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NO SHAVE NOVEMBER DONATION IN HONOR OF LEATHERMAN



Paulding County Sheriff Jason Landers hands a donation check over to Scoutmaster Brian Holbrooks of Oakwood Boy Scout Troop 19. This year the Sheriff's Office staff turned the no-shave November fundraiser into a 3 month fundraiser in memory of long-time employee, Keith Leatherman. Leatherman served in various capacities within the Sheriff's Office from 1979 until his passing in 2020. Staff members were honored to have raised \$950,

which was turned over here to Mr. Holbrooks.

Landers stated, "Keith was very proud of his experience with the scouts and having made Eagle Scout. I am honored to make this donation to a group that meant so much to him in his memory."

SPORTS CARD AND COLLECTIBLES SHOW

Saturday, February 13, 2021 from 10:00 am to 3:00
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PAULDING COUNTY EXCEEDS 1,278 VACCINATIONS

February 4, 2021, Paulding, Ohio - We are proud to announce that with the coordination between Paulding County Health Department and Paulding County Hospital combined, both entities have been able to vaccinate 1,278 healthcare workers and community members thus far. Both entities have been working closely with the State of Ohio and remain committed to provide safe and effective COVID-19 vaccinations to currently eligible residents of Paulding County.



Currently, the quantity of COVID vaccine received from the State is not meeting the demand of our current eligible groups. We are administering the limited amount of vaccine received from the State as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Each week approximately 200 eligible individuals are being vaccinated in Paulding County. Last week, Paulding

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EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS CAREER CENTER COURSE SELECTION 'NOW OPEN'

All EACS parents of 10th and 11th grade students can now attend an upcoming informational Zoom meeting regarding the East Allen Career Center! There will be a brief presentation (15-20 minute) on the Career Center programs and time for questions and answers.

For convenience there are two meeting times. The first is at Thursday, Feb. 4th at 6:00 pm and again on Tuesday, Feb. 9th at 7:00 pm. It is only necessary to attend one meeting. There are fantastic opportunities in health care, manufacturing, construction and public safety all available at the Career Center.

Please contact Executive Director, Mr. Tim Wiegand at 260-446-0260 ext. 3101 to receive a Zoom meeting invitation link.

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.

HEATING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Ohio Development Services Agency and Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission want to remind Ohioans that assistance is available to help with their home energy bills. The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps Ohioans at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills. And Ohioans who are threatened with disconnection, or have been disconnected from their utility service, may also be eligible for the HEAP Winter Crisis Program, which started on November 1, 2020.

Ohioans can visit energyhelp.ohio.gov to apply online, download a copy of the application, or find contact information for a local Energy Assistance Provider. Individuals will need to have copies of the following documents to include with their application:

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

HEAP benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after January 1st. If you need immediate assistance with your energy bills, please contact your local Energy Assistance Provider. A list of providers can be found at energyhelp.ohio.gov.

Applications for the HEAP Winter Crisis program must be received by March 31, 2021. The last day to apply for the regular HEAP benefit is May 31, 2021. For more information on the programs, visit energyhelp.ohio.gov or to schedule an ap-

Community Calendar

February 9

- Paulding Co. Democratic Party meeting @ Paulding Eagles, 7pm

February 10

- PCH COVID shot - Call Feb 8 & 9 for 65 year old +
- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm

February 12

- Paulding KofC Fish Fry - 4-7pm
- Hicksville KofC Fish Fry 4:30-7pm

February 13

- PCH Foundation Valentine Dinner & Raffle 5-7pm - Drawing at 8pm on FB Live
- Sports & Collectible Show - 10 am to 3pm - see article

February 14

- Cecil Comm Church Valentine Breakfast 9am

February 17

- Pickleball @ MAC Gym, Antwerp, 6pm
- The Western Buckeye ESC Board meeting at the office location,

February 19

- Paulding KofC Fish Fry - 4-7pm

February 21

- Cecil Comm Church, Ruth Bennett piano Concert & refreshments

To add your event to the calendar email info@westbendnews.net
Continual Events must be resubmitted once per month



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KIDS' KORNER

Hello again!!
 Are you staying safe and well? I hope so.
 Last week I posed the question of why God created Eve. It was a pretty easy one to figure out, since it's right there in Genesis 2. God created Eve as woman equal to Adam and a helper to him.
 A lot of people these days seem to forget the fact that Adam and Eve were made as equals. The only difference is that God appointed Adam as the spiritual head of the family. That points forward in time to the headship of Christ over His Church and the high regard His people are to hold for Him as their spiritual leader.
 How did God create Eve? This one is pretty interesting. God caused a deep sleep to come upon Adam and then removed a rib from Adam's chest. It was the first ever surgical procedure. God then formed Eve from the rib. She was, without question, a part of Adam. She was one to be loved and cared for and, therefore, the introduction of human love. Eve would return Adam's love for her in like fashion.
 Let's try this one for next week: What Old Testament event involving Noah pointed forward in time to a New Testament Sacrament?
 See you next week!
 Pastor Tim
 mhrtime1995@gmail.com
 Comments and questions are always welcome.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
 Dear Parson,
 I am by choice living

apart from my husband. We have issues and I am afraid I may become responsible for some of his debts. Should I get a legal separation?

I am not a lawyer but if you do, it should be temporary, and you should lay out a plan to do your part to rebuild your marriage. Romans 12:18 - "If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men."

First - Undeservedly forgive him for every hurt you remember him causing you.

Ephesians 4:32 - "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Matthew 6:14 - "For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you." Tell God you forgive your husband completely.

Second - Ask the Lord for faith that He will rebuild your marriage. Luke 17:5 - "And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith." Then claim His promise. I John 5:14-15 - "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."

Third - Ask God daily to increase your love for your husband. Matthew 5:44 - "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;" Titus 2:4 - "That they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,"

Fourth - Start overcoming his evil with your good. Romans 12:21 - "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Make a list of ways you can help and encourage him and show him respect and kindness.

You will be held suspect at first, but after several months of your consistency without finding fault or expecting anything in return, you will

make a huge impact on him. Also read

I Peter 3:1-6 and read much in the book of Psalms daily.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

THE BROKEN HEARTED

Good News! Good News from God's Word, the Bible! We live in such a world that good news is becoming difficult to find. If we turn on the radio, or any other source of media, it seems like we hear far more negative information than positive. If we are in search for truth and hope; we can find it!

Most of us have access to the 66 best books written in all the history of the world. They begin with the book of Genesis; the first book, and end with the last book, the book of Revelation, which is the 66th book of the Bible. God's Word is packed full of vitamins and minerals for your soul!: If we will feed on it every day our hopes will remain high. If we don't take time to read and study it daily our soul can, shrivel up like a prune. If we have not been born again yet, and our sins washed away by the blood of Jesus, with the earnest of God's Holy Spirit, and asked forgiveness of our sins, we will probably not have much interest in reading the Bible. After we invite God's Son, the Lord. Jesus Christ to come into our hearts and to have his way in our lives, we will want to read his truth daily!

Most of us humans (Jews and Gentiles-Gods salvation is for all) have had some misfortune or worse yet traumatic experience in our life time, We may have had something happen to us that left us hurting on the inside. Perhaps we felt all alone and broken hearted afterwards. Good News for you my friend, that is why the Bible says in John 3:16-For God so loved the world, that he gave his only: begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. Whosoever, means you and me! God is not a respecter of persons, he loves us. all! He requires all of us to ask his forgiveness of sin and to stop sinning through his grace and by his powerful Holy Spirit.

Part of my testimony is, that the reason I had a broken heart was because I tried to find love in all the wrong places (it was actually lust, but I only thought it was love when I was in my youth). What a thrill it was to get a new girlfriend when I was a young man, and what a sorrowful heartache only a few weeks or months later when we broke up. I suffered such heartache and depression all through high school, never knowing God was waiting for me to come to him, for he had better plans waiting for my life than dating woman till death.

At the age of 23 I had the very real experience of asking God's Son, Jesus to come into my life and be everything to me! His Holy Spirit and resurrection power brought an instant healing to my broken heart. I felt alive for the first time I could ever remember. At that point I no longer wanted to play the dating game, now I wanted to live for God and

serve him. Six years later he gave me a wife. That was 16 years ago. Before I became a Christian, my best friend Shane, who I emulated (copied the example of), went all the way to Vegas chasing woman. He found one, and was on a motorcycle with her on the city street. They slid under a bus and both died. I am so thankful God put me on a different road than I used to run with Shane! I could have been dead and in hell, but God had mercy on me and healed my broken heart, because I asked him to.

Psalms 147:2 The LORD Both build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel. Verse 3-He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. My heartaches were many, but I found healing in my Saviour, Jesus Christ. I found healing and comfort for my heart from God's Holy Spirit (the comforter). It is almost Valentine's day again. What will you do for Valentine's day this year? Will you go looking for love in all the wrong places? Or will you bow your knees and invite true love (Jesus Christ) to take charge of your life and lead you into green pastures, and out of the pig pen you have been living in, similar to the one I was living in 22 years ago? Please don't allow the devil to give you another Valentine's day that will lead you down a dead end road to broken heartedness and depression! God has something far better for you. God wants you to drink from hisbottomless cup, and to give you springs of living water for your soul: If you feel like a worthless, broken hearted outcast, there is good: news for you! Please, come visit my church, in Hicksville, Ohio. You can find healing for your broken heart and damaged soul. The name of the church is Gospel Light Tabernacle. Come, and let God's Word bless you. Amen.

Steve M. Huraczy Grabill, IN

LUTHERAN HEALTH NETWORK UPDATES VISITOR RESTRICTIONS

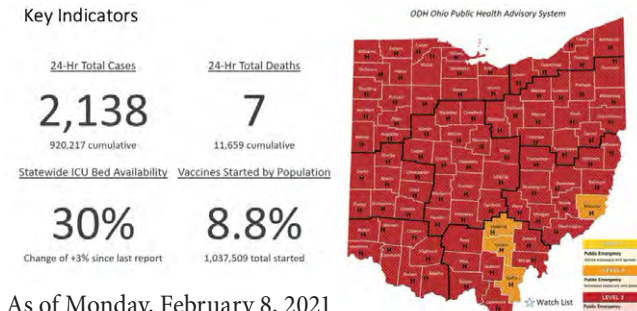
The safety of patients, caregivers and healthcare staff remain the top priority at Lutheran Health Network. Effective today, updated visitor restrictions are in place and can be viewed here: Patients & Visitors.

All safety precautions continue to be followed at all LHN facilities:

- Face masks are required at all times.
- All visitors must be 18 years of age or older and will be screened upon entry.
- Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms will not be permitted to enter unless they are seeking medical care.
- All visitors are asked to practice social distancing, hand hygiene and infection prevention:
 - Sanitize hands when entering the facility and when entering or exiting patient rooms.
 - Cover coughs or sneezes with elbow or a tissue and dispose of used tissues in the trash.
 - Sanitize hands after coughing or sneezing.

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

"You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous."
 — Matthew 5:43-45



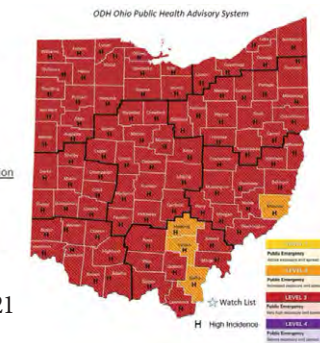
As of Monday, February 8, 2021
 Paulding County; Cases: 1532
 Hospitalizations: 130; Deaths: 21; Presumed Recovered: 1399

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County Hospital received vaccine from the State and vaccinated just over 100 currently eligible individuals. Paulding County Health Department also received vaccine from the State and vaccinated approximately 100 currently eligible individuals. These numbers are subject to change without notice, depending on the quantity of vaccine being shipped weekly to Paulding County from the State.

We sincerely appreciate the communities support and patience as we work through the process of providing vaccines to eligible individuals in our community who wish to receive it, following the State of Ohio's phased approach. It is important to remember that precautions are still needed to slow the spread of the virus. Please continue to wear a mask, wash your hands, and social distance.

For up-to-date information regarding Paulding County Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic please reference our website at pauldingcountyhospital.com/covid19vaccine



PCHD WORKING TO ASSURE ALL ELIGIBLE PEOPLE CAN BE VACCINATED

Given the limited COVID-19 vaccines Paulding County is receiving each week, Paulding County Health Department and its partners are working together to ensure that all people who are currently eligible have opportunities to be vaccinated.

PCHD appointments may be limited during February as school personnel are vaccinated and we perform targeted outreach to vulnerable people who are at the greatest risk for severe illness.

We're working to identify people who are at increased risk and face obstacles to accessing vaccines due to limited transportation and other factors.

Other Paulding County vaccine providers will continue to receive vaccine allocations to serve the eligible public.

Each local provider handles scheduling and registration differently.

As the Health Department receives updates on our availability of vaccine, this information will be provided.

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A CHICKEN HEAD; A FROG AND A SPIDER

Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker
What do people usually do on a date, before a dance, celebrate a birthday or just do it because it is fun?

We do this when we don't feel like cooking or we do it because we are hungry. We do it at graduations; church events; ball games and county



fair.
This is not hard to guess. It is going out to eat.

Now, if your palate prefers fast food there are quite a few choices in that area.

There are fast food eating establishments that serve everything from fish, lobster, steak and chicken.

There are fancy sit down restaurants to buffets which cater to almost every taste bud.

So, going out to eat has become a matter of choice or occasion. Some restaurants have a special on a certain

night and people tend to go there on that night.

No. None of us like to be served bad tasting food, cold food or find dirty silver wrapped up in our napkin. Since we are paying for our meal, most of us want to get our monies worth.

Not too long ago my friend, Denny, and I went driving and stopped at a restaurant. The place specialized in fish and chicken.

I remembered it as having good service, good food and good pie.

Hmmmm. How wrong I was.

We got seated without incident and our order was taken. Then we waited, waited and waited.

Others were also waiting and it looked like very few people had gotten their food.

Finally our food gets to us and it looks very unappetizing. I had ordered fish and it looked like fish sticks. I like fish sticks but when we are eating out in a restaurant, I do expect a nice dinner.

Our baked potatoes were brown on the inside from sitting too long. The salad was a few pieces of lettuce with a cherry tomato on top plus it was warm and wilted.

After tasting our food, we found out it tasted as bad as it looked.

Another lady had what looked like a baked potato and she was trying to eat it,

but had tried unsuccessfully to remove the skin.

I signaled for the waitress. I told her about how disappointed we were with the meal and I told her, "I recommended this place and I am very disappointed in your food and service." I said, "We are not eating this and not paying for it either."

While it wasn't her fault, the waitress apologized and told us we did not have to pay for the food.

When we were back out to the car my friend said. "Wow you spoke up." He said he probably just would have paid for it.

But to me, who enjoys eating out, that dinner should not have been brought to our table. So, yes that establishment left a bad impression on me.

Now things could have been worse, as many diners and home cooks as well, have found all kinds of gross items in their food.

Even though I have never found anything alive in my food, others have.

Here are some of the inedible items diners from different places found in their food:

A child and his mother found a cooked chicken head in the child's nuggets. I would have freaked out. If the chicken head was in a MC Nugget, it must not have been a big head.

Another unlucky person was drinking a can of soda when he felt something hard in his mouth and proceeded to spit it out. It was a deceased frog. Oh my. I don't know whether to say, "Poor frog or poor soda drinker."

Of course we have heard horrid stories about pieces of fingers, band-aids and spiders being found in food.

I hope you did not read this right before going out to eat or cooking a good meal.

Every one has some bad experiences when dining out or cooking at home.

One thing which happened to me happened at a carry in. We were going to eat and then play music. I took homemade club sandwiches and the looked fantastic. I had put toothpicks in the sandwiches to hold them together. They were plastic and various colors of picks so I wasn't concerned about anyone swallowing one.

Well it happened and I felt so bad. One man was enjoying his sandwich and did not see the toothpick in it. When he swallowed, the pesky pick got stuck cross ways in his throat.

The next thing I knew he was gagging and trying to breathe. He had to go by EMS to the hospital and have it removed.

When summer gets here some days it may be too hot to cook, BBQs will be going on as well as outside picnics so beware of eating a bug, swallowing a toothpick, drinking a frog or finding a spider in your "eats"

Have you ever found anything strange in your food? Do you ever speak up and let anyone know?

Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for your Thoughts.

ESTATE PLANNING FOR BLENDED FAMILIES

If you're in a blended family, you're already aware of the emotional and financial issues involved in your dai-

ly life. But what about the future? When it's time to do your estate planning - and it's never too soon for that - you'll need to be aware of the entanglements and complexities that can get in the way of your vision for leaving the legacy you desire.

You can take comfort in knowing that you're far from alone. More than half of married or cohabiting couples with at least one living parent, or parent-in-law, and at least one adult child, have a "stepkin" relationship, according to a study from researchers at the University of Massachusetts and other schools. That's a lot of estate-planning issues.

Nonetheless, the task does not have to be overwhelming - as long as you put sufficient time and thought into it. Here are some ideas that may help:

Seek fairness - but be flexible. Even in a nonblended family, it's not always easy to be as equitable as you'd like in your estate plans - too often, someone feels they have been treated unfairly. In a blended family, these problems can be exacerbated: Will biological children feel cheated? Will stepchildren? Keep this in mind: Fair is not always equal - and equal is not always fair. When deciding how to divide your assets, you'll need to make some judgment calls after carefully evaluating the needs of all your family members. There's no guarantee that everyone will be satisfied, but you'll have done your best.

Communicate your wishes clearly. When it comes to estate planning, the best surprise is no surprise - and that's especially true in a blended family. Even if you're the one creating your estate plans, try to involve other family members - and make your wishes and goals clear. You don't have to be specific down to the last dollar, but you should provide a pretty good overall outline.

Consider establishing a revocable living trust. Everyone's situation is different, but many blended families find that, when making estate plans, a simple will is not enough. Consequently, you may want to establish a revocable living trust, which gives you much more control than a will when it comes to carrying out your wishes. Plus, because you have transferred your assets to the trust, you are no longer technically the owner of these assets, so there's no reason for a court to get involved, which means your estate can likely avoid the time-consuming, expensive and very public process of probate.

Choose the right trustee. If you do set up a living trust, you'll also need to name a trustee - someone who manages the assets in the trust. Married couples often serve as co-trustees, but this can result in tensions and disagreements. As an alternative, you can hire a professional trustee - someone with the time, experience and neutrality to make appropriate decisions and who can bring new ideas to the process.

Above all else, make sure you have the right estate-planning team in place. You'll certainly need to work with an attorney, and you may also want to bring in your tax advisor and financial professional. Estate planning can be complex - especially with a blended family - and you'll want to make the right

moves, right from the start.
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FOUR OLD BROADS AT THE HUBER

Retired burlesque queen Beatrice Shelton (Julie Hall) desperately needs a vacation and a Sassy Seniors Cruise through the Caribbean may be just the ticket if she can just convince her best friend, Eaddy Mae Clayton (Pam Diehl), to stop praying and go with her.

Unfortunately, things have not been very pleasant at Magnolia Place Assisted Living since Nurse Pat Jones (Shiloh Wittwer) began working there. The newest resident, Imogene Fletcher (Kathy Kennedy), is suddenly losing her memory. Maude Jenkins (Jennifer Thomas) is obsessed with her favorite soap opera and planning her own funeral. Sam Smith (Michael Kennedy), retired Elvis impersonator, keeps trying to bed every woman in the building.

A mystery unfolds with laughter as the gals try to outsmart the evil Nurse Pat Jones and nursing assistant Ruby Sue Bennett (Mercedes Moncivais). Hilarity ensues as Imogene goes undercover and Maude enters the Miss Magnolia Senior Citizen Pageant to throw Pat off their trail. If they can solve the mystery, they may make it to the cruise ship after all. Four Old Broads takes the stage February 26, 27 and 28 at the Huber Opera House in Hicksville, Ohio. This adult comedy is directed by Tom Ferreira and Shiloh Wittwer with Pam Diehl and Crystal Brooks producing.

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pm, at our NEW LARGER location at the Allen County Fairgrounds Exhibit Building (#4) located at 2726 Carroll Rd in Fort Wayne, Indiana there will be a sports card and

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collectibles show. 65 tables of dealers from the tri-state region will be in attendance with both sport and non-sport cards and collectibles.

Featured will be vintage and new singles, hobby boxes and supplies... attendance is free and the public is invited to attend. Please feel free to bring your items in for appraisal.

For more information please contact Brian Mayne at 260-824-4867 or mcscards@icloud.com or on facebook at mcs cards.

ALL HEALTH MAN-DATES AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE FOLLOWED AND LIMITS ON THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE WILL BE ENFORCED.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mavrik William David Mekus was born February 3, 2021 to Nathan and Misty Mekus. He was 7 lbs 4.7 oz and was 20 1/2 inches.

Mavrik has four siblings: Cade and Makinzi Loutzenhiser and Jerzee and Jaxin Mekus.

Grandparents are Dave and Karen Mekus, Jewell, OH and William and Patricia King, Auburn, IN.

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MILITARY HISTORY OF PAULDING COUNTY



**By: Mark Holtsberry
Henry Jackson Donnell**

Henry lived to the ripe old of 98, earning him the distinction of being Paulding County's oldest veteran, let's look at his life's story. Henry was born October 27, 1900, in Antwerp, Ohio. The son of Oscar Eugene and Barbara Manilla (Boyd) Reed, those who knew her best called her, may. Oscar was born, April 12, 1868, in Ohio. Barbara was born November 8, 1873, in Jackson Township, Seneca County, Ohio. This couple was married on August 2, 1891 in Sandusky, Ohio. After the birth of Henry, the couple and child, moved to Paulding, living on Harrison Street. Oscar was a farmer and Barbara a housewife. Not sure what happened with their marriage, Barbara and Oscar divorced. September 23, 1908, Oscar remarries a woman, Julia

A. Matzen in Allen County, Indiana. Julia was born, April 12, 1887, Harrison Township, Paulding County. Oscar changed vocations, becoming a Teamster, Julia became a laundress.

Henry had signed up in Hicksville, Ohio, to serve in the Ohio National Guard, July 14, 1917, not knowing his training and abilities would be needed in the upcoming months. August 1917, he registered for the draft. He was a farmer, 5-10" tall, brown hair, brown eyes, fair complexion, excellent character. He was serving with Company E. Ohio National Guard Infantry when called to service. He was



Henry Jackson Donnell sent to serve with Company F. 145th Infantry, as a private up to the date, November 20, 1917, then was sent to headquarters of the 145th Infantry until he was discharged. He served in Muese-Argonne, Ypres-Lys defensive sector. American

Expeditionary Forces, June 15, 1918 to March 27, 1919. Honorable discharge May 1, 1919.

Returning home, he became a baker, working in a bakery, but he still stayed in the Ohio National Guard. Where he rose from a private, to sergeant, to 1st sergeant, October 23, 1924 to July 25, 1926. Then promoted to 2nd lieutenant July 26, 1926.

Then he found a girl, Devota Maria Johnson. Born December 5, 1902 the daughter of Andy and Pearl (Sebert) Johnson. Henry and Devota, were married December 4, 1926 in Paulding, Ohio. They moved to Railroad Street in Antwerp, Ohio. Henry was a plasterer and Devota was a homemaker. June 6, 1927, a son was born to Henry and Devota, Henry Kenneth Donnell.

Staying in the Ohio National Guard, he was promoted to 1st lieutenant, June 14, 1932. Promoted to captain, February 7, 1936. Henry still was earning a living as a plasterer and his wife a homemaker. They had moved to Oswalt Street in Antwerp. August 19, 1939, a daughter, Andrea Maria Donnell was born.

The United States military promoted Henry to infantry captain October 15, 1940. Became a graduate infantry school battalion commanders and staff officers course 1941. Promoted to infantry major, July 8, 1942. His father Oscar passed away in Antwerp, September 14, 1944. He was buried in Wiltsie Cemetery, Payne, Ohio.

Henry stayed in the Army Reserves and Ohio National Guard for 41 years. He retired from service in 1958. Among his rewards are the bronze star, army commendation medal and combat infantry badge. In that time he saw his son Henry Kenneth marry Edna Ailene Lentz, August 2, 1947. Henry became a salesman and worked in the construction industry. His birth mother, Barbara Manilla, passed away, May 3, 1965. She was buried at Wiltsie Cemetery, Antwerp, Ohio. Henry's stepmother Julia A. (Matzen) Donnell, passed away in 1973 and was buried beside Oscar Donnell in Wiltsie Cemetery.

Henry's daughter, An-

dria Maria, married Robert M. Brooks, August 18, 1949. Robert served in the navy for 17 years. Henry would become a commander of 1st district V.F.W., member of Antwerp V.F.W. Post 5087, become a National Aide-De-Camp, member of American Legion Post 253. Henry passed away June 10, 1999, at Community North Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana. Henry was buried in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, Ohio.

TRADEXPOS INC. CANCELS 2021 FORT WAYNE FARM SHOW

Fort Wayne, Indiana - Tradexpos Inc. has decided to cancel the 32nd annual Fort Wayne Farm Show scheduled to be held at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum in Fort Wayne, Indiana, March 9, 10, 11, 2021.

Thousands of people from Indiana and the surrounding area attend the Fort Wayne Farm Show each year to learn about, compare, and purchase products from leaders in the agricultural industry.

After reviewing the covid-19 regulations for events set by the state of Indiana, and current rates of infection, Tradexpos Inc. consulted with the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum about alternative options to proceed. There was not an option that would satisfy both Tradexpos' high standard for the Fort Wayne Farm Show and the state regulations.

Show director Dan Slowinski comments, "We exhausted multiple safety precautions in order to produce the iconic Fort Wayne Farm Show including: moving the show to March, modifying the floor plan, and providing extra masks and sanitizer. In the end, although canceling the show was a tough decision, I feel we are taking the best course of action for everyone involved. I have no doubt the Fort Wayne Farm Show will return stronger than ever in 2022."

The Fort Wayne Farm Show is scheduled to resume in 2022, January 18, 19, and 20. Tradexpos Inc.

For more information contact: Dan Slowinski 800-347-5225 dan@tradexpos.com; Or visit: www.tradexpos.com

RAIDERS FALL IN TITLE GAME

EDGERTON - In the championship game of the Edgerton seventh grade tournament, it was the host Bulldogs who held off Wayne Trace for a 27-22 victory Thursday night in Williams County.

Careen Winans led the way for the Lady Raiders with 11 markers while Caroline Winans added six and Torree Sinn chipped in four.

The red, white and blue finished the season with an overall record of 17-1 while capturing the Green Meadows Conference championship with an undefeated 7-0 record.

Members of the squad included Stella Laukhuf, Addison Stoller, Caroline Winans, Careen Winans, Delana Noggle, Aubree Miller, Torree Sinn, Caitlyn Mead, Lexi Moore, Ryann Jay and Mylie Wittwer. Coaches of the squad were Tyler Iwinski and Kelly Davis.



THE MAUMEE IN 1835

By: Stan Jordan

Previously ran 4/4/12

A man named Samuel A. Sargent owned the second steam boat to traverse the Maumee River from Maumee Rapids on West, this was around 1836.

This ship was built in Brunnersburg and was christened The Anthony Wayne. It could carry 18 tons of freight and a number of passengers. It was not a powerful boat. It had one paddle wheel on the stern, but it could travel even when the water was pretty low as it was a flat bottom boat. It made quite a few runs from Defiance into Fort Wayne in the years of 1836-37.

I guess about this time a barge fixed up for passengers ran from Defiance to Fort Wayne and I think it was a three day round trip.

Well, this steamboat, The Anthony Wayne, had a couple good years and in 1837-1838 it tied up at Rochester for the winter.

In the spring of 1838 the high river and ice broke the boat loose and it drifted on down stream.

It went over the rapids at Maumee City. It was caught and had not too much damage and was renamed The Davy Crockett and made many runs between Maumee City and Toledo. From what I read, I think that area was pretty well populated and sort of bustling and busy for weeks. I know that the soil there is very good for farming and truck gardening.

This man, Sargent, who owned the steam boat also owned a stage line that operated daily between Maumee City and Toledo. I don't know

if he owned the stages from Defiance to Fort Wayne or not.

As I sit here and think about these times, our area did have some progress about travel but the bugs and swamp water was still a problem. They hadn't got started to drain the area. First they had to clear the land of trees. The coming of the canal and then the railroad brought the mills and foundries that used the trees. I hope you enjoy these thumbnail sketches of our history.

See ya!



By: Stan Jordan

Previously ran 4/11/12

Bob & the Blonde

Bob walked into a sports bar around 9:58 p.m. He sat down next to a blonde at the bar and stared up at the TV.

The 10:00 p.m. news crew was coming on. The news crew was covering the story of a man on the ledge of a large building preparing to jump.

The blonde looked at Bob and said, "Do you think he'll jump?"

Bob said, "You know, I bet he'll jump."

The blonde replied, "Well, I bet he won't."

Bob placed a \$20 bill on the bar and said, "You're on."

Just as the blonde placed her money on the bar, the guy on the ledge did a swan dive off the building, falling to his death.

The blonde was very upset, but willingly handed her \$20 to Bob. "Fair's fair, here's your money."

Bob replied, "I can't take your money. I saw this earlier on the 5:00 p.m. news, so I knew he would jump."

The blonde replied, "I did, too, but I didn't think he'd do it again."

Bob took the money.

This was given to me by Larry Trautman.

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

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
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 Any questions, please call 419-399-8285

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TO THE EDITOR:

The first 100 days of Biden's presidency are under way and I'm hoping that he and Congress will make reforming our democracy a top priority. The best way to do that is by passing the For the People Act.

The For the People Act is a bold piece of legislation that would strengthen our democracy for generations to come. The law would dismantle numerous barriers to voting and representation, like gerrymandering, racist voter ID laws, unnecessary hurdles

to registration, and felony disenfranchisement, adding millions of new voters to the rolls. It would also reduce the influence of big money in our politics by enacting limits on donations from lobbyists and increasing the power of campaign contributions from Americans by enacting a small-donor matching program.

Without this much-needed reform, our political system will never be truly democratic or fully representative, meaning our government will continue to work only for the privileged few.

With a new president in the White House, I want to build a better system for all Americans -- which is why I'm urging Congress to pass the For the People Act.

Sincerely,
Diana Finnegan,
Paulding, OH

SHAYNA TEMPLE ENROLLS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY

Shayna Temple, of Payne, 45880, has enrolled at the University of Findlay for spring 2021. New students began their studies at UF on Jan. 11.

Temple is pursuing a doctor of physical therapy degree.

Located in Findlay, Ohio, the University of Findlay is known not only for science, health professions, animal science and equestrian studies programs, but also for cultivating the next generation of business leaders, educators and global citizens through a dedication to experiential learning, both in and outside of the classroom. Established in 1882 through a joint partnership between the Churches of God, General Counsel

and the City of Findlay, the University of Findlay has more than 80 majors leading to baccalaureate degrees and offers 11 master's degrees, and five doctoral degrees. More than 3,500 students are enrolled at Findlay, and the University is nationally recognized by U.S. News and World Report and the Princeton Review.

WALORSKI, BANKS REINTRODUCE BILL TO ENSURE DIGNIFIED TREATMENT OF ABORTED FETAL REMAINS

U.S. Reps. Jackie Walorski (R-Ind.) and Jim Banks (R-Ind.) reintroduced the Dignity for Aborted Children Act to ensure the remains of abortion victims are treated with dignity and respect.

"Every human life is a gift from God, and every person deserves dignity and respect," Congresswoman Walorski said. "This week as Americans from every corner of the nation celebrate life, we must renew our commitment to defending the unborn and take action to protect the inherent dignity of abortion victims. The sickening discovery of thousands of human fetal remains on the property of Indiana's most prolific abortionist was a tragic reminder of the terrible cost of abortion. Such callous disregard for the sanctity of life should have no place in our society. I'm grateful to work alongside Congressman Banks on this important pro-life legislation."

"While the Supreme Court upheld Indiana's law mandating the respectful treatment of abortion victims, that won't stop abortionists like Dr. Klopfer from committing these unspeakably horrific acts in other states," Congressman Banks said. "I'm proud to stand with Rep. Walorski in re-introducing the Dignity for Aborted Children Act. This sensible solution will go a long way to preserving the dignity of all human life."

BACKGROUND

The Dignity for Aborted Children Act would hold abortion providers accountable if they fail to provide for the proper burial or cremation of aborted fetal remains.

First introduced in 2019 after the discovery of 2,411 of human fetal remains in the possession of longtime Indiana abortionist Ulrich Klopfer, the legislation would build on the Indiana law enacted in 2016 and upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court requiring dignified disposition

of aborted fetal remains. In February 2020, the remains discovered on Klopfer's property and in his car were buried in a dignified ceremony in South Bend, Ind.

The Dignity for Aborted Children Act would:

Require abortion providers to dispose of aborted fetal remains just as they would any other human remains. Failure to do so would be punishable by a fine and up to five years in prison.

Require a consent form so the mother can choose between retaining possession of her unborn child or allowing the provider to cremate or inter the remains. Failure of the provider to execute these forms would be punishable by a civil penalty.

Require abortion providers to report to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) the transfer of remains for cremation or interment. Contractors providing these services would be required to report how they provided for proper disposition.

Direct HHS to annually review these reports to verify all abortion providers are ensuring the dignified disposition of aborted children.

The Dignity for Aborted Children Act is endorsed by:

- Susan B. Anthony List
- March For Life
- National Right to Life
- Americans United for Life
- U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops
- Family Research Council
- Heritage Action

REPUBLICAN STUDY COMMITTEE DEMANDS CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS SAVE HYDE AMENDMENT

Republican Study Committee Chairman Jim Banks and 199 of his Republican colleagues sent a letter to congressional leaders pledging to oppose any government funding bill that eliminates or weakens the Hyde Amendment or other current-law, pro-life appropriations provisions.

The Hyde amendment is a four decade-old ban on taxpayer-funded abortions that has suddenly been placed on the chopping block by radical Democrats, despite the fact that it's received bipartisan

support from every president since Jimmy Carter and even Joe Biden expressed support for it as recently as 2019.

Chairman of the RSC Jim Banks said: "Despite decades of consensus on this issue, radical Democrats have signaled they no longer have an interest in protecting the conscience rights of millions of Americans who do not want their hard-earned money used to pay for abortions. My colleagues and I demand congressional leaders protect the ban on taxpayer-funded abortions and save the Hyde Amendment."

UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY STUDENTS AWARDED ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIPS

Students at the University of Findlay were awarded endowed scholarships for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Local students include:

Fletcher Cook of Paulding (45879) was awarded: Environmental Safety and Occupational Health Scholarship Endowment Fund, Marathon Petroleum Corporation ESOH Operating Scholarship and BP Foundation Operating Scholarship

Emma McMaster of Paulding (45879) was awarded: TLB Foundation Christian Service Operating Scholarship Fund

Jaret Miller of Paulding (45879) was awarded: Robert

M. and Catherine M Pritt Scholarship Endowment Fund

Marcus Miller of Paulding (45879) was awarded: Mac and Billie McDowell Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund, Thomas B. Donnell Business Leadership Scholarship and Austin E. Knowlton Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

Jordan Mudel of Antwerp (45813) was awarded: Austin E. Knowlton Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

Kaylee Plummer of Paulding (45879) was awarded: Ritz Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

Cameron Strahley of Paulding (45879) was awarded: Richard W. Corner Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund and Katharine Ballard Reed Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund

Thomas Vance of Cecil (45821) was awarded: William J. Jutte Memorial Scholarship Endowment Fund, Marathon Petroleum Corporation ESOH Operating Scholarship and BP Foundation Operating Scholarship

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Edgerton: Kaiser Supermarket, US Post Office, Valero Gas, Marathon

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Melrose: Morning Star Convenience Store

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Oakwood: Rhees' Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General

Paulding: Stykemain, Chief, Corner Market, Integrity Ford, Holly, Wood & Vine, Napa True Value, Maramart, Dollar General, Dairy Queen, Rite Aid, Ace Hardware, Gorrell Bros., Albert Automotive, Paulding Courthouse, Paulding VFW Post 587, Paulding Co. Sheriff's Office, Board of Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospi-

tal, Paulding Kwik Mart

Payne: Blueberry Pancake House, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza

Sherwood: Sherwood Post Office, Village Food Emporium, **Scott:** Scott Post Office

Van Wert: CVS, Ace Hardware, Chief, Walmart, Family Video

INDIANA LOCATIONS

Fort Wayne: Hahn Systems, Walmart, Walgreens, Great Clips & Goodwill (Maysville Rd.), Golden Years Nursing Home, Golden Years Assisted Living

Grabill: Save-A-Lot, Grabill Hardware, Grabill Country Sales

Harlan: Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank

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New Haven: New Haven Tan McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS

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RAMS PULL AWAY FROM ARCHERS FOR WIN



Antwerp's Laura Miller goes up for the basket in the fourth quarter against the Rams and is fouled, sending her to the line to score for the Archers. More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - On a cold and snow Thursday night, the visiting Tinora Lady Rams made the bus trip home seem a little and shorter after posting a 56-37 win over host Antwerp in Green Meadows Conference girls basketball action.

The green and white led at every stop in the contest, taking a 15-10 advantage after one quarter before taking a 27-19 lead at the half-time intermission. Tinora was on top 43-27 at the end of three periods.

Kylee Okuley topped the Lady Rams with 18 points while Karli Okuley chipped

in ten markers and Liv Mueller posted nine points.

Anna Gray posted seven points for the green and white followed by Emily Harr (five), Anna Frazer (five) and Amanda Meyer (two).

Antwerp was paced by Astianna Coppes with 18 points and Hayleigh Jewell chipped in six markers. Other scorers for the Lady Archers were Laura Miller (five), Kennadi Recker (four) and Aewyn McMichael (four).

Antwerp will have its final home game of the season on Tuesday as the Lady

Archers welcome in Hilltop for a non-conference battle. The Lady Archers then close Green Meadows Conference play on Thursday with a road trip to Holgate.

Tinora has a pair of home games to finish out the season as the Lady Rams await Lima Bath in a Tuesday night non-league battle before coming in Edgerton in the final GMC game on Thursday.

AREA BOYS TEAMS GET TOURNAMENT ROUTES

Boys basketball teams in the state of Ohio found out their tournament matchups on Sunday and northwest Ohio squads were included as well with sectional draws taking place in the area.

Division III district action for local teams will take place at Lima Senior as Ottawa Glandorf and Wayne Trace picked up the top two seeds.

In the top half of the district, sectional semifinals will feature 13th seeded Tinora (4-10) at 11th seeded Bluffton (7-11) while sixth seeded Fairview (9-6) hosts ninth seeded Allen East (9-9). Tenth seeded Paulding (6-8) also makes the trip to fourth seeded Coldwater (10-9) with all three games taking place on February 24.

Sectional championships in the top half of the district has top seeded Ottawa Glandorf (13-3) hosting the Tinora-Bluffton winner while the victors of the Fairview-Allen East and Coldwater-Paulding games square off at the highest seed remaining on February 26.

The bottom half of the district has semifinal games of eighth seeded Liberty Benton

(8-9) at seventh seeded Riverdale (10-7) and fifth seeded Lima Bath (10-9) hosting 12th seed Delphos Jefferson (5-11).

In the sectional title games, second seeded Wayne Trace (15-5) welcomes in the Liberty Benton-Riverdale winner and third seed Lima Central Catholic (9-8) hosts the Lima Bath-Delphos Jefferson victor.

Antwerp was selected the top seed in the Division IV District tournament at Defiance while Toledo Christian picked up the second seed.

Sectional semifinal action on February 23 has 14th seeded Hilltop (1-16) at 12th seeded Stryker (6-10) with the winner traveling to top seeded Antwerp (14-1) on February 26.

In a pair of semifinal games, fourth seeded Ayersville (10-7) hosts tenth seeded Toledo Emmanuel Christian (5-5) while eighth seed Montpelier (8-6) travels to sixth seed Fayette (8-8). Those two winners square off on February 26 at the home of the highest seed left in the tournament.

The bottom part of the district features 13th seed North Central (4-12) at 11th seed Edon (6-7) with the victor on February 24. Second seed Toledo Christian (14-3) will play the winner of that contest on February 26.

Two semifinal contests set up the final sectional championship in the district when seventh seeded Hicksville (7-10) travels to third seed Pettisville (13-4) while ninth seed Holgate (8-11) visits fifth seed Edgerton (9-7).

The winners of those two games will square off on February 26 as well.

RAILROADERS PULL AWAY FROM WARRIORS FOR SECTIONAL SEMI-FINAL WIN



Woodlan sophomore Avah Smith gets the first points for the Warriors with this basket in the first quarter. Smith follows up with a free throw point from the foul. More pictures at westbendnews.net

GARRETT - For three quarters, Woodlan battled highly touted and host Garrett in Friday night's Class 3A sectional semifinal.

The Lady Warriors were still within striking distance after three quarters before the Railroaders pulled away in the final period to post a 50-28 win over the Warriors.

At the end of three periods, Garrett held a 35-25 lead as Woodlan hung around and hoped to have an opportunity to cut into the deficit in the fourth quarter.

However, Garrett had other idea.

The host Railroaders scored 13 points in the first three minutes of the final period and never looked back to put the game away and cruise to the victory.

Faith Owen led the way

for Garrett, hitting six three-pointers and posting 22 points to lead the Lady Railroaders.

Bailey Kelham also added 14 markers for the Railroaders with Morgan Ostrowski and Taylor Gerke bucketing five points apiece.

Avah Smith topped Woodlan with 18 points overall, 11 of which came in the first half as the Lady Warriors stayed within 23-14 at the intermission.

It was the final game for five Warrior seniors who wrap up their varsity careers with an overall record of 8-13 this season and 49-43 over their four-year careers. Seniors on this year's squad include Lydia Dyer, Abbey Gentz, Ella Smith, Addie Wasvick and Alicia McMahan.

STELLAR DEFENSE RALLIES ANTWERP TO WIN

DEFIANCE - Antwerp found itself in a strange place Friday night at halftime as the Archers trailed host Tinora by two points at the intermission.

However, the Archer defense took over in the second half and limited the host Rams to two second half points as Antwerp rallied for a 36-25 victory over the green and white.

The green and white scored 14 points in the opening stanza and took a 14-9 lead at the end of eight minutes of action. Tinora added nine second quarter markers with Antwerp scoring a dozen as the Archers pulled within 23-21 at the half-way point of the contest.

However, the Antwerp defense posted a shutout in the third quarter while bucketing eight points in seizing a 29-23 lead entering the final period.

The blue and white shut the door on Tinora in the fourth quarter, limiting the Rams to two points in the final period while scoring seven to seal the victory.

Marcus Grube scored 15 points to pace Tinora, with 13 of those coming in the first half. Nolan Schafer added eight markers and Max Grube added a bucket for the Rams.

Jagger Landers paced Antwerp with 16 points and Luke Krouse also reached double figures with 13. Landon Brewer posted three points for the Archers while Austin Lichty and

Kaden Recker added a basket each.

Antwerp returns to action with a pair of Green Meadows Conference battles on the weekend. The Archers host Holgate Friday night before visiting Fairview the following evening.

JH RAIDERS TAKE SECOND IN GMC

SHERWOOD - Host Fairview claimed four individual championships and held off Wayne Trace for the Green Meadows Conference Junior High Wrestling Team Title Friday night at Fairview High School.

The Apaches totaled 131 points to just get past second place Wayne Trace's 115 while Ayersville took third at 78. Antwerp picked up fifth place with 41 points.

Five individuals brought home first place finishes for the Raiders.

Kamryn Sutton (98), Corbin Kimmel (104), Logan Gerschutz (116), Jarrett Jewell (142) and Dyson Scott (160) all claimed championships for the red, white and blue.

Antwerp also took an individual title as Skyler Octaviano won the title at 128.

Ryan Bostelman also posted a third-place finish at 150 for Wayne Trace. Antwerp's Griffin Kosch took third place in the 116-pound class.

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Appointments can be made by calling the clinic phone number between the hours of 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday prior to the Wednesday clinic day. Appointments are only scheduled for that week's clinic.

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Please remember to check our website: **paulingcountyhospital.com** for up to date COVID-19 vaccine clinic information.

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WAYNE TRACE DOMINATES COUNTY WRESTLING MEET: HORNISH GETS 100 WIN



Wayne Trace's Jarrett Hornish picks up his 100th win as he defeated Paulding's Chastity Gribble. More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Paulding County Wrestling meeting took place



Paulding's Dawson Lamb wrestles Antwerp's Alex Zijlstra at the Paulding County meet. More pictures at westbendnews.net

on February 2 at Paulding this year. The Raiders performed well against both Paulding and Antwerp. Eli Moore took the first win in the match against Antwerp as he pinned Caleb Wilson in 1:44. Antwerp's small numbers do not help the team score as the

next seven matches were forfeited to the Raiders. Gabe Sutton defeated Eli Reinhart 18-9 by decision, Jarrett Hornish pinned Avin Johnson 3:13, Hunter Long pinned Trayce Lengacher 1:36, and Seth Meggison pinned Alex Zijlstra 1:28. Parker Schisler, Elliot Borroff, Nathan Osborn, Kaden Woolbright, Jacob Graham, Kacy Hornish, Conner Blankenship, and Maddox Treece all received forfeits. Wayne Trace finished the meet with a 76-0 score.

The Raiders took on Paulding next where Wayne Trace also took the game 64-12. The first match was at 182 with Parker Schisler pinning Cayden Breier in 2:52. Next was Paulding's Dillon Shough who pinned Nathan Osborn 1:47. Jacob Graham fell to Aden Moore in a Pin in 21 seconds. Jarrett Hornish pinned Chastity Gribble in 30 seconds and Hunter Long defeated Dawson Lamb in a 15-6 decision. Seth Meggison pinned Alfonso Casiano in 1:30, Eli Moore pinned Brody Fisher in 1:28. Elliot Borroff fell to Paulding's Jeremiah Smith in 1:55. Kaden Woolbright, Kacy Hornish, Conner Blankenship, Gabe Sutton, and Graiden Troth all received forfeits in this match.

ARCHERS ROLL PAST BOMBERS



Antwerp Junior Kaden Phares attempts a 3 point basket but is fouled on the shot. Kaden steps to the line and sinks all three baskets to add to the Archer win. Antwerp is now 15-1. More pictures at westbendnews.net

ANTWERP - Antwerp dominated the second half in Saturday's non-league boys basketball game as the Archers turned an eight-point halftime advantage into a 76-42 win over visiting Edon.

The Archers led 17-12 at the end of one quarter before pushing the margin to a 33-25 halftime advantage.

Antwerp then extended the lead in the third quarter as the blue and white scored 24 third-quarter points to take a 57-34 lead into the final period.

The Archers were led by Jagger Landers with 18 points while Austin Lichty posted 17

and Luke Krouse also reached double digits with 11 markers.

Other scorers for Antwerp were Owen Sheedy (nine), Landon Brewer (eight), Kaden Phares (three), Parker Moore (three), Mason Steel (two), Hunter Sproles (two), Kaden Recker (two) and Gaige McMichael (one).

Drew Gallehue paced the Bombers with 11 points in the contest and Destin Hamrick added nine markers. Cassius Hulbert chipped in six points followed by Jack Berry (five), Dawson Kiess (four), Henley Dye (three), Caden Nester (three) and Ethan Steinke (one).

PATRIOTS ROLL PAST TIGERS FOR WIN

MONROEVILLE - Host Heritage dominated the final three quarters and pulled away from visiting Bluffton for a 67-40 victory in ACAC boys basketball action Saturday outside of Monroeville.

The visiting Tigers took a slim 10-9 lead at the end of eight minutes of action but it was all Heritage after that.

The host Patriots put up 23 points in the second quarter and limited the Tigers to 15, giving Heritage a 32-25 halftime advantage.

Heritage then opened the lead further in the third period, scoring 14 more markers and holding Bluffton to five as the Patriots expanded the margin to 46-30 at the end of three quarters.

The Patriots wrapped up the victory with a 21-point fourth quarter to seal any doubt in the contest.

Sophomore Luke Saylor led all scorers with 28 points for Heritage while junior Kiel Eldridge chipped in 14 points.

Junior Dalton Wasson added seven markers for the Patriots followed by senior Deontae Cobbins (six), junior Dylan Hale (four), junior Leroy Lepper (three), sophomore Nyles Knapke (three) and sophomore Howie Kaiser (two).

Bluffton was paced by junior Max Stoppenhagen with 11 markers and sophomore Andrew Ball posted eight.

Other scorers for the Tigers were junior Harrison Schreiber (seven), senior Reece Johnston

(five), Kaleb Riley (five), junior Carter McConnell (two) and senior Seth Bennett (two).

Heritage, now 8-7, will host Jay County (5-5) on Friday in an ACAC battle while Bluffton (7-8) welcomes in Adams Central (7-8) on Tuesday before visiting Northfield (4-12) Friday.

DEMAND FOR HEALTHCARE CAREERS DRIVES MERCY COLLEGE ENROLLMENT UP

Mercy College of Ohio's spring semester enrollment is 1302 students up 7.6% from this time in 2020. Much of the increase can be attributed to pathways that provide students options for GPA forgiveness and dual degree enrollment. Mercy College has 74 students who are enrolled in a dual degree program at Bowling Green State University or Tiffin University.

Susan Wajert, PhD, President of Mercy College says, "I'm happy with the enrollment growth and proud of the resilience our students, faculty, and staff have demonstrated through the pandemic. Our graduates are needed now more than ever."

Mercy College of Ohio is a Catholic institution sponsored by Mercy Health. It focuses on healthcare and health science programs in both on-campus and online formats. Mercy College offers degrees at the graduate, bachelor's, associate level, and certificate programs. More information is available at mercycollege.edu.

HUGE SECOND QUARTER PUSHES RAIDERS PAST KNIGHTS



The first basket of the game was by Wayne Trace's Cameron Graham—here shoots and scores 3 points! More pictures at westbendnews.net

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HAVILAND - The Wayne Trace Raiders knew they would have their hands full with Ohio State recruit Kalen Etzler. He proved them right by pouring in 30 points and hauling in nine rebounds for the Knights - more than half their total points. But the Raiders countered with three players hitting for double figures which push the red, white and blue past Crestview 72-57.

The Raiders secured a five-point advantage, 18-13, after one period of play but it was the second quarter that separated the two teams by a much wider margin. Wayne Trace exploded for 22 second quarter points but equally impressive was their defense - holding the Knights to just six points. The lopsided second quarter gave the Raiders a 40-19 lead at the break.

Crestview would make small dents in the Raider's lead in the second half. The Knights outscored the Raiders by two in the third period and while putting 23 points on the board in the fourth quarter the Raiders responded with 19.

With the win the Raiders improved their overall season mark at 15-5 with the Knights falling to 14-5. With Etzler scoring 30 (hitting 10-11 two-point goals) the rest of the cast divided 27 points among

five players. Gavin Etzler finished with nine, J.J. Ward added eight, Carson Hunter and Carson Kreisler each with four and Nathan Lichtie two.

Wayne Trace was topped by the 23 points from Brooks Laukhuf followed by Trevor Sinn with 14 and Cameron Sinn chipping in 10. Laukhuf drained 4-7 inside the arc and 4-5 behind the three-point arc to go with 3-4 at the foul line. Kyle Stoller just missed a double-double with nine points and 10 rebounds. Rounding out the scoring for the victorious Raiders was Cameron Graham with seven, Trevor Speice adding six and Grayson McClure with three.

The Raiders continued to shoot well, hitting 13-19 (68 percent) from the two-point area and 11-18 (61 percent) behind the arc. Crestview shot well from close range, hitting 15-26 inside the arc for 55 percent, but outside the arc struggled on 6-25 for 24 percent. Wayne Trace won the battle of the boards 27-25 but committed five more turnovers (18-13) than Crestview.

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ANTWERP DOE-C-DOE 4-H CLUB ANNOUNCES OFFICERS FOR 2021



Antwerp's Doe-C-Doe 4-H Club 2021 officers are pictured from left to right, Raley Franklin as secretary, Eric Thornell as president, Eli Molitor as Vice President, and Jessica Thornell as treasurer. The club's health and safety officer is Reese Franklin, news reporter is Katie Oberlin, and recreation officers are Anneliese Zijlstra and Lily Zijlstra. Doe-C-Doe will hold their next meeting on Sunday, March 7 at 1:30 pm at the Antwerp United Methodist Church. Anyone interested is welcome to contact club advisor Hillary Zijlstra at hillaryzijlstra@gmail.com.

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:
FIRST FINANCIAL BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.

PEGGY I. WOLFLE, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 20 034.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above-entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above-named County, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 2021 at 10:00 a.m., the real estate located at:

202 South Coupland Street, Paulding
Parcel Number: 30-10S-001-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Engineer's Office located in the basement of the Courthouse.

Said premises appraised at Thirty Thousand and No/100 (\$30,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second sale will be held on the 11th day of March, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid.

The purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

The appraisal of this property was completed without an interior inspection. Neither the Sheriff's Office nor the appraisers are responsible for the condition of the property at the time the purchaser takes possession.

Purchasers are advised they have no legal right to access this property until the Sheriff's Deed has been filed with the Paulding County Recorder's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent down on day of the sale with the balance to be paid before the deed is issued.

The successful bidder will have 30 days from the sale date to obtain an examination of title at their expense, if so desired. Should such examination disclose the title to be unmarketable by any defect in the court proceedings or the existence of any outstanding interest rendering the title unmarketable, the successful bidder has 30 days to file a written motion requesting the sale shall be set aside. If the court finds the title unmarketable, the court will refuse to confirm the sale or fix a reasonable time, not to exceed 90 days, within which the defect of title may be corrected.

Taxes shall be prorated to the date of the sale and paid from the sale proceeds.
Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com
Benjamin N. Hoen, Attorney for Plaintiff

SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

General Code, Section 11681 Revised Code, Section 2329.26

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,
vs.

MELISSA ESCALERA, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 20 012.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above-entitled action, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the East door of the Courthouse in the Village of Paulding, in the above named County, on Thursday, the 25th day of February, 2021 at 10:05 a.m., the real estate located at:

333 West Wayne Street, Paulding
Parcel Number: 30-14S-045-00

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James L. Sassano, Attorney for Plaintiff

COLD OUTSIDE BUT RAIDERS HEAT UP INSIDE

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

HOLGATE - Wayne Trace traveled to Holgate on a cold Friday night for an important Green Meadows Conference match-up with the Tigers. It may have been cold outside but the Raiders felt no effects with their torrid shooting. Wayne Trace coasted to a 61-36 win while hitting 67 percent of their two-point field goals (16-24) and 43 percent behind the arc on 9-21. Overall, the Raiders finished at a 51 percent clip from the field.

Out of the gate quickly the Raiders raced to a 26-15 first quarter lead and settled in at the halftime break leading convincingly 43-24. Wayne Trace added to their margin in the third quarter, outscoring the Tigers 14-5, to take a 57-29 lead heading into the final period. In the fourth frame the Tigers (7-11, 3-3) outscored the Raiders in a low scoring quarter 7-4.

With the win the Raiders remain alone in second place at 4-2 with the Antwerp Archers holding on to the top spot at 4-1. Ayersville, Holgate and Edgerton are behind the Raiders at 3-3.

Leading scorer for the Raiders was Brooks Laukhuf who finished with 18 markers on 6-7 shooting from the two-point area and 2-4 behind the arc. Kyle Stoller produced a double-double on 13 points and 12 rebounds along with six assists in a solid performance on both ends of the court. Trevor Sinn was in double figures with 11 followed by six points each by Cam Sinn and Cameron Graham. Rounding out the Raiders scoring was Grayson McClure with three and Trevor Speice and Joe Munger each with two.

The Raiders out rebounded the Tigers almost 2-1 with 39 to the Tigers 21. Wayne Trace committed 11 turnovers to nine for Holgate. While the Raiders shot 51 percent from the field the Tigers managed 14-47 floor a 30 percent clip. Robbie Thacker led the Tigers in scoring with 13 points followed by Bailey Sonnenberg adding eight. WT vs Crestview Boys

IMAGINATION STATION AND TOLEDO PUBLIC SCHOOLS COLLABORATE FOR VIRTUAL STEM EDUCATION

At a time when the word "virtual" has become a way of life, the need for new online learning opportunities is growing. Toledo Public Schools and Imagination Station are collaborating on two initiatives to support STEM (science, technology, engineering, math and medicine) education within TPS and beyond.

The first collaboration is a grant from the Ohio Department of Education and Philanthropy Ohio through the Collaborative Fund for Educating Remotely and Transforming Schools that enhances virtual learning opportunities. The over \$100,000 grant will be implemented in the first half of 2021 and include four key components:

Virtual field trip about "Forces and Motion" for fifth grade students at TPS

Forces and Motion science

kits for every fifth grade student at TPS

"Picture Yourself in STEM" livestream events, connecting TPS third, fourth and fifth graders to a diverse network of professionals working in STEM fields

Professional development opportunities for TPS teachers focused on new methods for teaching STEM topics virtually

"As TPS teachers and students have worked hard to embrace a virtual learning environment, this grant and our partnership with Imagination Station will only enhance and streamline the opportunities for our kids to learn about STEM topics," said Dr. Romules Durant, CEO/Superintendent at Toledo Public Schools.

The second collaboration expands the use of science videos outside the walls of TPS. Last summer, TPS and Imagination Station partnered to produce a series of 13 videos that bring STEM topics to life for TPS students - regardless if they are learning in a school setting or virtually. As of today, the videos are available to anyone, anywhere, at no cost. With thanks to TPS, all 13 videos are currently available on the Imagination Station website. The videos may be viewed by teachers in other school districts, homeschoolers, or lifelong learners. Each video is designed to meet Ohio curriculum guidelines for students in Kindergarten through 8th grade, and includes an introduction of a science topic followed by a demonstration and hands-on activity for the viewer to complete.

"These two initiatives enhance STEM education for today's students, who are tomorrow's STEM professionals," said Lori Hauser, CEO of Imagination Station. "We appreciate the opportunity to partner with TPS and embrace virtual learning opportunities that deliver on our mission to spark a passion for the sciences."

DON'T BE A VICTIM OF FRAUD

The Ohio Attorney General's Office has been made aware of a high number of fraudulent claims regarding Unemployment Benefits issued through the state of Ohio. Although the Ohio Attorney General cannot make a determination as to the validity of a claim - that must be handled by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) - here are a few simple FAQs to address the situation.

Q: How do I know if someone has fraudulently filed for Unemployment Benefits in my name?

A: If you have received one or more of the following and you did not file for Unemployment Benefits in 2020, you may have had a fraudulent claim made in your name:

- A 1099-G tax form.
- A letter from ODJFS stating that Unemployment Benefits have been applied for in your name.
- A US Bank ReliaCard for funds you do not recognize or were not expecting.
- Notification from your employer that ODJFS is inquiring about Unemployment Benefits that you did not apply for.

Q: What should I do if I

GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE @ PAULDING



Students in Mr. Romero's and Mrs. Wiswell's classroom participated in The Great Kindness Challenge. Shown in the picture are Mr. Romero, Mrs. Wiswell, and all the students who received awards for their participation.

receive one of the forms/notifications listed above?

A: You should follow these steps, in order:

1.) Contact ODJFS immediately.

You can report identity theft to ODJFS by completing an online form at: <https://odjfs2.secure.force.com/OUIOFraudReportingPortal> or by visiting www.Unemployment.Ohio.Gov. You will need to enter personal information such as your Social Security number and your driver's license number. If you do not have access to the internet, you can call ODJFS at 877-644-6562; please note wait times may be long.

Once you've successfully filed your report, ODJFS will

send a confirmation email, investigate the claim and issue a correction to the IRS if fraud is determined.

Please note: There is not a mechanism in place for the Ohio Attorney General to contact ODJFS on your behalf to either start or expedite the process.

2.) Check your credit report.

Visit www.AnnualCreditReport.com or call 877-322-8228 to do so. A credit report will show all credit-related accounts open in your name, such as mortgages, credit cards and car loans. Credit reports are free through April 2021, and after that date, you are entitled to one free credit report per year from each

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NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME

PROBATE COURT OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
MICHAELA. WEHRKAMP, JUDGE
IN RE: Change of Name of YU CHEN (Present Name) to ANNA YU-LIN KARLSTADT (Name Requested)
Case No. 20216001

day of March 2021, at 2:00 o'clock P.M. in the Probate Court of Paulding County, located at Courthouse - Second Floor - Room 202, 115 N. Williams St., Paulding, Ohio 45879.

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PROBATE COURT PAULDING COUNTY, OH

NOTICE OF HEARING ON CHANGE OF NAME [R.C. 2717.01]

Applicant hereby gives notice to all interested persons, that the applicant has filed an Application for Change of Name in the Probate Court of Paulding County, Ohio, requesting the change of name of YU CHEN to ANNA YU-LIN KARLSTADT. The hearing on the application will be held on the 15th

Yu Chen
Applicant's Signature
Yu Chen
Typed or Printed Name
11415 Rd 132
Address
Paulding OH 45879
City State Zip

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO - Juvenile Division-
Case No. 20213002

the granting of this complaint may impact your parental rights. You have the right to be represented by legal counsel, and if you are unable to retain legal counsel due to indigency, you have the right to have legal counsel appointed to you. If you are indigent and would like to have legal counsel appointed, please contact Kayla Deitrick, Deputy Clerk, at 419-399-8255.

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JUVENILE COURT PAULDING COUNTY, OH

IN THE MATTER OF:
ASHTON BLANKENBECKLER
ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD

To: Ronald Blankenbeckler
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
1939 East 2nd St.,
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Please take notice that a Complaint has been filed in the above-captioned matter requesting temporary custody of the child to a relative and an order that protective supervision be granted to the Defiance Paulding Consolidated Job and Family Services. You may attend the Adjudicatory Hearing scheduled for Friday, February 19, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Said hearing will be held at the Paulding County Juvenile Court located at 115 N. Williams St., Suite 202, Paulding, Ohio 45879. Please be advised that

Kayla Deitrick, Clerk
Paulding County, Ohio
By: Kayla Deitrick
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Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Burkard (0059106)
Paulding County, Ohio
Prosecuting Attorney
120 S. Walnut Street
Paulding, Ohio 45879

SYNERGY STUDENT HAND OUT DONATIONS



Shown are SYNERGY Learning Center students ready to hand out the donations: L to R: Charles Hall-Lincolnview, Caden Green-Van Wert, Makenna Tice-Crestview, Levi Eddins-Van Wert, Orion Miller-Antwerp, Skyler Willingham-Van Wert, and Chris Runyon-Van Wert.

of the main three credit reporting agencies. On your report, look for accounts and inquiries that you do not recognize. If you find anything suspicious, contact the Ohio Attorney General's Office (800-282-0515 or www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov).

3.) Consider placing an Initial Fraud Alert on your credit report.

A fraud alert makes it harder for an identity thief to open credit accounts in your name and lasts for one year. You need to contact only one of the credit agencies listed below to place the alert; the one you contact will share the information with the other two. The agencies are:

Experian: www.experian.com/fraud (888-397-3742)

Equifax: www.equifax.com (800-525-6285)

Transunion: www.transunion.com (800-680-7289)

There is no charge to place an Initial Fraud Alert.

4.) Consider placing a permanent Security Freeze on your credit report.

A Security Freeze will prevent others from opening credit in your name; such a freeze is free to place and is

permanent. (You must pause or end it to open a new account.) Unlike an Initial Fraud Alert, for a Security Freeze, you must contact all three of the credit reporting agencies. Use the contact information listed above to do so.

Q: Can the Ohio Attorney General's Office resolve my Unemployment Benefits claim?

A: Although the Ohio Attorney General's Office provides many services to help victims of identity theft, the office cannot resolve Unemployment Benefits claims; only ODJFS can make an eligibility and/or fraud determination. However, if after checking your credit report, you find accounts that do not belong to you, you are encouraged to contact the Ohio Attorney General's Identity Theft Unit (800-282-0515 or www.OhioAttorneyGeneral.gov).

Q: Can the Ohio Attorney General help me with other tax-related issues, such as providing guidance on how to file my taxes in light of receiving a fraudulent 1099-G?

A: The Ohio Attorney General's Office cannot help

with filing taxes, but the following websites may be helpful:

The state of Ohio answers tax questions on this webpage: <https://tax.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/tax/help-center/resources/1099+-g-odt-odjfs>

The IRS answer tax questions on this webpage: <https://www.irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/employment-related-identity-theft>

Q: How can I protect myself from identity theft moving forward?

A: There are many ways in which you can protect yourself from further identity theft:

- Never share personal information with someone who contacts you unexpectedly.

- Place an Initial Fraud Alert or permanent Security Freeze on your credit reports.

- Never carry unnecessary personal information, such as your Social Security card, in your wallet or purse.

- Don't conduct private business on personal WiFi.

- Use hard-to-guess passwords, especially for websites in which you have personal information stored.

******SCAM ALERT******

IRS SCAM: 1099-G FORM is being sent to individuals throughout the State of Ohio. This form deals with Unemployment Benefits. The form shows them what they made in Unemployment for year 2020, but the individuals receiving the forms did not collect any Unemployment Benefits for 2020.

If you receive the 1099-G form from the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services and you have not received any Unemployment Benefits during the 2020 year you are to contact Ohio Department of Job & Family Services at 1-877-644-6562 and tell them you did not receive any unemployment benefits and they will send you a corrected form.

PAULDING CHAMBER MAKES A TRANSITION

Paulding, OH: Mikayla Pieper has been the executive director of the Paulding Chamber of Commerce for three years. During her three year employment with the Chamber she has made many connections within the community and has worked hard to reinvent some parts of the Chamber while strengthening the core of the organization; its members. Pieper has made the decision to part ways with the Chamber and plans to help train an incoming replacement into April of 2021.

"The decision to move on was not an easy one, but life is pulling me in a different direction. I've learned so much as the director and have met so many great people throughout the years," says Pieper. "The Chamber board has been so supportive of my decision to move on and are working hard to make the transition as smooth as possible for members."

The Chamber board of directors are actively putting a plan in place to go forward with hiring a replacement for Pieper and are optimistic the Chamber will be blessed with another great director.

"We're sad to see Mikayla go and wish her the best in her future endeavors", says

board President Abby Hornish.

The job posting for the Executive Director position will be posted on the Chamber website at www.pauldingchamber.com and on their Facebook page for anyone interested in the position.

LEPC MEETING

On February 3 the county LEPC Local (Emergency Planning Committee) meeting took place over zoom. The meeting was chaired by Paulding County Emergency Management Director Ed Bohn. The meeting revealed that people were getting their COVID shots in the county. 65% of Nursing home residents have now received their shots. 60-65% of the staff at the facilities, along with the hospital staff, have received theirs or have antibodies from previously having it. Dave Foltz said some EMTs are receiving the vaccine and some aren't. Ed said less than 20% in the county received it. Some in the meeting were concerned about the low number of EMS staff receiving the vaccine but it was explained by Paulding County Hospital CEO Ron Goedde, that those who were concerned with certain issues such as pregnancy may very well want to avoid the shot as the testing has not taken place on how it might effect the mother and child.

Mark Holtsberry brought up about trains blocking tracks in south and central Paulding County being excessively long and many times stopping for extended periods of time. Sheriff Landers replied that the issue was a concern for many people in the county, and said his Deputies have been contacted about the train issues. They call to Atlanta where rail headquarters are, but they don't seem to get much response. If the County Commissioners would make rules about such things, then citations could be issued and then probably to court for fines. Jason has said it's frustrating because people get upset and he feels like he can't do much.

Personal Protection Equipment PPE is still coming, according to Bill Edwards, Paulding County Health Department. The PPE is then taken to Ed Bohn, who manages the stockpile at the OSU Extension building. The only thing lacking in the county is the vaccine. Another shipment of N95 masks are coming in next week.

It was stated that Paulding County Hospital has been very busy with vaccine clinics and they don't have enough shots to administer as many as people would prefer. Currently they are doing shots on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Catherine from Red Cross said the offices are closed right now but Blood Drives are continuing. Virtual responses to emergencies for the Red Cross have helped significantly, and immediately be able to respond for help such as financial transactions for immediate purchases.

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THE WEST BEND NEWS
Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

LATTA STATEMENT ON SENATOR PORTMAN'S DECISION

BOWLING GREEN, OH – Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) provided the following statement after Senator Rob Portman (R-OH) announced he will not be running for re-election in 2022:

"Senator Rob Portman's announcement today that he will not run for re-election is bittersweet. Since 2011, Rob has worked diligently, efficiently, and honorably in the Senate on behalf of Ohioans and Americans everywhere. His

efforts have focused on common-sense conservative ideas to help create jobs, combat the opioid epidemic, protect our Great Lakes, ensure the men and women in the Armed Forces have the resources they need to safely complete their missions, and far more. And through the many opportunities Rob and I have been able to work together, he has become more than a colleague, but a tremendous friend. Marcia and I send him and Jane our sincere congratulations as they prepare to embark upon their next journey together."

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO -Juvenile Division-
Case No. 20203004
IN THE MATTER OF: NOELIA C. GONZALES, ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD
To: Noel Hernandez
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: Mexico

retain legal counsel due to indigency, you have the right to have legal counsel appointed to you. If you are indigent and would like to have legal counsel appointed, please contact Kayla Deitrick, Deputy Clerk, at 419-399-8255.

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JUVENILE COURT PAULDING COUNTY, OH

Please take notice that a motion to transfer legal custody of Noelia C. Gonzales to Edward & Candice Gonzales has been filed in the above-captioned matter. You may attend the Motion hearing scheduled for March 15, 2021 at 8:30 am. Said hearing will be held at the Paulding County Juvenile Court located at 115 N. Williams St., Suite 202, Paulding, Ohio 45879. Please be advised that the granting of this Motion will affect your parental rights. You have the right to be represented by legal counsel, and if you are unable to

Kayla Deitrick, Clerk Juvenile Court Paulding, County, Ohio
By: *Kayla Deitrick*
Deputy
Respectfully submitted,
Joseph R. Burkard
Joseph R. Burkard (0059106) Paulding County, Ohio Prosecuting Attorney 120 S. Walnut Street Paulding, Ohio 45879 419-399-8270

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF HEARING ON MOTION FOR ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO -Juvenile Division-
Case No. 20213003
IN THE MATTER OF: JAZLYNN BLANKENBECKLER ALLEGED DEPENDENT CHILD
To: Ronald Blankenbeckler
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 1939 East 2nd St., Defiance, Ohio 43512

the granting of this complaint may impact your parental rights. You have the right to be represented by legal counsel, and if you are unable to retain legal counsel due to indigency, you have the right to have legal counsel appointed to you. If you are indigent and would like to have legal counsel appointed, please contact Kayla Deitrick, Deputy Clerk, at 419-399-8255.

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JUVENILE COURT PAULDING COUNTY, OH

Please take notice that a Complaint has been filed in the above-captioned matter requesting temporary custody of the child to a relative and an order that protective supervision be granted to the Defiance Paulding Consolidated Job and Family Services. You may attend the Adjudicatory Hearing scheduled for Friday, February 19, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Said hearing will be held at the Paulding County Juvenile Court located at 115 N. Williams St., Suite 202, Paulding, Ohio 45879. Please be advised that

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

PAULDING VILLAGE

SKATE PARK REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Paulding County Commissioners, acting for the Village of Paulding, will receive sealed bids for the Skate Park Equipment Replacement Project.

Bids will be received at the Paulding County Commissioners office located at 115 N. Williams Street B-1 Paulding, Ohio 45879 on March 1, 2021 at which time and place bids will be opened publicly and read aloud. Bids received after 9:30 a.m. (local time) on March 1, 2021 will be returned unopened.

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

The project consists of installing new skate park equipment for citizens to use. The current equipment in La Fountain Park is aged and its equipment is made of wood; this will be replaced by steel equipment.

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

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

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

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

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

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

END OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS

WAYNE TRACE JH WRESTLERS ARE GMC RUNNER-UPS



February 6th had all the odds stacked against Wayne Trace Junior High Wrestling Team with only six wrestlers able to compete in the GMC Tournament. With four GMC Champions, one runner-up, and one third-place placer, Wayne Trace was well represented on the mat. Scoring 105 team points, they only fell short of first place by 25 points. This is a vast improvement from the beginning of the season.

In the 98-pound weight class, Kamryn Sutton dominated his opponent with a PIN. Sutton had many successful takedowns and mat returns that left his competition seeing stars. Sutton was the first of the four individual champions for the Raiders. In the 104-pound weight

class, Corbin Kimmel stood alone. Winning by default, Kimmel was the second GMC Champion. Kimmel was able to wrestle an exhibition match where he also pinned his opponent who would be in the 110-pound weight class. Coming in as the third Raider Champ, Logan Gerschutz for the 116-pound weight class defeated a much deeper bracket. With three PINs for the day, Logan left his competition unaware of what just hit them. All of Logan's PINs occurred within the first period of his matches and he was a true beast on the mat. Jarrett Jewell came in next for the 142-pound weight class. Although Jewell had a couple of great escapes and strong momentum, he was unable to defeat his opponent. Jew-

ell still was able to secure the runner-up for his weight and gather team points for the Raiders. Following in the 150-pound weight class, Ryan Bostleman also had a deeper bracket. Although he lost the first two matches, Bostleman's team rallied around him with support and amped him up for the third match. Bostleman went on the mat with a determination and pinned his opponent that had previously beat him in the past. This secured the third place finish for Bostleman and additional team points for the Raiders. Dyson Scott represents the fourth GMC Champ for the JH Team. Dyson manhandled his opponent with two takedowns in the first period. He then allowed the opponent to choose bottom for the second period. From there, Scott took him to his back and finished him with a PIN.

As a team, these boys have come a long way in just one season. They have reached their goals on the mat and off the mat. They have set the bar higher and higher with every practice and every meet. They have developed a support system within themselves. The Wayne Trace Junior High Raider Wrestling Team is PROUD to be the GMC Runner-Ups.

COVID-19 UPDATE: K-12 STAFF VACCINATIONS, PANDEMIC IMPACTS ON K-12 KIDS

Ohio Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted provided the following updates on Ohio's response to the COVID-19 pandemic on January 28, 2021.

K-12 STAFF VACCINATIONS

Every public school district in the state - except for one - has agreed to resume in-person schooling by March 1 which was a requirement for staff to have early access to the vaccine.

K-12 schools whose staff can be vaccinated the week of February 1, 2021, have been notified. All other schools will be contacted tomorrow with information on when their K-12 staff will be permitted to receive a vaccine.

More details on Ohio's K-12 vaccination process will also be released on Friday. The plan ensures that the maximum number of people can be vaccinated in the shortest amount of time. The plan also makes the process as simple as possible for staff to be vaccinated and is organized to allow most K-12 staff in a county to be vaccinated within seven days of their assigned vaccination start date.

PANDEMIC IMPACTS ON K-12 STUDENTS

Ohio has prioritized getting K-12 students back in schools by March 1 because many adolescents' social-emotional and mental well-being has been impacted by the pandemic.

"We know some of our

students have not been in the classroom in months - it's taking its toll," said Governor DeWine. "For some, remote learning works, for others, it doesn't. We are in danger of too many kids struggling for too long if they don't get back to school in person."

"School is community for our youth," said Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Director Lori Criss. "It benefits kids so much more than academic content. It's the social and emotional connections that kids feel with friends, classmates, extra-curriculars, teachers, and more."

According to the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the change of routine and the constant uncertainty of the pandemic produces anxiety, and the disconnection from learning, emotional, and social supports can lead to depression. In addition, missed significant life events like graduations, proms, art performances, science competitions, sports, and more can result in grief.

Families and friends should reach out for help if a young person is:

- talking about feeling hopeless;
- worrying about being a burden;
- feeling like there's no reason to live;
- using drugs, alcohol or engaging in other risky behaviors;
- struggling with school;
- disconnecting from family and friends.

Trained counselors with Ohio's CareLine are available 24/7 at 1-800-720-9616. They can help with a crisis, provide guidance, and connect callers to help in the community.

VIRGINIA PAULUS-ILER SCHOLARSHIP

Paulding, OH: Virginia Paulus, a long-time supporter and former board of director of the Paulding County Area Foundation has funded a scholarship administered by Paulding County Area Foundation which is available to

PAULDING MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS VOLUNTEER AT CARING AND SHARING



Sixth grade students from Paulding Middle School volunteered at the Caring and Sharing Food Pantry on Saturday, January 30th. Shown in the picture from left are Ms. Jami Karnes (teacher), Janee Tousley, Silas Foltz, and Estee Pease.

university/college students entering their junior year, or third year of studies at an Ohio university/college. The scholarship was designed by Paulus to help students who graduated from Paulding High School. The scholarship recipients will receive \$1,000.00 each to be used to further their education. To apply for the 2021 Virginia Paulus-Iler scholarship visit www.pauldingcountyarea-foundation.com to complete the scholarship application. All applications are due Friday, April 9, 2021 to the school guidance counselor or to the Foundation office located at 103 E. Perry St. in Paulding. Applicants must be graduates of Paulding High School and entering their junior, or 3rd year of a university/college of Ohio in the Fall 2021 to be considered.

RAIDERS WIN GMC TITLE

SHERWOOD - The Wayne Trace wrestling team had five individual champions and four others finished as league runners-up as the Raiders claimed the Green Meadows Conference wrestling title Friday night at Fairview High School.

The Raiders totaled 202-1/2 points to easily get past second place Tinora's 164 for the championship with host Fairview finishing third at 153.

Jarrett Hornish (126), Hunter Long (132), Seth Meggison (145), Eli Moore (170) and Jacob Graham (285) all claimed titles for the red, white and blue. Runner-up finishers for Wayne Trace included Emma Lyons (106), Kacy Sutton (113), Gabe Troth (138).

Nathan Osborn took third

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for the Raiders at 195 while Maddox Treece (152), Samuel Moore (160) and Kaden Woolbright (220) all picked up fourth place finishes.

Hornish posted a 9-1 win over Antwerp's Eli Reinhart to claim the title at 126 while Long pinned Ayersville's Tyler Winzler in 3:35 to win the 132-pound class.

Meggison recorded a 14-11 victory against Tinora's Drew Helmke for the championship and Eli Moore got past the Rams' Dalton Wolfrum via a pin at the 5:07 mark to win the 170-pound class.

Graham also was victorious by pin at the 5:05 mark for the 285-pound title victory over Fairview's Tyler Martin.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Tony M. Hanson, Woodburn, IN; OVI/breath high; Case shall be bound over; bond continued

Tony M. Hanson, Woodburn, IN; OVI/under influence; Preliminary hearing waived; Case shall be bound over

Tony M. Hanson, Woodburn, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension; Bound over to Common Pleas Court; Bond continued

Tony M. Hanson, Wood-

burn, IN; Failure to control; Bound over to Common Pleas Nathan Beck, Payne, OH; Theft; Dismissed with prejudice; Costs paid by the defendant

Joshua K. Clark, Paulding, OH; Junk ordinance; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Fines of \$25.00 per day starting 9/1/20 to 1/26/21 for a total of \$3500.00 plus court costs; Pay or collections set for 12/17/21

Larry W. Mullins Jr., Paulding, OH; Driving under FRA suspension; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs by 12/17/21; \$25 per month beginning 2/26/21; Community Control Two; Defendant to secure a valid operator's license

Byron C. Johnson, Toledo, OH; OVI/under influence; Guilty; Defendant may attend the DIP in lieu of 3 jail days; Pay or collect 12/17/21; The KAHR .40 caliber handgun to be forfeited to arresting agency with no further charges to be pressed

Byron C. Johnson, Toledo, OH; Distracted driving; Case dismissed at state's request

Anthony C. Bird, Defiance, OH; Physical control; Guilty; ALS vacated immediately; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu fo 3 jail days; DIP to be completed by 6/25/21; Proof of insurance provided

Tyler D. Van Horn, New Haven, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Anthony C. Bird, Defiance, OH; Driving under sus-

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pension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs by 3/26/21

Anthony C. Bird, Defiance, OH; Loud exhaust; Case dismissed at state's request

Oshawn M. McCullough, East Pointe, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David W. Taylor, Toledo, OH; Attempted child endangerment; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Complete parenting classes; Evaluation; No contact with victim; Maintain general good behavior

Derrick J. Logan, Melrose, OH; Handle firearm; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; All firearms shall be forfeited to the arresting agency

Tina I. Shull, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kevin M. Franz, Holgate, OH; No operator's license; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jessy R. May, Antwerp, OH; Theft; Defendant waived the preliminary hearing; case shall be bound over

Shelby Reinhart, Bryan, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs

Seth B. Culp, Taylor, MI; Failure to control; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs today

Michelle Geiger, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jamie Y. Hamzeh, Gilbert, AZ; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Christine R. Allen, Lima, OH; Theft; Case dismissed per state

Matthew T. White, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Angela M. Eaton, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Travis E. Stevenson, Antwerp, OH; Drugs/detention;

Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived

Dakota J. Mobley, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Renika J. Singleton, Houston, TX; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Carson A. Beirworth, Clinton Township, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Carson A. Beirworth, Clinton Township, MI; Drug paraphernalia; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Eric Renollet, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived defendant

Luke G. Chamberlain, Antwerp, OH; OVI/under the influence; Guilty; Defendant may complete DIP in lieu of 3 jail days, complete by 6/25/21; 20 hours of community service; Vacate ALS immediately; Letter of apology; Standard probation; Pay all fines and costs today; Must secure valid operator's license by the end of term

Luke G. Chamberlain, Antwerp, OH; Possession by a minor; Case dismissed at state's request

Luke G. Chamberlain, Antwerp, OH; Failure to control; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs

Nathan E. Rhonhouse, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

James A. Mason, Paulding, OH; Attempted theft; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Isaiah A. Theobald, Paulding, OH; Hit skip; Guilty; Defendant provided proof of insurance; Pay all fines and costs today

Isaiah A. Theobald, Paulding, OH; Marked lanes; Guilty; Pay all fines and costs provided

James A. Brown, Payne, OH; Littering; Guilty; De-

pendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior, Complete 20 hours community service; May pay community service in amount of \$176.00

Nathan A. Dobbelaere, Oakwood, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension; Guilty; Proof of insurance provided; Defendant to report to jail on 2/25/21 @7:00 p.m. for 3 days; May complete DIP in lieu of jail days

Tyler J. Holland, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension; Guilty; Pay or collections 2/26/21; Defendant to secure a valid operator's license by end of term of community control

Kyle W. Zolman, Milford, MI; Failure to yield for emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant XLOCAL X32.55

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

BENTON TWP 2/3/21 Mansfield Stanley A to Miles Danny Miles Constance; Brian Dr; 0.2741 acres; Lot 2 Young Subdiv Ph I Payne Vill

2/3/21 Mansfield Stanley A to Miles Danny Miles Constance; Brian Dr; 0.277 acres; Lot 3 Young Subdiv Ph I Payne Vill

CARRYALL TWP 2/2/21 State Of Ohio to Paulding County Land Reutilization Corporation; 103 E Mervin St; 0.303 acres; Lot 5 W100'Of E1/2 Block C Antwerp Vill

2/3/21 Adkins David E Adkins Robert P to Adkins Robert P; 308 E Plum St; .0982 acres; Pt S1/2Ne1/4 Outlots S-14Cecil Vill

2/3/21 Adkins David E Adkins Robert P to Adkins Robert P; Plum St; 0.481

Sudoku solution from page 9

Table with 9 columns and 9 rows containing numbers 1-9 representing a solved Sudoku puzzle.

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2/3/21 Adkins David E Adkins Robert P to Adkins Robert P; Plum St; 0.509 acres; Pt Lot 25 Outlotss-14 Cecil Vg

JACKSON TWP 2/3/21 Foltz Steve to Verfaillle Rebecca L; 13315 Kay St; 0.5165 acres; Lot 14 & Lot 15 Noneman Em Acres Allot#3 Paulding Village

PAULDING TWP 2/1/21 Butler Stacey L to Rinebolt Stacey L Rinebolt Brian K; 820 N Cherry St; 0.178 acres; Lot 28 55Ns Schultz Add Paulding Vill

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POSITION: WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR/MAINTENANCE DEADLINE: Friday, February 12, 2021

The Village of Paulding, Ohio, is taking application for a Water Treatment Plant Operator/maintenance employee.

All applicants must have a valid high school diploma or equivalent; valid Ohio driver's license; ability to perform mathematical calculations; communicate effectively; be computer literate; work as a team member or alone; provide a safe operation of the water treatment facilities in compliance with federal, state and local requirements; perform all duties of an Operator as necessary, as well as other related duties as assigned. Required to do general equipment, building, grounds and plant maintenance; and become certified to conduct lab chemical and microbiological analysis. Candidate will be required to attend training as needed. Work hours include weekdays, weekends and holidays. All employees are subject to call out if an emergency arises. Pay rate is according to experience and education. Preference will be given to applicants already holding a valid Water License. Applications are available for pickup in the Village Utilities Office, or by emailing a request to pldvil@pauldng-net.com. Applications will be taken until Friday, February 12th, or until the position is filled.

To apply, please submit application and resume to: 116 S. Main St.; Paulding, Ohio 45879, or by email to the above mentioned address.

The Village of Paulding is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

VILLAGE OF ANTWERP PUBLIC NOTICES

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-01 on January 20, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$5,793.13 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE SEVERANCE PAY RESERVE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$5,793.13 from the General Fund to the Severance Pay Reserve Fund to accumulate necessary resources for payment of accumulated benefits as may be appropriate and payable in 2021.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02 on January 20, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE FISCAL OFFICER TO TRANSFER \$114,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE POLICE FUND, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance authorizes the Fiscal Officer to transfer \$114,000.00 from the General Fund to the Police Fund to provide necessary funding for the operations of the police department.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-03 on January 20, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PERSONNEL MANUAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, INCLUDING ANY AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO AND ALL APPLICABLE STATEMENTS ATTACHED THERETO, FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2021, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance adopts the Personnel Manual for the Village of Antwerp for calendar year 2021.

The Council of the Village of Antwerp passed ORDINANCE NO. 2021-05 on January 20, 2021, entitled, "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING, ADOPTING AND ENACTING AMERICAN LEGAL PUBLISHING'S OHIO BASIC CODE, 2021 EDITION, AS THE CODE OF ORDINANCES FOR THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, OHIO, AND DECLARING THE SAME AN EMERGENCY." This Ordinance approves the adoption of the 2021 Edition of the Ohio Basic Code as the code of ordinances for the Village.

The publication of these 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.



MULTIPLE POSITIONS OPEN

ABC U.S. currently has several openings within Maintenance, Packaging, Heat Treat (located in Pioneer, OH) and Manufacturing.

ABC is looking for self-directed individuals who work well with others, like challenges and are interested in being part of a dynamic organizational culture. Positions offer competitive wages, a full benefit package, including 401(k), weekly performance-based incentive pay (PPR), boot reimbursement, employee referral, new hire incentive earned at 6 months and 1 year, weekly attendance incentive, three pay increases within the first year of employment, 1 week of vacation earned at 90 days, and opportunity for future growth.

Applications can be filled out at atlenlohbrinck.appone.com

HEAT TREAT OPERATOR- (Located in Pioneer, Ohio) Starting wage is \$15.75 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$19.65 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Monday-Friday 10pm-6am. This person will be responsible for loading and maintaining loads of product. This person will also be responsible for filling out required paperwork. This person may also perform job responsibilities of staging, loading, and moving materials for a continuous operation. This position requires continuous bending/twisting at the waist, continual lifting, standing up to 8-12 hours a day.

MAINTENANCE POSITION- (Located in Pioneer, Ohio) Ability to make up to \$32.96 (including shift premium) an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am. This position requires 2 years of technical training plus 2 years of related work experience or equivalent. The desired applicant should have the following qualifications in mechanical: The ability to use machine tools (drills, grinders, and welders), perform work on motors, belts, and chains, the ability to trouble shoot situations, occasionally make replacement parts. The applicant should also have the following qualifications in electrical: The ability to replace fuses and set circuits breakers on high and low-tension circuits, diagnose electrical trouble, read blueprints, pneumatics and electrical schematics. The applicant must also be able to work from simple wiring diagrams. The hourly rate is dependent on experience and qualifications. Applicant MUST be willing to attend additional schooling, paid for by the Company, but is considered a requirement for the position.

TOOLMAKER - The ability to make up to \$30.37 (including shift premium) an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am. This person must have completed a formal Apprenticeship program plus 2 years' experience or 6-8 years' experience as a toolmaker using basic tool room equipment and familiar with some CNC equipment. Wire EDM experience a plus. The applicant must have the ability to work from drawings, sketches, and verbal instructions. The applicant must have proficient computer skills (proficient with CAD/CAM & MS Office Software).

MAINTENANCE POSITION- Ability to make up to \$32.96 (including shift premium) an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am. This position requires 2 years of technical training plus 2 years of related work experience or equivalent. The desired applicant should have the following qualifications in mechanical: The ability to use machine tools (drills, grinders, and welders), perform work on motors, belts, and chains, the ability to trouble shoot situations, occasionally make replacement parts. The applicant should also have the following qualifications in electrical: The ability to replace fuses and set circuits breakers on high and low-tension circuits, diagnose electrical trouble, read blueprints, pneumatics and electrical schematics. The applicant must also be able to work from simple wiring diagrams. The hourly rate is dependent on experience and qualifications. Applicant MUST be willing to attend additional schooling, paid for by the Company, but is considered a requirement for the position.

FLUID HANDLER - Starting wage is \$16.50 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$21.32 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. The shift available is Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am. This person will be responsible for fluid reclamation among manufacturing machinery. This person is also responsible for recycling oil and maintaining the coolant recycler unit. This person is also responsible for cleaning tanks regularly, overall general maintenance and tracking incoming and outgoing solid waste barrels.

PACKAGING/ PACKAGING MACHINE OPERATORS - Starting wage is \$12.75-\$13.50 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$15.85 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. We have openings on second shift (Monday - Thursday 4pm-2am) and our weekend shift (Friday- Sunday 6am-6pm), within our packaging department. General labor jobs packing product into smaller size quantities. Environment calls for high level of teamwork, standing all day for 10-12 hours, multitasking skills, visual inspection of parts, reading a tape measure, good attitude and good attendance.

MACHINE OPERATORS - Starting wage is \$15.75-\$16.50 (including shift premium) with the ability to make up to \$21.00 an hour including Production and Attendance Incentive. We have openings on our weekend shifts (Friday-Sunday 6am-6pm) and (Friday-Sunday 6pm-6am) and second shift (Monday-Thursday 4pm-2am), within our manufacturing department. The desired applicants should have the following qualifications: Good mathematical skills, the ability to read standard micrometers and calipers, and produce to a high-quality standard. Previous machinery experience in set up and troubleshooting within a manufacturing type environment is preferred, along with a solid work history.

Applications can be filled out at atlenlohbrinck.appone.com

JOHN KOBEE TAKES THE HELM AT AEB



It has taken 37 years for John Kobee to reach the top at the Antwerp Exchange Bank! John was recently named the President and CEO of the Bank and the three locations (Antwerp, Harlan, and Payne) after Ron Eschbach retired in December.

John started at the bank as Assistant Cashier on September 21, 1983 right out of Defiance College. Along the way he earned the titles of Cashier, Vice President, Senior Vice President, CFO, CEO, and President.

John has three children, Jodie, John I, and Beau. John lost his dear wife, Holly, last year in 2020 on her 50th birthday. John said there would be no way for him to have gotten to where he was if it was not for the love and encouragement of Holly.

Dan Shutt was the president when John began his banking career. It was because of Dan and Ron that really helped John become well rounded in the banking and loan industry. Ron was not only President but was also

the senior lending officer. All of this has helped shape John in banking. John started back with consumer loans and student loans. The experience has given him the ability to see the bigger picture.

John was also instrumental in getting the Harlan branch up and running with strategic planning and execution with Ron and the board. This is only the third location since the bank opened in 1898.

The latest challenge has been one that many businesses are currently facing and that is the COVID pandemic. The opportunity has allowed the bank to expand their technology and many more employees can now work from home as a result. Another benefit has been that the bank has helped the small businesses in the community with PPP loans, which are available again until the end of March. Even during the hardest time of COVID the bank was able to stay open, with restrictions, but still able to serve customers. John said they are looking at reopening the lobbies again

in all the branches in the near future.

John also wants to let people know their money and investments are safe at the Antwerp Exchange Bank and they are always ready and willing to help in the digital age. There are more scams than ever and many of the fraudsters have made their emails and mailings look nearly indistinguishable from real corporate and government contacts. If you question whether something is real, or are receiving a 1099, or a W2 for money that you did not receive, contact the bank or the local law enforcement, whom the bank works with regularly. The bank really is here to keep you, your ID, and your money protected. They can tell you if something is real or not, or if someone received money from the government using your ID. This has become a serious problem and the bank is ready to be your partner in stopping crime.

The future of the bank looks bright as the board of directors with John are leading to keep the funds strong with a conservative outlook. The Harlan branch was opened two years ago and will be the "new" branch for quite some time as they work to solidify their place in the community. The Antwerp Exchange Bank has been around for over 120 years and has weathered many financial storms. They will continue to make sure you are prepared for the next storm that may come.

At this time there are 31 full time, and four part time employees across three locations to make sure their customers are taken care of. Giving is instilled at all levels. John said he was very proud of the employees that are at the bank. Each week they have "Casual Friday" and the employees donate to a cause, and every month they give the money to a local non-profit such as schools, EMS, First responders, etc.

With John's experience and vision, the bank is certainly in good hands for the future!

VWCF INTENDS TO GIVE \$150,000 TO VAN WERT COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY BUILDING PROJECT



Pictured here are VWCF Staff & Board of Trustee Members with Board & Staff of the Van Wert County Humane Society - along with current and past shelter animals.

The Van Wert County Foundation (VWCF) intends to give \$150,000 in support of the Van Wert County Humane Society's Building Project. The Van Wert County Foundation administers the 2021 grant support provided by The Associated Charities Fund, The Flickinger Memorial Trust, and The James A. & Minnie C. Kesler Memorial Fund.

The Humane Society is building a new 3,000 square-foot shelter at 480 Fox Road, Van Wert. The shelter will have modern HVAC and ventilation systems, sealed concrete floors, dog kennels with indoor/outdoor access, open room areas for cats and separate medical isolation areas for dogs and cats. These are lacking at its current location at 309 Bonnewitz Ave., Van

Wert. The current site was a dog pound, where dogs were housed for three days then euthanized if not reclaimed by the owner. It is not functional to house animals for lengthier stays. The space is limited; dogs and cats kennel in the same large area with no access to fresh air and the outdoors. The new shelter will provide a safe haven for stray, homeless, neglected, and abused companion animals in our community.

The Van Wert County Humane Society makes every attempt to save, shelter, reunite, adopt, improve animal health and educate the public. They

help the community by assisting people who can no longer care for their pets due to economic hardship, illness, or death, by providing a means for surrendering their animals to the shelter and finding new homes. They advocate strongly on behalf of animal cruelty cases. They seek to stem the tide of unwanted animals in our county by advocating for spay/neuter; cooperating with the county, state, and national rescues; and partnering with local veterinarians. They support our dog warden's efforts to remove stray, diseased & aggressive animals from our streets.

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