

ANTWERP CHAMBER WELCOMES PHIL'S ONE STOP TO TOWN!



Sue Fowler, Antwerp Chamber; Nate Weitzel, Phil's One Stop; Stacy Bidlack, Phil's One Stop employee; Zach Carper, Phil's One Stop; Angel Steiner, Antwerp Chamber; and Mike Schneider, Antwerp Chamber.

On Monday, April 4th, the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce officially welcomed Phil's One Stop to Antwerp. Formerly owned by Slattery

Oil, Pop-n-Brew's new owners, Nate Weitzel & Zach Carper of Phil's One Stop are happy to be a part of the Antwerp community. Phil's

One Stop owns 23 stores in the NE Indiana & NW Ohio region. Antwerp Chamber of Commerce looks forward to working with you!

PAULDING COUNTY CAREER DAY SHOWCASE DATE ANNOUNCED

The Paulding County Economic Development office will be hosting the Annual Career Day Showcase on Tuesday, April 19 from 8:00 am- 12 noon at the Paulding County OSU Extension Building, located at 503 Fairground Dr. Paulding, OH 45879.

High School Students from the Junior & Senior classes at Antwerp, Paulding, and Wayne Trace will be bussed in to meet and learn more about the businesses, colleges, and non-profits in attendance. The public is also welcome to attend and talk with those attending. This is the first in-person career day event since 2019.

Paulding County Eco-

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NANCY LICHTY RETIRES FROM AEB



The Antwerp Exchange Bank would like to congratulate Nancy Lichty on her upcoming retirement. Nancy has been with AEB for nearly 35 years and has been a valuable asset to the bank. Many will remember for her friendly customer service and her ded-

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NORTHWEST OHIO CASA SWEARS IN TWO NEW VOLUNTEERS



Pictured from left to right are: Northwest Ohio CASA Advocate Coordinator Jessica Porter-Pennington, new CASA volunteers Jayne Smiley and Jenifer Nicelley, existing CASA volunteer Jennifer Porter, and Judge Michael Wehrkamp.

Michael Wehrkamp, Paulding County Juvenile Court Judge, swore in two new volunteers to act as Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in Paulding County on Thursday, April 7, 2022.

The ceremony was held at the Paulding County Courthouse. On hand were new CASA volunteers Jenifer Nicelley and Jayne Smiley, existing CASA volunteer Jennifer Porter, and Northwest Ohio CASA Advocate Coordinator Jessica Porter-Pennington.

Wehrkamp thanked the volunteers for their service and discussed the positive impact the CASA Program has had on the children involved, the court, and the community. "I'm grateful for our CASA volunteers and Northwest Ohio CASA. Having a CASA Program in Paulding County has been transformational for us. I congratulate our new and existing CASA volunteers."

The new volunteers are part of Northwest Ohio CASA, a non-profit program that expanded into Paulding County in September 2020

through a grant provided by Ohio CASA. Northwest Ohio CASA trains community volunteers to advocate for children who have experienced abuse or neglect. These volunteers ensure the best interest of the child is met both in the courtroom and community.

The CASA program is a national program in 49 states and serves over 270,000 children annually. Paulding County's newest volunteers join a large group of community members involved with Northwest Ohio CASA advocating for children.

To become a volunteer, one need not have any background knowledge of the juvenile court or child welfare system. Those interested in becoming volunteers must be at least 21 years of age, complete an application, pass a background check and undergo 30 hours of pre-service training.

If you are interested in becoming a CASA volunteer, please visit www.nwocasa.com for an application or email info@nwocasa.com. Northwest Ohio CASA may be reached at 419-592-9455.

Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

April 12

- PC Retired Teachers Assoc. Meeting @ Vagabond, 11:30a
- Food Distribution @ PC Fairgrounds, 12-2pm
- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 4-7p
- PC Democratic Party meeting @ Paulding Eagles, 7pm

April 13

- Lenten Services @ St. John Luth, Hksvle, 11a & 6:30p

April 14

- Ant. Cons. Club monthly meeting, 7pm

April 15

- Fish Fry @ Antwerp 1st Pres. Church, 12-6pm
- Good Friday Serv. @ Auglaize Chapel, 1pm
- Antwerp Comm. Good Friday Service @ Riverside Church, 6:30pm
- PASS Basketball Marathon @ Payne Elem, 5:25pm

April 16

- Payne FD Pancake & Sausage Breakfast @ Payne Elem, 6-11am
- Breakfast w/the Bunny @ Oakwood FD, 7-10am
- NRL22 Match @ ACC, 8am
- Food Distribution @ Cecil Comm. Church, 12-3pm

April 17

- Free Meals @ Cecil Comm Church, after 11am Service
- Add event to the calendar info@westbendnews.net



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OBITUARIES

BRYAN, OH:
Eric M. Jackson, 53, of Bryan, Ohio passed away Sunday, March 27, 2022 at Parkview Regional Medical Center. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.
PAYNE, OH:
Larry Lee Strickler, 82, of Payne, Ohio passed away Thursday, April 7, 2022 at Defiance Inpatient Hospice Center. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 SR 500, Payne, Ohio.

MATT'S MISHAPS

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



Shopping Confusion & Proof Reading

I am not sure if others have had similar experiences, but on heading out the door to run errands, I will ask my wife, "Need me to pick anything up if I have time?" She will often say something like "milk," "butter," or "cheddar cheese." And I will zoom out the door. As I go through my list of errands, I will eventually make it to the grocery store. When I get to the right



When buying food for our dog, I didn't understand why I would desire for her to "barf perfekt?" Did the company mean "bark?" I don't know if I want our dog to barf or bark.

aisle for the needed item, I will realize that I need more information. How much cheddar did she need? Shredded, sliced or a block? What kind of cheddar? Etc. I will call her to find (like always when I need grocery store information), she can't be reached. I will

have to decide whether to guess, buy nothing, or buy one of each. I usually guess, and on coming home and she seeing what I bought will say, "That's not what I needed, but it's okay - we can use it for something else."



When getting diapers for our son, I was surprised by it describing them with the word "scratch." I think this company got the word "Velcro" mixed up with "scratch" - I hope!

Life overseas isn't any easier when shopping for different products. It usually isn't because there are too many options (which there often aren't), but rather the product description itself. Other consumers in the world look at different product qualities when purchasing than I do coming from Indiana. Product marketing experts in those countries have a different way in understanding and appealing to those customer's wants.

Far and away, the greatest confusion and humor related to these overseas products' descriptions are their attempted use of English. Whether in English or any other language, it is best to have native speaker proofread your advertising when companies spend thousands of dollars to develop their products. With that said, yes, I expect you to find some writing errors in this article.

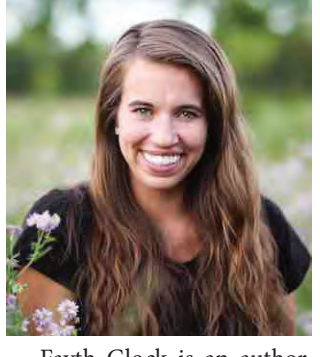
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WOMEN OF WORSHIP OFFERED AT BRANCH CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

God's Word calls us to "in spirit and truth" in John 4:24. Worship can be defined as "extravagant respect, or admiration for, or devotion to an object of esteem". As Christians we worship our Lord in many ways, but the most common way is through songs of praise and adoration. Did you know there are other ways to offer up your worship to God?

Some other areas are in the family, in the arts, and in the spirit. Branch Christian Fellowship in Paulding Ohio would like to invite ladies to come and join other women in the community to learn how we can go deeper in worship on April 23 at 9 AM. There will be a time of praise and worship and 4 speakers will be talking on 4 different areas of worship. There is no charge for this event and no registration is required.



Fayth Glock is an author, poet and spoken word artist from Ft. Wayne IN. She will be leading us in some worship music and speaking on worship in song. Her first and foremost calling is to be with God, and out of that intimacy, she is called to help lead those looking for deeper truth into the everyday reality of real relationship with God. Like a father walks his daughter down the aisle to her groom, Fayth believes God has commissioned her to help guide people down the aisle to be united with their ultimate Lover, Savior and King—a union that leads to abundant life and experiencing heaven on earth.



Cheryl Burk is from Convoy OH and will be speaking on worship in the family. She is married to Stan Burk they have been married for 46 years. She is the mother of 3 wonderful children: Eric(Julie) Christie(Dan) and Brian and have been blessed with 7 precious grandchildren. For the last 23 years has had the privilege to sing with the southern gospel trio "Trinity". She enjoys traveling and singing Gods word to wherever the the good Lord leads. She grew up in a small country church and every time the doors were open their family was in attendance. She accepted the Lord as her personal savior at the age of 13 and says she grew up with a great love of music. She recently retired from Wee Care Learning Center after 32 years and is excited to see where God takes her in this new chapter of her life.



Darlene Briskey is a local artist who has been a follower of Jesus for many years. She will be creating a painting during the conference and then speak about worship in the arts. She has taught Bible and done children's programs in many places in the world.

Scripture of the Week

"He himself bore our sins' in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; 'by his wounds you have been healed.'"

- 1 Peter 2:24

She is a wife, mother and grandmother and loves her family very much. She has felt called to be a missionary and share the gospel in where God sends her. Lately the Lord seems to be opening doors for her to share Jesus through her art. She works at the Paulding County hospital but is also exploring how art can be used in worship and for the kingdom of God. Darlene is waiting to see where and how God uses this as she yields to the Holy Spirit.



Kim Cramer is the wife of Pastor Greg Cramer, of Branch Christian Fellowship and she will be speaking on worship in the Spirit. She has served the Lord for many years, predominantly behind the scenes, doing whatever she could to help others. She takes her faith very seriously and continually looks to be a positive influence on her family, friends, grandchildren, church and in her workplace. She currently serves as the Missions Team Leader and is also a member of Branch's Directional Leadership Team. She has worked over 33 years at Promedica Defiance Hospital as a Respiratory Therapist. One of her greatest desires is to see others grow in faith and to truly know Jesus as their personal Lord and Savior.

Be sure to come and hear how you can go deeper in worship of our Lord and Savior! Doors open at 8:30 a.m.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson,
I have run across a couple of lists of the apostles names in the Bible and there seems to be some discrepancy.
Why?

I used to get tripped up on the same thing. Actually there are four lists: Matthew 10:2-4; Mark 3:16-18; Luke 6:14-16; and Acts 1:13.

The following apostles appear the same in all four lists: Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, and James (the son of Alphaeus). The following are different: Simon (who is called Peter) is just called Peter in Acts 1:13; James the son of Zebedee is just called James in Luke 6:14 and Acts 1:13; John the son of Zebedee is surnamed Boanerges in Mark 3:17 and just called John in Luke 6:14 and Acts 1:13; Simon the Canaanite is also called Simon Zelotes in Luke 6:15 and Acts 1:13; Lebbaeus is called Thaddaeus in Mark 3:18 and Judas the brother of James in Luke 6:16 and Acts 1:13. Judas Iscariot is mentioned in the first three lists but is missing from Acts 1:13 because he had since taken his own life.

It may be helpful for you to write down the additional names given to each person in a given list. It has helped me in future reference.

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HERE POOCHIE

Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

Did you know that there are approximately 68,000,000 dogs currently owned as pets in the U.S.? That's 68 million dog names. Of course when I was growing up, we always had a dog. We lived with grandma and grandpa and grandpa always named a dog, Rover. We had Rover #1, Rover #2 and Rover # 3. We all loved our Rovers, but living in the country it was hard to say where our Rover would go visit. The first Rover got caught killing someone's sheep and got us into a big mess. That Rover had to be secured on our property. Sheep are pretty expensive. Then we somehow obtained another dog and named him Rover. We lived on a country road, with few cars going by. This Rover liked to chase cars and one day his chasing days came to a halt. Then there was Rover #3. This one was a black dog who liked to bite. Even if he knew you he would still bite you. One day #3 jumped on me, knocking me down and took a bite of my leg. I wasn't that old or big, but I was so mad at that dog that I jumped on him, biting this ear. Rover cried and I got into trouble for getting even with him. After I was married and had my children, we always had a dog. In the 60s The Flintstones were popular on TV so we named our dog Dino. Dino was so cute and would follow us wherever we would go. At that time we did not have to keep our dogs tied up so Dino was free to visit other dogs around Scott, Ohio. Other dogs we had were chihuahuas; one named Leroy and another one named Ralph. All of our dogs were our pets and part of our family. One time we bought a wiener dog and named him Brownie. Brownie had the opportunity one time to make some other little Brownies. Well our Brownie had no

interest in lady wiener dogs and all he did was eat his supposed girl friends food and play with her toys. Brownie lived to be 21 years old.

Since I downsized and moved, I have a Ragdoll kitty named Honey. Honey is my best friend and follows me all around.

Getting back to dog names..... Naming a dog can be a big decision. The most popular dog names are:



Daisy and Bella for girls and Charlie and Max for boys.

Lots of people will name a dog after a loved one or a former pet. Some of these are Grandma, Paw-paw; or Baby Doll.

Some celebrities name their pooches after other stars. Jennifer Garner has a beautiful Labrador named Martha Stewart, while one celebrity named her dog, Jim Carey.

If you are a foodie, you may want to name your pet, Muffin, Omelet, Butterball or Cookie.

There are lots of unique dog names. Some are: Dodge; Tesla, Bentley, Chevy and Jeep.

You may want to name your new pet after a politician such as Barack; Trump, Kennedy or Nixon.

This has been so much fun writing this column and researching names. Hmmm. If I ever get a puppy, I think I will name him West Bend, Bryce, Chrystal or Angel!

Do you have a dog? Is your dog your best friend? Does it have a unique name? Let me know and I will give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

ACCOMPLISHING PURPOSE

By: Doris Applegate

From the great King Solomon we read in Proverbs 19:21 that many are the plans in the heart of man but it is the purpose of God that prevails.

Worse than death itself is a life without purpose. The priority of purpose demands action. Thank God that Jesus knew His purpose and acted upon it. He came to earth to preach that the Kingdom of God had come

HISTORICAL SOCIETY TO HOST SPRING TEA & HAT SHOW



John Paulding Historical Society will host a Spring Tea & Hat Show from 3-5 p.m. Saturday, May 7. The event is returning to the museum for the first time since 2014.

An assortment of teas will be brewed and served with tasty tea sandwiches, fruit compote, petit fours and eclairs.

Young ladies from Paulding High School FFA will model some of the museum's extensive collection of vintage hats, dating from the 1910s to the late 1960s. Many of the hats will be on display especially for the tea.

Special music will be presented to entertain guests.

Each table will be uniquely decorated, most with heirloom or vintage tableware. There are 11 decorators, each designing her own table.

"Bring your sister, mother, grandmother, daughter, aunt or friends, wear a hat or spring-themed accessories and enjoy a delightful afternoon with us," says event chairman Eileen Kochensparger. "Our tea and hat show is just in time for Mother's Day. It would be a wonderful way to celebrate."

The idea to hold the tea and hat show this year was in-

spired by the more than 300 hats donated to the museum over the years - a kaleidoscope of colors, styles, seasons, materials and trims.

"We were brainstorming new ideas and one of our newest members, Elizabeth Miller, asked about the hat collection. She had attended the one held in May of 2014 and wondered why we hadn't done one since," Kochensparger says. "We asked our fellows to climb into the 'attic' and bring down the large collection of hats. We were amazed at the beautiful hats that are still in good condition."

This event is an important fundraiser for the historical society, which is a 501c3 charitable organization. The museum is located at 600 Fairground Drive in Paulding, across from the fairgrounds.

The committee members are Kochensparger, Mary Friend, Jean Schooley, Jane Stouffer, Joyce Nichols, Kathy Denny, Mary Shafer, Tonya Meyer, Shannon Ruschel, Elizabeth Miller and Staci Miller.

For more information call 419-399-3667 (leave message), or Kochensparger at 419-399-5818.

and He helped people into it. He did not preach about going to Heaven (although that is where our soul and spirit go when we die). He taught His disciples to pray "thy Kingdom come, thy will be done here as in Heaven".

When Jesus comes the second time 'the heavens will pass away with a loud noise and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat. The earth, also the works in it, will be burned up' (Peter 3:10). The dead in Christ will rise first and then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so shall we ever be with the Lord (I Thessalonians 4:17).

His coming is to gather us to Him, give us our new bodies, set up His Kingdom and start ruling from His throne in Jerusalem. We will help Jesus restore this earth back to its former Edenic beauty. "Those who have been faithful in little, will get to rule over much" (Matthew 25:23). Is this very exciting? Just imagine one thousand years of peace, love, fellowship, etc. No more weeds, wild animals, snakes biting or wars. War machines turned into pruning hooks so we will have lots of food and fruit.

The big question now is Are you in the Kingdom? Are you born again. By believing in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead and by confessing with your mouth that Jesus is Lord, you will be saved. (Ro-

mans 10:9) This is the word of faith that we preach. How can they be saved if they don't hear and how can they hear if not preached? This is the highest calling and purpose a person can have.

Without this Kingdom message, nothing else is that important. Our families, friends and others need to get into the Kingdom and the only way is through Jesus (the door). Whoever you meet, tell them good news and what the Lord has done for you.

When I was twelve years of age, I accepted Jesus as my Savior and have shared Him with others all these seventy five years. What a blessing I've had. May you also be blessed as God uses you too. Amen

AUGLAIZE CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

The Auglaize Chapel Church of God will hold a Good Friday Service on Friday, April 15, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. This is a community-wide event and all are invited. Auglaize Chapel Church of God is located at 22648 CR 60 Cloverdale, OH.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Chyanne Partin and Drake Neace welcomed baby boy Emmett Onyx Neace, April 9th, 2022

Emmett weighed 7lbs 15oz and was 21 inches long. He has a sister Summer Rae Neace.

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

MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry

Bess Grace (Boyer) Garvin was one of Paulding's World War 1 Army Nurse Corp nurses and was born May 30, 1887. The daughter of John Franklin and Sarah J. (Snyder) Boyer. John was born in 1849, Sarah was born in 1852 both were born in Ohio. The couple was married February 8, 1872. They moved to Benton Township in 1880. The Boyer family consisted of, at that time, three daughters. A son, Thomas was born in 1882, then Bess was born in 1887.

On December 4, 1888, a daughter, Lucinda, passed away and was buried in Lehman Cemetery. By 1890, the family was still living in Benton Township. A son, Orie Franklin, was born in February 1889. By 1900, the family moved to Payne, where John took a job working at the grain elevator. A sister, Lola Emily, became a school teacher at Payne.

By 1910, Bess was living in New York in Manhattan Ward 12 at 100 Street 7, 5th Avenue. She was working as a student nurse at Mt. Sinai Hospital in the nursing program, where she graduated. By 1916, Bess was serving with the American Red Cross on the border of Mexico, where she served in the Mexican-American border War.

In 1917, her brother, Thomas registered for the World War 1 draft. Bess served in the military as World War 1 broke out. She was on the roster as of April 12, 1917, but was not inducted to active duty until January 19, 1918. She was assigned to go overseas, February 6, 1918 to Camp Hospital #25 to March 24, 1918. Then moved to Hospital #30, April 11, 1918. She also served at base hospital #3 until March 5, 1919. After returning home, then finishing her service at Ellis Island,

a Demobilization Station in New York. she was honorably discharged, April 13, 1919. Military records list her as, "Reserve Nurse relieved from active duty, not discharged." Bess met a fellow named Roger Baldwin Garvin, tall, light blue eyes and brown hair. He was in France with the 57th Artillery unit, serving as a 1st Lieutenant. He was discharged, January 25, 1919. Not sure how they met, but on August 30, 1919, they got married in Manhattan, New York.

By 1920, Bess and Roger were living in Bergen, New Jersey on Grand Avenue East, Englewood Ward #2. They were living with Roger's mother Helen Garvin and his two unwed sisters, Martha and Ruth. A daughter, Eugenie Boyer Garvin, was born December 19, 1920. Followed by a daughter, Leslie Ross Garvin, April 15, 1922. May 19, 1926, Bess father, John passed away. He was buried in Lehman Cemetery. By 1930, the Garvin family moved to Merrin Street, Payne. Roger a mechanic and Bess a nurse and the girls in school. On July 21, 1937, Bess' mom, Sarah passed away and was buried beside John.

By 1940 the Garvin family was still on Merrin Street. Eugenie had just finished her first year of college and Leslie her third year of high school. In 1942, Roger had to register for the draft, as America was drawn into another World War. In 1943, Eugenie served in the Air Force serving with the Women Auxiliary Air Force.

On January 27, 1949, Roger passed away due to health issues. He was buried in Lehman Cemetery. Bess took care and signed for his Military tombstone. November 29, 1950, Bess and her daughter, Leslie left New York for six months on the ship, "Mormacyork", and sailed to Brazil to visit Eugenie and her new husband.

In 1963, Bess filed for Social Security benefits. On Monday April 12, 1971 at 1:37 a.m., Bess passed away at the Ottawa Valley Hospital. She was buried Wenesday April 14, 1971. Services were provided by Slade Funeral Home with Rev. Grant A. Sheely officiating. She is buried in Lehman Cemetery beside her husband Roger. She was a life long member of the Rueben J. Smith Post #297, Payne, Ohio.

...Until Next Time!

Antwerp Conservation Club Event Schedule
April 14 - Monthly Meeting @ 7pm
April 16 - NRL22 Match - Sight in and registration opens at 8am. Match begins at 9am. This event is open to the public.
Annual scholarship forms are now available. They will be sent to the area schools' guidance offices as well.
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PJHS PAULDING PRIDE CARD RECIPIENTS



Each month students at Paulding Junior High School (PJHS) earn Paulding Pride cards for going above and beyond what is normally expected of Paulding Junior High students. Shown in the picture are the Paulding Pride card recipients for the month of March.

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER DINING CENTER MENU 4/13 - 4/19

4/13 - Beef Stroganoff over egg noodles, Brussel sprouts, stewed tomatoes, banana, dinner roll

4/14 - Baked chicken, baked potato, green bean casserole, warm pears, w.w. Bread, birthday cherry pie

4/15 - GOOD FRIDAY: Egg & cheese biscuit, hash-brown potatoes, stewed tomatoes, fruit salad, orange juice

4/18 - Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, seasoned carrots, Ambrosia, goldfish crackers, biscuit

4/19 - BBQ pork sandwich, potato salad, coleslaw, pineapple, orange & banana cup, raisins

PAULDING COUNTY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES 4/13 - 4/19

4/13 - Grocery shopping 1:30

4/14 - BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: Tose nary clinic 9:00; Exercise 10:00; Euchre 9:45 & 12:15; Drumming 10:30

4/15 - Easter Brunch at 10:00; Easter Hat Competition; Closing dining center at noon; Bible study 10:0

4/18 - Exercise 10:00; Steering committee meeting at noon; Bridge club 12:30

4/19 - Euchre 9:45 & 12:15

BULLDOGS BLANK PANTHERS

A home game for Paulding turned into a road contest at Defiance where the host Bulldogs blanked the Panthers 8-0 in high school baseball action Monday night.

Defiance scored all the runs it needed in the third, plating two in the visitors portion of the frame before adding another in the fourth and scoring four in the fifth. The Bulldogs scored their last run in the top of the seventh.

Jacob Howard went five innings to get the victory, surrendering two hits and a walk while striking out ten. Drew Kellermeyer wrapped up the Bulldog win, tossing the final two frames giving up one hit.

Mark Butler singled twice, scored once and drove in one for Defiance with Keaton Linebrink recording two singles and posting an RBI. Bradyn Shaw added a triple and a run batted in with David Jimenez singling and scoring twice.

Jacob Howard and Kam Ron Rivera each recorded a single with a run scored and a run batted in.

Sam Woods, Reid Johanns and Logan Tope all singled for the Panthers. Reid Johanns took the loss on the mound for the maroon and white, tossing

4-1/3 innings allowing six hits, six runs (three earned) and a walk with three strikeouts. Ethan Foltz pitched 2-2/3 frames, giving up three hits, two runs (one earned) and three walks while fanning four.

WENDEL LEADS CAVS PAST WT

Wayne Trace made the trip to Mercer County Tuesday night for a non-league softball battle at Coldwater where the host Cavaliers cruised to a 6-1 win over the Raiders.

The pitching of Madison Wendel led the way for the orange and black as the Cavalier hurler struck out 13 Wayne Trace hitters while scattering six hits.

Wayne Trace's lone run in the contest came in the third inning as Macy Doster doubled to start the frame before Paige Alber followed with an RBI double that scored Doster.

Wendel also aided the Coldwater offense, ripping two singles and scoring a run for the Lady Cavaliers. Claire Steinke posted a single and two doubles while driving in two runs for the orange and black with Rachel Shroyer and Grace Stammen each scoring twice.

Macy Sheffer doubled, scored and drove in a run as well for Coldwater with Maddie Sheffer recording a single and a run batted in.

Logen Bland took the loss for Wayne Trace, surrendering seven hits and six runs while walking four and striking out two.

The Cavaliers scored in their first at bat as Wendel singled, took second on a Raider error, moved to third on a Steinke single before scoring on a Maddie Sheffer single.

Schroyer reached on a Wayne Trace error to start the Coldwater second before moving to second on a Stammen bunt. A Wendel single loaded the bases before Schroyer scored on the third Raider error of the contest. Stammen then came around to score when Steinke doubled to make it 3-0 Cavaliers.

Coldwater plated the final three runs of the contest in the home half of the third.

With one out, Schroyer came in to score on a Wayne Trace miscue for a 4-1 advantage before a Macy Sheffer double plated Stammen to make it 5-1. Steinke then followed with a double that scored Sheffer to set the final margin at 6-1.

PANTHERS OUTSCORE MC FOR WIN

Paulding pounded out 27 hits and piled up 18 runs in doubling up host Miller City

18-9 in high school softball action Monday night.

The Panthers led 2-0 after one before each team scored once in the second and three times in the third to make it 6-4 in favor of the maroon and white.

After Paulding scored twice in the fourth, the Wildcats plated one run in the home half of the inning to stay within 8-5 at the end of four innings.

In the fifth, each squad scored once before the Lady Panthers broke the game open with a six-run sixth inning to expand the lead to 15-6. The maroon and white cruised the rest of the way to wrap up the 18-9 victory.

Jalyn Klopfenstein got the win for Paulding, pitching 4-2/3 innings in relief allowing nine hits, five earned runs and one walk with three strikeouts. Riley Stork started for the Lady Panthers, giving up four hits, four runs (three earned) and four walks in 2-1/3 frames.

Jocelynn Parrett paced the maroon and white offense with three singles, two doubles and four runs batted in while Maci Kauser added three singles, a double and three runs scored. Klopfenstein singled and scored twice with Riley Stork ripping four singles and scoring three times.

Katie Beckman had three singles and two runs batted in and Zoe Valle chipped in a single and a double while scoring twice and driving in four runs. Ameah Carr posted two singles and a home to go along with four runs batted in and scoring twice while Elli Barton singled and scored twice.

PHIL'S ONE STOP FUNDS TWO HONOR FLIGHTS IN A ROW

Honor Flight Northeast Indiana (HFNEI) is slated to celebrate its 35th flight to Washington D.C. on Wednesday, April 27, 2022.

The last HFNEI Honor Flight, taken in October of 2019, was sponsored and paid for by Phil's One Stop of Northeast Indiana and Northwest Ohio. Once again, two and a half years later, Phil's One Stop is proud to sponsor the flight. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, flights were suspended in 2020 and 2021.

Honor Flight #35 currently consists of a total of 81 veterans: 4 WWII veterans, 28 Korean War veterans, 36 Cold War veterans and 13 Vietnam War veterans. Of these veterans, 32 served in two or more eras. To date, 2,538 veterans have been transported to Washington by Honor Flight Northeast Indiana, to reflect upon the memorials built in their honor.

Thanks to Phil and Renee Carper, owners and operators of 24 Marathon Oil Service stations, Phil's One Stop has raised and donated more than \$200,000 to Honor Flight Northeast Indiana over the past three years.

Renee Carper said, "We are honored that we can do this for our men and women who served in our armed forces. It is the least we can do to honor these veterans who have fought to keep our country free."

Due to construction at the airport, no welcome home festivities are permitted.

LOCAL STUDENTS PLACE AT REGIONAL SPELLING BEE



Originally printed in the Toledo Blade

By: Stephen Zenner, The Blade

Stillness and a palpable silence laid heavily on the fifth through eighth graders onstage Saturday during The Blade's 2022 Northwest Ohio Championship Spelling Bee.

Nineteen participants from schools and districts scattered across northwest Ohio from the Indiana border to Sandusky vied for the grand prize of an expenses-paid trip to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in National Harbor, Md., just outside Washington during Memorial Day week.

For just shy of two hours at the Owens Community College Center for Fine & Performing Arts, students spelled word after word, surviving barrages of meticulous spelling challenges in increasing difficulty until a number of rounds had offered up a winner.

Bailey Lang, a published writer, served as the bee's pronouncer, or master of ceremonies, while Mike Pearson, the assistant managing editor of The Blade, and Diana Bush, executive director of TOLEDO Read for Literacy, judged the bee, dismissing in-

correctly spelled words with the ringing of a bell.

"I think it's a very nerve-racking situation for a lot of kids," said Heather Pacheco, The Blade's events coordinator who coordinated the spelling bee. "They just want to be here, have fun and do well."

That's easier said than done for a winner-take-all gambit involving thousands of potential words for students who have not even entered high school.

A quick final round pitted Cara McIntosh, of Christian Home Educators of Paulding County, and Lainey Gardner, of Crestview Middle School in Convoy, Ohio. Cara received "inimical," and the polite chime of the judges' bell signaled her misspelling. Lainey then correctly spelled "conundrum" before being given the final word, "quotidian."

The 13-year-old girl admitted afterward that she "was not expecting to" spell the exotic word correctly, but was happy to have won the competition.

"I had my mom read from a list and then I would try to spell it best I could," Lainey said. "If I got it wrong, then she would have me spell it again until I got it right."

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Recently elected Honor Flight Northeast Indiana President, Cathy Berkshire said, "We are thrilled to be flying again! With a challenging schedule of three flights planned for the spring season, we hope to catch up a bit on the list of veterans who have been very patiently awaiting their well-deserved trip to Washington. There are no words to

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
I encourage the people of Paulding County to join me in voting for Judge Michael Wehrkamp for re-election to the Paulding County Probate Juvenile Court in the May 3rd Republican primary election. Judge Wehrkamp and I worked together on the Paulding County Bicentennial Committee and on the Reservoir War historical marker project. He invested hours of his time in both of those endeavors to showcase

our county's history and foster community pride. He was thorough, thoughtful, and a pleasure to work with.

My church, the First Presbyterian Church in Paulding, works closely with the Paulding County Drug Court program for adults in our community. Judge Wehrkamp has a vision for the implementation of a similar program for young people in our county through his court, and he has conscientiously investigated the procedures to put in place in order to best help the youth in our community who really need it.

He was raised in Paulding County, and he is choosing to raise his family here. He seeks to uplift this place and its people, and he carefully and fairly considers the welfare of all when making decisions inside the court and out.

I have witnessed Judge Wehrkamp's passion for our county's past, present and future, and I urge voters to cast their ballot for him in May. I am confident that he will continue to implement programs and initiatives to serve the children of Paulding County and their families in a second term, just as he did in his first.

—Jane Nice
Paulding, OH

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Celebrating 42 years of Unselfishness and Volunteerism

Dear Editor,
You, your staff and your readers are invited to attend the 42nd Annual 24HR Charity Basketball Marathon this Easter weekend at the Wayne Trace/Payne Elementary gymnasium on the west edge of Payne.

Hundreds of enthusiastic athletes and volunteers will gather for the 42nd Annual Charity Basketball Marathon sponsored by the Paulding Area Support Society. As with past Marathons, the goal will be to raise monies for the Society allowing it to assist individuals throughout the coming year with needed resources for medications, physical, occupational and speech therapy and specialized equipment not provided by other means.

This year's Marathon, dedicated to the memory of two former Marathon Chairmen, Chad Cluts and Bill Price, will feature 76 teams comprised of individuals of all ages and skill levels. The opening ceremony is at 5:25PM with a four-hour intermission from 2AM to 6AM. The closing ceremony and awards presentation will occur on Saturday afternoon at 4:30PM. Food and refreshments will be available throughout the event. Parking is free.

If you enjoy basketball, want to support a most worthwhile cause, or just want to visit with friends, this is where you'll want to be.

Hope to see you there.
Very respectfully,

—Jim Hooker
Mesa, Arizona

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I was disheartened by Tim Copsey's letter about the Antwerp sports teams that had done well in Regionals and at State. The reason being, he never mentioned the girls 1980 track team that placed 2nd at State. Up until that time, no team from Antwerp had been State runners-up. The team took 5 events there and each one placed.

The events participants were:

- State champs: 4 X 200m relay: Mary Vail, Julie Cross, Kim Reinhart, Janean Franklin
- 2nd place: 800m relay: Pam Herber
- 3rd place: 4 X 800m relay: Chris Woodring, Tam Herber, Joyce Rodriguez, Pam Herber
- 4th place: 200m run: Janean Franklin
- 5th place: Tam Herber

This team worked as hard as the other teams did. They didn't even have an escort back into town.

I am in no way minimizing what the other teams have done. They have excelled and deserve to be recognized. So does the track

ANTWERP ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Antwerp Elementary March Student of the Month are: Back Row: Aleta Sorrell, Tyler Bradbury, Laylah Bermejo, Hayden Grant, Lucas Phillips. Middle Row: Lily Zijlstra, Matty Zielke, Cy Zuber, Zooey Mylek, Clayton Flanary, Brody Smith, Front Row: Bristol Kauser, Addison Straley, Wyatt Hankinson, Sydnie Keeler, Mo Reyes

team. In the future, when Antwerp teams are mentioned for their accomplishments, I hope track isn't forgotten.

Sincerely,
—Tam Pollock (Herber),
Antwerp, OH

OLD CROWN BRASS BAND TO NATIONAL BRASS BAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Fort Wayne's own Old Crown Brass Band will be travelling to Huntsville, Alabama to compete in the North American Brass Band Association (NABBA) Championships. The competition will be held April 29 and April 30, 2022 at the Von Braun Center in the "Rocket City". Thirty Brass Bands from across the United States will compete for championships in 6 separate sections. Old Crown Brass will compete as the defending champion in the Third Section having won in 2019 at the event held in Fort Wayne. The NABBA Championships were cancelled in 2020 and 2021.

The NABBA championships were held at the Embassy Theatre in Fort Wayne from 2015 to 2019.

The NABBA championships are unique in that there is "blind judging". This means the adjudicators are behind a screen and do not know the identity of the band performing on stage. In addition, each section will have a "test piece" played by each band in that section. The

bands then add a choice piece of their own choosing to complete their program.

Old Crown Brass Band has 29 brass players and 4 percussionists. The band is now in its 15th year and membership includes active and retired music educators, Fort Wayne Philharmonic members, PFW students and dedicated amateurs. All members are non-compensated and share a passion for brass band music. The band will be led at NABBA by co-conductor T.J. Faur. Bryen Warfield is the other co-conductor.

In addition to the band performing Saturday, there are several smaller ensembles competing. The "Black

Swamp Ten" is a ten piece brass ensemble and the Sweetnet Quintet is a five piece brass Quintet. Both will perform on Friday afternoon. Cornetist Everette Hornbarger will also be performing a solo on Friday April 29.

More information about the weekend schedule, ticketing and how to live stream the championships can be found at:

- <https://nabba.org/championships/>
- and <https://oldcrownbrassband.org/>
- Follow OCBB on our facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OCBBFORTWAYNE/>

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- April 30** – Harlan Park Athletic Association – Opening Day, Harlan Park Shelter House, 7:00-11:00 am
 - May 7** – Woodburn Youth League Opening Day & Mothers Day Scholarship Fund Raiser, Woodburn Community Park, 7:00-11:00 am
 - May 14** – Woodburn City Wide Garage Sale, Chop Shop/Hardware Parking Lot, 7:00-11:00 am
 - June 18** – Father's Day Weekend Chop Shop/Hardware Parking Lot, 7:00-11:00 am
 - August 4, 5 & 6** – Harlan Days – Harlan Park; Thursday, 4:00-10:00 pm; Friday, 4:00-10:00 pm; Saturday, 7:00 am - 10:00 pm
 - Aug – October** – Home Football Games – Friday Nights, Etzler Field – Woodlan High School
 - September 10** – Payne Celebration @ Payne Legion, Payne, Ohio, 7:00-11:00 am
 - September 17** – Woodburn Fall Garage Sale, Chop Shop/Hardware Parking Lot, 7:00-11:00 am
 - October 8** – Woodlan Scholarship Fund Raising Donuts Chop Shop/Hardware Parking Lot, 7:00-11:00 am
 - October 29** – Woodburn Business Appreciation, Chop Shop Hardware Parking Lot, 7:00-11:00 am
 - Halloween Party** – Woodburn Community Center, Costume Contest – Cider – Donuts, 7:30 p.m.
- *SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE ***

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- Harlan:** Marathon, Harlan Donuts, Dollar General, Harlan Cafe, Antwerp Exchange Bank
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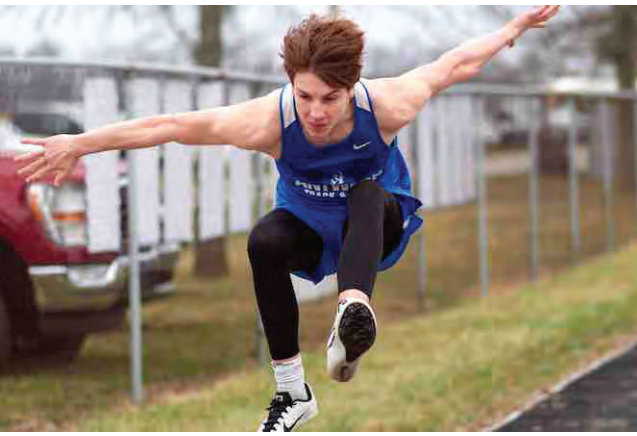
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APACHES SWEEP TRI-MEET



Antwerp Freshman Tavin Sholl practices for the long jump! More pictures at westbendnews.net

The Fairview Apaches captured both the boys and girls portions of a track tri-meet at Antwerp Tuesday evening that also included former Green Meadows Conference member Holgate.

The Apache boys totaled 76 points to get past second place Antwerp's 53-1/2 while the Tigers finished with 38-1/2.

Gaige McMichael took first in the 110 hurdles with a time of 17.24 seconds and also won the pole vault with a leap of 11-6. Jagger Landers was also a double winner, capturing both the shot put (46-8) and discus (125-9).

Taking second for the Archers were Drew Eaken (200 dash, 25.80 and high jump, 5-4), McMichael (300 hurdles, 45.86), Kamren Johnson (pole vault, 7-6) and Avin Johnson (long jump, 15-6).

The Archer 400 relay team of Trayce Lengacher, Kaden Recker, Hayden Wagner and Tavin Sholl finished second in 47.11 seconds as

did the 800-relay quartet of Recker, Johnson, Sholl and Wagner in 1:42.00. Zachary Lockhart, Kayden Winslow, Recker and Wagner combined to place second in the 1600 relay with a time of 3:58.00.

In the girls portion, the black and gold recorded 71-1/2 points to nip the Lady Archers' 64-1/2 while Holgate was third at 36.

Antwerp's Izzy Meyer won the 100 dash with a time of 13.61 seconds while teammate Layla Copsy captured the 200 dash in 30.43 seconds. The Lady Archers' Aewyn McMichael was the first to finish in the 100 hurdles, posting a time of 18.37 seconds, Kiera Reyes leaped 8-0 to win the pole vault for the blue and white with Leslie Pollock tossing the discus 110-7 for a first-place finish.

The Lady Archer 400 relay team of Mia Altimus, Meyer, Reyes and Copsy was first in 55.35 seconds with the quartet of Altimus, Copsy, Ashlynn Hinkle and

Meyer winning the 800 relay in 2:00.00.

Second place finishers for Antwerp were Addysy Hormann (400 dash, 1:14.70), Makenna Smith (3200 run, 15:17.00), Aerial Snyder (high jump, 4-4), McMichael (pole vault, 7-6), Altimus (long jump, 13-8-1/2).

RAIDER JV'S OPEN WITH WIN

Wayne Trace hit the road to Mercer County Saturday for a junior varsity softball battle with the host Lady Bulldogs and the Raiders brought home a 15-8 victory.

Anna Miller picked up the win for the red, white and blue, striking out five in a complete-game effort. Mary Lands, Natalie Stoller and Makenna Elliott all had a single and a double for the Lady Raiders.

BASEBALL TOURNEY SITES RELEASED

Northwest Ohio baseball teams found out their tournament sites for the 2022 season recently as the Northwest District Athletic Board of the Ohio High School Athletic Association released the assignments.

In Division II, district tournament action will take place at both Bluffton University and Archbold's Memorial Park.

At Bluffton, eleven squads will battle to hopefully be in the district championship contest with five of them being from the Western Buckeye League.

WBL squads in the district include Celina, Elida, Lima Shawnee, St. Marys and Wapakoneta along with squads

from Fostoria, Galion, Lexington, Ontario, Tiffin Columbian and Upper Sandusky.

Amongst the ten schools squaring off to take part in district play at Archbold are Bryan, Defiance, Maumee, Napoleon, Ottawa Glandorf, Rossford, Toledo Central Catholic, Toledo Woodward, Van Wert and Wauseon.

Division III district tournament action will be hosted by Defiance High School and Elida High School locally.

At the home of the Bulldogs, area teams battling for the right to play include Archbold, Delta, Evergreen, Fairview, Lake, Liberty Benton, Liberty Center, Northwood, Otsego, Ottawa Hills, Paulding, Swanton, Tinora and Van Buren.

Other area teams looking to advance out the Elida district area Allen East, Bluffton, Coldwater, Columbus Grove, Delphos Jefferson, Eastwood, Elmwood, Kenton, Lakota, Lima Bath, Minster, Parkway and Riverdale.

A trio of local Division IV district tournaments are hosted by Bryan, Coldwater and Patrick Henry.

Green Meadows Conference members Antwerp, Ayersville, Edgerton, Hicksville and Wayne Trace all are in the district tournament to be hosted by Bryan along with Edon, Fayette, Hilltop, Montpelier, North Central, Pettisville and Stryker.

Squads trying to advance to the district tournament at Coldwater are Ada, Crestview, Delphos St. John's, Fort Recovery, Lima Central Catholic, Lima Perry, Lincolnview, Marion Local, New Bremen, New Knoxville, Spencerville, St. Henry and Waynesfield Goshen.

The Patrick Henry district features most of the Putnam County League, including teams from Continental, Fort Jennings, Kalida, Leipsic, Miller City, Ottoville and Pandora Gilboa. The rest of the field includes Cory Rawson, Holgate, McComb, North Baltimore and host Patrick Henry.

Depending on the seeding in the sectional, it is possible that Patrick Henry could advance to the Division IV state tournament and play all of their tournament games on their home field.

Sectional play will take place the week of May 14 through May 21 while district tournament action is slated from May 23 through May 28. Sectional draws will take place on Sunday, May 8.

ARCHERS NIP RAIDERS



Antwerp Senior Hunter Sproles, the winning pitcher, gets a strike in the last inning! More pictures at westbendnews.net

In a non-league battle in Antwerp, the host Archers scored just enough to record a 3-1 victory over visiting Wayne Trace on the baseball diamond Tuesday evening, April 5th.

The game was dominated by both teams pitching staffs as the four hurlers on the night combined to allow only five hits while striking out 19 batters between the two squads.

Wayne Trace struck first in the contest in the top of the second as Kyle Forrer walked before Allen Minck followed with a walk as well. Forrer then came around to score on a Tyler Davis fielder's choice to put the Raiders on top 1-0.

However, the red, white and blue would not score again.

Walks haunted the Raiders as well with Antwerp's Carson Altimus and Reid Lichty each drawing a walk in the bottom of the second with one out.

After an Ethan Lichty ground out, Mason Steel followed with a two-run double that plated both Altimus and Lichty for a 2-1 Archer advantage.

The game's only other run came in the bottom of the sixth as Luke Krouse and Hunter Sproles each singled to start the Archer frame. After Altimus was intentionally walked, Krouse came into score on a Raider to set the final margin at 3-1.

Reid Lichty got the win on the hill for the blue and white, giving up only one hit and one run with three strikeouts and three walks in four innings on the mound. Sproles picked up the save, fanning six and walking one over the final three frames.

Tyler Davis took the loss for Wayne Trace, allowing three hits, three runs (two earned) and four walks while posting ten strikeouts in five innings. Forrer tossed the fi-



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Raider Sophomore Cale Winans races back to second to get the out! More pictures at westbendnews.net

nal frame, allowing one hit and one walk. Allen Minck had the lone hit for the Raiders, a single.

Parker Moore, Luke Krouse and Hunter Sproles all singled for Antwerp with Steel recording a double.

APRIL 8th BATH EHRESMAN INVITATIONAL

We attended the Lima Bath Ehresman Invitational night April 8th. Coming into the meet last night I knew we would have a hard time placing in a lot of events due to having a light team. We had athletes out due to being in other school related activities that they were required to be at such as our schools band taking a trip to Florida and there also being a FFA banquet. We also had an athlete out due to injury in Claire Schweller and looking at the results of the events that she would have competed in, I believe that she could have placed fairly high.

The weather last night also played a fun role in our meet. We started the meet off with a strong wind and slight sprinkle of rain and then for about 5 minutes we had the only glimpse of sun all meet. For a majority of the meet, it was around the mid-40s with rain and then at one point there was hail. With all that, I was still pleased with how our kids competed. For most of them, they remained consistent with their times/distances and some of them even improved their PRs from the last meet. As I stated earlier, I knew it would be good competition coming in and would be hard for us to place in events.

For the girls unfortunately, we did not have any athletes placed in any events. However, we did have a couple improve their season bests. Ameriona Stiltner improved on her shot put by a foot with a new best of 23' 11" and Alyssia Wilson improved on her long jump by around 7 inches with a new

best of 12' 9.5"

For the boys, we had a couple athletes place in their events. Reid Johanns placed 7th in the 1600m run with a time of 4:54.25 and placed 6th in the 3200m run with a new best of 10:34.07 which is 7 seconds faster than his previous best. Caleb Larson tied for 8th in the high jump with a jump of 5' 2". Dawson Lamb, although he didn't place, improved on his long jump by 7.75" with a new best of 16' 4.75".

With all the crazy weather, and stiff competition from last night, I am still pleased with what I see out of our athletes. At a lot of meets this year, we will tend to be on the smaller side compared to some teams, but I know that we can hang with the best of them in a lot of events. It is great to see that the work that these athletes are putting in at practice is starting to come together. It is still going to be a tough battle this year, but I am pleased with the start that we have had this season.

—Kim Bickford
Paulding High School

LADY RAIDERS WIN TRI-MEET

Ayersville and Wayne Trace joined host Continental for a junior high track tri-meet Thursday in Putnam County.

The Lady Raiders captured first place in the meet with 66 points while the Pilots finished second with 56 points and the Pirates totaled 22 points.

Wayne Trace's Abby Elkins took first in the 1600 run with a time of 6:43 while Aubree Miller took first in the 800 run

with a time of 3:00. The Lady Raider 400 and 1600 relay teams were victorious as well. Whitney Boroff (100 hurdles), Miller (1600 run), Elkins (800 run) and Caroline Winans (200 dash) all brought home second place finishes with Careen Winans placing third in the 100 dash. Ingrid Bautista also recorded a trio of third place finishes in the 100 hurdles, 1600 run and 800 run.

Isabel Gilbert placed fourth in the 100 hurdles and Addison Stoller took fourth in the 200 hurdles.

In the field events, Careen Winans won the high jump with a leap of 4-6 while Emma Stouffer (discus) and Caroline Winans (pole vault) placed second in their respective events. Lexi Moore tied for second as well in the high jump.

Amber Stoller took third in the long jump as well for Wayne Trace.

On the boys side, Continental won the meet with 43 points while Ayersville totaled 31 and the Raiders recorded ten.

Lance Whitman won the high jump with 4-10 and Corbin Varner took third in the same event. Landon Blankenship also placed fourth in the long jump for the red, white and blue.

Eli Treece took third in the 1600 run and 400 dash with Landon Blankenship placing third in the 200 dash and 800 run. Corbin Varner finished fourth in the 100 dash and Colton Kimmel was fourth in the 1600 run.

TRACKSTERS LEARN DISTRICT SITES

The Northwest District Athletic Board of the Ohio High School Athletic Association released district track assignments for high school squads.

Division II district track will be at Defiance High School with a dozen boys and fourteen girls teams taking part at the home of the Bulldogs on May 18 and May 20.

Both boys and girls teams from Bryan, Evergreen, Lima Bath, Maumee, Napoleon, Otsego, Ottawa Glandorf, Paulding, St. Marys, Swanton, Van Wert and Wauseon will take part as will girls squads from both Celina and Defiance.

Division III district track at Ayersville will feature 19 schools with the list including Antwerp, Archbold, Ayersville, Continental, Delta, Edgerton, Edon, Fairview, Fayette, Hicksville, Hilltop, Holgate, Montpelier, North Central, Patrick Henry, Pettisville, Stryker, Tinora and Wayne Trace. District action at Ayersville is slated for May 19 and May 21.

Also, in Division III action

at Ada, 18 boys and 19 girls teams will take part in the district tournament on May 19 and May 21.

Boys and girls squads from Ada, Arcadia, Arlington, Bluffton, Columbus Grove, Cory Rawson, Fort Jennings, Hopewell Loudon, Kalida, Leipsic, McComb, New Riegel, North Baltimore, Ottoville, Pandora Gilboa, Upper Scioto Valley, Van Buren and Vanlue. The Elmwood girls also will be a part of the district track meet.

Lastly, Spencerville will hold a Division III track meet as well on May 18 and May 20.

Among the eighteen schools in the meet are Allen East, Coldwater, Crestview, Delphos Jefferson, Delphos St. John's, Fort Recovery, Lima Central Catholic, Lima Perry, Lima Temple Christian, Lincolnview, Marion Local, Minster, New Bremen, New Knoxville, Parkway, St. Henry, Spencerville and Waynesfield Goshen.

PANTHERS, TIGERS BATTLE TO TIE

The Paulding Panthers and Holgate Tigers battled to a 5-5 tie in high school baseball action Tuesday night as the two squads stopped the contest after eight innings.

After each team scored a run in the second inning, Paulding took the lead with a three-run third inning that put the maroon and white on top 4-1.

However, the Henry County squad quickly answered with a four run fourth frame to put the Tigers on top 5-4. Paulding then tied the game with a single run in the bottom of the fifth before neither team scored over the final three innings.

Jacob Martinez threw the first six innings for the maroon and white, posting eight strikeouts while giving up four hits, four runs (two earned) and five walks. Wyatt Beckman tossed the final two frames, fanning three Holgate hitters and walking one.

Martinez scored twice and drove in two runs at the plate for Paulding while recording a single and Logan Tope added a pair of singles and a run batted in. Isaac Reeb posted two singles with one run scored and one run batted in while Larkin Yates finished with a single and a run scored.

Robbie Thacker had two singles and scored a run for Holgate while Dylan Boecker and Brody Burgel each chipped in a single.

LADY ARCHERS CRUISE TO WIN OVER WILDCATS



Antwerp's Kearslyn Pierce picks up the grounder, throwing the ball to first to get the out! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Antwerp scored early and often Tuesday night in non-league high school softball action as the Lady Archers rolled to a 32-1 win over visiting Delphos Jefferson.

Emerson Litzenberg got the win on the mound for the blue and white, pitching three innings allowing three hits and a walk with five strikeouts. Lydia Krouse tossed the final two frames, surrendering one hit.

Kaylin Wreede, Ariel Wallace and Kyrstin Moore all saw action on the mound for the Lady Wildcats.

Astianna Coppes paced the Antwerp offense with two singles, a double and a home run while Ali Reinhart posted

two singles and a double. Emerson Litzenberg and Kearslyn Pierce both ripped a trio of singles as well for the Lady Archers.

"I was super proud of our team," Antwerp head coach Krista Ordway noted. "Our bats were on fire today and our defense played solid."

Kennedy Trabel and Emma Townley each recorded a pair of singles for the Lady Archers with Meagan Pendergrast and Lauren Schuller finishing with a single and double apiece.

Kyrstin Moore and Kendall Schrader each had a single for Delphos Jefferson and Maddie Weitzel added a double.

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SEVEN LOCAL STUDENTS WIN \$7,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS FROM NWECC

North Western Electric Cooperative (NWECC) is proud to present \$7,000 in scholarships to seven local students through four scholarship opportunities. A panel



Grace Schroeder

of Defiance College judges selected Grace Schroeder of Edgerton and Jacob Pollard of Fairview High School as the first-place winners of the



Jacob Pollard

Children of Members Scholarship. Each senior was awarded a \$1,500 scholarship from the cooperative.

Grace will go on to represent NWECC in the Ohio's



Grace Bok



Kyler Baird

Electric Cooperatives statewide scholarship competition this spring, where finalists will compete for up to \$3,800 in additional funds. Second-place honors with



Emma Shuman

\$750 scholarships go to Kyler Baird of Hicksville High School and Emma Shuman of Hicksville High School.

Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship

Holly Stark (Edgerton



Holly Stark

High School) is the winner of the \$500 Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship, awarded by NWECC and the Edgerton Area Foundation. The scholarship honors the

memory of the longtime member whom the scholarship is named after.

Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship

Kaden Cummins of



Kaden Cummins

Montpelier High School is the winner of the \$1,000 Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship, which is awarded to a student who has overcome a significant challenge in pursuit of his or her goals.

PowerUP Technical Scholarship

Grace Bok from Fairview High School is the winner of the \$1,000 PowerUP Technical Scholarship, which is awarded to a graduating senior who will be enrolling in a technical program or an adult currently enrolled in an accredited technical program. Grace will go on to represent NWECC in the Ohio's Electric Cooperatives statewide Technical Scholarship competition this spring, where finalists will compete for additional funds.

NWECC is committed to empowering the communities it serves through one of its cooperative principles, "Education, Training, and Information," which aims to uplift the next generation of leaders and help them with career preparation expenses. Each year, scholarship applications become available in December. Visit NWECC's website at nwecc.com/scholarship-programs to learn more.

PATRIOTS GET WIN OVER BISHOP LUERS

Heritage scored three runs in the fourth inning and plated five runs in the seventh to wrap up a 10-4 victory over Bishop Luers Thursday in high school baseball non-league action.

The Patriots scored once in the first and third innings to seize a 2-0 advantage before adding three runs in the fourth frame for a 5-0 lead.

Bishop Luers responded with a four-run fifth inning to close the gap to 5-4 but the Knights wouldn't get any closer.

Heritage put the game away with a five-run seventh that sealed the 10-4 victory.

Barry Lomow had a single and double with two runs scored and a run batted in while Andrew Mirelez ripped two singles and scored twice. Tyler Redmon and Dalton White each added a double for the Patriots with Jackson Bearman posting a triple. Noah Redmon, Dalton Wasson, Morgan Andrews and Austin Buuck also singled for Heritage.

Ashton Barker scored twice for the Patriots with Andrews, Bearman, White and Hunter Miller touching home plate once each. Tyler Redmon and White finished with two runs batted in apiece while Buuck and Bearman recorded a run

NEW WAYNE TRACE FFA OFFICERS ELECTED



Pictured: Left to right back row: Zach Wobler, Dyson Scott, Blake Schultz, Trent Thornell. Left to right front row: Olivia Meraz, Emma Elkins, Anna Meraz

By: Emma Elkins

Wayne Trace High School held their annual FFA banquet on Sunday April 3, 2022. Current FFA positions were held by President Faith Meraz, Vice President Tianna Cooper, Treasurer Ethan Noggle, Secretary Olivia Meraz, Reporter KatieAnna Baumle, Historian Allison Schilt, Student Advisor Adrian Laukhuf, Sentinel Zach Wobler, and Chaplain Nathaniel Osborn. Cassie Mavis graciously accepted the role of guest

speaker, in which she gave a valuable speech for all to hear. CDE participants, top fundraiser salesmen, FFA week livestock judging, ag ball recognition, outstanding scholarship recognition, honorary member award, chapter star green hand award, chapter star in ag placement award, chapter star farmer, Dekalb ag accomplishment award, 110% award, and green hand recognition were all awards. Congratulations to all members who received these awards

and those who were recognized. New officers and their positions include President Olivia Meraz, Vice President Zach Wobler, Reporter Emma Elkins, Secretary Anna Meraz, Student Advisor Dyson Scott, Sentinel Blake Schultz, and Treasurer Trent Thornell. The new officer's goals include participating in more CDE's, educating younger grades about FFA, as well as informing the community about Wayne Trace FFA's goals and accomplishments.

batted in each.

Christian Hoffman got the win on the mound for Heritage, tossing four innings giving up five hits, one earned run and one walk with two strikeouts. Andrews pitched one inning, allowing three hits, three earned runs and a pair of walks while fanning two Bishop Luers hitters. Tyler Redmon tossed the final two frames, striking out two and walking one.

PANTHERS TAKE SECOND IN QUAD MEET

The Paulding junior high track teams finished in second place in a quadrangular meet at Bryan last week as the host Golden Bears swept first place in the boys and girls meets.

The Golden Bear girls nipped the Panthers 97-94 with Hicksville posting a dozen points and North Central scoring nine. On the boys side, Bryan totaled 100 points followed by Paulding (75), Hicksville (30) and North Central (five).

Addison Pease won the 100 hurdles in 20.28 seconds while Estie Pease captured the 400 dash in 1:11.95.

Aleah Matty had a throw of 65-8 to win the discus along with a toss of 28-11-1/2 in capturing the shot put. Hannah Griffiths was a double winner as well, taking first in the 200 hurdles (35.65) and high jump (4-6). Makayla Spears captured first place finishes in both the 100 dash (14.75) and 200 dash (30.94).

For the Panther boys, Jalen Manz leaped 4-10 to win the high jump while Jared Manz took the 110 hurdles in 20.96 seconds. Camron Wolford captured the 200 hurdles in 32.28 seconds.

LADIES ON THE DIAMONDS LEARN TOURNAMENT ASSIGNMENTS

High school softball teams from around the area learned the of their district

tournament assignments recently as the Northwest District Athletic Board released the 2022 assignments.

Division II action will take place at the University of Northwest Ohio with teams from Bryan, Celina, Defiance, Elida, Kenton, Lima Bath, Lima Shawnee, Napoleon, St. Marys and Van Wert battling it out.

Tournament play at Lima Bath features Division III teams from around the area. Schools in the district tournament at the home of the Wildkittens are Allen East, Coldwater, Delphos Jefferson, Elmwood, Fairview, Fostoria, Liberty Benton, Ottawa Glandorf, Patrick Henry, Paulding, Riverdale and Van Buren.

Another Division III tourney will be hosted by Springfield High School and it includes Archbold, Delta, Eastwood, Evergreen, Genoa, Lake, Liberty Center, Montpelier, Northwood, Otsego, Swanton, Tinora and Woodmore.

Several local schools will be in the Division IV tournament at Wapakoneta.

Looking to advance to the home of the Redskins are Crestview, Fort Recovery, Lima Perry, Lincolnview, Marion Local, Minster, New Bremen, Parkway, Ridgmont, Spencerville, St. Henry, Upper Scioto Valley and Waynesfield Goshen.

Teams looking to advance out of the district at Elida Middle School are Ada, Arlington, Bluffton, Columbus Grove, Cory Rawson, Hardin Northern, Kalida, Leipsic, Lima Central Catholic, McComb, North Baltimore, Ottoville and Wayne Trace.

Area squads squaring off in the Bryan district tournament are Antwerp, Ayersville, Continental, Edgerton, Edon, Fayette, Hicksville, Hilltop, Holgate, Miller City, North Central, Pettisville and Stryker.

Sectional tournament draws will be held on Sunday, May 1, 2022. Sectional play for high school softball will take place the week of May 9 through May 14 while district action will be from May 16 through May 21.

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ANTWERP POLICE REPORT

On March 19, Antwerp Police Department assisted Paulding County Job and Family Services at a residence in the village.

On March 19, an officer found an open door at a downtown business. The owner was contacted and the door secured.

On March 22, Antwerp Police Department performed a golf cart inspection for a resident.

On March 22, Antwerp Police Department was contacted in reference to a child custody issue.

On March 23, Antwerp Police Department was called in reference to a burglary and theft. The case was investigated, the person located, the items taken were located, a report was prepared and referred to the prosecutor's office.

On March 25, a vehicle was reported illegally parked at the intersection of Wilcox and Main. The owner was contacted and the vehicle re-

moved.

On March 25, an officer was called for a motor vehicle accident in the Sunoco gas station parking lot. The incident was investigated and an accident report was prepared.

On March 25, an alarm was received from a resident on Buffalo St. It was determined it was activated accidentally.

On March 27, a resident of Madison St. called and made a complaint of all the stray cats in the neighborhood.

On March 27, officers unlocked a vehicle at a residence on N. Main St.

On March 28, a resident on Erie St. reported that they were being harassed. A report was prepared and sent to the prosecutor's office.

On March 28, a suspicious person was reported at a business on River St. The incident was investigated and the individual was contacted.

On April 1, Antwerp Police Department performed a golf cart inspection for a resident of the village.

On April 1, Antwerp Police Department received a warrant for a resident of the village from Defiance County.

On April 2, officers responded to a domestic dispute at 4:50 a.m. at North Garden Apartments. The case was investigated and a report was prepared.

On April 4, a resident reported his neighbor was engaging in what he believed was disorderly conduct. A report was prepared.

On April 5, a resident of Daggett St. reported a suspicious person around 5:00 a.m.

On April 5, Antwerp Police Department assisted Antwerp EMS at Park Avenue Villas.

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

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Jeremy Townsend, Paulding, OH; Falsification; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs paid by the defendant

Raymen P. McDonald, Detroit, MI; Possession of marijuana, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Physical control, Defendant appeared via Zoom with Mr. Fee, Pled no contest, found guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs; Marked lanes, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine; Seat belt/drive, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Austin M. Flynn, Montpelier, OH; Drug paraphernalia, Case dismissed per state, Costs to the defendant, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Possession of marijuana, guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Physical control, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, Pled no contest, found guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Proof of insurance provided, Pay all fines and costs; Headlights, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine; Seat belt/drive, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, Pled no contest, found guilty

Terrale R. Smith, Defiance, OH; Drug paraphernalia, Case dismissed per state, Costs to defendant, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; Possession of marijuana, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Maintain general good behavior, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, Pled no contest, found guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, ALS vacated, Pay all fines and costs, Show proof of insurance by 4/5/22; Seat belt/drive, Count C dismissed

Jasmine N. Perez, Sandusky, OH; Physical control, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Proof of insurance no shown, Pay all fines and costs, Complete 40 hours community service by 9/30/22; No operator's license, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine; Failure to control, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine; Seat belt/drive, Defendant pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine

Brenda J. Fisher, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Alicia F. Larson, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Placed on standard probation addition to rules; No contact with victim; Maintain general good behavior

Derek A. Morrow, Antwerp, OH; Driving under OVI suspension, Count A dismissed; Display plates, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. DeMuth, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs

Robert Bair III, Leipsic, OH; Aggravated menacing, Count A dismissed; Telecommunication harassment, Guilty, Fines and costs to come from bond, No contact with victim, Complete 40 hours community service, Risk assessment, Motion to revoke bond withdrawn by the state, EMHA bracelet may be removed today

Benjamin A. Tarplee, Beech Grove, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Draven C. Potts, Oakwood, OH; OVI/under influence, Count A dismissed; Left of center, Defendant pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 4/29/22; Seat belt/drive, Count D dismissed

Penny J. Keeler, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Marcus O. Washington, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension; Defendant appeared without counsel, Pled guilty, Defendant to be released today, POC 8/26/22, Show proof of insurance by 4/5/22; Seat belt/drive, Defendant appeared, Pled guilty

Jared J. Hernandez, Paulding, OH; Possession of drug instrument, Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived

William T. Vance, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Savannah A. Karnow, South Amherst, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Rhett D. Price, Greensburg, KY; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gannon T. Prowant, Cecil, OH; Turn signals, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Distracted driving, Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Nicholas M. Curtiss, South Lyon, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Edwin W. Cavinder, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Tracy K. Lee, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Kenneth R. Werts, Toledo, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Michael R. Nix, Fort Wayne, IN; OVI/under influence, Guilty, Defendant appeared via video, Pled guilty, Report to jail on 4/8/22 at 6pm for 1 day, Pay all fines and costs, Show proof of insurance by 4/6/22; Marked lanes, Defendant pled guilty, Pay fine

John O. Miller Jr, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Gary S. Marquis, Wauseon, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

FIRST UNITED METHODIST PRESCHOOL ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS

First United Methodist Preschool, located in Van Wert, is now accepting registrations for the 2022-23 school year. First United Methodist Preschool is a Christian based school which prepares children to succeed in all areas of life. The curriculum is driven by the Ohio Department of Education standards and each teacher is there to provide a positive and nurturing environment for all children as they begin their educational journey. The preschool offers 2 day classes for those students turning 3 by October 1 of the current school year they will be attending. We do accept enrollments any time during the school year pending assessment and evaluation of readiness by the teacher. A child who is at least 4 and is planning on attending Kinder-

garten the following school year may attend the Pre-Kindergarten classes. All classes meet 8:30-11:30a.m. Register online at www.fumpreschool.com or contact Administrator Marilyn Agler at 419-238-0631 ext. 308 or by email at magler@wcoil.com.

NOTICE

In pursuance of law (R.C. Section 323.08) I, Lou Ann Wannemacher, Treasurer of Paulding County, Ohio hereby give notice the 2021 Rate of Taxation forms are on file at the Treasurer's Office in the Court House. If you need a copy mailed or faxed to you, please call 419-399-8280, Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO FILE AN APPLICATION

The Village of Oakwood hereby gives notice of its intent to file an application for financial assistance with US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development for the purchase of a Fire Truck for the Oakwood Fire Department. This notice is published in accordance with the Rural Development regulations. The project involves the purchase of a new model Fire Truck to serve the Village of Oakwood's Fire Department.

A copy of the application to the USDA Rural Development will be available for review once complete at Oakwood Village Town Hall located at 228 N. First Street, Oakwood, Ohio by appointment. Questions regarding application or appointments to review said application should be directed to Matthew Arellano, Fiscal Officer at 419-594-3352.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

N THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER Plaintiff,

vs. DELNA R. YOH, ET.AL. DEFENDANTS,

Case No. CI-22-002 Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

TO: Delna R. Yoh; Unknown Spouse of Delna R. Yoh; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Delna R. Yoh; Unknown heirs, administrators, executors and assigns of Unknown Spouse of Delna R. Yoh;

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 15744 Bowman Street, Pauling, Ohio 45879

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against you seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Delna R. Yoh, to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 174 Page 227 of the Paulding County Records.

The real property in question is situated as follows:

Situated in the County of Pauling, in the State of Ohio, and in the Village of Hedges and Township of Jackson, and bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the center of Hare Street which point lies West of the Northwest corner of Lot No. 21 of the Original Plat of the Village of Hedges, Paulding County, Ohio; thence North along the center line of said Hare Street a distance of 150 feet; thence East 183 feet; thence

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UNION TOWNSHIP LIONS DONATE TO VANTAGE CAREER CENTER



Union Township Lions members Richard Marbach and Duane Franz assist Vantage Construction Equipment Technology students in assembling concrete picnic table forms (photo credit: Nex Taylor, Vantage senior Interactive Media program).



Union Township Lions members Derryl Grote, Richard Marbach, and Duane Franz stand together in partnership and educational support with the junior Construction Equipment Technology students at Vantage Career Center.

The Union Township Lions Club of rural Decatur has donated two sets of concrete picnic table forms to Vantage Career Center. These picnic table forms were used by the Lions Club as a fundraiser during the past thirty-five years. Because of the declining number and aging of their members they can no longer do this fundraiser. They have decided to donate the picnic table forms to the Vantage Career Center Construction Equipment Technology program to be used for practical vocational education. These tables could also be used by Vantage for either fundraising for classroom expenses, or to donate them to local parks for public uses. The Lions club

has many of these concrete picnic tables in the Decatur, Monroe, and Monroeville area. Most notably at the Adams County 4-H fairgrounds, Monroe little league ballpark, Zesto in Decatur, and the Monroeville town park. The Lions Club hopes that this donation would help Vantage with continued vocational training, practical application, and experience.

LOCAL STUDENTS PRESENT RESEARCH AT HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE

The following students were among 74 students who presented their research April 4 as part of Heidelberg University's 29th annual

"Minds@Work" Student Research Conference.

Siera Octaviano, sophomore, Antwerp, Ohio, Political Science, "The Continued Pervasiveness of the Patriarchy in the World"

Madison Sharp, senior, Oakwood, Ohio, Health Science, "Ankle Reinjury Rates of Male and Female Collegiate Basketball Players"

Heidelberg hosts the Student Research Conference annually each spring semester as a way to increase student interest and knowledge in academic research and scholarship. The event is designed to recognize, honor and reward academic excellence and give students an opportunity to experience the conference format of academic inquiry.

Founded in 1850, Heidelberg offers 26 majors, 27 minors and 10 pre-professional programs, awarding the bachelor of arts, bachelor of science, and bachelor of music degrees, as well as master's degrees in counseling, business administration and athletic training. Heidelberg has been consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as a top college in the Midwest, as a "best value" for providing a high-quality education at an affordable price and as a "top performer" on the Social Mobility list. For more information visit the web site at www.heidelberg.edu.

ARCHERS SHUT DOWN WT

In a junior varsity softball battle Tuesday, Antwerp blanked the host Lady Raiders 5-0 at Wayne Trace High School.

Tianna Sinn took the loss for the red, white and blue, giving up four hits and eight walks while striking out ten in the complete game effort.

Morgan Elliott, Maya Reynolds, Natalie Stoller and Tianna Sinn all had hits for Wayne Trace to lead the offense.

PANTHERS RALLY IN SEVENTH TO BEAT LOCOS

The Paulding Lady Panthers put together a seventh inning rally to get past visiting Montpelier 14-13 Friday evening in non-league high school softball play.

In a game that featured runs in nearly every inning, the visiting Locomotives started the game with a four-run fourth to open a quick 4-0 lead.

After Paulding answered with three runs in the home half of the first, Montpelier plated two more runs in the top of the second to push the

margin to 6-3. The Williams County squad then scored five more in the visitors portion of the third in expanding the lead to 11-3.

The maroon and white got a single run in the bottom of the third to close within 11-4 but Montpelier again scored one in the top of the fourth, pushing the advantage to 12-4.

The Lady Panthers then started their rally in the bottom of the inning, plating four runs in the home portion of the fourth to get within 12-8. Paulding held Montpelier scoreless in both the fifth and sixth while scoring one run in each frame to slice the deficit to 12-10 at the end of six innings.

Montpelier added one run in the top of the seventh to make it 13-10 but the maroon and white wasn't done. The Lady Panthers rallied with four runs in the bottom of the seventh to walk off with a 14-13 victory.

Jalyn Klopfenstein got the win for Paulding, pitching 3-2/3 innings in relief giving up three hits and one unearned run with two strikeouts. Riley Stork started for the Lady Panthers, surrendering ten hits, a dozen runs (nine earned) and four walks while striking out one in 3-1/3 frames.

Bianca Phongphiou took the loss for Montpelier, allowing six hits, six runs (five earned) and five walks with one strikeout in 3-1/3 innings. Madelyn Hopper tossed the first 3-1/3 frames for the Locomotives, allowing six hits, eight runs (seven earned) and three walks with five strikeouts.

Kelsie Bumb homered and singled while driving in three runs and scoring another for the Lady Locomotives while Phongphiou added a home run and single with two runs scored and two runs batted in. Lyla Mahan and Hopper both doubled, scored twice and drove in one run with Cadey Hillard recording a single and double with three RBI's and two runs scored. Kaycee Humbarger and Jada Uribes both singled twice and scored twice.

Paulding got a double, three singles and four runs scored from Maci Kauser with Jocelynn Parrett recording two singles with three runs scored and two runs batted in. Riley Stork doubled and scored three times with Katie Beckman doubling and driving in three. Zoe Valle also doubled and picked up two runs batted in.

PANTHERS OPEN GMC PLAY WITH WIN

Due to poor field conditions in Hicksville, the Lady Panthers of Paulding played a road game on their own field Thursday against the Aces in Green Meadows Conference softball action.

The maroon and white then took control of the contest with a seven run second inning in pulling away for an 11-6 victory to start conference play with a victory.

Paulding expanded the margin to 8-0 in the third with a single run before widening with two more runs in the fourth for a 10-0 advantage.

After the Lady Panthers extended the margin to 11-0 in the top of the fifth, Hicksville kept the game

alive with a four-run home half of the fifth to pull within 11-4. The Lady Aces then plated the final runs of the contest with two in the seventh to set the final margin at 11-6.

Jalyn Klopfenstein got the win for Paulding, scattering giving up eight hits, six runs (one earned run) and four walks with five strikeouts in a complete-game effort.

Jocelynn Parrett topped the Lady Panthers with three singles and two runs batted in while Maci Kauser added two singles and two runs scored. Katie Beckman chipped in a single and a double with two runs scored.

Brooklynn Bakle had a triple, two runs scored and two runs batted in with Jalyn Klopfenstein posting a single and two runs batted in. Zoe Valle recorded a single and two RBI's as well.

Leah Seitz topped Hicksville with two singles, a double and two runs batted in while Morgan Fogle recorded a triple with a run scored and a run batted in.

Katie Chapman took the loss for Hicksville, surrendering a dozen hits, 11 runs (eight earned) and two walks while striking out three.

VW, SM WIN QUAD MEET

Paulding hosted Defiance, St. Marys and Van Wert for a quadrangular track meet on Tuesday with the Cougar boys and Roughrider girls posting first place finishes.

Van Wert posted 104 points on the boys side to easily win the meet over second place St. Marys (65) and third place Defiance (62-1/2). Paulding finished fourth with 24-1/2 points.

Placers for the Panthers were Dawson Lamb (fourth, discus, 91-1 and fifth, shot put, 36-5), Isaak Hagerman (fifth, discus, 90-8), Ronnie Goodwin (fourth, shot put, 36-7-3/4), Reid Johanns (sec-

ond, 1600 run, 4:53.0 and 3200 run, 10:41.6), Jesse Shaffer (fifth, long jump, 16-0), Caleb Larson (fourth, high jump, 5-4), Burtch (fifth, high jump, 5-4), Drake Ankney (third, pole vault, 8-6) and Sheridan Matty (tied for fourth, pole vault, 8-0).

The maroon and white 400 relay team of Larson, Matty, Shaffer and Jacob Fife finished third in 49.37 seconds.

On the girls side, St. Marys posted 103 points in getting past the Bulldogs (67), Cougars (52) and Panthers (32).

Claire Schweller was a multiple winner for the Lady Panthers, taking first in the pole vault with a leap of 11-0 while winning the 300 hurdles in 49.9 seconds. The Paulding senior took second place in the long jump as well with a jump of 13-8 and finished fourth in the 200 dash with a time of 28.8 seconds.

Also scoring points for the maroon and white were Sophia Fisher (fourth, discus, 82-1), Cassie Weller (fourth, 3200 run, 16:54.5, Caydenae Rue (fourth, 100 hurdles, 18.66 and fifth, 300 hurdles, 57.2), Claire Miller (fourth, 1600 run, 6:30.7 and fifth, 800 run, 2:56.2) and Jamy Hunt (800 run, second, 2:37.0).

RAIDER JV'S OPEN WITH WIN

Wayne Trace hit the road to Mercer County Saturday for a junior varsity softball battle with the host Lady Bulldogs and the Raiders brought home a 15-8 victory.

Anna Miller picked up the win for the red, white and blue, striking out five in a complete-game effort. Mary Lands, Natalie Stoller and Makenna Elliott all had a single and a double for the Lady Raiders.



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How to Choose the Proper Grass Seed

Now that we have warmer weather, many of you will want to buy grass seed to fill in some bare spots or over seed thin areas of your lawn. Spring is an excellent time for applying grass seed! But what type of seed should you get for your lawn? The short answer is high quality seed. A lawn can never be better than the seed that is sown.

Buying grass seed is like buying a car without seeing it or driving it. There is nothing tangible to compare it to. Until the seed grows into a lawn, the true quality of what you bought won't be visible for months. The only thing to evaluate is the seed label. Seed labels are written to meet agricultural regulations, and are unfortunately not "consumer friendly." Let us give you four guidelines to break down a seed label's four major requirements: Varieties, Germination, Inert Matter, and Weed Seed.

1. A pound of seed is not the same amount of seeds between varieties. A seed label tells you what varieties are in the package. However, it only tells you in percent by weight of the total package. It does not tell you that seed size and weight are dramatically different. For example, one pound of bluegrass is 1,400,000 seeds. That same pound of fine fescue is 530,000 seeds, and it only takes 225,000 ryegrass or tall fescue seeds to make a pound. What this means is the label does not tell you the amount of each variety you will see in your lawn. Ideally, you could determine the amount of a particular seed present by calculating the percentage by seed count. Unfortunately, seed count is not required on the label, and difficult to determine.

2. Germination is under the ideal conditions...not "normal" Mid-West weather. A label gives you the percent of pure seed that is capable of growth in a prescribed time under laboratory conditions.

These laboratory conditions are ideal. Seeds are placed on wet filter paper and grown in an incubator with perfect light and moisture control for as long as 28 days. Furthermore, germination percentages cannot be compared between different manufacturers. The germination values may be the same, but they may have been achieved under differing laboratory conditions (i.e. Lab A germinated seed in an incubator for 10 days, and Lab B germinated seed in an incubator for 20 days).

3. Double the inert matter percentage for a more realistic filler amount. Some grass seed packages have filler in them. This is called inert matter. Inert matter or bulking agents like corn cobs or chaff are often added to make larger packages. Sand may be added to ensure that the packages will meet weight requirements. Volume of inert matter can generally be found by multiplying the percentage by weight by two. (i.e. 5% inert matter = approx. 10% of the bag's volume).

4. Weed seeds weigh less, so their unwanted plant count can be higher. Weed seeds are also a factor in selection of a grass seed mix. The label says percent by weight of all seeds in the package which were not included in the good pure seed crop. Similar to guideline 1--amount and weight are not equal things--is even truer of weed seeds. One harmless needle grass seed weighs the same as 32 harmful chickweed seeds. But both would be listed as 0.27%. If only 0.10% were chickweed, that would result in 560,000 plants in a 10,000 square foot lawn.

So, now armed with an understanding of grass seed labels, back to the question of what seed to get? Choose a premium seed mixture that guarantees a great lawn. Quality seed mixtures that work well in the Midwest will use a high percentage of bluegrass seed. Bluegrass has very small seeds, so a smaller package of premium seed can cover more area of your lawn. The bonus of bluegrass is its rhizome ability, which means the plant's roots spread to create new plants.

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—Len Schrock
Jonathan Green Lawn Care Consultant
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RAIDERS SWEEP TO QUAD MEET WIN

Hicksville hosted a quadrangular track meet Tuesday evening where Wayne Trace took home first place in both the boys and girls meets.

The Raider boys racked up 135-1/2 points to easily capture first place with the Aces second at 58 points. Hilltop finished third with 33-1/2 and Stryker was fourth with 13.

In the girls meet, the red, white and blue totaled 112-1/2 points to win the meet followed by Hicksville (91-1/2), Hilltop (17) and Stryker (17).

Rachel Stoller was a double winner for the Lady Raiders, taking first in the 200 dash (29.00) and 400 dash (1:01.95). Abby Moore also

captured a pair of events, winning both the 1600 run (5:59.03) and 3200 run (13:47.20). Gracie Shepherd placed first in the 300 hurdles (53.00) and high jump (5-5) as well for the red, white and blue. Sydnee Sinn picked up a first place finish in the 800 run (2:21.27).

Wayne Trace's 800 relay team of Stoller, Kiara Bahena, Bethany Miller and Harper Myers was victorious in 1:54.61 while the 1600 relay quartet of Stoller, Bahena, Shepherd and Sinn won in 4:11.00. The Lady Raider foursome of Madison Gurney, Bahena, Moore and Sinn placed first in the 3200 relay with a time of 10:43.67.

Second place finishers for the red, white and blue included Miller (400 dash, 1:07.12) and Bahena (800 run, 2:38.38) along with the 400 relay team of Alyssa Greathouse, Alexa Campbell, Tori Young and Christina Graham (57.58).

On the boys side, Maddox Treece was a multiple winner in capturing the 200 dash (23.50) and 400 dash (1:00.00) and Brayson Parrish took first in both the 110 hurdles (16.33) and 300 hurdles (43.27). Also bringing home first place finishes were Landyn Whitman (shot put, 46-10), Jarrett Hornish (pole vault, 12-0), Gage Ogle (3200 run, 12:15.90), Preston Schnepf (1600 run, 5:26.82) and Cameron Sinn (800 run, 2:20.29).

The Raider 3200 relay team of Trevor Sinn, Aiden Lee, Cameron Sinn and Jeremiah Molitor finished first in 9:28.02 with the 400 relay squad of Elliott Boroff, Connor Blankenship, Derrek Dangler and Douglas Bradtmueller also winning in 49.95 seconds. Cole Morehead, Dyson Scott, Cameron Sinn and Treece combined to place first in the 1600 relay with a time of 3:46.51.

Individuals taking second included Boroff (100 dash, 12.21), Morehead (400 dash, 1:00.10) and long jump, 17-9-1/2), Schnepf (800 run, 2:22.58), Trevor Sinn (1600 run, 5:31.62), Dangler (high jump, 5-2) and Richie Dunno (pole vault, 10-0).

Wayne Trace's 800 relay team of Cameron Sinn, Hornish, Scott and Morehead placed second in 1:44.50.

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RAIDERS SWEEP PAST KNIGHTS

Crestview and Wayne Trace matched up in a junior high track meet Monday night with the Raiders picking up in both boys and girls action.

The Raider boys defeated the Knights 50-44 while the Wayne Trace girls posted a win.

Lance Whitman and Landon Blankenship were double winners for the Raiders as Whitman won the high jump and shot put while Blankenship captured the long jump and 200 hurdles.

Wayne Trace's Caleb Cox also posted a first-place finish in the discus.

Eli Treece finished second in the long jump, 1600 run and 400 dash with Cox (shot put), Whitman (100 dash), Corbin Varner (200 dash) and Blankenship (800 run) recorded second place finishes as well. Picking up third place were Varner (100 dash and high jump), Zaden Chavez (discus) and Konnor Wannemacher (200 dash).

On the girls side, the Lady Raiders recorded a victory over the Knights with 70-1/2 points compared to Crestview's 46-1/2.

The Raiders won all three relay events, ignited by the first-place finish from the 400-relay quartet of Careen

Winans, Caroline Winans, Miley Jacobs and Aubrie Longstreth. In the 800 relay, the foursome of Amber Stoller, Addison Stoller, Isabel Gilbert and Longstreth while the squad of Lexi Moore, Aubree Miller, Abby Elkins and Gilbert won the 1600 relay.

Individually, Caroline Winans took first in the pole vault and 200 dash while Lexi Moore won both the high jump and 200 hurdles. Other winners for Wayne Trace were Whitney Boroff (100 dash), Careen Winans (100 dash) and Aubree Miller (800 run).

Also placing for the Raiders were Aubrie Longstreth (second, 200 dash), Abby Elkins (second, 200 hurdles and third, 1600 run), Addison Stoller (second, 400 dash), Ingrid Bautista (second, 100 hurdles and third, long jump), Stephanie Lopez (third, 100 hurdles), Amber Stoller (tied for third, 100 dash), Careen Winans (third, high jump) and Emma Stouffer (third, discus).

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 7:30 - Co-Ed: Lippert 112 VS Lippert
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 8:30 - Mens: The Linder Clan VS Your Moms Favorite Team
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 8:30 - Youth: Hooker Enterprises VS K&K Mechanical Insulation

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 11:00 - Tots: Burkley Trucking VS Brandon Manz Insurance
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 Noon - Tots: Ben Kauser Excavating VS Divine Mercy School
 12:30 - Tots: The Dream Team VS Ben Kauser Excavating
 1:00 - Co-Ed: Midwest Community Fed Credit VS Eclectic Company
 1:30 - Mens: Inner Circle VS Baum Squad
 2:00 - Mens: Faith Over Fear VS Prepared To Dive
 2:30 - Mens: 419 Coffee Company VS R.E.O. Legacy
 3:00 - Mens: The Underdogs VS Dooley Funeral Home
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 4:30 - Closing Ceremonies/Awards

PAULDING COUNTY REPUBLICANS MEET TO DISCUSS PRIMARY ELECTION

The Paulding County Republican Central Committee held a regular monthly meeting on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at the Black Swamp Nature Center in Paulding. Jerry Zeilke opened the meeting at 7:12 p.m. Blane and Claudia Fickel were not able to attend the meeting. Barry Rump was sworn in the Republican Central Committee for Paulding Township and Latty. Laurie Lucas stated there will be 21 candidates for the 3-county area of Defiance, Paulding, and Van Wert. Jane Timken does not have time to come to the three county meet & greet event scheduled for Tuesday, April 12, 2022. Josh Mandel has not responded for requests. JD Vance has a window of time that he will be able to slip in. Laurie Lucas voiced a concern about Shane Lee, running for Paulding County Probate &

Juvenile Judge. He is not a registered Republican, according to voter records, but is running on the Republican ticket, and hasn't voted since 2016. Lucas reviewed other people who would be at the event on Monday, April 11.

Fair meeting — June 16 will be the date of the fair? The Paulding County Fair is coming up and there were several agenda items for approval including the lot space, tent, and trophy.

The redistricting has become a mess with the courts unable to decide, according to Jerry Zeilke. He said it sounds like this may end up going to Federal Court.

The float is ready to be used during five parades in Paulding County.

The fall banquet is tentatively scheduled for September 24 at the OSU Extension.

PAULDING SWCD OFFICE HAS MOVED!

The Paulding SWCD office has moved locations. We are now 3 buildings north of our old location and right next door to Paulding Putnam Electric.

The new address is 451 C McDonald Pike, Paulding, Ohio, 45879. the name of this building is McDonald Pike Offices. There will be other offices here. There is no signage up yet.

The phone number remains the same, 419-399-4771, as are our email addresses.

DEADLINE FOR ANTWERP VETERANS MEMORIAL NAMES IS MAY 1, 2022!

Veterans from the Antwerp Local School District who would like to be included on the Veterans Memorial in Riverside Park must submit their information by May 1, 2022. Applications can be picked up at the Antwerp VFW, Village Depot, and Town Hall or by downloading it from the Antwerp website. Documentation and checks should be included with the application and can be mailed to Nancy Lichty at PO Box 538 or Keith West at PO Box 636 Antwerp OH 45813. There is no charge for newly discharged Veterans.

THIS WEEK ON PCBW: PAULDING PROGRESS



This week on the Paulding County Business Weekly broadcast we meet Adam Pappin. Adam is the new editor for the Paulding Progress newspaper. Listen in to learn a little bit about the history of the newspaper, how Adam came to be involved in Paul-

ding County and some of his thoughts to encourage news marketing in the area. Thanks to Ohio Means Jobs of Paulding County you can hear this edition of PCBW on My102.7FM or find it on the PCED, OMJ or My1027 websites or on Spotify.

Paulding 2022 Earth Days Tree Giveaway and Service Projects

LAFARGE PAULDING PLANT Friday, April 22, 2022 - Kickoff

Lafarge Cement Plant - Main Office
 11435 RD 176
 Paulding, OH 45879

Over 850 saplings from 15 different species of trees are to be distributed, with a limit of two per person. Area cleanups and plantings are also planned for the following weekends. Paulding County participants are invited to showcase their environmental efforts.

Friday, April 22, 10-1

- Tree Giveaway

Saturday, April 23, 10-12

- Paulding County Park District - Cleanup

Saturday, April 30, 9-12

- Cleanup & Tree Plantings

Please feel free to contact Bob West at r.west@holcim.com or (419) 670-4953 for additional details.



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