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. exit executive session at 5:52 p.m. No action taken during executive session.

Fiscal Officer's Report
Second reading of ordinance no. 2021-17: an ordinance establishing compensation for the Village of Antwerp, Ohio for the calendar year 2022

Second reading of ordinance no. 2021-19: an ordinance authorizing the administrator of the Village of Antwerp to enter into a revised independent contractor agreement for a housing inspector in accordance with ordinance no. 2016-17.

Second reading of ordinance no. 2021-20: an ordinance amending chapter 112 of the Ohio Basic Code entitled peddlers, itinerant merchants, and solicitors to add a new section prohibiting parking on public streets, rights-of-way, and sidewalks of mobile units.

First reading of ordinance no. 2021-21: an ordinance amending ordinance no. 2010-16, an ordinance to retain the services of a zoning inspector for the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio, specifically to amend sections 2 and 3 of such ordinance to increase the annual payment rate for the zoning inspector, and to also provide a one-time payment on completion of zoning map update.

Rita Tax collection for the month of September, paid in October, was \$25,310.05.

Administrator's Report
Water Plant Drive
Carryall Township has cancelled its scheduled chip seal work for this fall. ward construction had planned on doing Water Plant Drive at the same time. at this time, they do not know when or if they will be able to get to it before the weather becomes unfavorable. They will touch base if the weather is still favorable at the end of October.

Harrmann Drive
Pioneer Lines said they are waiting on the easement agreement from Paulding County. Depending upon when they receive it, the project could be pushed out into 2022. They are also seeing supply chain issues for materials (6-to-12-week lead time). if it goes into 2022, they will probably wait until May or June, after school is out.

Water Tower
We should hear back from the state on our application by the end of October, mid-November.
Shaffer Road
Shaffer Road slip funding scenarios are listed below. Council will need to provide direction on which option to pursue. The estimated project cost for the Shaffer Road slip repair ranges from \$1,385,153 to \$1,508,681. This includes construction and engineering and geotechnical services. funding options are as follows:

Scenario #1
Ohio Public Works Commission (emergency infrastructure funding)-\$250,000; cdbg critical infrastructure-\$500,000; or

Scenario #2
CDBG Critical Infrastructure-\$500,000; OPWC SCIP or LTIP funding-\$500,000; grant-\$500,000, 0% interest loan.

Scenario #1 could be implemented with applications filed at the end of 2021 with construction in the spring of 2022. Scenario #2 could be implemented with the CDBG application being filed in September of 2022 and the OPWC application being filed in September of 2022. Construction could be bid and awarded on July 1, 2023. Obviously, Scenario #2 produces the most funding, but requires a delay in project implementation. We will need to bid the project to include engineering on a quality-based selection. Maumee Valley will assist in creating the documents required to do so. Council members noted preference for Scenario #2 option.

Stone Street Lift Station
The ordinance to purchase has been approved. Once the owner provides us with an updated mortgage release, we can move to closing.

Catch basin/manholes
Repairing or replacing catch basins and manholes from the village limits on the

north end of Main Street to the curve at Canal Street took place the week of October 4th. Two catch basins were found to have no drainage outlets. The contractor at our request backfilled the holes and concreted the opening closed. In total, 9 catch basins were replaced, two removed and filled, and 3 manholes raised. Estimated cost for the project is \$35,450.00. Anticipated actual cost should be lower than the estimate.

Metalink
Metalink was in the village on October 6th to complete the fiber installation and training on the new phones. They were only able to complete EMS and fire building. the balance of village phones were switched over October 18th.

Dollar General-Hops sidewalk
The administrator is in the process of filing an application for a new ODPT program entitled Systemic Safety Program, which specifically addresses pedestrian and roadway departure issues/concerns. This would be a good fit for this project. The administrator will follow-up with Maumee Valley to determine what information is required to apply, as well as obtaining an up-to-date estimate.

Water Plant
The administrator and Curtis Nesterload met with Jones & Henry Engineers on September 27th to discuss current building and equipment inventory, our expectations, needs, and wants as it pertains to the actual footprint, and operation of the facility. Curtis provided them with 3 years monthly operating reports including chemical feed dosages, raw water quality at each well and capacity, information on existing utilities, existing site plans, overview of typical operations - control logic, O&M, daily operations, distribution system - maps and tower elevation (need to establish high service pressure requirements), future development plans, and known concerns with water quality (hardness, t&o, etc). We will be visiting a similar plant in Ashley, Indiana in the coming weeks so we can better understand what the basic layout would look like.

Proposed zoning changes presented by Gabe Oberlin

Planning and Zoning Commission recommends amendments to zoning ordinance and zoning map. As to the zoning ordinance amendments, the following is a summary: amending article 300 - establishment and purpose of districts, specifically, revisions to B-2 gateway commercial districts, including but not limited to permitted, conditional and accessory uses (and the table associated with this section), yard requirements, exterior building materials, signage, and screening. a summary of the zoning map amendments is reflected in the table below:

Administrator Davis informed council there were four trees in the park that need taken down and the cost to remove those would be \$7,270.00.

Administrator Davis said that the purchase order for the dump truck has been canceled due to production of that type of truck not being available until late 2023.

Committee Reports

Public safety committee met October 11, 2021. Craig Hibner from PEP was in attendance to discuss the village liability insurance for the proposed splash pad. The cost would be an additional \$250.00 annually to add the splash pad to our liability insurance. Rister would like a finance meeting scheduled to discuss the cost to maintain the splash pad if it would be turned over to the village to maintain.

New Business

Gabe Oberlin was in attendance to submit the proposed zoning ordinance and zoning map amendments to the village council as recommended by the planning and zoning commission. He asked council to amend the recommendation to amend the zoning map to include two (2) more parcels to be rezoned, specifically parcel no. 12-38s-013-00 (located at 410 River St. E) owned by Clifford Bragg currently zoned R-1 and proposed to be zoned B-2; and parcel no. 12-38s-021-01 (located at 504 River St. E) owned by the Paulding County Land Revitalization Corp. currently zoned R-1-A and proposed to be rezoned B-2.

- motion made by West, seconded by Rister, to amend the recommendation being made by the planning and zoning commission to amend the zoning map and add these two parcels to be rezoned B-2. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Discussion on next steps and scheduling a public hearing on the zoning ordinance and zoning map amendments.

Old Business

None.

Mayor's Report
Mayor's court brought in a total of \$1,503.10 in the month of September 2021 with \$1,152.10 going to the village, \$337.50 going to the state, and \$13.50 going to the indigent driver's fund.

- motion made by Reinhart, seconded by Rister, to adjourn the meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

AUDIT UNCOVERS \$3.8 BILLION IN TAXPAYER DOLLARS WERE MISMANAGED BY INEPT OR CORRUPT INDIVIDUALS IN MIKE DEWINE'S ADMINISTRATION

A new report by the Ohio State Auditor just found more than \$3.8 billion in unemployment benefits were fraudulently or mistakenly paid by taxpayers. Under Mike DeWine's watch, the "Ohio Department of Job and Family Services mistakenly paid \$3.4 billion due to an error either by a worker, employer, or state officials, according to the audit. During the same period, more than \$477 million was paid to claims later found to be fraudulent"

"The buck stops with Mike DeWine as billions of tax-

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payer dollars were mismanaged by inept or corrupt individuals in his administration," Jim Renacci said. "Even as the alarm bells were sounding, DeWine sat idly by as fraudsters were taking advantage of Ohioans in their most vulnerable moment."

The Cleveland Plain Dealer writes:

"The audit, released Thursday, provides new details about the massive amount of state and federal money paid to people who didn't qualify for the money, as well as failures and problems within the state's unemployment system that paid out billions."

"In all, the money wrongly paid out equates to more than \$673 for every Ohioan in the labor force, according to the audit. Most of Ohio's jobless benefits paid during the coronavirus crisis were paid for with federal money -- either directly via federal benefits or indirectly because Gov. Mike DeWine used \$1.5 billion in federal coronavirus aid to cover federal loans the state took out because its unemployment fund went broke in the summer of 2020."

Ohio State Auditor Keith Faber slammed those who took advantage of vulnerable Ohioans dealing with the pandemic:

"It's appalling that Ohioans in need were victimized not only by a pandemic that ravaged our economy, but by criminals who took advantage of a system that was outdated,

overwhelmed and ill-prepared for the onslaught of unemployment claims caused by COVID. The fact that the Department neglected to acknowledge its failures until hundreds of millions of dollars in fraud and overpayments had been made, potentially delaying assistance from eligible and deserving Ohioans is more than disappointing."

Just last month DeWine and Jon Husted tried to gaslight Ohioans by taking a victory lap for paying back an unemployment loan to the federal government -- a loan that was only necessary because of their gross mismanagement -- while billions of dollars were fraudulently dispersed under their watch. Instead of giving DeWine credit for paying off a loan he had to take out, Ohioans are now asking how he allowed Ohio's unemployment system to become so fraudulently broken to begin with.

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NHEG EDGUIDE & NEW HEIGHTS SHOW ON EDUCATION WINS GLOBEE® IN THE 8TH ANNUAL 2021 INTERNATIONAL BEST IN BUSINESS AWARDS

New Heights Educational Group announced today that The Globee® Awards, organizers of world's premier business awards programs and business ranking lists, has named New Heights Educational Group/NHEG EDGuide and New Heights Show on Education a Gold winner in the 8th Annual 2021 International Best in Business Awards.

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New Heights Show on Education is an internet radio program and podcast in which the hosts cover various topics of education for Home, Charter and Public School families in Ohio and beyond.

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The show features many hosts discussing many topics. During 2020 and 2021 Erika Hanson covered topics related to disabilities/special needs. Olaniyan Taibat discussed issues facing youth and acted as a host assistant. The show is sponsored by Silicon Valley High School and its CEO David Smith. The radio show is updated by Sarika Gauba and Allene Yue who upload the weekly shows on the NHEG site and its 22 networks. <https://Radio.NewHeightsEducation.org/>

Our bi-monthly magazine titled "New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) EDGuide" is sent to our subscribers with the latest news in education, educational offerings across the globe and nationally, and information about our organization, teachers and students. This (FREE by email and via our website) comprehensive guide covers current educational topics and the accomplishments/activities/achievements of the New Heights Educational Group.

The magazine's production manager and cover designer is Marina Klimi (Greece), and the magazine shares her vision and hard work. She has volunteered with NHEG since August 2013. Pamela Clark, Executive Director of NHEG, is the Editor-in-Chief of the magazine. Laura Casanova proofreads the magazines. <https://www.NewHeightsEducation.org/who-we-are/NHEG-edguide/>

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"I'm incredibly proud of our magazine and internet radio program. NHEG has been blessed with many awards over the years, but this is the first win for the NHEG EDGuide and New Heights Show on Education. That makes this win even more special. A special thank you to Marina Klimi for suggesting we enter our works. Thank you also to Erika Hanson; Olaniyan Taibat; David Smith, CEO of Silicon Valley High

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School; and our previous hosts for building such a stellar radio program," said Pamela Clark, Executive Director of NHEG and its programs. "Behind this distinguished success is our product innovations and relentless drive to stay customer focused. We believe this recognition from Globee Awards further validates our commitment to our customers and the hard work of our volunteers."

Judges from around the world representing a wide spectrum of industry experts participated in the judging process. See the complete list of 2021 winners here: <https://globeeawards.com/international-business-awards/winners/> Stay posted and read success stories of organizations by subscribing to the Globee Newsletter: <https://globeeawards.com/subscribe/>

USING ELECTRICITY TO ASSESS SOIL HEALTH

A new break-through in soil health testing has occurred which may allow researchers and farmers to instantly measure soil health and microbial activity. A group of Washington State University

researchers are using small electrical currents to assess soil microbes and soil health impacts. Soil microbes process 90% of the soil's energy and nutrients. Each microbe is like a soluble bag of fertilizer, supplying plant roots with nutrients, amino acids, proteins, and even whole enzymes.

Measuring soil health has been difficult. Soil scientist, fertility specialist, and farmers have used soil chemistry and harsh chemicals to make nutrient analysis. They also measure soil texture and pH to try to understand a soil's chemical and physical properties. While chemical and physical measurements may be valuable, they do not always measure soil productivity directly. Soil biology is extremely important as well. Unfortunately, there has not been many good tests to measure both biological activity and soil productivity together.

Soil productivity is closely related to how microbes function in the soil. Their may be close to 50 billion bacteria and 100 million fungi in a handful of soil. These microbes and other soil organisms process soil nutrients to either tie up (immobilize) or process them into a form that is plant available (mobilized nutrients). Plants send hormonal signals to microbes to transform plant unavailable nutrients into plants available forms. In healthy soils, microbes can protect a plant from pathogens by out competing or providing antibodies. Healthy microbes also promote plant growth stimulating hormones for improved plant growth and yield. Until recently; there has not been a simple, easy to use way to instantly measure microbial activity.

The Washington University team of researchers solved this problem by using an aquatic probe to measure the electrochemical signature of existing soil microbes. In an ideal soil, 50% of the soil is pore space. About 50% of the that pore space or 25% of the entire soil volume maybe filled with water. Most soil microbes live and travel in the water filled soil voids. All biological beings have an electrical signature, so researchers developed a way to measure this electrical signature. Soils that are healthy and teaming with microbes have a higher electrical signature than soils that are poor structured, compacted, have low microbial populations or are unhealthy.

A soil probe with real-time measurements could lead to instant simple soil tests which a farmer could use to determine the productivity of their soils.

The probe the researchers developed measures the electrochemical signature of microbes. Microbes process nutrients by freeing up electrons and using those electrons for energy, similar to way animals and humans eat and breathe. The microbes give those electrons to a donor acceptor molecule like oxygen. The team of researchers developed a simple probe to replace the acceptor molecule. Using this electrode, they can measure the electrical current and start to quantify the microbial soil activity. So really, researchers are measuring how soil microbes breathe. They identified soils that were quite similar in soil chemistry and physical properties (same pH and soil type), but one soil was much more productive. They found that the unproductive soil had only 1% of the electrical current associated with healthy microbes and productive healthy soils. When researchers added sugar to both soils to stimulate microbial activity, they observed a significant change or increase in the electrical current of both soils.

Most of the world's soils are becoming degraded and losing their natural productivity. Good healthy soils are the basis for all animal and human nutrition. Currently, a major problem is that even the act of soil sampling changes the soil tests and most soil tests are still taken to the laboratory for analysis. To improve soils quickly, researchers and farmers need a rapid soil test that measures a soil productivity instantly so that management changes can be made quickly. This new electrical sensor probe can measure and evaluate soil structure and how the soil is functioning, including measuring healthy and unhealthy microbial activity. This allows the researchers and eventually farmers to make instant changes to improve soil productivity.

Researchers are currently refining their methods and testing more soils types and farm fields to get more data to analyze to make future farm management recommendations. Real-time measurements can improve not only soil health but also improve nutrient density in our grains, vegetables, the meat we eat and humans if high density food is consumed. Developed from Washington State University materials and an article written by Tina Hilding.

James J. Hoorman
 Hoorman Soil Health Services

Sudoku solution from page 9

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

TRACKING RAINFALL ACROSS OHIO

What farmer doesn't love to record the weather for their area of the county? Many of you are recording this daily but why not help give our county more. The Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow (CoCoRaHS) Network is comprised of volunteers who track rainfall across the United States. This is an excellent way to ground-truth radar predictions and track precipitation across the rural landscape. We currently only have one consistent reporter in Paulding County near the Hedges area. Wouldn't it be awesome to see how much rainfall each part of the county got? When you join the reporting network, you get a weekly newsletter containing reporting tips and weather stories. View the most recent newsletter linked under the Resources section. It does require a specific rain gauge which can be purchased on Amazon or at these websites. To learn more about the network, click here. If we have enough interest, I have been asked to host a training in November or December. Please let me know if you are interested in the training by emailing me at noggle.17@osu.edu. This training would be open to the public.

HELP WANTED:

Antwerp Manor Dietary is seeking to fill part time cook position and part time resident server position for evenings and weekends.
 Sign on bonus and attendance bonus!
Pick up an application at the front desk or call 419-258-1606 to inquire.

CARRYALL TOWNSHIP MEETING DATE CHANGE NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of Carryall Township Trustees has been changed to Wednesday, November 10, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

—Deb Wyckoff Carryall
 Township Fiscal Officer

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Health Department seeks Environmental Health Director and Staff LPN/RN

The Paulding County Health Department is seeking applicants for a full time Environmental Health Director Position. Qualifications are to be a Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) in the State of Ohio. Must have a valid driver's license. Starting salary is \$23.50 per hour.

The Paulding County Health Department will be accepting resumes for a full-time LPN/RN. Immunization, community health and contact tracing experience preferred. Starting wage is \$20.50 per hour.

Send resume and cover letter by mail or email to: Paulding County Health Department, 800 E. Perry St.; Paulding, OH, 45879 or pchd@pcohhd.com Applications and resumes accepted until position is filled.

Paulding County Health Department is an Equal Opportunity Employer

LOCAL GROUP INVITES PUBLIC TO RALLY PEACEFULLY ON ELECTION DAY



Where There is Risk There Must be Choice!

Northwest Ohio Medical Freedom Group (NWOMFG) announced plans to gather and demonstrate peacefully for medical freedom on election day, Tuesday, November 2nd, rain or shine, from 5:00 - 7:00 pm on the Defiance County Courthouse sidewalk on the corner of Clinton St. and Second St. in Defiance, Ohio. Supporters are invited to bring signs supporting medical freedom and American flags. Feel free to wear your uniform if you're a healthcare worker or first responder. Please leave pro or anti- Trump or Biden signs at home, as this group has members from both ends of the political spectrum.

Our group's current concerns are:

- The ads for the COVID-19 vaccine claim it is "safe and effective" but many are seeing the reality in their friends and neighbors that it is neither. VAERS (Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System) numbers have climbed since the release of the vaccine.

- Local Board Certified

Naturopathic Doctor RoseAnna Hollo of Deep Roots Wellness in Defiance, says, "I have seen an increase of adults presenting with severe symptoms following Covid-19 injections. I am concerned about the short and long term effects of this jab. I have been educating those affected on reporting to VAERS. I am of the opinion that this vaccine is not worth the risk in most circumstances and mandates are endangering the health of many."

- Many healthcare providers, military, airline, and nearly every other industry are standing up to these mandates in the forms of walk outs, resignations, and lawsuits.

- Mandated vaccines are un-American.

- Many have natural immunity, which has been shown to be robust and complete in the medical literature.

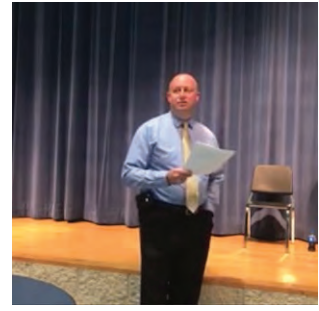
To receive updates from the NWO Medical Freedom group, you will need to have the Telegram app on your mobile device. The link is <https://t.me/medfreedomnwo>

NWOMFG consists of medical choice-loving people

of all political leanings, gathering monthly to share how they can combat COVID-19 mandates locally and statewide, exemptions available, alternative treatments, and other helpful resources.

NWOMFG has completed two public demonstrations thus far, including a rally of support for the employees of the Defiance Public Library System, as well as a Freedom Walk from North Clinton Street to the downtown Defiance area, carrying signs, chatting with those interested, and passing out information cards.

THREE CANDIDATES FOR ANTWERP VILLAGE COUNCIL MEET & GREET THE COMMUNITY



On the ballot for Antwerp Village Council, there are nine candidates of Antwerp. On the council sit six people, 5 of which are currently



filled. Four seats are up for reelection this November. Five of the people running are new to the political race - Jason Franks, Steve Jordan, Larry Smith, Sara Keeran, and Bryce Steiner. Four are incumbents - Keith West, Dean Rister, Rudie Reeb, and Mike Rohrs. With so many new faces having the potential to be leading the village of Antwerp after November 2nd, the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce decided to organize a last minute Meet the

Candidates Night on October 26, 2021.

Three candidates were gracious enough to share their time and their thoughts with the village residents who participated in this evening. The event took place at the Antwerp Local School with several village residents in attendance. Paulding County Sheriff, Jason Landers stood in as moderator for the evening. Keith West, Jason Franks, and Bryce Steiner took the stage just before 7:00 p.m. to begin the event. Sheriff Landers invited each candidate to make their introductions to the crowd.

Bryce Steiner is a new candidate for one of the seats on the Village Council. He has lived in Antwerp for over 16 years when he started the business, West Bend Printing & Publishing, Inc. with his wife, Angel.

Jason Franks is a new candidate for one of the seats on the Village Council. He has served on the zoning board of appeals for 15 years. He is married to wife, Tiffany, and they share three children.

Keith West is a current council member seeking reelection. He has served two terms, total of eight years and is seeking his third term this November. He and his wife have lived in Antwerp for many years, and they now have 21 grandchildren.

Antwerp Chamber of Commerce compiled a list of seven questions for the candidates to answer and explain to the crowd. Sheriff Landers gave each candidate the opportunity to answer in a two minute time limit to keep the meeting moving along.

Question 1: What made you want to run for Village Council, and what qualities, skills, and interests will you bring to the council?

Bryce Steiner - He wants to see transparency in the council members with the public about all situations. He wants to get rid of the unnecessary emergency ordinance passing. He would also like to see residents have more opportunities to be resourceful - have chickens, rabbits, or do composting. He also wants to have open communication with the public.

Jason Franks - He would like to see new energy in the council, and he believes he can do that. He believes the situation with the Family Dollar was mishandled at best and wants to avoid situations like that moving forward. He believes his engineering background with problem-solving and troubleshooting will be an asset to the village council.

Keith West - He is currently helping solve some of the issues that the village has been battling, and he has several residents approach him wanting him to run for council to continue his efforts.

Question 2: What ideas do you have to promote local businesses and attract more people to our community?

There were three very different answers to this question - Franks thinks we should start with the revitalization of the downtown area by working with Paulding County Economic Development and the Village Administrator; Steiner wants to help potential entrepreneurs get their ideas from Point A to Point B and turn them into thriving business ventures; and West thinks it's most beneficial to promote the 24/49 Interchange development. The planning stages are getting ready to move to the next phase.

Question 3: What quality of life challenges and/or opportunities do you see in our community?

Health and safety was most important to West, while Franks believes improving the village's water system is most important, and Steiner spoke about fairness to all in terms of enforcing village ordinances on residents.

Question 4: What is your vision for the 24/49 Interchange?

Steiner believes this Interchange needs to be beneficial to the village and agrees with West that it needs to be supported with the best infrastructure and get experts to work with the village to get this done right. Franks stated that he thinks that PCED has the best insight for this project, but also thinks that the village should look at other towns - like Hicksville's industrial park - to see what would work for Antwerp. West stated that several things need to get accomplished first - the village needs to be able to get water to that interchange in order for the rest of the project to fall into place. Investors need to see that the village is serious about it, and then the project can move forward.

Question 5: If elected, our village will rely on you to make important, informed, and fair decisions that affect our residents as well as our businesses. How do you intend to make sure the best decisions are made in the interest of our entire community?

West stated that it is imperative that all members of council need to participate as part of the group not individually. Steiner stated that the main reason he ran is to see the end of the abusive use of emergency ordinances. They give little, to no, public comment when issues are brought up - the zoning for example, Steiner stated that there is a zoning hearing coming up that will discuss moving zones of certain sections of the village. The people living

in this areas need to know about this. Franks wants to work with the council members to use Social Media and the village website to keep everyone informed.

Question 6: How can the council be more transparent with the residents of Antwerp?

Franks reiterated the need for all meetings to be recorded and put on the village website and social media. This will ensure transparency in their decision making. West is 100% for transparency; in fact, the council is currently working with a company to build a new website that should be operational by January 2022. Steiner believes transparency is absolutely crucial to be successful with the public. Council cannot be afraid when a resident asks them a question that may be hard to answer.

Question 7 was the final question of the evening: What are your thoughts or plans for increasing housing in the village of Antwerp?

Steiner stated that the first thing that needs looked at is the current zoning & village limits. Maybe it's time to expand those borders for more room to grow. Franks agreed with this thought and added that there is not much potential for future growth except some upstairs of downtown buildings and a couple other areas. West also concurred with the other two candidates about lack of current space for housing expansion in the village, and it may be time to look at expanding.

The evening was brought to a close by moderator Sheriff Landers thanking the Chamber for coordinating the event as well as the Antwerp School for allowing access to the building.

Now, it's up to the residents of Antwerp to speak with their votes. These three candidates all shared what they were willing to do for the village of Antwerp, and it's up to the residents to decide who will lead them for the next four years. Get out and vote next Tuesday, November 2nd!

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Hello!

To everyone who sent me greetings and gifts for my 90th birthday!

My children (kids, ha!) gave me a great party in my backyard.

Thank You so much!

The best part of the day was seeing ex-neighbors, my now neighbors, also co-worker Betty, grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephew from Pinky Billman's family -

Thank You Jan, a loving friend who took a big group picture!

-Arlene Billman

It is hard to believe it has been FOUR years already.

I still love you more than ever now. I think about all the time, especially at this time of the year.

I am very sorry I did not help you that night. If I knew you help I would have got you but I did not.

I hope you forgive me!



I will never forget you,
Michelle McCoy

Love,
Darrin Lee Cottrell