

PAULDING PUTNAM ELECTRIC BOARD APPROVES 2022 BUDGET



Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative's Board of Trustees approved the 2022 operating and capital budget at the meeting held on November 10, 2021. Total operating revenues were budgeted at \$45.7 million, and capital improvements were \$7.5 million. About \$2.3 million in capital credits retirements were also approved, which current and former members will see in December.

The budget includes a slight increase to the monthly residential service charge. Effective January 1, 2022, the service charge will be \$35 (previously \$32.95). This is PPEC's first increase since 2018 and represents an increase of 1.2% on the aver-

age residential member. "It's always a difficult decision to increase rates; however, due to increasing costs to provide member service, it was necessary to increase our monthly service charge," said PPEC CEO and President George Carter. "This is our first rate increase in four years, and costs have significantly increased over that time - especially due to the pandemic."

Carter stated that wholesale power costs are the co-op's largest expenses - and they continue to increase. These are the costs associated with power generation and transmission of electricity to PPEC's local substations. These cost increases are

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NSCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

The Board of Trustees of Northwest State Community College will hold their next regular meeting on Friday, December 10 at 11:30 a.m. in Room C200 at the Archbold campus. The meeting will be open to the public and all guests are required to wear a facial covering.

PATROL CONTINUES TO FOCUS ON IMPAIRED DRIVING ARRESTS

As part of the Patrol's ongoing efforts to make Ohio roadways safe, troopers continue to focus on impaired driving this month and throughout the holiday season.

"Making the decision to drive while impaired can have lasting, devastating impacts," said Governor Mike DeWine. "Because we want everyone to stay safe, the Ohio State Highway Patrol will be out in full force to intercept drivers who choose to risk their own lives and the lives of others by driving under the influence."

Since 2016, there were 80,023 impaired driving related crashes on Ohio roadways, killing 3,007 people and injuring 48,683 others. During that same period, troopers removed more than 135,000 impaired drivers from Ohio roadways. OVI-related crashes have accounted for 44 percent of all fatal crashes in Ohio in the last five years.

"Having to tell a family that their loved one is not coming home is one of the hardest parts of our job at any time of the year, especially the holidays," said Lieutenant Matt Crow, Findlay Post commander. "Planning ahead, making responsible decisions and driving sober are examples of how we can make this a safe holiday season."

Last year, troopers from the Findlay Post removed 115 impaired drivers from our roadways.

The public is encouraged to call #677 to report reckless or impaired drivers, and drug activity.

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY STUDENT COUNCIL MAKES DONATION TO HOLLY BEACH SPLASH PAD



Shown here are (back) Betty Smazenko, elementary student council advisor; Jameson Graham, fourth grade student council member; Maria Kobee and Katie Scharr, both representing the Holly Beach Splash Pad; (front) Brooklyn Lawson, fifth grade student council member and Brady Stairhime, third grade student council member.

The Antwerp Elementary School Student Council recently presented the Holly Beach Splash Pad organization with a check for nearly

\$320 after organizing a pajama day for the school district. Some of the money will be used to purchase a brick at the splash pad.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR LIBRARY IN DECEMBER?

The Paulding County Carnegie Library is getting ready for an exciting December. The library will be closed on Friday December 24, Saturday December 25, Friday December 31 and January 1.

The Adult and YA departments of the library have some little treats coming in December. Stop by often and see what's up! First, we have a limited number of little craft kits, all one of a kind, that may be picked up, limit one per cardholder, while supplies last. Choose one, take it home and make it. Bring it back and be registered for a great prize. The completed item is yours to keep. Drawing will be held December 30.

Cookbook Club will be held Monday, December 20 at 5:30 p.m. in the form of a cookie swap. Bring a batch of your favorite cookies, and a printed copy of the recipe and we will all share. We will also be serving a light "lunch". Thanks to all of you who have participated this year! Bring

your ideas for next year. We are excited to have new makerspace items for all ages. We are still learning to use some of them and may have some pop-up trial runs in December. By the time the new year rolls in, we will have all kinds of new skills to teach you and maybe you can bring your skills to share! If you would be interested, please contact Ali at 419-399-2032 or amcauley@mypccl.org.

The Children's Department is anxiously awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus and his live reindeer. Visit the North Pole event will take place on Thursday December 9, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Santa will be ready to hear what you would like for Christmas, and his reindeer will be here for you to see. There will also be crafts and surprises to take home. Storytime will continue December 1st, 8th, and 15th at 10:00 a.m. Be sure to stop in for Christmas books and movies. Stop by the children's room while on your break and play a game or make a craft.

The Antwerp branch will

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

December 8

• Breaking Free Group @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6-7:30pm
• Community Meal/Christmas fellowship @ St. Paul Luth. Church, Paulding; 5:30-7pm

December 9

• Visit the North Pole @ PC Library, 5-7pm

December 10

• Hicksville School Music 7p

December 11

• Breakfast w/Santa @ GH Library, 9-11am
• Siberian Solstice Concert @ Huber, 7pm

December 12

• Huber Junior Youth Choir, 4pm
• Antwerp Comm. Band concert @ Antwerp School, 2:30pm
• Christmas Hope Walk, Paulding, 5-7:30pm

December 14

• Visit w/Santa @ PCAF building, 5-6:30pm
• FW Comm. Band @ Rhinehart Music Center PFW, 7:30pm

December 15

• Breaking Free Group @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6-7:30pm

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OBITUARIES

PAYNE, OH
Shirley Jean Flores, 80, of Payne, passed away Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at Divine Nursing and Rehab at Shane Hill, Rockford. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 Sr 500, Payne, Ohio.

PAYNE, OH
Theodore Clifford Porter, 69, of Payne, Ohio passed away Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arr by Dooley Funeral Homes Of Antwerp & Payne, Ohio.

ANTWERP, OH
Norman Lee Rister, 60, of Antwerp, Ohio passed away Tuesday, November 30, 2021, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Arr By Dooley Funeral Homes Of Antwerp & Payne, Ohio.

PAYNE, OH
Gwendolyn Ann Woods, 79, of Payne, Ohio passed away Sunday, December 5, 2021 at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Arr. by Dooley Funeral Homes Of Antwerp & Payne Ohio.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

MARY PENROSE WAYNE CHAPTER — Ft. Wayne, Indiana

The Mary Penrose Wayne DAR Chapter Christmas tea is Sat., Dec. 11, at the Swinney Homestead, 1424 W. Jefferson Blvd. Ft. Wayne, Ind. The menu will be Russian Cream, tea, and cookies. By Resv. Only and deadline was Nov. 30.

Zoom meetings were being conducted for Prospective DAR Members, Sunday Dec. 5 at 3:00. There will also be zoom meetings in January (9th) at 3:00 and January (19th) at 7:00 p.m. These meetings will be on how to complete the DAR supplemental apps. If you are interested contact Regent at Benita_Steyer@comcast.net.

The Nov. 13, 2021 chapter meeting was held at the Allen Co. Public Library. The speaker was Diane Hunter the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) for the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and a citizen of the Tribe. She is a descendant of the Miami family of Seekaahkweeta and Palaanswa (Francis Godfroy), through their son Waa-panakiikaapwa (Gabriel Godfroy). She was born in Indianapolis and grew up in Wabash County.

Today Diane works out of Ft. Wayne, preserving and protecting historic sites and resources, providing education about the presence and history of the Miami Tribe, and serving more than 800 Tribal citizens in Indiana. She has given numerous presentations on the history of the Miami people and the Miami Tribe to groups of all ages and education levels. Diane has a Bachelor's de-

gree from Indiana Univ. and Master's degrees from Ball State Univ. and Georgetown Univ.

Diane Hunter talked about the history of the Miami people with a focus on the Miami Forced Removal 175 years ago. Discussion was then held on the current efforts of the revitalization of the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma.

On Sat., Jan. 15, 2022 the Mary Penrose Wayne DAR Chapter Anniversary Celebration Luncheon will be held at the Shields Room at the History Center, 302 E. Berry St. Ft. Wayne, Ind. Advance Reserv. are due by Dec. 31, 2021 Spouses and guests are welcome. Send reserv. To : MARY PENROSE WAYNE DAR — Lois Hoelle, 917 Elnora Dr., FW, Ind. 46825-4559.

Submitted by member Caroleyn Longardner — Antwerp, Ohio

PCH COVID-19 UPDATE

Paulding County has seen some of its highest hospitalization rates since the pandemic began over the past three months. According to Paulding County Hospital CEO Ron Goedde, "COVID cases are up, but the more concerning trend is the high number of hospitalizations for those under the age of 60 in the county. The recent increase in cases is challenging many of the hospitals in our area and surrounding areas."

The challenge now becomes the ability to keep our hospitals open to the public. The threat of hospitals having to go on by-pass because there's no capacity to treat more patients is a real concern. Some of the larger tertiary hospitals in our region are already at a critical capacity and many are experiencing additional difficulties due to lack of adequate staffing. Transferring patients out of Paulding County Hospital to the tertiary hospitals is becoming extremely difficult for serious situations like stroke, heart attack, or patients requiring ICU level of care. Paulding County Hospital is starting to plan for the reduction of elective services to manage the growing COVID-19 cases if the numbers don't improve.

In the past three months, Paulding County Hospital has experienced a surge in those under 60 requiring hospitalization for COVID-19. Those under the age of 60 account for 62.4% of COVID-19 related admissions in the past three months. A year ago those 60 years of age and older accounted for 83% of all

COVID-19 related hospital admissions. Today, those residents of the county over 60 are experiencing 80% fewer admissions and accounting for only 37.6% of the COVID-19 hospitalizations. Over 75% of those over 60 years of age have received the COVID-19 vaccine compared to only 29% of those under the age of 60.

Paulding County Hospital remains committed to providing excellent care to our patients and the community we serve. The best way to keep area hospitals open is to do your best to protect yourself by masking up, social distancing, and getting vaccinated. Vaccine appointments are conveniently available to all eligible age groups on our website: pauldingcountyhospital.com by clicking on, CLICK HERE to schedule a COVID VACCINE Appointment.

WOODBURN LEAF PICKUP END DATE

The City of Woodburn will discontinue leaf pickup for the season on Friday, December 10th. If you are within the City limits and you have leaves past this date, feel free to drop them off at the compost site on Tile Mill Road just east of State Road 101. If you have questions or concerns, call City Hall at 260-632-5318.

—Timothy Cummins, Clerk-Treasurer

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"pass-through" expense and are recovered in the Wholesale Power Cost Adjustment (WPCA) on member bills.

As always, keeping the lights on at an affordable rate is the cooperative's top priority; however, the cost of keeping the system up-to-date is expensive. Highlights from the new capital budget include:

- Rebuilding over twenty miles of old copper line
- Improvements to both Convoy and Columbus Grove substations
- Extensive underground line extensions into the expanding subdivisions in New Haven, Indiana
- Testing 4,800 poles in Paulding County

"The accounting department does an outstanding job of putting together the annual budgets, and our management team is very diligent in following those budgets," said PPEC Board Chairman John Saxton. "The Board understands that members are sensitive to rate increases, but overall, the cooperative is financially strong and a 1% rate increase in 4 years shows that fiscal responsibility."

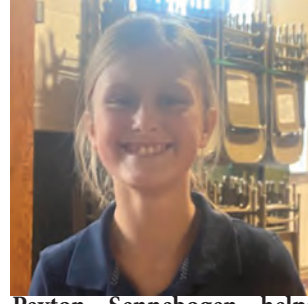
As a not-for-profit, member-owned utility, PPEC returns excess funds back to members in the form of capital credits. Also approved during the board meeting was a \$2.3 million retirement of capital credits (representing each member's equity in the co-op) back to PPEC members, based on their past electric usage. Eligible current members will see a credit on their December bills; former members will receive a check.

Please call PPEC at 800-686-2357 for more information or visit the co-op website at www.PPEC.coop.

VIRTUE OF STEWARDSHIP @ DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL



Gabby Gurney is always willing to help out fellow classmates without being asked and sharing her time and talent to help others succeed.



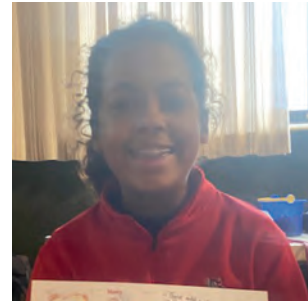
Peyton Sennebogen helps multiple students in need. When she messed up on a math assignment instead of pouting she found another solution to gain the points back. Peyton shows leadership skills in every aspect of her life.



Addalynn Thomas Goes above and beyond to help others in need. Shows leadership and kindness in everything she does.



Brisa Chavez shows leadership skills in everything she does. Always working hard and helping other students.



Caleigh Young always goes above and beyond to help other students and shows excellent leadership skills.



Thea Rosswurm always does her best to sing during Mass and gives anyone speaking her full attention. During prayer in both Mass and class, she is focus on the prayer and devoting her time and intentions to God.

Scripture of the Week

I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me— just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep.

— John 10:14-15

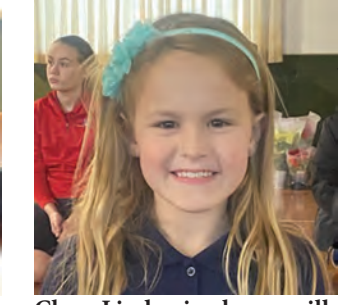
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Brielle Linder always uses her beautiful brain and kind heart to help others.



Clare Linder is always willing to help out her classmates especially during mass.



Wyatt Head is a great helper before and during school with jobs I ask him to do.

This year Divine Mercy is doing a virtue of the month and give awards to students who have shown this virtue. November was Stewardship.

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I BELIEVE IN SANTA

Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

Approximately 12 years or more ago, my hubby and I were getting ready to do some volunteering and everyone was introducing themselves. My husband, (now deceased) saw a former classmate of his. Both guys were older now, but still recalled the school days in Elementary School.

The former classmate turned to my husband and said, "Ha! I remember you. You are the one who told me there was no Santa Claus."

Yes that guy remembered his disappointment on that day when he was told there was no Santa.

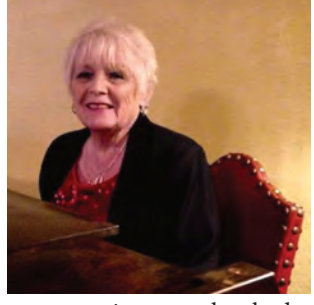
Some of us have memories of either believing in Santa or else being told that there isn't any. I was reading the other day and came across this article about believing in Santa Claus. See what you think. The story goes:

"I remember tearing across town on my bike to visit Grandma on the day my brother dropped the bomb: "There is no Santa Claus," he jeered. "Even dummies know that!"

My Grandma was not the gushy kind, never had been. I fled to her that day because I knew she would be straight with me. I knew Grandma always told the truth, and I knew that the truth always went down a whole lot easier when swallowed with one of her "world-famous" cinnamon buns. I knew they were world-famous, because Grandma said so. It had to be true.

Grandma was home, and the buns were still warm. Between bites, I told her everything. She was ready for me. "No Santa Claus?" she snorted, "Ridiculous! Don't believe it. That rumor has been going around for years, and it makes me mad, plain mad!! Now, put on your coat, and let's go."

"Go? Go where, Grandma?" I asked. I hadn't even finished my second world-famous cinnamon bun. "Where" turned out to be Kirby's General Store, the



one store in town that had a little bit of just about everything. As we walked through its doors, Grandma handed me ten dollars. That was a bundle in those days. "Take this money," she said, "and buy something for someone who needs it. I'll wait for you in the car." Then she turned and walked out of Kirby's.

I was only eight years old. I'd often gone shopping with my mother, but never had I shopped for anything all by myself. The store seemed big and crowded, full of people scrambling to finish their Christmas shopping.

For a few moments I just stood there, confused, clutching that ten-dollar bill, wondering what to buy, and who on earth to buy it for.

I thought of everybody I knew: my family, my friends, my neighbors, the kids at school, the people who went to my church.

I was just about thought out, when I suddenly thought of Bobby Decker. He was a kid with bad breath and messy hair, and he sat right

behind me in Mrs. Pollock's grade-two class. Bobby Decker didn't have a coat. I knew that because he never went out to recess during the winter. His mother always wrote a note, telling the teacher that he had a cough, but all us kids knew that Bobby Decker didn't have a cough; he didn't have a good coat. I fingered the ten-dollar bill with growing excitement. I would buy Bobby Decker a coat! I settled on a red corduroy one that had a hood to it. It looked real warm, and he would like that.

"Is this a Christmas present for someone?" the lady behind the counter asked kindly, as I laid my ten dollars down. "Yes, ma'am," I replied shyly. "It's for Bobby."

The nice lady smiled at me, as I told her about how Bobby really needed a good winter coat. I didn't get any change, but she put the coat in a bag, smiled again, and wished me a Merry Christmas.

That evening, Grandma helped me wrap the coat (a little tag fell out of the coat, and Grandma tucked it in her Bible) in Christmas paper and ribbons and wrote, "To Bobby, From Santa Claus" on it.

Grandma said that Santa always insisted on secrecy. Then she drove me over to Bobby Decker's house, explaining as we went that I was now and forever officially, one of Santa's helpers.

Grandma parked down the street from Bobby's house, and she and I crept noiselessly and hid in the bushes by his front walk. Then Grandma gave me a nudge. "All right, Santa Claus," she whispered, "get going."

I took a deep breath, dashed for his front door, threw the present down on his step, pounded his door and flew back to the safety of the bushes and Grandma.

Together we waited breathlessly in the darkness for the front door to open. Finally it did, and there stood Bobby.

Fifty years haven't dimmed the thrill of those moments spent shivering, beside my Grandma, in Bobby Decker's bushes. That night, I realized that those awful rumors about Santa Claus were just what Grandma said they were -- ridiculous. Santa was alive and well, and we were on his team.

I still have the Bible, with the coat tag tucked inside: \$19.95.

May you always have LOVE to share, HEALTH to spare and FRIENDS that care...

And may you always believe in the magic of Santa Claus!"

—Writer Unknown
Santa is magic and represents the power of love and giving at this magical time of year.

How old were you when someone told you there was NO SANTA? Were you broken hearted but still wanted to believe? Do you think love, generosity, giving, and thankfulness is a part of Christmas and that jolly old man called St. Nick?

Let me know and I will give you a Penny for your Thoughts. Hmmm. But since Christmas is only a month away, I feel generous and will give you a Nickel for Your Thoughts.

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be having Book Club on December 13th at 6:00 p.m. Cookbook Club will meet on December 20th at 5:45 p.m. Call the branch at 419-258-2855 about their Crochet Club that meets every month inside the library. The week of December 20 - December 31 there will be Christmas crafts and games during library hours. Story-time will be every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. The Friends Group Wreath Raffle is taking place; tickets available for a chance to win a wreath. Drawing will take place on Saturday December 18th.

The Grover Hill Branch will have Munchkin Club story time on Monday, December 6th, and 20th at 11:00 a.m. Listen to a story with a related craft activity and treat designed for ages 6 and under. Cookbook Club will meet for holiday appetizers, treats and mocktails on Monday December 13th at 6:00 p.m. Please bring a dish and recipe to sample and share. Crochet Club and Photo Club dates to be announced. Book Club will close out the year at 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 29th, with a discussion of the novel "The Water Keeper" by Charles Martin. As always, Fridays are Free at the library, Take and Make activities and Pop-up December gifts and surprises. The Friends of Grover Hill Branch Library are providing "Breakfast with Santa" for a free-will donation at the Grover Hill VFW including pancakes and sausage from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 11. Memories by Tawnya will be offering photos for a freewill donation as well. Then the Great GHBL Giveaway at the library for the first 25 families during regular library hours of 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Oakwood Branch will have story time at 11:00 a.m. every Monday. A Lady's Card Club will meet each Monday from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesdays are for adult coloring and every Friday is a Make and Take Craft for kids. Monday, December 2 will be making holiday mugs. Senior Bingo is December 9 at 11:30 a.m. The Community Christmas with the Fire Station and visit with Santa and Grinch crafts, snacks and hot chocolate will be December 9 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. Make your own Hot Chocolate Bomb on December 20, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Bring your own yarn and stop in to use the new knitting machine to make hats or other knitted projects. Also stop by and check out the Cricut machine.

The Payne Branch will have story time every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. Every Monday is After School Fun at the library! Bring your friends! Special Pizza and PJ Day on Monday, December 27 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Call for more details, 419-263-3333. Make and Take Crafts will be out Christmas Week!

Friends of the Paulding County Carnegie Library will meet Monday, December 13th at 6:00 p.m. at the "Buy the Book" Bookstore located in the Annex. January is Friends' Group sign up month.

Black Swamp Bookworms will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Annex. They are reading "The Orphan Collector" by Ellen Marie Wiseman. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

William Heeb Eyler is another young man whose life was cut short while serving



his country. He was born March 4, 1890 in Chillicothe, Ross County, Ohio to William H. and Ella (Hub)Eyler. Always excelled in his school work, which led him to a great opportunity to be employed at Goodyear Tire and Rubber in Akron, Ohio.

William attended the college of Wooster where he obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management in 1916. However, William always had a great interest in military organizations and had served for ten years in the Ohio National Guard, enlisting as soon as his age permitted.

William had become an expert marksman, receiving several medals. One medal was from the federal government for making 47 bulls-eyes out of 50 at a range of 300 yards.

William took a leave of employment as his old unit, 4th Ohio National Guard was called to the border, Mexico. He returned to work at Goodyear after the border conflict. He returned to Paulding to meet a school teacher named Florence Josephine Ross. Florence was born August 18, 1892 to Joseph R. and Delphine (Ropp) Ross. William and Florence were married May 4, 1917 at the First Presbyterian Church in Paulding, and planned on building a new home in Akron, but for the time they were living at 304 North Williams Street. NOTE: That house was torn down years ago and is now a church parking lot.

On November 3, 1917

William was promoted to 1st lieutenant of the 4th Ohio National Guard. The couple was delighted when Florence gave birth to a son, William Ross Eyler on April 13, 1918 in Van Wert, even though William had already been shipped out.

The 4th Ohio National Guard was selected to mobilize with the Rainbow Division and then it became the 166th United States Infantry and William was the acting captain of it. They left for France, October 19, 1917 and went into the trenches in February 1918. The regiment had fought in defensive sectors Champagne - Marne and Aisne - Marne.

On August 2, 1918 the Rainbow Division was leading the fight that was driving the German army away from their offensive position. Captain William H. Eyler was ordered to lead an attack on German entrenchments. He was killed while leading this charge. By September 1918, while Florence was staying with her parents, news arrived by letter to her father, Joseph, that her beloved husband, William, was killed in action. Information was withheld until official notification was received.

William was buried in Seringes-et-Nesles, France at the Oise - Aisne American Cemetery, Block A, Row 10, Grave 32. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his sacrifice.

Florence remained at 304 North William Street, Paulding until sometime in the late 1930's. The Federal Government offered to pay for her and other Paulding County women to travel to France and visit the graves of their loved ones, and Florence traveled to see William in July of 1930. She moved to Toledo, Ohio sometime after 1939. Florence never remarried and she passed away in Beverly Hills Nursing Home, Detroit, Michigan on January 21, 1990. She was buried with her parents at Live Oak Cemetery. As for their son, William Ross Tyler, he became a doctor, married and four children. He passed away on December 5, 2018 and is buried in Detroit, Michigan.

Note: William H. Eyler's army trunk is at the Historical Museum in Paulding. Until Next Time.

It has been two years since the **Antwerp Community Band** gave its last Christmas concert! The COVID winter of 2020 prevented all of us from fully celebrating the holiday season's traditions, so the Band is delighted that the world has recovered enough that we all can begin to return to normal. Express your joy and hope for the future by attending one of our Christmas concerts!

We are performing on Sunday, **December 12, 2021**, at 2:30 pm in the Auditoria at **Antwerp Local School** and will give our encore performance on **Sunday, December 19**, at 7 pm at the **Huber Opera House** in Hicksville. There is no charge for admission except your good cheer!

On the playbill: the exuberant and joyful "Exultate Deo", a jazzy version of "O Christmas Tree", the delicate "Candlelight Carol", "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and several suites that include many familiar favorites of the season. Please join us for one or both concerts and make some new Christmas memories!



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Judy Hook is a small business owner who originates from Hicksville, OH. She has been a cosmetologist for 46 years and about eight years ago began her journey into essential oils. She is certified in AromaTouch Technique which involves the clinical application of eight specific oils that are applied to the back and feet. Hook has worked with nursing home residents — using essential oils and the power of human touch to attain positive responses to her clients has given her encouragement in God's leading of her endeavors.

Hook began Reflexology courses at the Reflexology Certification Institute in

Worthington, OH in March 2021, and after five months of studying, practicing, and taking tests (which made Judy a little nervous indeed!), she is now a Certified Reflexologist.

What is Reflexology? Reflexology is a science that deals with the principle that there are reflex areas on the feet and hands that correspond to all of the organs, glands and parts of the body. Reflexology is not massage but a unique method using the thumb and fingers on these reflex areas. It is a modality that has been around for over 5000 years. It was first discovered as pictograms on cave walls of a doctor. Reflexology is becoming more popular as people continue to search for natural health solutions.

Reflexology can support neuropathy, digestive issues, migraines, anxiety, sinus/allergy issues and so much more. All ages of people can benefit from reflexology and sessions are tailored to each individual's needs/concerns working with their feet and/or hands.

Hook keeps office hours in Hicksville on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and in Angola on Wednesdays. For more information, call Judy Hook at 419-769-1628.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman

Dear Parson,
Matthew 25:31-46 sounds like works salvation. Is it?

No! Jesus here is giving the separation of the sheep and the goats. Notice in verse 32 that this is the judgment of the nations which takes place at the end of the tribulation and is not to be confused with The Great White Throne Judgment in Revelation 20.

The nations are considered as the Gentiles, and the brethren (verse 40) stands for the persecuted Jews during the Tribulation.

The sheep are those Gentiles who will care for the needs of the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick and imprisoned Jews during the Tribulation. The goats on the other hand, will not care for the needs of the persecuted.

The sheep and goats were not saved or lost by their works, but were identified by their work. "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not by works, lest any man should boast." - Ephesians 2:8-9

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

THERESA GAVARONE ANNOUNCES RUN FOR CONGRESS IN OHIO'S 9TH DISTRICT

Ohio State Senator Theresa Gavarone officially announced her candidacy for Ohio's 9th Congressional District.

The district contains all or part of the following counties: Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Williams and Wood.

"After a lot thought and encouragement from my family and countless constituents, I have decided to seek the Republican nomination for Ohio's 9th Congressional District," Gavarone said. "For the past four decades, Marcy Kaptur has occupied this seat in Congress, but has delivered nothing except runaway inflation driven by unprecedented government spending. Northwest and Northern Ohio families need a representative who works for them, not for Nancy Pelosi and the radical left. I am running for Congress to deliver real, conservative results for families across the 9th District."

Gavarone is currently the State Senator for Ohio's 2nd District which includes all or part of Erie, Fulton, Lucas, Ottawa and Wood Counties. Prior to her service in the Senate, Senator Gavarone served as State Representative in the Ohio House of Representatives for the 3rd District and as a Bowling Green City Councilwoman.

"During my time in elected office, we cut income taxes, balanced Ohio's budget, expanded legal gun rights, protected life, and much more," Gavarone said. "During her time in elected office, Marcy Kaptur consistently stood with Nancy Pelosi over the interests of her district. Enough is enough."

Gavarone has been a resident of Northern Ohio her entire adult life; she earned her undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University and her law degree from the University of Toledo. She has been an attorney for over 25 years and co-owns a restaur-

ant with her husband, Jim, with whom she has raised three children.

"This campaign isn't about me—it's about the people of Northwest and Northern Ohio," she said. "Whether it is trying to shut down Line 5, raising taxes, forcing government mandates down our throats, or increasing inflation, Joe Biden, Marcy Kaptur, Nancy Pelosi and the far-left have hurt our families. We need a fighter to represent our area in Congress, and that is what I am here to do."

The primary election will be held on May 3, 2022.

SIGNED INTO LAW: LATTA'S LEGISLATION SUPPORTING VETERANS

President Biden signed into law S. 894, the Hire Veteran Health Heroes Act of 2021, which was introduced by Senators Mike Braun (R-IN) and Maggie Hassan (D-NH). Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) introduced companion legislation, H.R. 2151, in the House of Representatives earlier this year on March 23, 2021.

The Hire Veteran Health Heroes Act will require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to work with the Department of Defense (DoD) to identify members of the Armed Forces and refer them for recruitment to federal health care departments like the VA.

"Each year 13,000 active-duty medical department military members on average separate from the military," said Latta. "These servicemembers have been medically trained and have provided care to others in the military with poise and distinction. With the signing of the Hire Veteran Health Heroes Act, it will be easier for these vets to use the skills they learned while in the Armed Forces to help other veterans, and the VA can benefit from employing patriotic and hard-working veterans. I am grateful to my Senate colleagues and the President for moving quickly to make this bill a law. Providing resources to our veterans has always been a top priority of mine while serving in Congress, and with this legislation, we are able to secure a win for our veterans as they acclimate to civilian life."

In November 2019, the VA Inspector General stated that staff shortages are a root cause of many of the problems in Veterans' care. The Department of Defense has robust medical departments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force, totaling 111,462 Active Duty and 67,951 Reserve personnel in 2020. All or part of the medical education and training has been paid for by the Federal government. Their Military Occupation Specialties (MOSs) span the full spectrum of the medical professions from primary care physicians, to neurosurgeons, nurse practitioners, health care administrators, physical therapists, pharmacists, radiology technicians, medical logistician, biomedical maintenance, etc. All of these medical specialties can be utilized in the VHA, and their knowledge of the new electronic health record will also be invaluable. Currently, an average of 13,000 active-duty medical department members separate from the military each year at the end of enlistments/contracts or through retirement. Currently, there is no formal program in place to actively recruit these veterans to remain in federal health care in departments like Veterans Affairs VA.

**ANTWERP CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
DECEMBER BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT:
GENFED CREDIT UNION**



Antwerp Chamber of Commerce spotlight for December is GenFed Credit Union, 5350 Co Rd 424, Antwerp, Ohio.

The Antwerp Branch of the GenFed Credit Union is managed by Heather Matusiak. Heather is also the Branch Manager of the Bryan location. Our credit union is the only one in Paulding County. GenFed Financial Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial institution that serves areas of Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. A credit union is owned by the account holders (also called members) and it exists solely for the benefit of those members. Credit unions don't have stockholders like banks and are able to return any profits to the members in the form of better rates, lower fees and increased services.

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GenFed is best known for their low cost banking services with lower fees and better rates, local service and live voice calls. What sets them aside from others in this type of business is that it specifically offers almost all of the same services you can find at the big box banks, which is not always the case with local credit unions.

As a customer, you should seriously look at the products that GenFed has to offer. They strive to offer the best products, services, loan and savings rates and services. They also offer convenient access to your money and account by

participating in shared branching Co-op! Our GenFed credit union employs local people who care about the members and the community. You may see them uptown during lunch time at one of the eateries, getting coffee at the Genesis House or picking up water at H2O.

Geographically, they serve people who live, work, worship, attend school or volunteer in Paulding, Williams and Defiance County. Heather and her crew have joined the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce and Paulding County Economic Development this year. They are learning about the events and activities that they can actively support. They are passionate about giving back to their community and helping their members in all stages of life.

When asked to complete this sentence, "When a customer walks into your business they can expect...", without hesitation Heather responded with, "they can expect us to make their life better through the services they use at GenFed or the simple caring gesture of one or more of our employees."

A little known secret about their business is that they give out scholarships every year to local students. The student does not have to be a member to apply for the scholarship.

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Antwerp Conservation Club

Event Schedule

DECEMBER 9 - Monthly meeting at 7pm.
We will be voting for 2022 club leaders at this meeting. If you are interested we have some positions available.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Global Warming Scam
What are your thoughts concerning Global Warming or Climate Change?

I believe it's happening but that comes with this warning. Be totally suspicious of any spin today's socialist Party want you to believe.

I'm 85 so let's look at Democrat claims made in my lifetime that I remember. First, they were very concerned about "Global Cooling" around the 1950's -

1960's. They wanted money but couldn't convince many people to believe.

A few years later Democrat Vice-President Al Gore started pushing 'global warming' but he wasn't convincing either. After all, who could believe anything he said after claiming he invented the internet. They failed again.

Today's power hungry socialist democrats are for the third time after our money plus total control over us by claiming disastrous 'global warming'. I believe it's happening this time but I can only speak for me. I don't believe anything our president, vice-president or their socialist comrades in government or major media say about anything. They are untrustable.

I don't believe that our president or vice-president are qualified for the positions they hold. It was very noticeable to me his health is failing. Today, Biden even appears a little deranged. He makes far too many goofs. Harris doesn't even come across bright enough for the position. I read someplace they chose her only because she was the most available non-white female. That doesn't say much for her.

Had this president or vice-president been republican this speaker of the house would have rightfully requested impeachment for both. This negligence of Speaker Pelosi is proof she isn't performing her job.

Democrats claim "It is our responsibility to stop this warming of God's planet" When have these socialists ever believed in God. Back when Biden was a senator he asked, "How did we, the Democrat party, become known as the anti-God party"

They've only done things in my lifetime that help destroy and remove God from our lives. This is why America is close to death.

Let's look at a few things that they stand strong on: Separation of church and state; censor pastors; remove school prayer; promote Quran; forbid military from praying in Jesus' name; more. That's the tip of their iceberg.

When Democrats speak of global warming or climate change they only speak half truths. They try exciting you with the North Pole ice melting and breaking and breaking a great flood in low areas. They never mention that the South Pole is freezing. I believe this occurs with slight tipping of earth as it travels thru space. Democrats only operate on fear and emotion to gain control of us and money.

Study our history, earth's history and biblical history that Democrats don't want you knowing. Why do you think they have spent 75 years attempting to remove everything connected to God? Why do teachers, military chaplains and others with many years of honorable service get fired for a fifteen second prayer or for praying in Jesus' name? It's a plan. Remove God and give us communism.

Maybe these socialist Democrats should consult God before making wild claims and destroying people's lives. Oh, I forgot. They don't believe in God.

Our most recent documented warming period was from 950-1350 A.D. Then after roughly 100 year lull earth experienced the "Little Ice Age" from 1450-1850 A.D.

We've now completed another approximately 100 year lull and are experiencing another natural warming cycle. Our earth is very much alive and couldn't continue without this built-in mechanism. Visit Yellowstone!

Think hard before you permit these anti-God socialist to suck you into their power hungry, nation destroying scam. Their only care is your money and total control over you.

If the most recent documented warming period started in 950 A.D. we must have been cooler before that. Maybe Democrats attribute that warming on Indian campfires.

Consider the Ice Age, not the mini ice age, but when we were covered with glaciers great enough to form the Appalachian Mountains. Only God can answer questions

concerning that massive ice and what melted it all those years ago.

We have about as much chance of stopping climate change as we would trying to stop the sun from shining. To my knowledge, China and the Muslim controlled United Nations are the only ones pushing as hard as this socialist administration to declare this natural climate change to be disastrous. It's only because they want total control.

The Bidens have a thing for China and want to crush our oil industry and switch to Chinese electric cars. Speaking about China, I seriously doubt they have any intention of improving anything to improve our world.

If liberals don't exercise more thought in our 2022 and 2024 elections and smarten up, America will turn to communism. The God blessed and centered America you have experienced will die if you continue thinking socialism is better than God believing people in charge.

Pray, because we need God returned.
—Richard Mastin,
Hicksville, OH

USDA INVESTS \$32 MILLION TO STRENGTHEN U.S. FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced the investment of \$32 million in grants awarded to 167 meat and poultry slaughter and processing facilities to support expanded capacity and efficiency through the Meat and Poultry Inspection Readiness Grant (MPIRG) program.

"Today's investment supports local and regional meat and poultry processors as they recover from the pandemic and also work to expand capacity," Vilsack said. "Achieving a Federal Grant of Inspection or operating under a Cooperative Interstate Shipment program allows meat and poultry processors to ship products across state lines, pursue new market opportunities, and better meet consumer and producer demand along the supply chain."

With this grant funding, meat and poultry processing businesses can cover the costs for improvements such as expanding existing facilities,

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM VOLUNTEER AT CARING & SHARING FOOD PANTRY



On Saturday, December 4th members of the Paulding Middle School seventh grade basketball team volunteered at the Caring and Sharing food pantry. Shown in the picture from left to right are: Coach Jodi Griffith, Darcy Taylor, Kate Manz, and Tori Schlatter.

modernizing processing equipment and meeting packaging, labeling, and food safety requirements needed to achieve a Federal Grant of Inspection under the Federal Meat Inspection Act or the Poultry Products Inspection Act, or to operate under a state's Cooperative Interstate Shipment program. These changes will allow these facilities to serve more customers in more markets.

MPIRG, a new program authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, is jointly administered by USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) and Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). The program was part of USDA's comprehensive funding package to help small and very small processing facilities weather the pandemic, compete in the marketplace, and get the support they need to reach more customers.

In June 2021, USDA announced the availability of \$55.2 million in MPIRG funding, accepting applications for a competitive grant award process which resulted in to

day's awards. Remaining funds will be made available through a forthcoming Request for Applications.

To learn more about MPIRG and see the list of awards, visit www.ams.usda.gov/mpirg.

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

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Ney: Marathon **Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip

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Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Paulding Kwik Mart, Library

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PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL PRIDE CARD RECIPIENTS



Each month students at Paulding Middle School earn Paulding Pride cards for going above and beyond what is normally expected from a middle school student. Shown in the picture are this month's Paulding Pride card recipients.

ARCHER FRESHMAN BASKETBALL HOST KALIDA WILDCATS

The Freshman boys team hosted the Wildcats from Kalida Thursday December 2nd. This was the first contest of the season for the freshies. A solid defensive effort proved to transition into offense for the Archer squad as they left the court with a 30-20 win over Kalida. Scoring for the boys in blue went like this.....Aiden Lichty-12, Derek Hines & Jaxon Jones with 6 points each, and Drew Eaken, Dayne Sholl and Tavin Sholl each

with a bucket worth 2 points for a total of 30.

WILDCATS DOMINATE MIDDLE QUARTERS IN WIN OVER ARCHERS

DELPHOS - After trailing by three at the end of one period, the Delphos Jefferson Lady Wildcats shut out visiting Antwerp in the second quarter in rallying for a 49-33 victory in girls basketball play Tuesday night. The blue and white jumped in front 13-10 at the end of one period but the middle two quarters belonged to Delphos Jefferson.

In the second stanza, the Lady Wildcats kept Antwerp off the scoreboard while bucketing 15 points of their own to take a 25-13 halftime advantage.

Delphos Jefferson then opened the margin further in the third quarter, picking up a dozen markers to Antwerp's seven as the Wildcats grabbed a 37-20 lead entering the final period.

The Lady Archers did outscore Delphos Jefferson 13-12 in the final eight minutes of action but it wasn't near enough as the Wildcats went on to post the 49-33 win. Astianna Coppes led the

way for Antwerp with 20 points, including a trio of three-pointers, while Hayleigh Jewell added six and Kennadi Jewell added six and Kennadi Jewell added five points. Aewyn McMichael also hit a pair of free throws for Antwerp.

Lyv Lindeman topped the Delphos Jefferson effort with 19 points and Alycia Lindeman bucketed a dozen markers. Josie McGue added seven points for the Lady Wildcats with Lauren French posting six and Hannah Wiltsie chipped in three. Maddie Wetzel had the other Delphos Jefferson basket in the contest.

LADY ARCHERS RECORD THIRD WIN

ANTWERP - The Antwerp Lady Archers improved to 3-1 on the season with a 59-32 rout of visiting Maumee Valley Country Day Saturday afternoon at the home of the blue and white.

The Lady Archers took control in the opening stanza, pouring in 18 points while limiting the Hawks to four points in the quarter. Antwerp continued to widen the margin in the second period, bucketing 20 more markers with Maumee Valley Country Day getting ten as the Lady Archers seized a 38-14 half-

time advantage. In the third quarter, Antwerp picked up seven points compared to the Hawks' six to put the Archers in front 45-20 at the end of three periods. Eleven different players scored in the contest for the local squad, led by 18 points from Astianna Coppes on the day.

Hayleigh Jewell chipped in nine points for the Lady Archers and Grace Schuette bucketed eight markers with Ali Reinhart adding seven. Other scorers for Antwerp included Aewyn McMichael (five), Kennadi Recker (four), Caroline Rohrs (two), Lydia Brewer (two), Katryna Fish (two), Emma Townley (one) and Lydia Krouse (one).

Maumee Valley Country Day was paced by Khari Bland with a dozen markers while Johnna Ruiz and Antonia Villa bucketed eight points each. Kelayasia Harris had the remaining four points for Maumee Valley Country Day.

ANTWERP WRESTLERS OPENED SEASON THIS WEEKEND

The Antwerp junior high and high school wrestling squads both opened their seasons Saturday, December

4th. The junior high wrestlers competed in the all-ways tough Wayne Trace Invitational, with both wrestlers having a solid opening weekend. 7th grader Zac Salas (122 pounds) and 8th grader Griffin Kosch (128 pounds) each finished their day with a 2-2 record and 2 pins.

Meanwhile, the high school wrestlers competed in the Ironhorse Invitational at Montpelier High School, with 4 of the 5 placing in the top 4 of their respective weight classes. Junior Eric Gonzalez earned a record of 2-3 with 2 pins on the day at 165 pounds. Finishing 4th on the day with a 1-2 record was senior Caleb Wilson at 175 pounds. Earning 2nd place finishes on the day were freshman Skyler Octaviano (132 pounds) and senior Trayce Lengacher (144 pounds). Both wrestlers recorded identical records of 3 wins with 1 loss and 3 pins. Earning a 1st place finish on the day was junior Eli Reinhart at 150 pounds. Reinhart was undefeated on the day with a 4-0 record and 2 pins.

Congratulations to all of the archer wrestlers for their great opening weekend. We wish you the best throughout the rest of this season. GO ARCHERS!

PATRIOTS NIP EAGLES FOR VICTORY

MONROEVILLE - After scoring only seven points in the first half, Heritage responded to rally for a 32-25 victory over visiting Fremont in girls basketball action outside of Monroeville Wednesday evening.

The Lady Eagles limited the Patriots to only two points in the opening stanza in grabbing a 7-2 advantage after eight minutes of action. Heritage did score five of the eight points bucketed in the second quarter to pull within 11-7 at the intermission.

The second half was a different story for the Patriots, who scored nine points in the third quarter compared to Fremont's three as Heritage posted a 16-14 advantage entering the final period.

Heritage then outscored the visiting Eagles 16-11 in the final stanza to wrap up the seven-point victory.

Ella Bickel led the way for the Lady Patriots with 18 points while Claire Bickel added six markers for Heritage.

Kendall Zelt and Shelby Schane both bucketed three points for the Lady Patriots and Abby Zelt finished with two points.

Ella Bickel hauled down seven rebounds with Abby Zelt getting six and Claire Bickel picked up five. Schane also aided the Heritage cause with four rebounds and two steals while Carly Gerardot finished with two boards, two steals and two assists.

Jada Rhonehouse topped Fremont with six points while Natalie Gochenour and Sammy Meyers both recorded five markers. McKenzie Parnin (three), Jenny Martin (two), Kate Gannon (two) and Alexis Book (two) also found the scoring column for the Lady Eagles.

Gannon paced Fremont on the boards with seven and Rhonehouse grabbed five boards. Gochenour posted three rebounds and two steals.

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RAIDERS WIN HOME OPENER OVER BRYAN



Wayne Trace's Cameron Graham is fouled on the shot to score both of his free throws for the Raiders in the fourth quarter. More pictures at westbendnews.net

By Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - After a somewhat slow start the Wayne Trace Raiders kicked it in high gear midway through the first quarter to soundly defeat Bryan 64-29. With the score knotted at six a piece in the early going, the Raiders delivered a 7-0 run to lead 13-6: a lead they

would not relinquish the rest of the way. The Raiders firmly established themselves in the second frame as the more dominant team. WT moved out to a 20-8 advantage before the red, white, and blue put together a 10-0 run compliments of three Brooks Laukhuf buckets, a Kyle Stoller close range hoop and

two free throws from Cameron Graham. The Raider's offensive flurry increased their margin to 30-10. The first half closed out with the home team in control 34-12. After the break, the Golden Bears responded with eight unanswered points to closed the gap 34-20. However, the Raiders would bounce back to closed out the period on a Stoller free throw and a Graham basket while holding the Golden Bears scoreless after opening with their mini eight-point run. After scoring just three points in the third quarter the Raiders exploded with 27 fourth quarter points to secure the nonconference win 64-29.

The Raiders scorched the nets from the two-point area hitting 18-36 and a respectable 7-18 behind the arc for a 47 percent clip. Leading scorers for the Raiders were Stoller 18; Laukhuf 16 and Graham 13. Stoller also contributed seven rebounds while hitting 8-14 from the floor. Laukhuf finished on 7-13 shooting while adding five rebounds along with five steals. Graham connected on 3-5 from the floor but was a perfect 6-6 from the charity stripe.

Also scoring for the victorious Raiders: Trevor Sinn five, Cam Sinn, Hudson Myers three, Cale Winans two and Dylan Hildebrand two. The Bryan Golden Bears were paced by the 10 points from Craig Jackson. The 3-0 Raiders outrebounded Bryan 34-28. In the turnover department the Raiders totals 14 while the Bears accounted for 25 miscues.

maroon and white with Ethan Foltz and Nick Manz adding nine markers each for the Panthers. Also finding the scoring column for Paulding were Christian Bauer (five), Zach Gorrell (five), Casey Agler (three) and Luke Zartman (two). Defiance was paced by Cayden Zachrich with 24 points while Braden Show added 13 markers. Isaac Schlatter chipped in a dozen points for the Bulldogs. Other Bulldog scorers included Antonio Lopez (five), Aiden Kessler (four) and Nick Mitchell (two).

BLACKBIRDS ROLL TO WIN OVER PANTHERS

PETTISVILLE - The Paulding boys basketball team made the long trip to Fulton County for a non-league contest on Saturday where host Pettisville cruised to a 53-39 win over the Panthers. It was the maroon and white that jumped in front at the end of one quarter, taking a 13-11 advantage, before he host Blackbirds bucketed a dozen markers compared to Paulding's six for a 23-19 halftime lead.

Pettisville then added 18 more markers in the third quarter while limiting the Panthers to 11, extending the margin to 41-30 at the end of three periods.

The Blackbirds wrapped up the win by bucketing a dozen points in the final stanza to cruise to the 53-39 victory. Cayden Jacoby paced the way for Pettisville with 21 points and Jaret Beck added 16 for the Blackbirds. Joey Ripke chipped in nine markers for the Fulton County squad followed by Sean Adkins (five) and Zakkai Kaufmann (two).

Nick Manz topped the Paulding effort with 13 points and Luke Zartman recorded seven markers. Also finding the scoring column for the maroon and white were Isaac Reeb (six), Ethan Foltz (four), Christian Bauer (four), Zach Gorrell (three) and Casey Agler (two).

Paulding returns to action on Friday as the Panthers welcome in Maumee Valley Country Day for a non-league battle.

SECOND QUARTERS SENDS BULLDOGS PAST PANTHERS

DEFIANCE - For three out of four quarters, the Paulding Panther boys basketball team outscored host Defiance by one point in Friday's non-league basketball contest. However, a second quarter that was dominated by Defiance proved to be the difference in a 60-48 Bulldog win over the Panthers.

The maroon and white was on top 11-10 at the end of one period before a disastrous second stanza. Paulding added only eight markers in the period but allowed 21 to the host Bulldogs as Defiance reversed the momentum for a 31-19 halftime advantage. Each team picked up ten points in third quarter as Defiance took a 41-29 lead into the final period. Both teams then bucketed 19 fourth quarter points as the Bulldogs cruised to the 60-48 victory. Payton Adams scored 15 points to lead the way for the

MUSEUM NAMES FESTIVAL OF TREES WINNERS



A Christmas tree decorated by Kathy Sanderson and Martha Baughman won a prize at the John Paulding Historical Society's Festival of Trees. The tree honored the county's historical railroads and railroad depots.

The John Paulding Historical Society has announced winners of its recent Festival of Trees and the dates and theme for next year's event.

The 26th Festival of Trees ran Nov. 5-13 with about 1,000 people attending. Kathy Sanderson and Martha Baughman's tree won the prize for most closely following the theme, "All Aboard the JPH Christmas Train." They did their homework on all the railroad depots that once were located in our county. Their tree was decorated with ornaments created from depot photos and railroad logos.

The trees that won for most "votes" by placing money in the jars were Latty Friends in the adult category, and Paulding FFA in the

youth category. Winner of the annual OSU Raffle was Phyllis March.

The event was a huge success this year, thanks to the tree decorators, Festival of Wreaths participants, silent auction donors, bidders, preview night tea sponsors, meal sponsors, visitors, and the many volunteers who decorated the museum's three buildings. This is the historical society's largest fundraiser of the year.

The Festival of Trees committee has chosen dates and a theme for 2022. Next year's event will be every day from Nov. 4-12 with the theme "Let Heaven and Nature Sing." Watch the museum's Facebook page facebook.com/jphmuseum for updates and announcements.

Some other Highway Patrol Awards received in the past include: Defiance Post Trooper of the Year in 2020, Ohio State Highway Patrol

Health and Physical Fitness Ribbon with Star, and Safe Driving Ribbon award for over three years of safe driving.

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OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL HONORS DIRR AND BOWSHER

Ohio State Highway Patrol Trooper Michael P. Dirr has been selected the 2021 Trooper of the Year at the Van Wert Post.



P. Bowsher has been selected the 2021 Dispatcher of the Year at the Van Wert Dispatch Center. Bowsher joined the Highway Patrol in 1997 and has served at the Defiance and Van Wert Dispatch Centers. He is a graduate of Edgerton High School.

Bowsher, 55, was honored in recognition of his outstanding service over the past year. Supervision and dispatchers chose Bowsher based on his technical job knowledge and ability, enthusiastic work attitude, teamwork, and prompt and courteous response to the public's request for information and assistance.

Bowsher and his family reside in Williams County.

Both Dirr and Bowsher are in contention for district and state honors as Trooper of the Year and Dispatcher of the Year. Those honors will be announced at a later date.

ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS



On November 18, a suspicious vehicle was reported behind a business on Main St. An officer investigated and found nothing out of the ordinary.

Trooper Dirr and his family reside in Van Wert County. Radio Dispatcher Patrick

On November 21, an intrusion alarm was reported at a business downtown. An officer responded and found everything to be secure.

On November 21, a protection order was received for an individual that lives in the village.

On November 23, 911 hangup call came for a business on Canal St. An officer responded but was unable to locate anything.

On November 26, a resident reported criminal damaging to her vehicle. An officer investigated and believed it happened outside the Antwerp Police Department jurisdiction.

On November 26, an officer was requested at a residence on Washington St. while two parents exchanged custody of their children.

On November 26, an officer handled a child custody issue between two parents.

On November 29, an individual was arrested on Main St. for inducing panic and fleeing, and they were taken to Paulding County Jail.

On December 1, an officer responded for an unlocked door at Dollar General.

On December 1, Antwerp Police Department received an alarm at one of the medical offices. Officers responded and it was determined it was set off by accident.

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

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why YOU loudly spoke out against HB435 and said you didn't want it. It was actually taken off the voting calendar because the citizens of Ohio created an uproar in the state house and you all killed the bill. BRAVO. Sadly, they jammed this one down your throat instead with a new number and a very fraudulent and deceptive process.

It has taken me 5 days to come to some of these conclusions and I still don't have definitive answer on what some of the language does. Yet most republicans voted yes on a bill they had less than three hours to review and study. This is a deceitful way to conduct any type of policy, let alone serious medical policy we are dealing with today.

And this severely strips Ohioans of their God given constitutional rights. The only good news is now you can act by KILLING HB218 in the Senate. Does 218 have some good language, yes it does, but it does far more damage than good and must be stopped. That's why I think I was the only Republican to vote no on HB218.

This is not a game. People are losing their rights and their jobs and your republican controlled government plays these types of games with your freedoms and your body. This is all horrifying to me and that's not an understatement.

Rep. Nino Vitale, Ohio 85th District

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OHIO'S 2021 FALL WILD TURKEY HUNTING SEASON CONCLUDED NOV. 28

Ohio hunters checked 694 wild turkeys during the 2021 fall hunting season, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife. The 2021 fall season was open in 70 counties from Saturday, Oct. 9 to Sunday, Nov. 28.

The top 10 counties for wild turkeys taken during the fall 2021 hunting season include: Highland (29), Trumbull (29), Columbiana (27), Ashtabula (25), Stark (25), Coshocton (22), Tuscarawas (21), Guernsey (20), Clermont (19), and Knox (18).

The average harvest for the previous three fall seasons (2018, 2019, and 2020) is 1,079. In 2020, hunters took 1,063 birds. The Division of Wildlife issued 7,470 fall turkey hunting permits in 2021. This is 21% below the 3-year average (9,428 permits).

Wild turkeys were extirpated from Ohio by 1904 and were reintroduced in the 1950s by the Division of Wildlife. Ohio's first modern day wild turkey hunting season opened in the spring of 1966 in nine counties, and hunters checked 12 birds. The spring wild turkey harvest topped 1,000 for the first time in 1984. Spring turkey hunting opened statewide in 2000. Fall turkey season first opened in 19 counties in 1996.

Learn more about wild turkey hunting at wildohio.gov, including information about previous seasons.

The Division of Wildlife can help you take advantage of all Ohio has to offer. Download the HuntFish OH app and follow us on Twitter and Facebook for instant news stories, outdoor recreation ideas, and local wildlife information. The Your Wild Ohio Hunter Facebook page provides hunting tips and useful information as you get outside this season.

County totals

A county list of all wild turkeys checked by hunters during the 2021 fall hunting season is shown below. The first number following the county's name shows the harvest numbers for 2021, and the three-year average of turkeys taken in 2018, 2019, and 2020 is in parentheses. A three-year average provides a better overall comparison to this year's numbers, eliminating year-to-year variation because of weather, misaligned season dates, and other unavoidable factors. Numbers below are raw data and subject to change.

Adams: 7 (13); Allen: 6 (8); Ashland: 13 (13); Ashtabula: 25 (39); Athens: 9 (18); Belmont: 4 (23); Brown: 12 (12); Butler: 15 (13); Carroll: 10 (24); Champaign: 5 (4); Clermont: 19 (25); Columbiana: 27 (26); Coshocton: 22 (44); Crawford: 5 (3); Cuyahoga: 2 (3); **Defiance: 7 (12)**; Delaware: 9 (9); Erie: 3 (7); Fairfield: 6 (9); Franklin: 2 (3); Fulton: 6 (10); Gallia: 7 (25); Geauga: 11 (28); Guernsey: 20 (33); Hamilton: 14 (9); Hancock: 1 (5); Hardin: 4 (4); Harrison: 12 (25); Henry: 2 (3); Highland: 29 (24); Hocking: 5 (18); Holmes: 5 (27); Huron: 3 (10); Jackson: 14 (18); Jefferson: 13 (18); Knox: 18 (21); Lake: 5 (9); Lawrence: 7 (14); Licking: 10 (25); Logan: 7 (8); Lorain: 8 (9); Lucas: 3 (12); Mahoning: 10 (13); Medina: 9

The West Bend News

Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

(13); Meigs: 14 (20); Monroe: 14 (22); Morgan: 3 (19); Morrow: 4 (8); Muskingum: 10 (20); Noble: 10 (23); **Paulding: 2 (4)**; Perry: 13 (16); Pike: 11 (12); Portage: 7 (15); Preble: 12 (7); **Putnam: 2 (3)**; Richland: 16 (21); Ross: 8 (18); Scioto: 11 (19); Seneca: 2 (6); Stark: 25 (17); Summit: 7 (10); Trumbull: 29 (28); Tuscarawas: 21 (35); Vinton: 6 (15); Warren: 7 (6); Washington: 8 (19); Wayne: 10 (10); **Williams: 8 (14)**; Wyandot: 3 (2).

2021 total: 694

Three-year average total: 1,079

ERIC STROUD NAMED SWANTON POST TROOPER OF THE YEAR

The Swanton Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is proud to recognize Trooper Eric Stroud as the 2021 Post Trooper of the Year.

This award is voted on by his supervisors and peers at the Swanton Post and is a recognition of the outstanding service Trooper Stroud provided to the people he served. Trooper Stroud earned this award based on his leadership abilities, professional ethics,

courteous treatment of others, enthusiastic work attitude, and cooperation with supervisors, peers, and the public.

Trooper Stroud is now in contention for the District and State Trooper of the Year Award to be announced at a later date.

Trooper Stroud joined the Patrol in 2006 and has spent the majority of his career at the Swanton Patrol Post. Originally from Ida, Michigan and a graduate of Ida High School, Trooper Stroud has also received his BA from the University of Toledo in Criminal Justice. During his career, Trooper Stroud has received the safe driving award, physical fitness award, criminal patrol award, and was also a previous District Trooper of the Year.

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TO WOODBURN RESIDENTS:

Woodburn City Hall will be changing their hours of operation beginning the first week of 2022. The new hours will be Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays from 7am - 12pm & 1pm - 4pm, and Thursdays from 7am - 1pm. The office will be closed on Fridays.

Any questions can be directed to City Hall at 260-632-5318.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICE

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-17 on November 23, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2022." This Ordinance establishes the compensation and wage rates for various Village officials, employees, appointees, and volunteers effective January 1, 2022.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-19 on November 23, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP TO ENTER INTO A REVISED INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT FOR A HOUSING INSPECTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCE NO. 2016-17." This Ordinance authorizes the Village Administrator to make revisions to the Independent Contractor Agreement by and between the Village and Bruce Essex for him to be the housing inspector in accordance with Ordinance No. 2016-17, said revisions including an increase in the housing inspection fees to re-inspect dwellings or dwelling units.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-20 on November 23, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 112 OF THE OHIO BASIC CODE ENTITLED PEDDLERS, ITINERANT MERCHANTS, AND SOLICITORS TO ADD A NEW SECTION PROHIBITING PARKING ON PUBLIC STREETS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND SIDEWALKS OF MOBILE UNITS." This Ordinance amends Chapters 112 of the Ohio Basic Code to prohibit the parking of mobile units on public streets, rights-of-way, and sidewalks, including designated parking spaces, in the Village by peddlers, itinerant merchants, and solicitors to conduct business or sell goods unless streets are closed for the purpose of allowing such vendors to set up mobile units to peddle goods or solicit business.

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

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Case No. CI 21 147
TIM MILLER, AKA TIMOTHY MILLER, ETAL
PLAINTIFFS
VS.
VILLAGE OF HAMER, ETAL.
DEFENDANTS

heirs at law of any owners of Lots 13 through 20 and/or Lot 25 in the Village of Hamer.

Please take notice that a Complaint has been filed against you seeking to quiet title, free and clear of any and all claims by you, in favor of Plaintiff to the real property located in the Village of Hamer, part of which is more particularly described as follows:

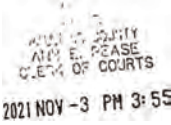
Lots 13 through 20, inclusive, and Lot 25 located in the Village of Hamer, Paulding County, Ohio.

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31-36A-030-00	Lot 15 31-36A-035-00	Lot 20
31-36A-031-00	Lot 16 31-36A-036-00	Lot 25

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.

Jennifer L. Klausung, Esq. (#0078055)
814 N. Locust St., Ste. 2, Ottawa, OH 45875
(419)523-3322
Attorney for Plaintiff



THREE PAULDING FFA MEMBERS RECEIVE BLUE JACKETS FROM BECKS!



Pictured here are the three freshman FFA members who received their FFA jackets from the Beck's Blue Jacket Program left to right : Brooklyn Schlatter, Anna Clemens and Grace Goyings.

By: Staci Miller, Ag Education Teacher

In late November, three 1st year Paulding FFA members found out that they were awarded an FFA Blue Jacket from the Beck's Blue Jacket Program.

Students from across Ohio applied to receive the jackets as part of the Blue Jackets program, sponsored by Beck's Hybrids and the Ohio FFA Foundation.

Beck's Hybrids is committed to helping provide FFA jackets for first-year members with their FFA jacket.

With the generous support of individuals and the Beck's Hybrids dealer network, 220 FFA jackets were awarded this year to Ohio FFA members. The blue corduroy jacket is part of FFA Official Dress, the student organization's uniform worn at local, state and national events.

FFA jackets open doors for students by allowing them to participate in competitions, conferences and events. Through these programs, members learn life skills that will serve them for

years to come. "For more than 80 years, the blue corduroy jacket has been a symbol of leadership development, personal growth and career success.

Our 3 FFA members were selected after completing the application in early October where they had to answer 3 essay questions about what they are looking forward to in FFA and why they are deserving of an FFA jacket.

Our members who were selected were Brooklyn Schlatter, Anna Clemens and Grace Goyings. They were very excited to get selected for the FFA jacket and look forward to wearing their official dress proudly representing the Paulding FFA chapter. They especially would like to acknowledge our local Beck's dealer Ag-Vantage and Beck's Hybrid's for their generous support to sponsor their jackets.

As freshman they have a great start in the Paulding FFA Chapter and they are looking forward to the next 4 years being part of the program.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL CAN BE SAFE AND ENJOYABLE WITH TIPS FROM THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

Many families are planning holiday travel this year, and trips within a state or long-distance can be stressful for the more than six million Americans currently living with Alzheimer's and their caregivers.

While the symptoms of this progressive brain disease may make travel more difficult, it does not mean families can't travel with a loved one with dementia and participate in holiday festivities. The Alzheimer's Association offers a number of easy tips to help ensure a safe and smooth trip when traveling with a person living with dementia.

"Whether taking a short trip to see friends and family or traveling a far distance for the holidays, it's important to consider the challenges and benefits of travel for a person with dementia," said Julia Pechlivanos, Executive Director of the Alzheimer's Association Northwest Ohio Chapter. "In the early stages of dementia, a person may still enjoy traveling. As the disease progresses, travel may become too overwhelming. It's important to take that into consideration when making plans."

Families and caregivers should also think about the needs, abilities, safety and preferences of the person with dementia.

The following things should be considered:

- Go with the option that provides the most comfort and the least anxiety.
- Stick with the familiar and travel to known destinations that involve as few changes in daily routine as possible.
- Visit places that were familiar before the onset of dementia.
- Keep in mind that there may come a time when traveling is too disorienting or stressful for the person with dementia.

The Alzheimer's Association also offers these travel tips:

- Changes in the environment can trigger wandering. Even for a person in the early stages, new environments may be more difficult to navigate. When possible, avoid places that are highly congested, which can trigger disorientation and confusion. Provide supervision at all times; do not leave a person with dementia alone.
- Have a bag of essentials with you at all times that includes medications, your travel itinerary, a comfortable change of clothes, water, snacks and activities.
- Pack necessary medications, up-to-date medical information, a list of emergency contacts and photocopies of important legal documents.

The Alzheimer's Association Helpline is available 24/7 at 800.272.3900 for families who are traveling for the holidays or anyone needing assistance. Individuals can also find travel tips and resources at alz.org/travel.

About the Alzheimer's Association®

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Our mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and en-

PAYNE ELEM. ANNOUNCES NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Payne Elementary is proud to announce our November Students of the Month. These students have worked hard to achieve this award. Pictures is: Front Row: Henry Childs, Kendall Folsom, Kohen Fore, Brynlee Stoller, Pieper Mansfield, Kennedy Childs, Lienna Stoller, Boxton McGarvey. Back Row: Owen Welch, Demirian Goings, Reece Morehead, Brass Mansfield, Cayla Noggle, Scarlett Neff

hance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's®. Visit www.alz.org or call our 24/7 Helpline at 800.272.3900.

ANNOUNCING THE ENRICH SERIES AT THE NISWONGER

Van Wert Live announces the return of the Enrich Community Concert Series at the Niswonger. Since 1953, the Community Concert Series has been enriching lives in Van Wert. Joanne Wolford & Roger and Kay Okuley present the new and outrageously entertaining 2022 Enrich Community Concert Series. This series with deep roots in Van Wert history is bundled together for a value price to make entertainment accessible, affordable, and awe-inspiring, for as low as \$100.

It all begins on Sunday, March 20 at 7:00 PM with The TEN Tenors. This Australian music ensemble has toured extensively nationally and internationally, and released more than 20 albums. They will perform their Love Is In The Air performance that includes feel-good love songs and wedding first dance songs. Their pure vocal harmonies will mesmerize as they cover many of your favorite romantic tunes, from pop songs with a twist to classic love songs, and even a few of the most famous and touching love arias in existence. For anyone with a soft spot for acoustic vocals and a tender tune, this is an experience not to be missed.

Back by popular demand and energizing the Enrich series, Peter Noone and Herman's Hermits return to Van Wert on Friday, May 13 at 7:30 PM. There is no doubt that Peter Noone's extraordinary musical talent, disarming wit, handsome features, and compelling stage presence will provide an evening of something good. Experience their hit songs including Mrs. Brown You've Got A Lovely Daughter, No Milk Today, End Of The World, This Door Swings Both Ways, Just A Little Bit Better, I'm Henry The VIII, I Am, There's A Kind Of Hush All Over The World, Silhouettes, and more!

Spend a night reliving Rock N' Roll Royalty on Sunday, November 6 at 7:00 PM. One Night in Memphis, created and directed by John Mueller, is the number one booked and critically acclaimed tribute to legendary Sun Records recording artists Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Elvis Presley performed live and

starring former cast members of the Broadway smash, "Million Dollar Quartet." Featuring over 90 minutes of authentic rockabilly, country, gospel, and 1950's rock and roll, there is sure to be a whole lot of shaking going on.

Christmas completes the 2022 Enrich Series with the voice of an angel, David Phelps. David is credited among today's most spectacular voices. His seemingly endless vocal range, which extends more than three octaves, coupled with his gift for communicating a song, has brought the house down in the world's most prestigious venues. For more than 15 years, David served as a member of the popular and prestigious Gaither Vocal Band, and during that time received numerous Dove Awards, Grammy Awards, and multiple platinum-selling recording projects.

We celebrate the return of the Enrich series by packaging it together for your enjoyment

and value. Presented by JoAnne Wolford and Roger & Kay Okuley, the New Enrich Community Concert Series is a diverse entertainment adventure filled with popular artists and classically trained performers.

The Enrich Series is now available exclusively to Van Wert Live Members. The Series becomes available to the public beginning Friday, December 17, 2021.

ENRICH SERIES AT A GLANCE

- The Ten Tenors / Sunday, March 20, 7:00 PM
- Peter Noone with Herman's Hermits / Friday, May 13, 7:30 PM
- One Night In Memphis / Sunday, November 6, 7:00 PM
- David Phelps Christmas / Sunday, December 5, 7:00 PM

More information can be found at 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.

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PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL NOVEMBER SOM



Each month Paulding Middle School teachers select one Student of the Month per grade level. These students are recognized for being some of the top academic performers at Paulding Middle School. Shown in the picture from left are Remington Boroff (7th Grade), Addison Pease (8th Grade), and Parker Egnor (6th Grade).

SPECIAL MEETING COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP 12/1/21

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

Also in attendance: Solicitor Melanie Farr, Fiscal Officer Aimee Lichty, and Administrator Brian Davis. Visitors: Ethan Lichty, Ross Lee, and Bryce Steiner.

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

Motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to accept ordinance no. 2021-21, 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Second reading of ordinance no. 2021-22: an ordinance to establish the time and place of regular meetings of the council for the Village of Antwerp, Paulding County, Ohio, for calendar year 2022.

First reading of ordinance no. 2021-23: an ordinance adopting an amendment to the personnel manual for the Village of Antwerp, Ohio, specifically, an amendment to section xxi entitled "holidays" to add the nineteenth of June as a holiday.

Emergency reading of resolution 2021-11: a resolution authorizing the mayor of the Village of Antwerp, Ohio to enter into a donation agreement with the Antwerp Community Development Committee for the construction of 20 parking spaces along the east side of island street in the Riverside Veterans Memorial Park; and declaring the same an emergency.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rohrs, to suspend the rules regarding resolution no. 2021-11. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by West, seconded by Rohrs, to suspend the rules regarding resolution no. 2021-12. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by Rudie Reeb, to accept resolution no. 2021-11. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Emergency reading of resolution 2021-12: an emergency resolution to accept the material terms of the settlement with the Janssen Distributors pursuant to the One Ohio Memorandum of understanding and consistent with the terms of the July 21, 2021 National Opioid Settlement Agreement.

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Personnel committee met today, December 1, 2021. The committee gave its report and made the recommendation to the full council that the personnel manual should be amended to add Juneteenth as a paid holiday for full-time village employees. This is a federal and state recognized holiday but in order to be a holiday observed for village employees, the personnel manual will need amended to add it as a holiday. A first reading of ordinance no. 2021-23 was accomplished at the meeting to amend the personnel manual based on this recommendation.

Discussion on the election of two members to the volunteer fire fighters' dependents fund board. Rister gave a report on people interested in serving on this board. Rister nominated Stacie Peters and Michelle Reinhart to serve on the volunteer fire fighters' dependent fund board. No other nominations were made.

Motion made by Rohrs, seconded by West, to close nominations for members to serve on the volunteer fire fighters' dependent fund board. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

Motion made by Rudie Reeb, seconded by West, to elect Stacie Peters and Michelle Reinhart as members of the volunteer fire fighters' dependent fund board. 6 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried and approved.

No other business on agenda for special council meeting.

Motion made by Rister, seconded by West, to adjourn the meeting, 5 yeas, 1 nay. Motion carried and approved. meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

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PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Edward Bunnell, Toledo, OH; OVI/breath (low), Count A dismissed; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared via Zoom with Mr. Fee, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 6/24/22, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 day jail; Driving under non FRA suspension, Count C dismissed

Kodie A. Lerma, Edgerton, OH; Hit/skip, Count A dismissed; OVI/breath (low), Defendant appeared via Zoom with Mr. Fee, Pled guilty, Fines to be taken from bond, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Shall secure Ohio driver's license within 60 days; Assured clear distance, Count C dismissed

Levi J. Frysinger, Napoleon, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicholas C. Blair, Cecil, OH; Tinted windows; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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

Jerrold T. Luke, Cleveland, OH; Weapons under disability; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; Case shall be bound over

Cavase A. Boyd, Fort Wayne, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency

Maria L. Wheeler, Payne, OH; Seat belt/pass; Case dismissed at defendant's costs; Pay all costs by 1/28/22

Bradley L. Baughman, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Case dismissed at defendant's costs

Michael H. Gonzales, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kellie S. Jones, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Richard L. Hartman, Antwerp, OH; Driving under suspension (failure to reinstate); Defendant appeared in court without counsel, pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 3/25/22

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

Christian G. Prowant, Continental, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Shelby J. Carlisle, Paulding, OH; Assured clear distance; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Skie M. Foster, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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WT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES 11/15/21

The Wayne Trace Local School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on November 15, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Wayne Trace High School Lecture Room

The following members were present: Mr. Pat Bauble, Mrs. Lisa McClure, Mr. Duane Sinn, Mrs. Rhonda Stabler, Mr. Dick Swary

Records Commission Meeting was held at 6:15 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Hearing of the Public for the purpose of gathering public input concerning the 2022-2023 school calendar.

No one was present to discuss the calendar for 2022-2023

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited.

The Roll Call was taken by Treasurer, Lori Davis

Correspondence, Recognition of Guests, Hearing of the Public*

*Thirty minutes of public participation will be permitted. Each person addressing the Board will give their name and address. If several people wish to speak, each person will be allotted 3 minutes until the total of 30 minutes is used. During that period no person may speak twice until all who desire to speak have the opportunity to do so.

*All statements should be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.

Guests: Melanie Forrer, Newly Elected Board Member; Jeremy Moore, Newly Elected Board Member; Angie Stokes, Volunteer Advisor Robotics; Megan Chapman, Robotics Advisor; Student Robotics Team; Laura Gerber, Observer

The Robotics team addressed the board about their competition that earned them the spot to go to Nationals. The team had their robot on display along with other materials used in the competition. The team will compete against 25 other teams at Nationals.

Report of the Treasurer

Treasurer, Lori Davis reviewed the 5 year forecast with the board. Mrs. Davis also spoke about the changes to appropriations and revenues for FY22.

Consent Agenda Items:

One resolution passed by the Board to approve the following consent agenda items:

Motion by: Mr. Bauble

Seconded by: Mrs. McClure

A. to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2021 board meeting;

B. to approve the investment report and payment of bills for October 2021 as presented by the Treasurer;

C. to approve the cash reconciliation for October 2021;

D. to approve the budget/revenue comparison report for October 2021;

E. to amend the appropriations and revenues for FY22;

F. to approve the 5 year forecast;

G. to approve ROSA employee dishonesty and faith performance coverage as an alternate to the Surety Bond for the Treasurer and Board President with a blanket limit of \$1,000,000.

*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Roll call vote: Mr. Bauble, Mrs. McClure, Mr. Sinn, Mrs. Stabler, and Mr. Swary, aye.

Nay, none. Motion passed.

Vantage Report – Mr. Pat Bauble informed the board that 8th grade tours took place. Vantage's board reviewed the 5 year forecast at the last meeting. The board is moving ahead with relocating Adult Education in the Thomas Edison building.

Report of the Building Principals – Mr. Jones and Mr. Howe were present to give the principal reports.

Superintendent's Report

A. Curriculum

- We ordered additional hands on materials as well as additional English learner materials to supplement our new math series. We hope to have these materials soon as our staff so that our staff can utilize them in the classroom.
- Testing: We have completed our third grade reading testing for the fall and are preparing for our retakes of testing at the high school level. We expect testing will continue like normal for the school year, so we are working to prepare our students for these various tests.
- Personnel
- Jen Mohr has submitted her resignation for the purpose of retirement from her position as Elementary Physical Education

Sudoku solution from page 9

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

Competition and approve overnight and state travel for their National Competition on December 11 & 12, 2021 (travel dates may extend outside of the competition);

E. to commend the students, teachers and principals for organizing and leading the upcoming Veterans' Day assemblies at all three buildings;

F. to approve the attached resolution extended by Senate Bill 1 which allows our district additional flexibility in hiring substitute teachers;

G. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the JH/HS Principal to approve an overnight trip for the cross country team on October 29, 2021; Findlay;

H. upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and the JH/HS Principal to approve overnight trips for the high school wrestling team if necessary on January 21 & 22, 2022: Van Buren, Ohio; January 28 & 29, 2022: Lima, Ohio; March 4 & 5, 2022: Troy, Ohio; and March 11-13, 2022: Columbus, Ohio;

I. to approve the Western Buckeye substitute list as updated on the Western Buckeye ESC website.

*Before we pass the consent resolution, are there any items you would like to move from the consent agenda to the discussion agenda for further discussion and/or for separate voting purposes?

Roll call vote: Mrs. Stabler, Mr. Sinn, Mr. Bauble, Mrs. McClure, and Mr. Swary, aye.

Nay, none. Motion passed.

7:35 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by: Mr. Bauble.

Seconded by: Mrs. Stabler

*Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1) and Section 121.22(G)(4) a motion to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of specified employment matters of public employee/official (excluding elected officials.)

Roll call vote: Mr. Bauble, Mrs. Stabler, Mrs. McClure, Mr. Sinn, and Mr. Swary, aye.

Nay, none. Board in executive session.

8:35 p.m. Regular session called back to order.

New Business- None

Adjournment

Motion by: Mr. Bauble. Seconded by: Mrs. McClure

To adjourn the meeting.

All in favor. Meeting adjourned

The next Board meeting will be held December 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wayne Trace High School Lecture Room.



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ANTWERP'S SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY STARTS THE HOLIDAY OFF RIGHT!



Pictured here are Chamber member, Laura Boesch; Shelley Snyder, 1st place winner of the scavenger hunt; and Sue Fowler (Chamber Treasurer).

Small Business Saturday takes place every year the Saturday following Thanksgiving & Black Friday. It started in 2010 by American Express. It was the next year that it became an official day in which to support your local community businesses. The day has grown exponentially in the past decade, making it as well-known as Black Friday. In Antwerp, the village was hopping all morning as shoppers visited the local shops, and business owners got a jump on their

final numbers of the year. Antwerp Chamber of Commerce organized a scavenger hunt again this year and many teams participated. The goal of the hunt was to use the clues given at the Welcome Center (Antwerp VFW building) to find an elf in the businesses described. Once all the elves were found and their letters recorded, team members needed to decipher the letters to write out the hidden phrase. Most all of the registered teams returned having

found all the elves, and they were entered into a drawing to win Chamber Bucks. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners are the following:

1st place - Nancy Lichty & Carol Lee won \$100 in Chamber Bucks

2nd place - Giraffe Nation won \$50 in Chamber Bucks

3rd place - Parisot won \$25 in Chamber Bucks

Shoppers also had the opportunity to win more Chamber Bucks by returning their receipts to the Welcome Center. There were two receipt drawings — if you spent over \$50 at a business or any dollar amount receipt.

One winner was drawn at the end of the morning from each receipt bucket.

The following people were the winners:

Courtenay McMichael won \$50 in Chamber Bucks and Shelley Snyder won \$100 in Chamber Bucks.

Small Business Saturday saw some other folks get a little richer too. The winners of the Antwerp Exchange Bank money wreath raffles were Tad Pendergrast, Nancy Hughes and Lynn McNabb. Thank you to AEB for partnering with the Chamber for Small Business Saturday. Remember #shopsmall

INDOT REMINDS PUBLIC TO REINFORCE MAILBOXES BEFORE WINTER WEATHER ARRIVES

The Indiana Department of Transportation is urging residents along state roads and U.S. highways to prepare their mailboxes prior to the start of winter weather.

Snow and ice removal is INDOT's top priority during winter months. While the agency's yellow plow trucks generally travel slower than the posted speed limit and drivers are careful to avoid mailboxes, the weight of snow thrown from plows can cause damage to mailboxes that are not properly secured or have weak supports.

Property owners are responsible for installing and maintaining mailboxes on state right of way. To mitigate possible damage, INDOT recommends placing a mailbox as far from the edge of the roadway as a mail carrier can reach.

By placing a mailbox as far from the edge of the roadway as a mail carrier can reach and mounting the mailbox on a sturdy support, it should withstand the force of snow thrown from a plow.

Clearing snow from the access area near a mailbox can ensure safer delivery of mail and reduce the amount of snow coming off a plow.

Below are tips to help reduce the risk of mailbox damage:

- Place a six-to-eight-inch piece of reflective tape on the mailbox to help it be seen at night.
- Remove snow from around your mailbox, but avoid throwing snow back onto the roadway.
- Inspect your mailbox. Make sure it is firmly supported in the ground and make sure it is securely mounted to the post. Check for deteriorated/rusted posts and/or mounts.
- Avoid plastic mailboxes if possible. Some tend to shatter in cold temperatures.
- If your mailbox is continually damaged or knocked down, consider changing the location, even if just by a few feet.

MEDIACOM OFFERS \$60,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS TO H.S. SENIORS;

Mediacom Communications is offering \$60,000 in scholarship support for high school seniors who plan to obtain further education. The scholarship program is in its 21st consecutive year and Mediacom's investment will award \$1,000 World Class Scholarships to 60 high school seniors.

Scholarship recipients are given the flexibility to use the financial awards to support post-secondary college costs or vocational training from an accredited institution starting in the fall of 2022. Award selection is based on academic achievement and leadership.

Applications for Mediacom's World Class Scholarships are available online: mediacomworldclass.com. Information recently was sent to all high schools in areas where Mediacom delivers its high-speed internet services. School officials are asked to encourage seniors to submit applications on or before the February 15, 2022 deadline.

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ness, and we believe one of the best ways is to invest in promising young students who will be our future leaders," said Mediacom Regional Vice President Todd Curtis. Applicants do not have to be Mediacom customers but must live in areas where Mediacom's fiber-rich broadband network delivers Gigabit-

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