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comedy get into the spirit of Christmas.

Performances are Friday, November 19th and Saturday, 20th at 7 p.m. And Sunday, November 21st at 2 p.m. Tickets will be available through the Antwerp Local Schools High School office or at the door the day of the performances.

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### OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

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### DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR:

Baeden Hancock (12) Tinora

### FIRST TEAM:

*Offensive Ends* - Jagger Landers (12) Antwerp; Jackson Bergman (12) Hicksville; Cole Commisso (12) Tinora

*Offensive Tackles* - Bryce Bailey (12) Tinora; Landyn Whitman (12) Wayne Trace

*Offensive Center* - Eric Bohn (12) Tinora

*Offensive Guard* - Mason Steel (12) Antwerp; Baeden Hancock (12) Tinora

*Quarterback* - Carson Altimus (10) Antwerp

*Offensive Running Backs* - Owen Berner (11) Ayersville; K.P. Delarber (12) Tinora; Christian Commisso (11) Tinora

*Place Kicker* - Dylan Camp (12) Tinora

*Defensive Ends* - Jagger Landers (12) Antwerp; Bryce Bailey (12) Tinora

*Defensive Tackles* - Kendrick Robinson (11) Antwerp; Baeden Hancock (12) Tinora; Javen Gaines (11) Tinora

*Linebackers* - Hayden Wagner (12) Antwerp; Owen Berner (11) Ayersville; Grady Gustwiller (10) Tinora

*Defensive Backs* - Kaden Recker (12) Antwerp; Corey Everetts (11) Edgerton; Cole Commisso (12) Tinora

*Punter* - Weston Minic (12) Fairview

### SECOND TEAM:

*Offensive Ends* - Kaden Recker (12) Antwerp; Landon Brewer (10) Antwerp; Hayden Dales (12) Ayersville

*Offensive Tackles* - Kaden Phares (12) Antwerp; Tyler Haspe (12) Tinora

*Offensive Center* - Brady Hatlevig (12) Antwerp; Jacob

Stiltner (12) Antwerp

*Offensive Guards* - Brady Clark (10) Ayersville; Nathan Sinn (12) Wayne Trace

*Quarterback* - Corey Everetts (11) Edgerton

*Offensive Running Backs* - Reid Lichty (10) Antwerp; Warren Nichols (11) Edgerton; Brandon Edwards (11) Tinora

*Place Kicker* - Bradley Young (12) Ayersville

*Defensive Ends* - Jackson Bergman (12) Hicksville; Christian Commisso (11) Tinora

*Defensive Tackles* - Brady Clark (10) Ayersville; Ray Pelz (11) Edgerton; Dallas Dachenhaus (11) Tinora

*Linebackers* - Warren Nichols (11) Edgerton; Kyle Blair (11) Fairview; Joey Guisinger (10) Tinora

*Defensive Backs* - Hayden Dales (12) Ayersville; Gavin

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## NOTICE OF HOLIDAY CLOSURE; AMENDED DEADLINES

West Bend News office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday Thursday, November 25 and Friday November 26. All ads and news for the following week's paper (November 30th) need to be in by Wednesday, November 24. Classified ads deadlines are the same, Monday, November 29th.

WBN will be back to normal business hours on Monday, November 29, 2021.

Happy Thanksgiving!

## Community Calendar

### MON & WED

- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 9a-12p

### November 16

- ACDC Annual Meeting 7p - Antwerp VFW Davis & Copsey speakers

### November 17

- WBESC meeting @ VW office, 5:30pm

### November 17-19

- PC Senior Center Fundraiser Rummage Sale

### November 20

- ACC NRL22 Match, 8am
- Cecil Comm Ch food dist 12p

### November 21

- St. Louis Besancon Ham & Turkey drive thru dinner 11a
- Cecil Comm Ch Thanksgiving Meal, 6pm
- Community Thanksgiving Service @ Antwerp Presbyterian Church, 6pm

### November 27

- Shop Small Saturday
- Shop the Village, Paulding
- Bel:ve @ Paulding Eagles 5p

### December 4

- Lifeway Church Craft Bazaar & Cookie Walk 8:30-2:30p
- NH UMC Bazaar 9-3

### December 4-5

- Dance Dolls Christmas Show @ Huber

### December 5

- Nuts & Crackers - Dance Dolls at Huber 2:30p

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PAULDING, OH:

**John Straka**, age 90, passed away on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 at his residence in Paulding, OH.

John was born on January 8, 1931 to the late Joseph and Anna (Langel) Straka. On October 9, 1954, he married Maxine Fellers, who survives. For 22 years, John worked for Doty Lithograph before it became Messenger Stationary, where he continued to work for another four years. John also owned his own printing business called Circle Printing. John proudly served in the Army where he received the Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars while in Korea. He was also a member of the Disabled American Veterans in Defiance.

John is also survived by his two children: Janice (Daniel) Steusloff, Mebane, NC and John Straka, Oakwood, OH; sister, Ann Fuerst; grandsons: Chad (Thea) Proxmire, Brian Proxmire, and Nicholas (Chelsey) Straka; great-grandchildren: Autumn, Abby, Ella, Nadia, Evelyn, Brady, and Lyla.

Also preceding John in death are his brother, Joseph Straka and an infant sister, Mary Straka.

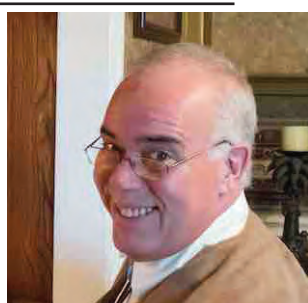
Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, November 15, 2021 at Den Herder Funeral Home. Burial will be at Paulding Memorial Cemetery with military rites accorded by the Paulding VFW Post 587.

Visitation will be 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. on Sunday, November 14, 2021 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M. until time of services on Monday.

Memorial contributions may be made in John's name to Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 36, c/o Defiance VFW Post 3360, 201 N. Clinton St., Defiance, OH 43512.

Online condolences may be shared at [www.denherderfh.com](http://www.denherderfh.com).

ANTWERP, OH  
**Steven E. Litzenberg**, 68, of Antwerp, passed away at home on Sunday, November 7, 2021. Arr by DOOLEY FUNERAL HOME, 202 W. RIVER STREET, ANTWERP, OHIO.



HOUSTON, TX

**Steve Schaefer**, age 62, died at his home in Houston, Texas on November 8, 2021. Steve passed away holding the hand of his loving wife of over 20 years, Leslie, and sister-in-law, Shannon, after losing his battle with pancreatic cancer.

He was born in Hicksville, Ohio on May 26, 1959, to Patricia McCalla and Jacob Schaefer. Throughout his life, Steve was always outnumbered and surrounded by girls in his family. He is survived by his three sisters - Lori, Joni and Judi. He is also survived by his two beautiful daughters Nicholette (Ryan) and Alexandria (Richard); and five beautiful firecrackers in his granddaughters Brooklyn, Bailey, Isabelle, Lillian, and Sienna. He also has seven nieces and eight nephews who will all miss him very, very much.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, Jake.

Following his graduation from Antwerp High School, Class of 1977, he served with the U. S. Air Force as an Electronics Specialist. Afterwards in his civilian life, he was building houses and kicking carpet with his Dad as operators of Heirloom Renovations. In his later years, after Steve's knees told him he couldn't keep kicking carpet, his career transitioned to IT Project Management in the oil and gas industries.

Steve was a brilliant guy. He was an analytical thinker, quick-witted, an avid speed reader, and he loved picking apart the intricate workings of anything mechanical. He was a collector of black t-shirts that had phrases that made him laugh and also skirted the line with double taking strangers smiling as they thought "did I really just read that?" Steve enjoyed traveling, with his black t-shirts packed in his suitcase, and having long conversations filled with his wealth of knowledge and advice from his plethora of life experiences. You could call him any time and he would happily offer his unassuming advice, free of charge.

Always wanting to help, Steve chose to donate his body to the University of Texas Health Science Center and MD Anderson in Houston to further the research into his specific cancer.

Never a man who would turn down a good party, a remembrance celebration held in his honor will be planned

soon.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, please consider donating to Brookwood Community for Adults with Disabilities. Steve shared a special bond with his nephew Travis Berger, who is a community member at Brookwood.

## PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,

*As a mother I am quite concerned. The other night my 13-year-old son announced to me that he was too old for my goodnight kisses. Our communication has also been breaking off. Is this natural?*

Few things rival the mysteries of a boy changing into a man. And few things generally grow more threadbare than a boy's relationship to his mother during those years.

God has given man the responsibility of headship and leadership over the woman (Genesis 3:16; I Timothy 2:11-13; Colossians 3:18; I Peter 3:1-2). Now God did not say that man was more important, better, or even smarter than woman; but that he has a POSITION of God-given authority and leadership over the woman. Natural attributes and feelings of leadership and authority which God has placed in males start to stir within him as he approaches manhood. He finds it increasingly difficult to take orders from a woman, even his mother. He resents being babied, protected, or made fun of, and to be considered a "mamma's boy" at this stage is one of the worst things that could happen to him.

As he matures in character he will someday realize how precious, important and special women are, especially his mother and future wife!

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

## THE REFINER AND HIS GOLD

By: Doris Applegate

As little children, we often were told by our parents to "just be patient". Those words were so hard times to obey and even as grown adults, we realize the importance of this word: Patience! It is also referred to as endurance. The times we live in really require this word of us as chaos is all around and things get very overwhelming at times.

As born again believers in Jesus Christ, we are lights shining in a dark world but that doesn't mean that sometimes our light can 'flicker' at times and seem to dim and even go out! This is why, when we go through trials/disappointments and things don't go as we thought they would, we are tempted by the devil to quit. Satan is always trying to stop our progress in Christ Jesus. If we "tune" our ears to hear what God says to us in this Holy word, we will be encouraged to keep that light of ours burning brightly. Are your ears ready to hear? Ok. "My brethren count it all joy when you fall into various trials. Knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience (or endurance) but let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. (James 1:2-4) We need to thank and praise God that he trusts us and counts us worthy

of the trial. It is for our good and James is saying that if we hold out and go through the test, it will shape our character and through the test, it will shape our character and personality and make us a complete, fully, well rounded Christian. So don't quit. Our best is yet to come. Believe it! Our faith is sometimes compared to a refiner's fire where the dross has to be skimmed off.

When I had severe testings and trials and felt they wouldn't end, the Lord gave me this verse and I hope it encourages you: "gold tried in the fire, seven times hotter than hot. The refiner standing and watching removing the dross from the top. Little by little, the gold is refined, beautiful, shiny more pure does it get, the gold is a treasure in this very hot place, the refiner won't stop till he sees his own face. Now our life is the gold God tries in the fiery trials so hot, the "dross" He removes to reveal just the best and sometimes we wish He would stop "Be patient" He tells us, "for I'm not quite done, this job takes a very long time and before I am finished, my face I must see and your life must be mine, All mine." Gold tried in the fire.

Amen

## MERCY HEALTH HOSPITALS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED WITH 'A' FROM LEAPFROG HOSPITAL SAFETY GRADE

Mercy Health - St. Anne Hospital, Mercy Health - Tiffin Hospital, and Mercy Health - Defiance Hospital were all awarded 'A' grades in the fall Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing these hospitals' achievements providing safer health care.

"Mercy Health has provided compassionate and quality care in Northwest Ohio for more than 165 years, and we're extremely pleased that our teams have been recognized for the outstanding work that they do every day especially during the continued challenges of a global pandemic," said Bob Baxter, president and CEO, Mercy Health - Toledo. "Receiving this rating from Leapfrog is further proof of Mercy Health's commitment to ranking among the nation's best in the care we deliver to our community."

The Leapfrog Group, an independent national watchdog organization, assigns an "A," "B," "C," "D," or "F" grade to general hospitals across the country based on over thirty national performance measures reflecting errors, injuries, accidents and infections, as well as systems hospitals have in place to prevent harm.

"An 'A' Safety Grade is a tremendous achievement, of which this community should be extremely proud," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "I thank the leadership and workforce of Mercy Health - Toledo for its commitment to prioritizing patients and their safety, especially during these trying times."

Developed under the guidance of a national expert panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 28 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year. The Hospital Safety

## Scripture of the Week

Trouble and distress have come upon me, but your commands give me delight.

— Psalms 119:143

## ISAIAH 26:3 NIV



God, You will keep in perfect peace, those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you almighty God.

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For more information or to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit [www.hospitalsafetygrade.org](http://www.hospitalsafetygrade.org)

The Leapfrog Group Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the life-saving information they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Aaron Contreras and Abbey Edwards welcomed baby boy Ozlo Ray Contreras on November 11, 2021; He weighed 6lbs 6oz and was 19 inches long. He has two siblings: Darius and Mateo.

Grandparents are: Cindy Edwards, Paulding, OH. Great grandparents are: Ray and Lupe Contreras, Paulding, OH; and Deb Conley, Antwerp, OH.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Aubree Bolter was born November 9, 2021 to Katlyn Wesley and Micah Bolter. She weighed 7 lbs 1 oz and was 20.5 inches long. She has 2 siblings: Isabella Wesley and Tobias Bolter.

Grandparents are: Rick and Stephanie Bishop, Montpelier, OH; Bill Wesley, Paulding, OH and Terrilynn Nicely, Illinois. Great grandparents are: Chester and Sandy Wesley, Paulding, OH; Annette Hanes, Bryan, OH; Steve Hanes, Dayton, OH and Melody Boyce, Pinehurst, NC

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## BUFFALO OR COW CHIPS ANYONE?

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

According to the calendar, Autumn is here. There are signs of Fall all around us, with falling leaves, pumpkins and school buses. However, some days it looks like it may be warm outside, but just because the sun is shining doesn't mean that its warm outside.

I think our summer temperatures did hang around for a long time this year and some weeks we would go from 80+ temps to the 60s the next day.

So I went out the other day and like a "dummy" did not wear a jacket. The sun had been shining earlier so I "thought," I don't need a jacket. But will take my umbrella. Just in case.

Well, by the time I got to my destination, it was raining cats and dogs. I thought, "Well I do have my umbrella." I stepped out of my car shaking with the coldness of the rain and went to put up my trusty umbrella.

All of a sudden a gust of wind came at me and my umbrella went crazy. The wind took and blew it inside out and all the spokes were sticking out. So, I made a mad dash in the rain getting wet hair and out of breath from running. So the weather went from sunshine to rain in a matter of a few hours.

In fact, there was a freeze warning issued last night for the area and those who still had garden plants out were advised to cover them.

One day this week I saw neighbors mowing there yards and the next day raking leaves where their children could play and jump in the pike.

Now, I ask, "Will there be any more 75-80 degree temperatures? Also,

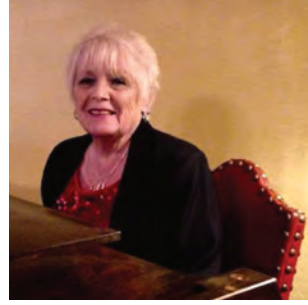
"What kind of clothes should I wear? Should I put away my shorts, tanks and flip flops? Should I wear long pants or shorts? Should I wear boots or flip flops? Decisions decisions. What's a gal to do?"

Also these old always ongoing debate questions arises which is, "Is it proper to wear white pants, dresses or shoes after Labor Day?"

However, I just let my mind wander back to over 100 years ago and how the early settlers had bigger issues in

the winter to think about, besides deciding what kind of shoes or clothes to wear.

It has been said that a man would put on winter underwear in the fall and leave it on until Spring. Of course in addition to keeping the fire going and taking care of his animals, he was in no doubt out in the cold quite a bit. However, keeping warm in the winter was a common problem for those early residents of the plains and different groups had different solutions to the problem.



For instance, a Mr. John W. Hartman came to eastern Nebraska in 1890 and got to know some of the first generation of settlers. He wrote and journaled some of their experiences saying, "John Gilbert was a stage-driver working for the government. The Pawnee Indians were great friends to Mr. Gilbert. Many of their tribe would come each fall and visit him. In one of their visits, Gilbert went down to the timber where they were camped and the group was sitting around a little fire. So Mr. Gilbert got a lot of brush and logs to put on the fire."

The Indian chief said: "White man \*\*\*\* fool! He builds great big fire and has to sit a long ways from it. Indian builds a little fire and sits close around it." Their reasoning was, "the smaller the flame, the closer you could sit to the fire and keep warm." That makes sense to me.

Most settlers built fires in stoves to heat their houses, but they didn't have the same fuel sources they had back east or in Europe. Wood was precious. Coal was expensive. So what did they use?

James G. Eastman, another homesteader, remembered some of his chores during this time, saying, "In the earlier days of our childhood we had a terrible time keeping warm. We never knew when a great storm would come up and just how the next day would be."

"My mother would send me out to pick up buffalo chips, sunflower stalks, and big weeds and sticks which we piled up for fuel."

Buffalo chips? What are they and have you ever gathered them? They were manure droppings from either

cows or buffaloes that had dried in the sun and it is said that they burned pretty well in the old stoves. Piles of chips up to 10-12 feet high might lay next to a little sod house in the wilds.

These natural fuel sources (chips) were also used for cooking all year. Chips were a challenge. Women had to overcome the distaste they felt not only for gathering manure, but bringing it into the home and cooking with it. Chips and hay twists both burned hot but quickly.

Maintaining even minimal standards of cleanliness around a chip-fired stove was a chore. One early settler chronicled saying, "Here is the rundown of the operations that mother went through when making baking powder biscuits. Stoke the stove, get out the flour sack, stoke the stove, wash your hands, mix the biscuit dough, stoke the stove, wash your hands, cut out the biscuits with the top of a baking powder can, stoke the stove, wash your hands, put the pan of biscuits in the oven, keep on stoking the stove until the biscuits are done (not forgetting to wash the hands before taking up the biscuits)."

Can you imagine getting those chips just in order to fire up a stove? (Apparently there were no sanitation rules.)

Even with all that work, sometimes the stove couldn't keep up with the cold. John Hartman also wrote, "The winter of 1862 was very severe and cold with plenty of snow. It was almost impossible to keep warm with old style cook stoves and green wood. My sister's feet frosted sitting by the stove with quilts around her."

Obviously, quilts were practical items intended, on one level, to keep their owners warm. On another level, they were (and are) works of art with visual decorations that go well beyond what was necessary to keep warm. Quilting was an extremely popular for women in 19th century America. They had the added advantage of being put on the bed in order to keep warm.

Miss Lizzie Lockwood's parents settled in Nebraska in 1870 and she remembered how common quilting was. She noted, "If a girl hadn't started to piece a quilt by the time she was eight or ten years old, we just didn't have anything to do with her."

Oh my! I would have made a poor pioneer gal. I do not claim sewing as one of my fortes.

Hartman also wrote in his journals, "I have seen frost in Nebraska in July. Seen the leaves freeze off and all of our corn would be ruined. On the other hand, in 1903, 1906 and 1907 we plowed twelve months of the year and in these three years there wasn't any snow at all."

So, while I sit here in my warm dwelling, I guess I don't have it bad at all. I don't have to go gather buffalo or cow chips to fire up a stove, make baking powder biscuits in a distasteful setting, or be an outcast because I don't know how to quilt. Well, back to my own worries. Is it proper to wear white shoes now that it's past Labor Day and we are now in Autumn?

Do you think the old settlers had problems keeping warm in the winter? Have you ever gathered or cooked with "chips?" Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your

Thoughts.

*Some info taken from Western Story: The Recollections of Charley O'Kieffe, 1884-1898. Lincoln: U of N Press, 1960. Source American Memory, WPA*

## MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

Sophia (Weidmann) Eichling was one of Paulding's leading ladies for education and also entertaining guests. Sophia was born in June 3, 1865 in New York, the daughter of Paul and Susan (Diehl) Weidmann. Her father Paul was born in Niderauerbach, Bavaria, Germany in 1830 and his wife, Susanna, was born August 24, 1840 in Germany the daughter of Freiderich and Marie Diehl.

Throughout the 1870's and 1880's, Sophia grew up with five brothers and sisters in



Kings, Brooklyn Ward 13, New York City. Her father, Paul, was very successful, who had vision not only for business, but for education and fine arts. He had established businesses in Canada and New York. He moved the family to Paulding in 1884 and purchased a half interest in Major Holcombe's Stave Mill.

Sophia meet and married a gentleman named Henry Lewis Eichling, born in 1854, in New York on February 22, 1887. That same year, they had a house built at 607 North Williams Street, Paulding. They were in Europe at that time, but moved to Paulding in July as her father gave them half interest in the stave mills.

During the marriage, three sons were born, Henry Lewis born in 1887, Paul Otto born in 1889, and Carl Anton in 1891. On May 11, 1894, Sophia's husband, Henry, died suddenly and she was left to raise the boys and run a business on her own.

Sophia continued to operate the mills until the virgin timber was exhausted around the turn of the century. In 1889, Paul Weidmann purchased the grounds where the Black Swamp Nature Center sits today! Paul passed away October 2, 1896 in New York City, of Bright's Disease. He was laid to rest in All Faiths Cemetery, Queens, New York. Paul's wife, Susanna, inherited the ground. By 1900, Sophia took in two servants, Alvina Drefske and Lizzie Smith, to help with the three boys and the big house.

On July 28, 1901, the St. Paul Lutheran Church was organized and adopted their constitution. Sophia became one of the fifteen Charter members.

On November 3, 1901 while in New York, her son Carl, died of spinal meningitis. Other records state that he died of a cerebral tumor and congestion of the lungs. He was brought home and buried in Live Oak Cemetery.

In 1905, Sophie traveled to

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Europe, visiting places like Antwerp and Dover in Belgium, returning to America August 6, 1905 on the ship, "Vanderland". That same year, 1905, her mother Susanna, sold the future Nature Center grounds to three men, Simon J. Strauss, Abe Goldsmith and Abe Ackerman.

In the early 1900's the Ladies Literary Society in Paulding pushed a movement to educate and enlighten agricultural communities in the County. The Paulding Public Library Association was pushing the concept of a County Library. An initial letter was written to Andrew Carnegie and signed by many leading members of the County, Sophia Eichling being one of them!

By 1910, Sophie and her two sons, Henry and Paul were still living on North Williams Street. The house



had a very big attic, where Sophie would entertain guests such as children. Games were played and tables were set up with various foods and snacks for her guests.

On November 24, 1913, Sophie's mother Susanna, passed away of heart disease. She was buried with her husband Paul. The 1917 Atlas shows that Sophia owned 240 acres in Section 17, in Paulding Township.

By 1922, Sophia accepted a position as superintendent at the Berkshire Industrial Farm at Canaan, New York. This was a charitable institution devoted to the warfare of homeless boys. She devoted a lot of time, over eleven years, and received numerous compliments for her work. She had to give this work up as her health was failing. She returned to Paulding, and she passed way at her son Paul's house in August 1933. Sophia was buried in Live Oak Cemetery.

tery beside her husband Henry. They both have just a small simple stone marking there graves.

## SPECIAL ANTWERP VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 11/3/21

The special meeting of the Village of Antwerp council was called to order at 4:30 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 and Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty. Visitors: Bryan Smith, Steven Bowers, Barry Hook, Steve Jordan, Tom Van Vlerah, Nathan Zuber, Bill Boylan, and Bryce Steiner.

Mayor Reeb informed council that she had made the decision to continue as mayor for the village and not resume serving the remainder of her term on council. She informed council they now have thirty (30) days to fill the vacant seat for her unexpired term by an election of council.

Rudie Reeb nominated Bryan Smith to fill the vacant council seat and stated that Bryan has been active in our community and school and shows a lot of interest in our town. Mike Rohrs seconded this nomination. Dean Rister mentioned Bill Boylan had expressed an interest in filling the vacant seat, and Mayor Reeb mentioned that Tom Van Vlerah had expressed his interest in filling the vacant seat as well. No other nominations were made by council.

• motion made by Rister, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to close nominations for the vacant council seat. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

• motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Reinhart, to elect Bryan Smith to fill the vacant seat on council for the unexpired remaining term. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

• motion made by Rohrs, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to adjourn the meeting. 5 years, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved. Meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

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**DECEMBER 9 - Monthly meeting at 7pm**

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# OAKWOOD ELEM. HOSTS PARADE FOR AREA VETERANS



Students placed flags around the circle drive for the Veteran's Day parade at Oakwood Elementary. Shown placing flags are Jason Manz, Sal Biliti, and Nolan Schlatter. Many veterans enjoyed the parade.



Shown is veteran Bud Schilt with his granddaughter Kristen and our patriotic clown, Vinnie, who rode his unicycle through the parade.

## OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

First & Second Grade - Evan Thomas, Molly Halter, Drasin Plotts, Brielle Schlatter  
Third & Fourth Grade - Luke Ramey, Symon Manz, Finn Bradford, Olivia Schlatter



Oakwood Elementary's own Jeff Sheppard, who is the daytime custodian, was honored at the Veteran's Day parade held on Thursday, November 11th as he is also a veteran. Shown at Jeff's window are several of the students.

Fifth & Sixth Grade - Quinton Laker, Nolan Schlatter, Wesley Grindstaff, Kinzley Collard

## GH ELEM SCHOOL ANNOUNCES OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Grover Hill October Students of the months are Front L-R Jayde Sinn, Aylan Stoller, Austin Stoller, Katelyn Plummer, Aleyah Stoller, Kenzie Manz, Kinsley Sinn, Jayston Combs and James Collins. Back L-R Brooke Tigner, Dylan Hershberger, Chad Garberson, Katelynn Hurd, Ryan Clark, Brayden Sinn and Madison Silance. Absent Braylen Ross and Jerry Zickefoose.

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Clark stated, "It's wonderful to watch our radio show grow and reach more listeners. We are very proud of our recent recognition as Media Hero of the Year for the shows and our magazine (NHEG EDGuide), winning two Gold Globe awards in the International Best in Business Awards and the Communications Excellence Awards winners. We loved sharing educational theme-based shows, interviewing guests, exploring happenings in the world of education and sharing our round-table discussions."

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## MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS

By: Caroline Longardner  
"Fur from Castor Canadensis"

When the Mayflower Pilgrims came to the New England area of this country from the old country, they were deeply in debt. They needed to pay their debts and finance new supplies from home. The fur of the "Castor Canadensis" was their only way out. No other product of colonial times fetched so high a price in Holland, in Paris, or in London.

Castor Canadensis is Beaver pelts. This only came from the North American Beaver. Eventually there were "Beaver Wars" because the Native Indians also relied on this income.

As early as 1577 there were stories of felt beaver hats reported in Paris on royalty. Although there was some disapproval, the commercial draw was great for this new luxury. Royalty was demanding it. Famous between 1594 and 1597 were the "Bacon Beaver Hats" with a price of 35 shillings.. When the linings of the beaver hats wore out, they were re-lined. Beaver hat makers were prosperous people and the aristocrats of commerce. Even the anus gland of the beaver produced a creamy, viscous grease to lubricate the fur; making it waterproof.

Beaver coats and other garments were also eventually produced for a good sum of money, including clothing for the Royalty and Prince Charles. (it was said that he had 64 beaver hats in 1618 costing about 50 shillings each. They came in different colors, with plumes and ribbons. King Charles bought 26 silk-lined black beaver hats for his gentlemen-in-waiting. By the 1620's the beaver hat had become an item as important as a crown for members of the peerage.

There was a world-wide "furrier contest" going on at the time the Mayflower sailed

which made it a more attractive proposition at that time. It rescued the Plymouth Colony from extinction. By the 1630's the Mayflower Pilgrims had sent more than 2,000 beaver pelts to England to make hats. This continued for several years.

Ref: misc. American Hist.

## CIVIC THEATRE YOUTH THEATRE AUDITIONS: LION KING JR

Director Doug Grooms will be holding auditions for Disney's The Lion King Jr by appointment on Monday, November 29 and Tuesday, November 30 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Van Wert Civic Theatre located at 118 S Race Street in Van Wert, OH. Youth interested in auditioning must complete an online form and select an audition time. The form can be found at [vwct.org](https://vwct.org) or at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/lkjavwct>. Appointments will begin every 15 minutes and last 30 minutes. Each time frame will be limited to 5 youth auditioning. Please sign-up early to get your desired time slot. If none of the times work or you are having trouble with the online form, please email [admin@vwct.org](mailto:admin@vwct.org) or call 419-238-9689 to leave a message.

Youth ages 5 - 18 may audition. Information about available roles and the songs in the show can be found at [vwct.org](https://vwct.org). Those auditioning should come prepared to move and sing a song. The director will be checking your vocal range. No need to prepare an elaborate song. The director may have you sing a song from the show. No need to prepare for that. Please wear shoes that will stay on your feet. Each audition will last 30 minutes. Do not arrive more than 5 minutes early. The adult with the youth will be asked to complete a permission form at the audition.

Rehearsals primarily will be 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Mondays - Thursdays at the theatre until the week of January 17 when the show will move to the Niswonger Performing Arts Center which is located next to the Van Wert Middle/High School. Performances are January 22 at 7:30 p.m. and January 23 at 2 p.m. at the NPAC.

Parents or community members interested in assisting with costuming, props, makeup, set construction, set painting, set decoration, backstage help, or providing snacks may indicate so on the audition form or email [admin@vwct.org](mailto:admin@vwct.org) with your contact information.

## LATTA INTRODUCES THE SMART ENERGY EFFICIENCY STANDARDS ACT

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5), a member of the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Energy, introduced the SMART Energy Efficiency Standards Act. The legislation would change the date that furnace, central air conditioner, and heat pump manufacturers must comply with regional energy efficiency standards to the date of manufacture instead of what it currently is, which is the date of installation. This action would bring the regulations into line with the

# HERITAGE LIONS HOLD MEMBERSHIP MEETING



President Larry Smith, Jan Hockemeyer, District Governor Jerry Zeigler

The Heritage Lions in Hoagland held their monthly membership meeting at Hoagland Park. District Governor Jerry Zeigler was the featured speaker. A delicious chili and hotdog meal was enjoyed by all prior to the meeting. President Larry Smith led the chapter in the Pledge and a prayer. He explained to the many guests that the Heritage Lions help our community in so many ways, living up to the motto "We Serve". This is the 50th year for our chapter.

District Governor Zeigler spoke on the theme "Serve From The Heart". He explained the difference between just grudgingly helping, and giving of oneself unconditionally to benefit someone else. He contrasted a fundraiser that earns money for worthy groups in our community with service projects

that help individuals and agencies of all kinds. Zeigler told of the time his family farm experienced a horrible fire, destroying their barn full to the rafters with newly baled hay. After the fire had cooled, the local Lions club arrived unexpectedly, and in force, to help clean up the entire area. Gov. Zeigler never forgot that act of generosity and it has motivated him to serve in the Lions now for over 55 years. He asked our chapter to reach out to everyone we can in our community and invite them to help serve with the Lions, and to be open to new ideas for ways we can serve. By working together we can be an effective and very positive force in our community. Every day is another chance to help our fellow men and women.

rest of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPCA).

"With current supply chain issues and delays, consumers need to be able to readily access appliances such as furnaces, AC units, and heat pumps when a replacement is needed," said Latta. "The last thing consumers should experience during this costly and exhaustive process is to be unable to obtain these products due to uneven and confusing regulations. My legislation would simplify the process by ensuring the regional standards' date of compliance is in sync with the rest of EPCA. In doing this, all products will be able to make their way through the supply and distribution chain without delay and still be available for sale and installation."

Beginning in January, residential air conditioners

(AC) will be required to meet new minimum energy efficiency requirements to help consumers reduce their energy usage. Manufacturers must re-test all existing AC models to meet the new metric, as well as re-write and re-distribute marketing literature, update model numbers, and re-list the equipment in certification programs to verify its efficiency and qualify for rebates. Because these requirements will be applied to products based on their date of installation rather than their date of manufacture, it will result in the stranding of products that were previously legally manufactured, purchased, and distributed but now will no longer be eligible for installation. The SMART Energy Efficiency Standards Act will prevent this problem from happening.

## The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office

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

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Stand for God and America

Before getting into my subject, I want you all to know how blessed I was by the Oct. 19 issue. It isn't often enough that we see a conservative brave enough to speak up for God and against Satan's evils, especially those residing in the Democrat party. You need to be proud of Gregg Gorman for his letter to the editor. More people should speak out. Your silence aids Satan's

warriors. Maybe some day I'll be blessed to meet Gregg.

Many don't go to church or even speak of God, so how are others to know how or if you believe. Do you realize there are only two ways thru life? There is good or bad, God or Satan. If you are against the things of God, it could mean you follow Satan, even if you don't think so. You may think you're safe with God, but unless you have spoken the sinners prayer with true feeling, you could be misleading yourself.

Many may disagree with me, but what about abortion? It is anti-God, so doesn't that mean it is Satan? And what about the act that brings a person to this decision? It is also anti-God, but our schools are not allowed to say that because of a Democrat law.

God gave us sex between male and female, but only after marriage. Sex outside of marriage or between two of the same sex is anti-God. I believe this, but why do schools teach anti-God safe sex rather than abstinence? My guess is that those Satan followers who forbid any talk about God or His ways are too greedy and blind to realize the consequences.

A few years back a letter to the editor of a different paper disagreed with one of my letters concerning unmarried sex. I explained how God called unmarried sex immoral and sinful. His reasoning was that morality today is different then in my youth of 70 years ago. Morality has not changed. The only change is the sick immoral teaching rules that I believe were instituted by Satan's warriors in the Democrat party in their determined goal to rule America. Is it any wonder that

today's American youth are below much of the world?

Let's get a little more serious. I believe Satan resides deeply within the Democrat party. How can any of them believe in God and support so many anti-God rulings that they themselves originated? Every move they've made since 1947 when they approved the ACLU's request for separation of church and state has been directed at their taking total control of America. Why else did they sensor pastors in 1954 and later forbid school prayer, remove the Ten Commandments and forbid military Chaplins from praying in Jesus' name? I'm sorry, but there is no other way to pray than in Jesus' name that will do you any good.

These immoral anti-God actions of Democrats have caused us to lose world respect and lose every war since. When God was with us, we won wars. I believe any accomplished history student could have led Afghanistan better than President Biden. He isn't alone in this major screw-up. Too many of his political team dream of becoming a single party nation like Russia. America was doing great with President Trump at the helm. He knew exactly what was needed for us to survive, but never had a chance at a second term. The Democrats and their socialist comrades in major media launched a hate Trump campaign from when he announced he was running for president and is still active today. These socialist Democrats are deathly afraid of anyone who believes in God and truth. They are afraid America will wakeup and want Trump.

I believe this inept president and vice president are intentionally breaking immigration laws in their desire to convert America to socialism and then Marxism. Everything this administration has done this year is completely destructive, even with their top gun claiming to be a Catholic Christian.

I believe that I'm right on target in saying this next list of names are some of Satan's most dangerous American warriors: Obama, Biden, Harris, Pelosi, Schumer, AOC, Sanders, Omar, Tlaib and the ACLU. Their goal is total permanent control as in Russia or China. They have said they don't want any more Christians.

Since 1954 why have

Democrats been so dedicated to removing God from America? Could it be they don't like morality or anything higher than them? They become bolder with each passing year. Some of their today evils are Critical Race Theory, Cancel Culture, Equality Act, Green New Deal, defund police, global warming, open borders and more. Answer these questionsL What made you hate Trump? Why did you choose always wrong Biden? Do you dislike God and morality? Why do Democrats want God removed from America? Why are Democrats calling parents "terrorist" for speaking up about immoral, anti-God, anti-America crap they force on students? Why have so many teachers and school boards turned against God? Can you name anything positive coming from this administration? Do you see communism in America's future?

Without God in all areas of our lives, we can't survive.

—Richard Mastin  
Hicksville, OH

### NEW NERVE BLOCK TECHNOLOGY REDUCES PAIN AND OPIOID USE AFTER KNEE SURGERY

A minimally invasive technique delivering immediate and long-lasting non-opioid pain relief for total knee replacement surgery is now available for patients at The Orthopedic Hospital of Lutheran Health Network, resulting in a quicker return to an active lifestyle.

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"We are performing cryoanalgesia on our total knee replacement patients with tremendous results," says Rachel Hollingsworth, MD, an anesthesiologist performing the procedure at The Orthopedic Hospital.

## BUSINESS CHRISTMAS LIGHT CONTEST IN ANTWERP; EARN A "MAJOR AWARD"

Christmas Cheer is coming to the village of Antwerp this holiday season! The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Business Christmas Lighting Contest. Local chamber members may enter to show the village residents their best Christmas lighting display. Businesses — decorate your store fronts or front lawns and let the contest begin! And then you could win "A Major Award"!

Registration forms are available by emailing the Chamber at antwerpchamber@gmail.com or copies of the registration form are available at West Bend News. Registrations are due by November 29th.

Decorations must be displayed by December 1st.

Village residents — it's YOUR job to vote on the best lighting display in the Village. Voting will take place at the library. Winner will be announced on December 15th.

Winner will receive a MAJOR AWARD:

The classic Christmas Story Leg Lamp to display in their business through the holiday season, and bragging rights for the next year. (This will be a traveling trophy each year).

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Douglas. "I am now three weeks post surgery and have only needed my pain medication once or twice a day. I am able to navigate at home easily and can climb stairs at my physical therapy sessions."

To learn more about cryoanalgesia or schedule an appointment, contact The Orthopedic Hospital at 260.435.2999.

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

**Charloe:** Charloe Store

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

**Defiance:** Newman's Marathon Carry Out, 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

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**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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## WAYNE TRACE CROSS COUNTRY AWARDS BANQUET



The Wayne Trace Cross Country teams held their 2021 awards banquet on November 11.

Shown in the attached picture are special award winners include (L-R) Kiara Bahena (girls most valuable runner, first team GMC), Noah Schisler (boys captain award), Austin Lyons (boys captain award), Maddox Treece (boys most valuable runner), Gage Ogle (boys most improved runner) and Faith Meraz (girls heart & soul award, GMC All Academic, girls captain award).

## PURDUE FW STUDENT-MURALIST COMPLETES EYE-POPPING PROJECT FOR NEW AREA COMPANY



Dell Cove® Spices and More Co. is a new addition to the business landscape of Allen County, IN. Homegrown by husband-and-wife team Patricia and David Beets, Dell Cove®, a gourmet popcorn and popcorn seasoning enterprise, moved its warehouse, retail, and distribution operations from Chicago to a New Haven warehousing center earlier this year.

As with most warehouses, the walls were plain, and that didn't sit well with the Beets. They love all the artwork popping up as murals in and around Fort Wayne, and decided that's what their

warehouse/retail store needed: murals.

"When we saw the big white walls, we thought, let's find a young artist in the area and have them create something interesting," said David Beets. "Our landlord gave us the thumbs-up for the project, and on the advice of a friend, we called the dean's office in the College of Visual and Performing Arts at Purdue University Fort Wayne to see if there was an artist interested in the project."

The dean, John O'Connell, recommended the Beets get in touch with Samantha (or Sam, as she prefers) Fulk, a senior

studying art education. The trio discussed the work, talked over themes, and the project got underway.

"We told Sam that we wanted the mural to somehow reflect our business and where people might enjoy our popcorn products, and at the same time, reflect how we are proud to be part of the northeast Indiana community," explained David. "When Sam mentioned baseball, we both thought of the TinCaps, so I contacted the team, and their management allowed us to use their name and logo in the artwork project."

"I worked with Patricia and David on creating a composition that worked for them, and they ultimately gave me a lot of creative freedom," added Fulk.

While painting the murals, Fulk also decided to capture her work on video. She set up her camera on a tripod and taped specific parts of the painting process in 30-minute segments.

"Afterwards, I sped up the videos, edited them together to create a short clip of the process, and posted the whole thing to my YouTube page. This appeals to many audiences and gives me a chance to grow my brand in a creative way," said Fulk.

Patricia and David always enjoy a good bowl of popcorn, especially when they add their own homemade spice mixes as a topping. They thought they were good enough to be included with other treats in gift baskets that were sent to friends and family over the holidays. According to Patricia, one friend suggested they sell their spice mixes, and the rest, as they say, is history.

"We started the company in California, and over time, as our sales grew, we moved to the Chicago area. In 2012, I quit my day job at an engineering firm and began running the business full time. We now have our merchandise in more than 50 stores in 39 states," said Beets.

Hoping to expand their business, they began looking at different states in which to

relocate and were drawn to northeast Indiana, in some part, because David grew up in Fort Wayne and still has family and friends here.

"So that, combined with northeast Indiana's positive business outlook for the future, made coming here the perfect choice; we're very confident that Glen Cove® will continue to grow and prosper here," concluded Beets.

To learn more about the murals, contact Fulk at fulkse01@pfw.edu; to learn more about Dell Cove® Spices and More Co. and the Beets, visit their website.

## GMC 2021 ALL-CONFERENCE VOLLEYBALL SELECTION

The Green Meadows Conference announce the All-Conference Selections "Player of the Year" and "Specialist of the Year" for Volleyball for the 2021 season:

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR:**  
Quinn Horn, 12th Grade; Tinora High School

**SPECIALIST OF THE YEAR**  
Brooklyn Reineke, 12th Grade; Tinora High School

**FIRST TEAM:**  
Quinn Horn (12) Tinora; Brooklyn Reineke (12) Tinora; Paige Ricica (11) Fairview; Kelly Crites (10) Fairview; Molly Crall (11) Hicksville; Maci Froelich (12) Ayersville; Makenna Reetz (12) Tinora

**SECOND TEAM:**  
Gracie Shepherd (11) Wayne Trace; Astianna Coppes (12) Antwerp; Taylor Craft (10) Ayersville; Emma Chaffins (12) Tinora; Aubrie Baird (10) Hicksville; Claire Schweller (12) Paulding

**HONORABLE MENTION:**  
Lydia Brewer (12) Antwerp; Taylor Waldron (10) Ayersville; Sadie Walther (11) Edgerton; Haley Hammer (10) Fairview; Avery Slattery (12) Hicksville; Janae Pease (12) Paulding; Kaylee Dickson (10) Tinora; Rachel Stoller (12) Wayne Trace

## HORN NAMED GMC PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Tinora senior Quinn Horn was voted as the Green Meadows Conference Volleyball Player of the Year in voting by the league's coaches recently.

Senior teammate Brooklyn Reineke was selected as Specialist of the Year as well for the Lady Rams, who claimed an outright league title and were regional semifinalists.

Joining the two Tinora players on the all-league first team were Fairview junior Paige Ricica, Hicksville junior Molly Crall, Fairview sophomore Kelly Crites, Ayersville senior Maci Froelich and Tinora senior Makenna Reetz.

Second team all-GMC selections included Paulding senior Claire Schweller, Antwerp seniors Astianna Coppes, Ayersville sophomore Taylor Craft, Tinora senior Emma Chaffins, Hicksville sophomore Aubrie Baird and Wayne Trace junior Gracie Shepherd.

Receiving honorable mention honors were Antwerp senior Lydia Brewer, Ayersville sophomore Taylor Waldron, Edgerton junior Sadie Walther, Fairview

## ANTWERP SENIORS SIGN LETTERS OF INTENT



Back Row: Athletic Director Drew Altimus, Varsity Basketball Coach Doug Billman. Front Row: Jason Landers, Jagger Landers, Jayme Landers.



Back Row: Athletic Director Drew Altimus, Varsity Baseball Coach Zac Feasby, Assistant Baseball Coach Derek Smalley, Varsity Basketball Coach Doug Billman. Front Row: Mike Krouse, Luke Krouse, April Krouse

On Thursday, November 11, 2021, two seniors at Antwerp High School signed letters of intent to play at the collegiate level. Jagger Landers has committed to play basketball at the

University of Findlay, a Division II school, and Luke Krouse has committed to play baseball at Bowling Green State University, a Division I school.

sophomore Haley Hammer, Hicksville junior Avery Slattery, Paulding senior Janae Pease, Tinora sophomore Kaylee Dickson and Wayne Trace senior Rachel Stoller.

## RAMS SWEEP TOP HONORS

Green Meadows Conference football champion Tinora swept the Player of the Year awards for 2021 as conference coaches voted for the league's top players.

Tinora senior running back K.P. DeLarber was named the GMC Offensive Player of the Year while senior defensive tackle Baeden Hancock took GMC Defensive Player of the Year honors.

Joining DeLarber on the all-league first team offense were Antwerp senior Jagger Landers (end), Hicksville senior Jackson Bergman (end), Tinora senior Cole Commisso (end), Antwerp senior Mason Steel (guard), Hancock (guard), Tinora senior Bryce Bailey (tackle), Wayne Trace senior Landyn Whitman (tackle), Antwerp sophomore Carson Altimus (quarterback), Tinora senior Eric Bohn (center), Ayersville junior Owen Berner (running

back) and Tinora junior Christian Commisso (running back).

Second team offensive players included Antwerp senior Kaden Recker (end), Antwerp sophomore Landon Brewer (end), Ayersville senior Hayden Dales (end), Antwerp senior Kaden Phares (tackle), Tinora senior Tyler Haspe (tackle), Ayersville sophomore Brady Clark (guard), Wayne Trace senior Nathan Sinn (guard), Edgerton junior Corey Everetts (quarterback), Antwerp senior Brady Hatlevig (center), Ayersville senior Jacob Stiltner (center), Antwerp sophomore Reid Lichty (running back), Edgerton junior Warren Nichols (running back) and Tinora junior Brandon Edwards (running back).

On the defensive side, Hancock led the first team selections that also included Antwerp senior Hayden Wagner (linebacker), Berner (linebacker), Tinora sophomore Grady Gustwiller (linebacker), Landers (end), Bailey (end), Recker (defensive back), Everetts (defensive back), Cole Commisso (defensive back), Antwerp junior Kendrick Robinson (tackle) and Tinora

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## WAYNE ROBOTICS ENGINEERING & MARKETING TEAM PLACES 3<sup>RD</sup> IN FALCON 'BEST' COMPETITION



Wayne Trace Robotics team members competing this past Saturday included (left-right): Meara Rager, Zach Wobler, Eli Spinner, Therin Coyne, Kailyn Dienstberger, Eli Martinez, Xander Kohart, Eli Stuart, and Kal-el Lands.

The Wayne Trace Robotics Engineering and Marketing Team placed third overall in the Falcon BEST (Boosting Engineering, Science & Technology) competition this past weekend at Bowling Green State University.

This placement has qualified the team for the national competition which will be held December 11 and 12, 2021 in Denver, Colorado. This year's theme, Demo Daze, challenges students to "demolish" a model of a two-story building while also

moving and recycling construction materials located throughout the "work site."

Competing in the BEST program requires teams not only to build and program a robot to complete specific tasks according to the given theme, but it also challenges teams to research the problems and possible solutions to address the task while developing a comprehensive marketing plan to support their mock robot business.

junior Javen Gaines (tackle).

Second team defensive awards went to Bergman (end), Christian Comisso (end), Clark (tackle), Edgerton junior Ray Pelz (tackle), Tinora junior Dallas Dachenhaus (tackle), Nichols (linebacker), Fairview junior Kyler Blair (linebacker), Tinora sophomore Joey Guisinger (linebacker), Dales (defensive back), Tinora junior Gavin Eckert (defensive back) and Wayne Trace junior Race Price (defensive back).

The all-GMC first team punter was Fairview senior Weston Minic while Antwerp's Landers was the

second team punter. Tinora senior Dylan Camp was selected the first team placekicker and Ayersville senior Bradley Young garnered the second team placekicker honors.

Players receiving honorable mention were Antwerp junior Cam Fuller and senior Kaden Miller, Ayersville junior Ike Eiden and senior Jakob Trevino, Edgerton junior Kaden Picillo and Quentin Blue, Fairview seniors Brady Karzynow and Eston Kime, Hicksville seniors Kyler Baird and Cade White, Paulding junior Dawson Lamb and senior Sam Woods, Tinora junior



## PALMER ENERGY PRESENTS TO PC MAYOR'S ASSOCIATION

Amy Hoffman, with Palmer Energy Co. was a guest of the fourth quarter Paulding County Mayors Association meeting. Palmer Energy is the consultant for the County Commissioners Association of Ohio (CCAO) and Ohio Municipal League (OML) that consults with the Paulding County Commissioners to review county and municipal electric bills with the intent of providing competitive energy pricing. It was noted that the villages of Payne and Latty have already benefited by participating in the county's electric aggregation program. Hoffman will soon be working with other interested villages in the county.

Paulding County EMA Director Ed Bohn then shared with the group that the 2022 County Mitigation Plan needs to be reviewed and approved by each community. This will take some time so the sooner this review can begin, the more accurate the plan will be when submitted with the

state.

The meeting was then turned over to Austin Serna with Maumee Valley Planning Organization (MVPO). The attending representatives from Antwerp, Cecil, Grover Hill, Haviland, Latty, Melrose, Oakwood, Paulding and Payne were joined by members representing Not for Profit groups from around the county. The county is available for Community Block Development Grant funds in 2022. Serna explained how the program works and how applications are submitted. It was shared that from all applications, only three will be selected to be completed in the county.

The PC Mayor's Association is guided by Paulding Mayor Greg White with organizational assistance from the PCED office. All 11 mayors, or a representative from their village, are invited to attend the meetings to receive village related communication and information from county offices.

Cole Anders and senior Nolan Schafer along with Wayne Trace seniors Brayson Parrish and Joel

## BIG QUARTERS PROPEL RAILROADERS TO WIN

Visiting Heritage gave Garrett all it wanted through one quarter of girls basketball action last week as the host Lady Railroaders held a slim two-point lead after eight minutes of action.

Then came the second quarter.

Garrett outscored Heritage 21-3 in the second stanza and then outpointed the Patriots 20-2 in the fourth quarter to pull away for a 70-31 victory in non-league action.

The Railroaders were on top 16-14 at the end of one period before the big second stanza pushed Garrett out to a 37-17 halftime advantage.

Quarter number three saw Garrett add 13 markers while Heritage picked up a dozen points, putting the Railroaders on top 50-29 entering the

final period.

Claire Bickel led the way for the Lady Patriots with a dozen markers while Kendall Zelt bucketed nine and Shelby Schane added six. Ella Bickel and Abby Zelt rounded out the scorers with two points each.

Morgan Ostrowski had 17 points to top the Railroader efforts and Bailey Kelham chipped in 16 markers. Natalie Armstrong chipped in 11 as well for Garrett.

Ella Bickel had eight rebounds to pace Heritage with Raelyn Mullins and Claire Bickel both having four boards. Lydia Schultz and Claire Bickel each posted two assists and Claire Bickel also recorded two steals.

Ostrowski topped Garrett with nine rebounds and Armstrong dished out 11 assists for the Lady Railroaders while recording six steals. Kelham also finished with five steals for Garrett.

## PATRIOTS PULL AWAY FROM PANTHERS FOR WIN

The Heritage Lady Patriots hit the road for a non-league battle at Lakewood Park last week where the Patriots recorded a 41-30 victory over the host Panthers.

Visiting Heritage took a slim 9-8 lead after eight minutes of action before Lakewood Park rallied for a 16-15 advantage at the intermission. Heritage scored ten third quarter points while the Lady Panthers bucketed seven, giving the Patriots a 25-23 lead entering the final stanza.

The Lady Patriots put the game away with a 16-point fourth quarter to expand the final margin to 41-30.

Ella Bickel topped the Heritage effort with 17 points while Abby Zelt and Shelby Schane both bucketed eight markers. Claire Bickel, Carly Gerardot, Raelyn Mullins and

## AGCREDIT AWARDS \$15,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO LOCAL STUDENTS

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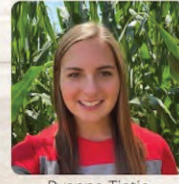
Claire Meyer



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AgCredit has announced the winners of five \$3,000 scholarships awarded through the cooperative's Joe Leiser Memorial Scholarship program.

Leiser served as the first president and chief executive officer of AgCredit, which is one of northern Ohio's largest lenders, serving farmers, agribusinesses and rural homeowners. The annual program recognizes dependent family members of AgCredit voting stockholders who are enrolled in an agriculture-related field of study at a post-secondary educational institution. The cooperative has awarded over \$138,000 since the scholarship program began in 1989.

AgCredit congratulates the following students for earning scholarships for the 2021-2022 academic year:

• Claire Meyer of Wood County is a junior at The Ohio State University, where she is studying agricultural communication and agribusiness.

• Eric Ritter of Hancock County is a senior at The Ohio State University, where he is majoring in agribusiness, applied economics and coaching education.

• Elizabeth Strine of Marion County is a junior at The Ohio State University, where

she is majoring in community leadership and development and strategic communication.

• Ryanna Tietje of Wood County is a sophomore at The Ohio State University, where she is majoring in agribusiness and applied economics.

• Elizabeth Vorst of Van Wert County is a junior at The Ohio State University, where she is majoring in agribusiness, applied economics and animal sciences.

"AgCredit is proud to invest in the next generation of agricultural leaders," said President and CEO Brian Ricker. "These young men and women are key to transforming our nation's ag industry as science and innovation spark solutions for the challenges 21st century producers face."

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Danica Fuller all had two points apiece for the Lady Patriots.

Claire Bickel paced the East Allen County Schools squad with nine rebounds while Zelt grabbed seven and Mullins hauled down six. Ella Bickel also had four rebounds for Heritage, which improves to 2-2 on the season.

Schane dished out four as-

sists for the Lady Patriots with Gerardot, Kendall Zelt and Claire Bickel having two each. Kendall Zelt and Abby Zelt both had two steals as well for Heritage.

## MIDDLE QUARTERS BOOST WARRIORS PAST BRAVES

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# SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY APPROACHES IN ANTWERP!



Antwerp Chamber members Sue Fowler and Lora Lyons acquire some “props” for the Scavenger Hunt on November 27th.

One of the anticipated activities every year of shopping small during Small Business Saturday in Antwerp is the Scavenger Hunt. Scavengers — get your team together to plan your names and strategies to enjoy the morning moving around the Chamber businesses collecting clues hidden in the establishments. 10 businesses were chosen by the SBS committee for the morning’s hunt. These businesses are a small sampling of all the Antwerp Chamber businesses who support the village of Antwerp. When you

enter one of these businesses for the Hunt, the search commencing for an Elf or perhaps a Snowman. Rules for the Scavenger Hunt will be provided at the Welcome Center at the Antwerp VFW as well as Shop Small bags and a page of coupons from Chamber businesses. Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 27, 2021 and join in the fun of Small Business Saturday in Antwerp & Shop Small for those holiday gifts.

Warriors dominated the middle two quarters in cruising to a 50-31 victory over visiting Bellmont Friday night in non-league girls basketball play. Woodlan held a slim 9-8 lead at the end of eight minutes of action but extended the lead in the second quarter. The Lady Warriors bucketed ten points while limiting Bellmont to four as Woodlan recorded a 19-12 advantage at the intermission. In the third quarter, the Lady Warriors continued to widen the margin by scoring 15 points compared to Bellmont’s five in taking a 34-17 margin at the end of three periods. Woodlan put the game away in the fourth quarter with a 16-point stanza while Bellmont added 14 to set the final 50-31 margin. Avah Smith led the way for the Lady Warriors with 23 points and Dakotah Krohn added a dozen markers. Taylor Kneubuhler added seven points for Woodlan

followed by Olivia Baumert (five) and Katlyn Crosby (three). Smith rounded out her double-double with a dozen rebounds while chipping in three steals and Krohn added four boards, seven assists and one steal. Gabi Klopfenstein and Kneubuhler posted four rebounds and two assists as well for the Lady Warriors, who improve to 2-1 on the season. Baumert finished with two rebounds and two steals for Woodlan.

## PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

### Criminal/Traffic Disposition

**Dekoven Hurt**, Anderson, IN; Possession of marijuana, Guilty, Fines and costs to be taken from bond, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Reckless operation, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Hyman, Pled guilty, Proof of insurance provided, ALS vacated, Fines and costs taken from bond, Complete 60 hours community service by 6/24/22; No tail lights, Count B dismissed

**Carlos A. Amador Jr**, Payne, OH; Driving under suspension (failure to reinstate), Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived; Driving under suspension (failure to reinstate), Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived

**Kelly Bussing**, Paulding, OH; OVI/breath (low); Guilty, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Hyman, Pled guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 day jail, Pay all fines and costs, Standard probation, Evaluation at Westwood, Secure operator’s license, 40 hours community service, Risk assessment, Online course, Remove SCRAM today; Headlights, Count B dismissed

**Terise A. James**, Ypsilanti, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jaclyn N. Copeland**, Toledo, OH; FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled no contest, found guilty; Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs by 12/17/21

**Lane T. Hunt**, Payne, OH; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared in court with Ms. Simson, Pled guilty, Fines and costs to be taken from bond; Driving under suspension, Count B dismissed; Failure to control, Count C dismissed

**Kenneth D. Potter**, Cloverdale, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, Shall have no contact with victim

**Thomas P. Darby**, New Port, RI; Possession of drugs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Nicollette L. Collins**, Paulding, OH; OIV/under influence; Guilty; Defendant appeared via video with Mr. Holtsberry; Pled guilty; ALS vacated; Pay all fines and costs; Show proof of insurance by 11/12/21

**Brenda L. Lontz**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Bailey R. Coil**, Payne, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Edward B. Montoya**, Antwerp, OH; Driving under influence, Case dismissed without prejudice, Costs waived, warrant recalled; No operator’s license, Case dis-

missed; False information, Case dismissed

**Jason L. Jackson**, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**William R. Gilmore**, Akron, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Lorna J. Coleman**, Cloverdale, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Stephan H. Crous**, Decatur, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Marla E. Turner**, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Ondrikas Miller**, Kokomo, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Kiarra K. Hawn**, Paulding, OH; Driving under FRA suspension, Count A dismissed; Registration violation, Defendant appeared in court without counsel, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs

**Troy J. Heckman**, Perrysburg, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Terri A. Hasch**, Paulding, OH; Driving on closed road; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Virgil J. Hull**, Cloverdale, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Dylan M. Shawver**, Oakwood, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jesse Chaney**, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**George F. Davis**, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared in open without counsel; Pled guilty; Pay or collection 12/17/21

**Gary L. Jones**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Mark A. Justinger**, Paulding, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**David W. Marlin**, Defiance, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Alfred B. Conner**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Richard A. Fields**, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Michael Holtsberry**, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Stephen D. Harter**, Van Wert, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**David A. Lepo**, Elida, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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Eckert (11) Tinora; Race Price (11) Wayne Trace

Punter – Jagger Landers (12) Antwerp

**H O N O R A B L E MENTION:**

Cam Fuller (11) Antwerp; Jakob Trevino (12) Ayersville; Brady Karynow (12) Fairview; Cade White (12) Hicksville; Cole Anders (11) Tinora; Joel Reinhart (12); Kaden Miller (12) Antwerp; Kaden Picillo (11) Edgerton; Eston Kime (12) Fairview; Dauson Lamb (11) Paulding; Nolan Schafer (12) Tinora; Ike Eiden (11) Ayersville; Quentin Blue (11) Edgerton; Kyler Baird (12) Hicksville; Sam Wood (12) Paulding; Brayson Parrish (12) Wayne Trace

# WT GIRLS BB PLAYERS HOST SKILLS & FUNDEMENTALS CAMP



The Wayne Trace varsity and junior varsity girls basketball team held a skills and fundamentals camp on Saturday, November 13, at Wayne Trace High School for second through sixth graders. Members of the coaching staff and the high school teams helped 42 campers through different stages of the game as they focused on general skills throughout the day. Pictured are the campers and camp workers for the event.

## PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY

Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that PC Grand Jury indicted (22) persons on 11/10/21

**Lyndell M. Ramos** (02/07/1986), Paulding, OH; Failure to appear as required by recognizance, F4

**Ashley D. Perkins** (04/17/1986), Paulding, OH; Receiving stolen property, F4; Trespass in a habitation, F4; Identity fraud , F5

**Jennifer J. Hines** (10/27/1969), Sherwood, OH; Vandalism, F5

**Wyatt M. Altaffer** (07/31/2002), Bryan, OH; Improper handling firearms in a motor vehicle, F4; Carrying concealed weapon, F4

**Jonathan M. Shepherd** (12/12/1990), Fort Wayne, IN; Aggravated possession of drugs, F3

**Franklin K. Atkinson** (3/28/1959), Paulding, OH; Possession of marijuana, F5

**Alexys Couch** (10/01/1998), Indianapolis, IN; Possession of fentanyl, F2

**Nicholas A. Smith** (11/15/1979), Indianapolis, IN; Aggravated possession of drugs, F5; Operation while under the influence of alcohol/OVI, M1

**Brent A. Miller** (12/19/1990), Paulding, OH; Domestic violence, F4

**Christopher J. Hitchcock** (3/11/1975), Edgerton, OH;

Grand theft, F4

**Brittany L. Brown** (03/25/1993), Louisville, KY; Aggravated possession of drugs, F3

**David B. Emerick** (03/27/1968), Unknown address; Failure to appear as required by recognizance, F4

**Heshima Stevenson** (06/21/1999), Detroit, MI; Aggravated possession of drugs, F3

**Don M. Majors** (01/04/2003), Detroit, MI; Possession of marijuana, F5

**Tricia L. Brown** (03/18/1977), Springfield, OH; Theft, F3; Grand theft, F3

**Thomas C. McMichael** (10/09/1989), Cecil, OH; Theft, F4

**Jennifer R. Bryant** (04/25/1990), Unknown address; Aggravated possession of drugs, F5

**Christopher J. Malone** (12/09/1991); Decatur, IN; Possession of heroin, F5

**Barry B. Watson** (08/10/1969); Paulding, OH; Aggravated possession of drugs, F5

**Kristen R. Gipple** (09/14/2002); Hicksville, OH; Aggravated possession of drugs, F5

**Chris A. Carlisle** (09/30/1972), Paulding, OH; Having weapons while under disability, F3; Aggravated menacing, M1

**Joe A. Suarez** (02/07/1983), Oakwood, OH; Sexual offender registration, F4

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## Meeting Notice

The Auglaize Twp Zoning Commission board will hold a meeting on Thursday, November 18th @ 5:00 PM at the Auglaize Twp Fire Dept. 21050 SR 637 Defiance.

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You are required to answer the Complaint within 28 days after publication of this Notice, which will be published once a week for six (6) successive weeks, the date of the last publication will be on December 14, 2021, and the 28 days for Answer will commence on that date.

In case you fail to answer or otherwise respond as required by the Ohio Rules of Civil Procedure, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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# CHICKS WITH HITS BRINGS COUNTRY HITMAKERS TO VAN WERT



Van Wert Live announces the rare opportunity of experiencing three of the biggest female artists in country music on stage together performing an intimate night of acoustic music. H.G. Violet Equipment presents Chicks With Hits featuring Terri Clark, Pam Tillis, and Suzy Bogguss on Thursday, March 10 at 7:30 PM. Tickets are on sale now to Van Wert Live Members. On sale to the general public begins Friday, November 26.

With 36 top 10 singles between the three stars, there's a lot of hits to pull from. The powerful combination of talent is unparalleled; with over 10 million records sold, and numerous GRAMMY, ACM, CMA, and CCMA awards. Three guitars, three stars, singing together all night.

Terri Clark, Pam Tillis and Suzy Bogguss met during their meteoric rise on the country charts in the 1990s – a time when female artists were celebrated, yet were often pitted against each other. The three chose to forge a friendship, and never lost focus on their music. Now, their "Chicks with Hits" tour provides a unique opportunity to experience all three amazing artists at once.

Hailing from Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, Terri Clark is a three-time JUNO Award winner and eight-time CCMA Entertainer of the Year and she has taken home the Female Vocalist of the Year award five times. She still holds the honor of being the only Canadian female artist to be a member of the Grand Ole Opry. Terri has sold more than 4 million albums worldwide and has made her mark

on radio with 13 Top Ten singles – hits that include "Better Things To Do," "Poor Poor Pitiful Me," "Girls Lie Too," and "I Just Wanna Be Mad." Terri is host of Country Gold, a four-hour Classic Country radio show that airs on more than 100 stations across the US and Canada. In 2016 Terri brought her critically acclaimed "Back to My Roots Solo Acoustic Tour" to Canada. The 40-city tour traversed Canada from Prince Edward Island to British Columbia and showcased Terri's hit songs in an intimate acoustic setting with stories and laughs along the way.

As the child of Country Music Royalty, Pam Tillis was determined from a young age to find her own way in music as a singer and songwriter. Pam has always insisted on writing and cutting songs that speak from the soul. With six number ones and 14 top ten singles, Pam knows all about breaking the platinum barrier. With more than 30 singles charting on U.S. Billboard charts and selling more than 7 million copies of her studio albums, Pam's critical acclaim has not diminished. Sony Records "It's All Relative" (a tribute to Mel Tillis) was USA Today's #4 Country Album of the Year and most recently Pam has released three albums from her own record label Stellar Cat Records landing her a #1 on the European ECMA Chart. Pam is a 15-time CMA nominee and two-time winner, a nine-time Academy of Country Music Award nominee, a two-time Grammy award winner, and six-time Grammy nominee, an American Music Award's nominee. Most recently, a

two-time IBMA nominee and one-time winner. As a songwriter, Pam's songs have been recorded by respected names throughout all genres of music, including Chaka Khan, Juice Newton, Dan Seals, Gloria Gaynor, Conway Twitty, and Highway 101. She is currently a reoccurring guest on the TV show "Nashville," performed an extended run on Broadway in New York in Smokey Joe's Cafe, and is a proud member of The Grand Ole Opry. Pam Tillis' star continues to shine brightly in the third decade of her career.

During the creative explosion that was country music in the 1990s, Suzy Bogguss sold 4 million records with sparkling radio hits like "Outbound Plane," "Someday Soon," "Letting Go," and "Drive South." But you can't peg Suzy that easily. In the midst of her country popularity, she took time off to make a duets album with the legendary Chet Atkins. In 2003 she made an album of modern swing music with Ray Benson of Asleep At The Wheel. An album of original music in 2007 landed her at #4 on the jazz charts. Her folk music roots show through in her frequent appearances on public radio's A Prairie Home Companion, in the Grammy she earned for her work on "Beautiful Dreamer: The Songs of Stephen Foster," and in her critically acclaimed album and book project from 2011, "American Folk Songbook." In 2014 she released "Lucky," a collection of songs written by Merle Haggard and interpreted through Suzy's crystal vocals from the female point of view. Her latest offering, "Aces Redux," is a re-recording of her platinum-selling album Aces produced by Suzy with fresh arrangements and her signature sparkling vocals.

Annual sponsors making live entertainment happen in Van Wert are Central Insurance, First Federal Bank of Van Wert, and Statewide Ford-Lincoln.

VWLive Event and Membership information can be found at [vanwertlive.com](http://vanwertlive.com) or through the Box Office by phone 419-238-6722 or in-person from Noon - 4 PM, Tuesday through Thursday, and Noon - 6 PM on Friday.

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

## PUTTING A VALUE ON MANURE

Farmers are seeing fertilizer prices soar in 2021 and 2022. Extreme weather, plant shutdowns, sanctions, and rising fuel and energy costs, and high grain prices are driving fertilizer prices higher. Fertilizer prices are at their highest level in more than a decade.

Fertilizer prices for nitrogen (N) have soared from around \$400 to \$450 per ton for anhydrous ammonia (82% N, 1640# N/ton) to currently \$1100 or more. The cost per pound of actual N in anhydrous has gone from \$.27 to about \$.67 per pound. Many farmers use 28% liquid N (560# N/ton) which is safer to use and current costs are around \$475 per ton or \$.85 per actual pound of N. Phosphorus (P) and potassium (K)

prices have also soared. Phosphate fertilizer (60% P, 1200# P /ton) is currently being priced at \$829 to \$840 per ton or about \$.70 per pound. Potassium (K) or potash (60%, 1200# per ton) is at \$725 per ton or \$.60 per pound.

Manure can be an alternative to fertilizer but putting a value on manure is dependent upon how much will be around and is plant available. Generally, 80-90% of the phosphorus (P) and potassium or potash (K) will be available the first year. On nitrogen (N), which is more volatile, it depends upon how it is applied. Farmers can use their own numbers and assumptions to modify their own manure calculations.

The following is adapted from an article by Mary Wicks, Ohio State University to help with assumptions on putting a value on manure. Manure varies with fresh manure being a mixture of feces and urine that may include livestock bedding or poultry feathers. Manure species, age of the animal, type of feed, moisture content, bedding, application method (incorporation vs broadcast), weather, and time of year affect nutrients availability next year. Manure contains many nutrients including N-P-K, micronutrients, and organic matter. Manure has value but it can be difficult to put a fair value on it compared to commercial fertilizer.

Animal manure varies by species, age, and nutrition. Fresh manure from a broiler chicken is 4.91% N and 2.99% P on a dry basis, while a dairy cow is 5.44% N and 0.80% P, and a hog is 7.66% N and 4.78% P. Manure nutrient content also varies within a species and differences in feeding programs can affect nutrient content. Modern feed rations match animal nutrient needs very closely, so this reduces nutrients lost in the manure.

Manure properties are affected by bedding, water, and storage. Organic bedding such as straw or sawdust can absorb water in manure – up to 2.2 pounds per pound of bedding. Bedding has less nutrient value than fresh manure causing the nutrient content of the mixture to be diluted. Sand used for bedding at dairies, does not absorb water or contain nutrients but does increase volume, diluting the nutrient value.

Manure is handled as a dry or wet material depending on its water content. Dry manure, with less than 88% water, is removed from the barn and stockpiled or placed in a storage area. Fresh poultry manure is handled as a dry material, while dairy and hog manure usually are in a liquid form unless bedding has been added. Dairies that use minimal bedding or sand often scrape or flush manure into a storage pond. The ponds are often outdoors and open, where more water is added from precipitation. Hog barns that do not use bedding typically have a storage pit beneath a slatted floor.

Small operations may remove and land apply manure daily, but most farms store the manure so that it can be land applied based on weather conditions and crop needs. During storage, N may be lost to the atmosphere through volatilization, precipitation can dilute nutrients, and methane and odors may be released.

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# Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

leased.

Applying manure to cropland at the right time and agronomic rate optimizes nutrients for crop production and improves soil health. Because nutrient content can vary due to many factors, a lab analysis prior to application is recommended. Solid manure is applied with a spreader and liquid manure is applied via a hose or tanker, either on the surface or incorporated into the top layer of soil. Incorporation may require specialized equipment, but it reduces the risk of runoff, odor emissions, and N loss. Applying manure nutrients to a growing crop or cover crop increases nutrient retention and reduces nutrient losses. For more information, visit the OSU-OCAMM website ([ocamm.osu.edu](http://ocamm.osu.edu)) with links to manure resources. Next week, this information will be used in some examples to put a value on poultry, hog, and dairy manure.

—James J. Hoorman  
Hoorman Soil Health Services

## ODOT, STATE HIGHWAY PATROL DIRECT ATTENTION TO WRONG-WAY INCIDENTS ON US 30

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) are working together to stop wrong-way drivers along the U.S. 30 corridor in Paulding and Van Wert counties.

Patrol data from the last five years shows that wrong-

way incidences are occurring at a rate 10 times higher than what is happening along other four-lane divided highways in the region. "The number of incidences was quite startling and creates a very dangerous situation for drivers," said Lt. Jonathon Gray of the OSHP Van Wert post. "The resulting accidents tend to be very serious or fatal," he said.

According to OSHP, in the last five years, there have been 100 wrong-way driver incidences along this stretch of U.S. 30 including two fatal crashes resulting in three deaths.

The incidences tend to happen most often at night and on the weekend and tend to involve alcohol, older drivers, and those unfamiliar with the area. "But many times, we are not able to determine what caused drivers to enter the wrong way. By the time patrol officers get out there, the

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## 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

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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, Un-

known Spouse of H. John Collins; Paula G.

Collins, Unknown Spouse of Paula G.

Collins

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Unknown

Case No. CI 21-146

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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:

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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-

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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.

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Ann Pease, Clerk

Court of Common Pleas

Paulding, County, Ohio

By: *Ann E. Pease*

Deputy

Respectfully submitted,

*[Signature]*

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Paulding County, Ohio

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## PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

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New Schedule For Smaller Villages

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Latty/Briceton 2:30-3:00 (Latty Park)

For Questions Call : 419-399-3630

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# GROVER HILL ELEMENTARY STUDENTS HONOR VETERANS



Grover Hill Elementary students honored veterans with a program on Veterans Day, November 11, 2021.

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driver has realized their mistake and managed to get turned around or exited the highway," said Gray.

The statistics compelled ODOT to look at how to improve safety immediately. "We already have a feasibility study underway to look at the U.S. 30 corridor and make a long-term plan to improve safety," said Chris Hughes, ODOT District 1 deputy director. "The project happening now is something we are implementing in the short-term to help drivers recognize the four-lane divided highway and correctly navigate the intersections," he said.

Recently, a project began to add pavement marking just prior to each of 18 intersections along the U.S. 30 corridor in Van Wert and Paulding counties. Two arrows are to be painted in each mainline lane of the U.S. 30 intersections from State Line Road to Borroff Road.

The project is being funded through ODOT safety funds. The DeWine administration has committed approximately \$150 million per year to address high-accident

locations throughout the state.

The arrow pavement markings, often seen on interchange ramps, are ODOT's first to use at intersections on divided highways. The work is being completed by DuraMark, Aurora.

Later this year, the project will also add more signs to call attention to the four-lane divided highway at each intersection. All 18 intersections will be nearly identical with:

- Route U.S. 30 signs.
- Dual DO NOT ENTER signs on each side of U.S. 30.
- ONE WAY, DO NOT ENTER, and WRONG WAY signs in the medians.
- Plus additional dual WRONG WAY signs at the end of each intersection.
- Dual STOP signs will be larger and include signs depicting a divided highway

Gray said wrong-way drivers are confused, and may not have realized they entered a four-lane divided highway. "Always drive defensively and keep your eyes scanning down the road," said Gray. "Be on the lookout for wrong-way drivers, especially at night, so if someone is driving the wrong way, you will have time

to take evasive action," he said.

If you do encounter a vehicle traveling the wrong way, Gray suggests to slow down and move to the other lane or onto the berm to avoid a crash. Immediately call 911 and report the wrong-way driver. Give the location, direction of travel, and the best description of the vehicle possible.

The Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio State Highway Patrol will continue to identify safety issues and work together to ensure and establish safe corridors for all motorists who traverse Ohio's roadways.

The U.S. 30 feasibility study is currently working with stakeholders to identify alternatives. A public meeting to share the results and discuss alternatives will be held in Spring 2022.

## UF STUDENTS AWARDED CHOOSE OHIO FIRST SCHOLARSHIP

University of Findlay students were awarded a Choose Ohio First Scholarship for fall 2021.

The Choose Ohio First (COF) STEM scholarship is for students in computer science, pharmacy, health professions, environmental safety, adolescent/young adult (AYA) math or science, and biology programs. Recipients must be Ohio residents or graduates of Ohio high schools, enrolled in an eligible program, and meet additional academic requirements defined by the University.

Local students include:

Emma McMaster of Paulding, 45879, is pursuing a degree in education.

Thomas Vance of Cecil, 45821, is pursuing a degree in environment, health, safety, and sustainability.

Located in Findlay, Ohio, the University of Findlay is known not only for science, health professions, animal science and equestrian studies programs, but also for cultivating the next generation of business leaders, educators and global citizens through a dedication to experiential learning, both in and outside of the classroom. Established in 1882 through a joint partnership between the Churches of God, General Counsel and the City of Findlay, the University of Findlay has more than 80 majors leading to baccalaureate degrees and offers 11 master's degrees, and five doctoral degrees. More than 3,500 students are enrolled at Findlay, and the University is nationally recognized by U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review.

## OHIO MAKES AVIATION HISTORY WITH ADVANCED AIR MOBILITY SHOWCASE FLIGHTS

A short drive from where Orville and Wilbur Wright perfected flight more than 100 years ago, aviation history was once again made in Ohio. Today, Springfield-Beckley Airport welcomed a new era of aviation as the advanced air mobility industry descended on Ohio for a first of its kind event that brought together leaders from across the globe and featured the first public flights of electric vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) aircraft in Ohio.

"The partnerships that have been established and the innovation that is taking place here in Ohio will impact the global economy because we are changing the way people travel and goods move," said Ohio Governor Mike DeWine. "Just as Ohio led the development of the air age in the 20th century, Ohio will lead the development of the aerospace age in the 21st century."

The 2021 Ohio Advanced Air Mobility Showcase brought Ohio's next-generation aviation assets together under the FlyOhio banner. Led by the Ohio Department of Transportation's DriveOhio initiative, FlyOhio partners include industry leaders in advanced air mobility, the United States Air Force, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), JobsOhio, the Ohio Federal Research Network, the Dayton Development Coalition, the City of Springfield, and corporate partners from across Ohio. The day was punctuated by two historic flights. Kitty Hawk flew its unmanned, winged aircraft, the Heaviside 2 and Lift's flight featured its manned, wingless Hexa aircraft.

"Once again, our state is leading the way on advanced air mobility," said Lt. Governor Jon Husted, director of InnovateOhio. "Whether it's on our roads, through our workforce, at our universities, in our manufacturing facilities, or up

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in the sky, Ohio has the people and the industry to bring big ideas into reality, continually advancing our administration's mission to make our state the most innovative, entrepreneurial state in the Midwest."

The focus of the showcase was to bring public aviation organizations, private aviation companies, corporate partners, and academic institutions together in Springfield, Ohio to highlight the advanced air mobility development ecosystem the FlyOhio team has built. Supported by unique partner relationships and infrastructure investments from the public and private sectors, Ohio is leading the 21st century air race. FlyOhio's work to refine low-altitude air traffic management seeks to make Ohio's airspace among the first in the nation ready to fly beyond line of sight, ultimately bringing the use of unmanned aircraft for freight, package, and personal transportation closer to reality.

"We're witnessing aviation history, to have built a coalition that includes the US

Air Force, NASA, advanced air mobility developers and manufactures and corporate partners working with the Federal Aviation Administration, FlyOhio is building the next generation of air travel. In Ohio, we're unlocking the skies for the aerospace age of the 21st century," said Howard Wood, Executive Director of DriveOhio.

Aviation leaders from across the private and public sectors were on hand to connect with state, local and corporate partners to showcase their electric vertical takeoff and landing aircraft and to highlight the infrastructure and development technology that is housed at Springfield-Beckley airport. Event participants are as follows:

- Nathan Diller, Director of AFWERX, US Air Force
- Davis Hackenberg, Advanced Air Mobility Mission Integration Mgr., NASA
- Matt Chasen, CEO, Lift Aircraft
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"The opportunity to build a new industry that has the potential to add \$13 billion in market value to Ohio's economy and support tens of thousands of new jobs in infrastructure, construction, advanced manufacturing and business development over the next 20 years doesn't just happen," said J.P. Nauseef, President and CEO of JobsOhio. "It takes hard work and partnerships, as Ohio's Lt. Governor Husted says, 'Those who collaborate best are the ones who win.' As you can see, in Ohio, we are developing the mobility economy of the 21st century."

### WASHBURN NAMED NEW CHAIR OF CFAES DEPARTMENT OF TEACHING, ADVISING & LEARNING

Shannon Washburn, professor and chair of the Department of Agricultural Communication, Education, and Leadership (ACEL) at The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES), has been named the college's Sanford G. Price and Isabelle P. Barbee Chair in Teaching, Advising, and Learning.

His term begins November 1, 2021.

Washburn, who joined ACEL as professor and chair in 2020, previously served as an assistant dean for Academic Programs for the College of Agriculture at Kansas State University, from 2015 to 2020. In that role, he led the college's student retention efforts, facilitated professional development opportunities for faculty and instructional staff on teaching and advising, and coordinated the course and curriculum processes for the college.

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While at Kansas State, Washburn also served as a professor of agricultural education and as an associate professor of agricultural education. He earned his PhD in agricultural education from the University of Missouri, and a Master of Science in secondary education and a Bachelor of Science in agricultural education from Kansas State.

William H. Price II of Cody, Wyoming, funded the Sanford G. Price and Isabelle P. Barbee Chair in Teaching, Advising, and Learning in 2002 with a gift to The Ohio State University Foundation. The chair is named in memory of his father, Sanford G. Price, BS 1919, and his aunt, Isabelle Price Barbee, BS 1919, both of Woodville, Ohio.

The Price-Barbee Chair was established to support the leadership of an endowed faculty chair position charged with fostering a collegewide environment of excellence in teaching and learning, said Cathann A. Kress, Ohio State's vice president for agricultural administration and CFAES dean.

"We are grateful for William Price's support to fund this position for CFAES and excited to welcome Dr. Washburn to this position," Kress said. "The Price-Barbee Chair is a significant gift for the teaching, learning, and advising enterprise of our college."

Having dedicated funding that supports learning and advising through the role of the teacher makes this gift unique, said Tracy Kitchel, CFAES senior associate dean and director of faculty and staff affairs.

"This position will focus on providing leadership and expertise around teaching and advising enhancement that will include initiatives at the college level designed to complement the work of the Michael V. Drake Institute for Teaching and Learning," Kitchel said. "I am excited about the expertise Dr. Washburn brings to the table. We have such a diversity of expertise in our college, and to have expertise in teaching and learning is particularly valuable as it relates to this endowed chair. Dr. Washburn is an award-winning teacher who has a tremendous record of supporting future and current teachers at the secondary to postsecondary levels."

In his new role as Price-Barbee Chair, Washburn said he plans to focus on several issues including:

- creating and directing a faculty exchange for teaching excellence to identify current challenges and barriers to effective teaching practice to be used in creating a prioritized plan for professional development needs.
- providing content direction and organization for a semi-annual college symposium in teaching

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"I'm honored at the opportunity to work with the incredibly talented and dedicated faculty in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences to enhance their expertise in teaching to further strengthen the student learning experience in CFAES," Washburn said. "There is such a rich tradition of teaching excellence and commitment to student growth in our college, and the Price-Barbee Chair is dedicated to continuing that tradition by providing ongoing growth opportunities for faculty and instructional staff."

"I look forward to partnering with my colleagues and helping them further refine their teaching craft."

The appointment of Washburn as the Price-Barbee Chair will also significantly enhance the ability of CFAES' Academic Programs to provide professional development opportunities for faculty members, said Steve Neal, associate dean and director of CFAES academic programs.

"Dr. Washburn brings important expertise to this role, which will be of great benefit for the college," Neal said.

### COVER CROPS BENEFIT WILDLIFE

Cover crops provide many species of wildlife with food and shelter. If you want to maximize wildlife benefits, avoid cover crop monocultures. Cover crop diversity and interspersions are keys to improving wildlife habitat. For birds like quail and pheasant; nesting, brood-rearing, and escape cover are critical for bird survival, and these three types of cover need to be within 40 yards of each other for best interspersions (Zac Eddy, Senior Wildlife Biologist).

For birds, high energy grain cover crops provide food and shelter (structural cover). Good bird cover crops should include warm season forage species planted after wheat harvest. Sorghum

species can grow 6-9 feet tall and they lodge in the winter, providing excellent cover and food for quail, pheasant, and rabbits; even under heavy snow and ice. Warm-season cover crops like sorghums, millets, sunflowers and warm-season legumes such as cowpeas and Sunn hemp can be planted. Sorghums, millets and sunflowers are excellent seed producers for birds, and deer like to eat cowpeas and sunn hemp and they also provide excellent shelter during summer months. Cool-season cereal grains like cereal rye, oats, triticale, and wheat with legumes such as peas, clovers and vetches can be planted. Most of these plants provide food for deer and can also provide food and possibly shelter for bird species during adverse winter weather (Zak Eddy).

Rye, triticale, and wheat provide nesting habitat if allowed to grow over 14 inches tall before termination. Cover cropped fields can provide brood-rearing habitat for foraging chicks. Adding cover crop species and diversity will also increase insect numbers and insect diversity. This is great for young birds that require insects as their main food source in the spring. Well-fed birds with higher body weights also produce healthier eggs and chicks in the spring.

Will Moseley, Wildlife and Fisheries Consultant says "Deer need more tender, less lignified plant material. Deer

are very selective feeders and eat what is palatable. Deer eat the newest growth from a plant as it is not lignified." Deer consume over 200 native plants but field crops now commonly make up 50% of their diet. Deer food plots or cover crops with lots of diversity generally have something for deer to eat which is highly palatable. Deer only eat the tips of grasses in the spring with the first flush of growth in the spring. Deer prefer high nitrogen or protein food sources such as legumes and clovers such as soybeans, vetches, cowpeas, winter peas, and Sunn Hemp. "The best plant for deer is the one that is at a point in its life cycle where its the most palatable and gives deer what they need at a given time of the growing season, not a particular species" (Will Moseley). Cover crops may take some pressure off of animals grazing wheat or alfalfa. Planting many different cover crop species that mimic the tall grass prairie offer provides many benefits to all wildlife species, including bees and beneficial insects.

Serious deer hunters should try to make forage available all year. Spring cover crops for deer should include two legumes, field peas and soybeans but can also include sunflowers, buckwheat, African cabbage, rape, chicory. Grasses might include sorghum, millet or oats. Cool season fall cover crop mixes should include plants that freeze and some that stay green till spring and start to grow in the warm days of April. Some other good plants to consider are: awnless wheat, rye, triticale, crimson clover, oats, tillage radish, kale, collards, and winter peas. If there is snow cover to insulate the ground, these plants will provide forage into

### Sudoku solution from page 9

9	2	8	1	7	9	8	6	4
9	6	8	2	4	8	1	7	9
4	1	7	8	9	6	8	9	2
8	4	9	7	9	8	2	1	6
8	7	6	9	2	1	4	8	9
2	9	1	8	6	4	9	8	7
6	8	2	4	8	7	9	9	1
7	8	4	9	1	9	6	2	8
1	9	9	6	8	7	2	4	8

and through the winter and green up in very early in spring.

Planting cover crops may also change the way hunters search for deer. Tall growing cover crops provide shelter and a place to hide. If food is readily available, many deer will lie low in the cover crop to hide from human predators. When they get hungry, they can simply reach over and grab a snack. Several years ago, a hunter bagged a trophy buck which he practically walked over because the deer were content to lie around rather than trying to outrun groups of hunters. In January and February, deer tend to congregate in large numbers to get the last females bred before spring. Large cover crop fields supply both winter food and shelter for deer and many other types of wildlife.

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## GOOD THINGS COME OUT OF PAULDING COUNTY: PCED APPRECIATION BANQUET SPOTLIGHTS MEMBERS & NEW BUSINESSES



Tim Copsey introduces Terry Carwile and Joe Barker from MySports.Live - a new business that was born as a service for Paulding County. They broadcast and commentated the high school sporting events during the limited access of events due to the COVID pandemic.

Grant's Catering in Antwerp was the place to be for business networking in Paulding County on Thursday night. With approximately 150 in attendance, Paulding County Economic Development's office hosted its 21st Annual Business & Industry Appreciation Banquet on November 9, 2021. The evening began with cocktails & hors d'oeuvres — giving business associates of neighboring businesses an intentional occasion to network outside the office space and time; this small talk time was followed by a delightful dinner by Grant's.

After dinner, Diamond members (Union Bank and Premier Bank) were recognized for their exceptional support of PCED. Klint Manz of Union Bank spoke of their new presence in Paulding. New businesses

were also recognized — Auglaize Canoe & Kayak, Brown Made Media, Grounded Coffee & Crumbs, Keepsake Beads by EAW, and MySports.LIVE. Brown Made Media, Keepsake Beads by EAW, and MySports.LIVE all took to the podium to give a short infomercial about what they bring to Paulding County. Grounded Coffee & Crumbs provided cookie table favors for all in attendance.

Director, Tim Copsey gave the banquet attendees a Year in Review of Paulding County Economic Development. With this being Copsey's first full year flying solo in this position, he spoke of the struggles of 2020 and how his ardent drive to grow & develop Paulding County was not deterred even with the pandemic. In fact it gave him and the office time to take a

breath and refocus. New businesses still were developed, buildings were renovated, and projects were secured. With Copsey's weekly email blasts, PCED members are always kept up to date with the latest projects, funding opportunities, and he always has a running list of Help WANTEDs for businesses to share with employees and friends. Plus, Copsey had the addition to his staff in Kristen Schilt as the Office Manager. She kept the transitions running smoothly all evening. According to the Annual Report, over \$46,663,000 was invested into Paulding County in 2021!!! Of that amount, there were 8 COVID Crisis Fund recipients, 16 media press releases, 19 new housing starts, 27 commercial property sales, and 70 new PCED members. Small businesses contributed \$21,300 to PCED; financial institutions \$16,470; Community/State organizations, \$8,725; Manufacturing, \$7,600; Utility, \$3,600; Agriculture, \$3,175; Development/Engineering, \$2,200; Personal, \$2,199; Health/Hygiene, \$1,925; Design & Media, \$800.

Copsey stated that the office's latest venture is how to market Paulding County to the world. He then let the night's guests preview an ad campaign compiled by Brown Made Media as a video infomercial about all Paulding County has to offer — from its industry, to farming, to small businesses, to history, to schools, to community. Good things come out of Paulding County!

### BLUE RIBBON WORKERS 4H CLUB HOLDS FIRST MEETING

On Saturday, October 16, 2021, the Blue Ribbon Workers 4-H Club held its first meeting at the Youth Leadership Building.

Since this was the first meeting of the year, they decided to wait until the next meeting to finish electing the club's officers.

While at the meeting, they discussed activities such as community service projects they plan on participating in for the year.

Since there were some new members and as a review to current members, they discussed how to register for 4-H online and how to pick their projects.

Youth in attendance were

## ANTWERP CHAMBER WELCOMES ANTWERP CORNER CAFE W/RIBBON CUTTING



Pictured here are Chamber members: Michael Schneider, Kim Kemerer, Audrey Feasby, and Sue Fowler; Antwerp Corner Cafe owner, Alice Ford; and Chamber members: Tom Vanylerah, Denise Coleman, and Mandy Miller.

Antwerp Corner Cafe is the new restaurant in Antwerp located in the building of the old Subway. Antwerp Chamber of Commerce celebrated this

new venture with the Cafe with a Ribbon Cutting on November 9th.

Antwerp Corner Cafe is open Monday through Saturday from 6:00 a.m. —

2:00 p.m. They are serving breakfast all day as well as soups, salads, subs, and sliced deli meats and cheeses by the pound.

given a calendar of dates of upcoming meetings and events planned for those meetings.

Anyone interested in 4-H, are encouraged to join the club, as their next meeting will be held November 13, 2021, at the Youth Leadership Building.

### HUBER DINNER THEATER AUDITIONS

It was previously reported that Audition dates for "Fools" would be held on Dec. 6 & 7 at the Huber Opera House. Those auditions have been changed to February 1 & 2, 2022.

However, Auditions will still be held on December 6 & 7 for the February 18-20 Dinner Theater for Nonsense. These auditions will be held at the Huber Opera House from 6-8:00 pm. This show consists of five female actors and requires a vocal audition.

### ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION'S FOCUS ON OHIO'S VETERANS BRINGS ISSUE OF TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES TO THE FOREFRONT

James "Jim" Leer enlisted in the United States Navy and was off to boot camp in 1965, joining the military at age 20.

A radioman on the USS

Maddox, he served during the Vietnam War, where he suffered a traumatic brain injury (TBI). He left the Navy after four years of service. "I had no recollection of the last six months I was in," Leer said. He said the impact of the TBI affected other parts of his memory. But he kept silent after he transitioned back to civilian life because he was looking for a job. "You just don't tell somebody about it," Leer said.

Today at age 76, Leer has Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease. He was diagnosed at age 54 with early-onset Alzheimer's. "It's not something that we expected from the time he was in the service," said his wife Donna Leer. "We weren't forewarned that his service was going to develop into this, so you accept what has developed and you educate yourself," she said.

Veterans with TBI or Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) have a 60 percent greater chance of developing dementia and the Alzheimer's Association is working to find ways to provide more help to veterans with dementia.

Amy Boehm, Alzheimer's Association Health Systems Director for Ohio, said, "As the veteran population in Ohio continues to grow, the demand for high-quality senior care increases. The Alzheimer's Association is excited and ready to support VA Medical Centers around the

state to improve the clinical pathway for patients to receive an early diagnosis for dementia and quality care for the veteran and caregiver after a diagnosis."

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' Office of Research and Development, the Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center (DVBIC) reported nearly 414,000 TBIs among U.S. service members worldwide between 2000 and late 2019. In addition, according to the data, more than 185,000 veterans who use the VA for their health care have been diagnosed with at least one TBI. According to the report, traumatic brain injury and its associated medical conditions are a significant cause of disability outside of military settings.

Leer, who has experienced PTSD also, said at the time doctors were performing tests before his Alzheimer's diagnosis, "they did a PET scan of my brain and it was really in bad shape." At that time, he said he was working as a master control engineer at a television station. "I was constantly making notes. I had notes all over the place," he said.

After he got his diagnosis, Leer said he went on the internet, looked up memory problems and found the Alzheimer's Association. "They told me what steps to follow at work. I had to let my employers know the very next business day I had finally gotten the diagnosis," Leer said.

Since then, he and his wife have been advocates for the Alzheimer's Association — meeting with people in Congress and state legislators about the need for additional support for those with the disease. "We don't feel ashamed to mention he has a diagnosis, it's not anything we did," Mrs. Leer said.

Alzheimer's is a progressive, fatal brain disease that kills nerve cells and tissues in the brain, affecting an individual's ability to remember, think, plan, speak or walk. In the United States, more than 6 million people have the disease. Individuals who have questions about living with Alzheimer's can call the Association's 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900 or visit alz.org/nwOhio.



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