

2022 FAIRVIEW FFA BANQUET - HONORARY AWARDS PRESENTED TO ZEEDYKS



Pictured: Kaitlyn Zeedyk presenting DJ and Mickey Zeedyk the Honorary Degree

By: Elizabeth Bok

The annual Fairview FFA Banquet was held on Saturday, April 9, in the Fairview Elementary Cafeteria. During the banquet, members' accomplishments through the year are recognized, a farewell is said to members who have done so much to help the chapter, and new officers are installed. To get the banquet started there was a dinner, deserts, and refreshments for the attendants to enjoy. Kaitlyn Zeedyk then welcomed the guest to the 2022 Fairview FFA Banquet.

Participation Awards

Participation awards are given to the members who participated in CDE contests throughout the year. There are many varieties of contests available for members to participate in and showcase their skills.

Member Thank You's

This award goes to members that work behind the scenes and put in a great amount of work to benefit the chapter. These members may not always get recognized but still help to plan, set up, and run events. The members that the chapter wanted to thank were: Aspen Brubaker, Emma Zeedyk, Brady Zeedyk, Dalton Haver, Dawson Sines, Andrew Timbrook, Summer Hiler, Kortney Grinnell, Logan Hardy, Brooke Pollard, Brendan Saylor, Carson Fadley, Elizabeth Bok, Brody Retcher, Carter Hill, Molly McGuire, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Carrie Zeedyk, Blake Zeedyk, Evan Saylor, Dakota Shaffer, Kennedy Hill, Brooke Phillips, and Ashley Betz,

District Awards

Members or their teams are

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PAULDING COUNTY RANKS HIGH IN 2022 COUNTY HEALTH RANKINGS

Paulding County Health Department (PCHD) is pleased to announce that Paulding County is ranked among the healthiest counties for health outcomes and health factors in the 2022 County Health Rankings. The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, released its annual County Health Rankings, a comprehensive annual report that ranks the overall health of nearly every county across all 50 states by way of a standardized methodology to measure health factors and health outcomes. For over a dozen years, report data have shown how a wide range of factors influence how long and how well we live. The report has added seven new measures related to income, education, family and social support, and

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AUDITIONS FOR LEGALLY BLONDE, JR. TO BE

Summer Theater Academy for ages 12-18 will be held at the Huber Opera House in June and July and will produce "Legally Blonde, Jr." Performance Dates are July 16 & 17. Participants will be actively involved with many aspects of stage production including, costuming, set production, and character development as well

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VANTAGE TO HOLD CAREER TECH SUMMER CAMP JUNE 7 AND JUNE 8

Attention all parents of students going into the 6th, 7th and 8th grade next year! We have a fun and engaging way for you to start your summer! Vantage Career Tech Summer Camp will be held on Tuesday, June 7 and Wednesday, June 8 from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm both days. Tuesday's program features will be computer programming, health information management & health technology, culinary, and cosmetology, while Wednesday is all about navigating drones, robotics, welding, construction, and automotive repair.

Participants will explore the world of food and culinary entrepreneur opportunities, program and pilot a drone, use professional airbrushing techniques on a metal surface, discover the world of healthcare through a hands-on scavenger hunt, try their skills in robotics, learn the art of hair

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PPEC CEO ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT PLANS

The Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative (PPEC) Board of Trustees has announced that long-time President and CEO George Carter plans to retire from the utility in January 2023.

"We (the board) knew this day was coming, and we have taken steps to address this transition," said Board Chairman Steven McMichael. "We are very grateful for all Mr. Carter has done for the cooperative and its members."

Mr. Carter has been the CEO of Paulding Putnam Electric since April of 2005. His retirement in early 2023 will mark the end of a nearly 35-year career in the electric utility industry.

"It has been my great

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

May 3 - ELECTION DAY

- Beginners' Guide to Grant Writing @ PC OSU Ext. office, 9a-5p
- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 4-7p

May 4-5

- Rummage Sale fundraiser @ NH UMC, 9a-6p

May 5

- Legally Blonde, Jr. Auditions @ The Huber, 5-7pm

May 7

- Ladies Day Out, Antwerp, 9a-12p
- JPHS Ladies' Tea & Hat Show, 3-5p
- Legally Blonde, Jr. Auditions @ The Huber, 5-7pm

May 8

- Free Meals @ Cecil Comm Church, after 11am service
- JPHS Jr. Historian Meetings @ JPHS, 2pm

May 9

- VWCOA Texas Hold 'Em Poker Night, 6pm

May 10

- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 4-7p

May 11

- Senior Center Community Grill Out @ Herb Monroe Park, 11:30a-1:30p

May 12

- ACC Monthly Meeting, 7pm

May 13

- PC Relay for Life @ PC Fairgrounds, 6p-2a

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DANGERS OF ABORTION SPOKEN AT HICKSVILLE YOUTH GROUP



St. Michaels Catholic Church in Hicksville, OH was the recipient of a visit by Allison Stump from the Toledo Diocese Pro-Life Office. Her Fact Filled presentation to the youth group and

many adults focused primarily upon the dangers associated with chemically induced abortions, primarily to the unborn baby but also to the mother.

Topics also included the

January March for Life in Washington D.C. and the October 5th, 2022 Pro-Life Rally to be held in Columbus, OH. This inaugural event will be held annually in forthcoming years.

PARSON TO PERSON

By: Dr. James Bachman
Dear Parson

I get really discouraged. My life seems useless. What is the sense of living if I'm not accomplishing anything?

If you have not received Christ as your Savior, God is still giving you a chance to do so.

It is too late after you die and find yourself in an eternal hell. Christ paid the price of your hell debt for you to prove how much He loves you. Don't reject His free gift of salvation. Read Romans 3:23, 6:23, 5:8, and then do what it says in Romans 10:13 - "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

If you have received Christ by faith, then live for Him and others as He directs in His Word, trusting in His promise to help you in I Thessalonians 5:24 - "Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it." That is all He asks. Let Him decide how He wants to use your life. You may not know how He used you until you get to heaven.

The widow woman gave her entire living of two mites, which was worth less than a penny. She had no idea that Jesus was watching, and that her selfless sacrifice would be recorded in Scripture as an example that would bring billions of dollars into Christ's kingdom.

The thief on the cross that

trusted Christ had the example of having done only that one good thing. However, God has used that one act to bring multitudes to salvation.

Your life is very useful to Christ. Let Him decide how He wants to use it and when He wants to take it. Just enjoy living for Him, with Him and through Him. That is why you are alive! Revelation 4:11 - "Thou art worthy O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou has created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." See also Colossians 1:16; I Corinthians 6:20 and Psalm 24:1.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

UF STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN 2022 SYMPOSIUM FOR SCHOLARSHIP AND CREATIVITY

Students at the University of Findlay recently participated in the annual Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity. Undergraduate and graduate students were given the opportunity to share their research, creativity, and professional learning experiences with the University and community, with many students receiving honors at the same time. The symposium may be viewed at <https://www.findlay.edu/offices/academic/ssc2022>.

Local students include:

Emma McMaster, of Paulding, was named Outstanding Teacher Education Graduate: Adolescent/Young Adult and presented "Incorporating Students' Interests."

Megan Reineck, of Paulding, received the CVS Health Foundation Standard Scholarship.

Blake Schuette, of Antwerp, was named to The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 310-sophomore.

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

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recognized for doing exceptionally well at their district-level competitions. This award went to District Public Speaking- Elizabeth Bok, District Job Interview- Carrie Zeedyk and Kaitlyn Zeedyk, District Agronomy- 4th place, Dalton Haver-7th place overall in Agronomy, District Nature Interpretation contest- Brooke Phillips (10th overall), Dairy Foods- 5th place, Miguel Garcia- 9th place dairy foods, and The General Livestock- 6th place.

Proficiency Awards

As an Agricultural Education student, it is required to plan a Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE project). The members awarded with proficiency awards work very hard outside of class to gain new skills from their projects. Students are offered the opportunity to apply for chapter, state, and national proficiency awards. Many of the members were awarded chapter proficiency awards, and a few were awarded district and state proficiency awards. At the District level: Kaitlyn Zeedyk, 2nd Place Sheep Production, Blake Zeedyk, 1st Place Landscape Management, and Carrie Zeedyk, 1st Place en-

trepreneurship and placement for Diversified Crop Production. At the State level, Carrie Zeedyk placed top 4 for entrepreneur ship.

Community Support Awards

The chapter gives community support awards to people in the community that help the chapter run and succeed. Recipients were: DJ and Mickey Zeedyk, Russell and Susan Zeedyk, Scott and, Jenny Mavis, Roger and Lois Zeedyk, Shannon Grinnell, Mike and Michele Zeedyk, Rheel Z Feeds, Hillandale Farms, Tim Breyman, Tractor Supply Company, United Oil Company, United Edge Real Estate, Jumpin Beanz, Defiance County 4-H, Innovative Ag, Defiance County Soil and Water Conservation, Kenn Feld Group, Big C Lumber, Edon Farmers Co-Op, Hall Crop Insurance, NAPA Auto Parts, JDS Auto Body, State Bank, Louie and Char Shining, Jewell Grain Company, Logan Smith, Walmart, Jill Speiser, Tyler and Lauren Rosebrock, Nate Wonderly, and Chuck Wonderly.

Blue and Gold Awards

The Blue and Awards go to the top members in the chapter that have great attitudes, dedication, and commitment. These members sacrifice a lot of their time outside of school and are overall great role models for the chapter to look upon. The Blue and Gold award went to Aspen Brubaker, Brody Retcher, Kennedy Hill, Dakota Shaffer, Evan Saylor, Blake Zeedyk, Kortney Grinnell, and Summer Hiler.

Academic Awards

Academics play a big role in FFA and being good FFA members. Without good grades, members can't show what they have learned in competitions and contests. This award goes to members who have kept As and Bs the whole year. This includes Adalyn Beardsley, Allison Beardsley, Elizabeth Bok, Caden Carpenter, Miguel Garcia, Kortney Grinnell, Dalton Haver, Summer Hiler, Kayla Mavis, Molly McGuire, Brooke Phillips, Brooke Polard, Dakota Shaffer, Dawson Sines, Reed Singer, Andrew Timbrook, Breaven Williams, Gracie Willitzer, Blake Zeedyk, Carrie Zeedyk, Cheyenne Zeedyk, Emma Zeedyk, and Kaitlyn Zeedyk.

State and American Degrees

Only the top 2% of FFA members in the state of Ohio receive their State Degree, which will be awarded at the State Convention in May. Members must earn 2,500 dollars through their Supervised Agriculture Experience, as well as have outstanding leadership and participation in the FFA chapter. From the Fairview FFA Chapter, the recipients of this degree are Dakota Shaffer, Brooke Phillips, Evan Saylor, Molly McGuire, and Carrie Zeedyk. The American Degree is the highest in the FFA program and is given to less than 1% of all National FFA members. This degree requires, graduating high school, continuing their Supervised Agriculture Experience, and earning an excess of 10,000 dollars through their projects. The American Degree will be awarded to Cassie Mavis and Clair Shinninger this coming fall at the National FFA Convention.

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Scripture of the Week

"If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved."

— Romans 10:9-10

ANTWERP MANOR HAPPENINGS



Welcome to Antwerp Manor Assisted Living located at 204 Archer Dr. in Antwerp, OH. The residents of Antwerp Manor have had a fun month enjoying Easter activities. Our hallways were lined with eggs filled with yummy chocolates. Each resident had the task of finding

the eggs that were labeled with their names. One lucky resident won a jar filled with Hershey's chocolate.

Every Thursday morning the residents are invited to help prepare a dessert which is served during lunch. Pictured is Dick Gasser with a cinnamon coffee cake that he helped to prepare. Everyone loves the delicious desserts that are served on Thursdays. You will always find Dick with the spoon in his hand. He seems to be our resident pastry chef.

We are currently welcoming new residents to our facility. If you are interested or know someone in need of Assisted Living please feel free to contact Brian, Lori, or Jennifer at 419-258-1500.

PJHS STUDENTS VOLUNTEER AT LOCAL FOOD PANTRY



On Saturday, April 23rd students and staff members from Paulding Junior High School (PJHS) volunteered at the Caring and Sharing food pantry. Shown in the picture from left are: Brooklynn Verfaille, Trenton Bail, and RJ Wirts.

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THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW
Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

Isn't it nice to just know some trivia about everything? With a curious mind and a big imagination, I love to know things that some people might call "Useless Facts."

I went on a search on the internet and found some useless knowledge that may be interesting to some but may sound stupid to others.



- So..... let's dig into some (helpful) (useless knowledge.) Did you know that:
1. Rubber bands last longer when they are refrigerated?
 2. No number from one to 999 includes the letter "a" in its word form. (a challenge for you to see if this is true)
 3. Edgar Allan Poe married his 13-year-old cousin. Oh no! (At age 13 I didn't even know why people got married)
 4. Jupiter is twice as large as all the other planets combined.
 5. The Super Soaker was designed and invented by a NASA engineer. (Nice hobby and probably made him some money.)
 6. Flamingos can only eat with their heads upside down. (I wonder how they do that? (Maybe stand on their heads?))
 7. Salt used to be a currency. (I still probably would not have much currency)
 8. Alaska is the only state whose name is on one row on a keyboard. (this one I need to check out)
 9. There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupen-

- dous, and hazardous.
10. There are 32 muscles in a cat's ear. (I don't even know how many muscles are in our ears)
 11. The chicken and the ostrich are the closest living relatives of the Tyrannosaurus rex.
 12. The largest bill to go into circulation in the United States was a \$10,000 note. (I would just love to hold it)
 13. A cubic inch of human bone can bear the weight of five standard pickup trucks. (Ouch)
 14. A dragonfly has a lifespan of only one day. (Aww poor little things)
 15. Honey is the only food that does not spoil. That is amazing!
 16. Toy Story helped sell the Etch-a-Sketch.
 17. Four out of five children recognize the McDonald's logo at three years old. (Wow)
 18. Barbie and Ken broke up in 2004. (Don't worry. They got back together in 2011.)
 19. One single teaspoon of honey represents the life work of 12 bees.
 20. It's impossible to tickle yourself. (I bet I could tickle my own feet)
 21. It's also impossible for you to lick your own elbow. (well I sure want to try) (I bet you are going to try)
 22. Venus is the only planet that rotates clockwise.
 23. Pope John Paul II was an honorary Harlem Globetrotter.
 24. Mulan has the highest kill-count of any Disney character
 25. 3.6 cans of Spam are consumed each second.
 26. The average American looks at eight houses before buying one.
 27. Chalk is edible.
 28. Most pandas in the world are on loan from China.

These are things I never thought about, but now I know just in case someone asks me!

What did you learn from these Useless Facts? Did you know any of them? Have you ever seen a \$10,000 bill or try to lick your elbow or tickle

yourself?
If you have, Let me know and I'll Give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY



By: Mark Holtsberry

Arthur E. Carney was a Paulding County boy who served in World War 1 was born July 23, 1896 in Crane Township.

The son of Francis Marion and Elsie Mytle (Breece) Carney. Francis was born in March of 1854 in Indiana. Elsie was born in Ohio, March of 1880. Francis and Elsie were married September 25, 1895 in Paulding County. The Carney family was living on a farm in Crane Township in 1900.

The Carney's had two children, Arthur and Edith. On October 23, 1903, the Carney's were divorced in Washington, Michigan. Elsie met a fella named Andrew John Chapman, they were married December 24, 1902. I know, look at the dates of divorce and remarry, I just go off of records). Now Andrew, was divorced from his first wife August 3, 1901.

The Chapman's welcomed a son, John Wesley Chapman, May 8, 1904. By 1910 they, plus Arthur and Edith, were living in Helena, Michigan. The children were in school, Edith a homemaker and Andrew was a foreman, working on the Railroad.

By 1917, Arthur had moved back to Paulding. Where on May 21, 1917, he had joined Company B. 2nd Ohio National Guard out of Paulding. He met and married, Della Mae Potts, born 1895. She was the daughter of Joseph and Alice R. (Tye) Potts, from Van Wert. Arthur and Della were married August 6, 1917 in Van Wert. February 16, 1918, a daughter, Edith Mae Carney was born to the proud parents, Arthur and Della.

On June 15, 1918, Arthur was promoted to private 1st Class, boarded the ship, leviathon", at Hoboken, New Jersey and headed for France. He was assigned to a Machine Gun Company, 145th Infantry. While in France, Arthur saw action in the Muese-Argonne Defensive Sector.

On September 20, 1918, Arthur was hit by a piece of shrapnel at about 10:30 a.m. This took place near the town of Mont Faucon, during the Argonne Drive. According to Rec Cross Nurses account, Arthur was carried to a first aid station where his wounds were dressed. Just before he died he urged the Red Cross Nurses and expressed a desire to see his wife. He died on September 30, 1918 and was temporarily buried on Avocourt Hill. Della Mae Carney and daughter Edith, were living in Section 34 of Crane Township with her parents,

when she received the news concerning the death of Arthur.

Arthur was brought home on buried in Live Oak Cemetery, Block G. Lot 420, Grave 3. On July 8, 1922, Della remarried a fella named Henry J. Frahm, in Paulding. She passed away December of 1983 and buried in Michigan with Henry. Arthur's daughter, Edith Mae, married a fella named, Glenn Otto Bayles. He passed away in 2004, and she passed away in 2006. They are both buried in Bloomington, Illinois.

Until Next Time

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AET Awards/Record Keeping

To succeed in FFA it is essential to have good record-keeping skills. AET is used as a computerized record-keeping system and tracks the quality of students' books. AET rewards students, who have quality books, with Blue or Gold Badges. The Blue Badge recipients were: Robby Bennett, Elizabeth Bok, Dylan Froelich, Kortney Grinnell, Dalton Haver, Cassandra Mavis, Kayla Mavis, Molly McGuire, Madisyn Michael, Brooke Pollard, Evan Saylor, Dakota Shaffer, Clair Shininger, Reed Singer, Emilee Treace, Blake Zeedyk Brady Zeedyk, Carrie Zeedyk, and Kaitlyn Zeedyk. The Gold Badge recipients were: Evan Saylor, Dakota Saffer, Blake Zeedyk, Brady Zeedyk, Carrie Zeedyk, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, and Cassie Mavis.

Rising Star Award
The FFA Organization is about student leadership and developing those leadership qualities over a member's time in FFA. The Rising Star Award is given to an individual who currently has great leadership qualities and will continue to be a great leader in the future. The Rising Star award was given to Summer Hiler.

Most Improved in FFA
Not everyone is as comfortable in FFA as others when they start as a freshman. Members soon grow into their place in FFA through their years though. The Most Improved in FFA award is given to the person who has gotten more active and shown the most growth in FFA. This year's Most Improved in FFA went to Kennedy Hill.

Best Shop Skills
Although some may find working in the shop frightening, others excel and do very well. The shop is a place to learn and improve by doing. The award for Best Shop Skills went to Andrew Timbrook.

Dekalb Ag Accomplishment Award
The Dekalb Ag Accomplishment Award is given to outstanding agriculture students and rising stars of agriculture. Members can be nominated by their Advisor for this award. This award is given to one person per chapter, every year who exemplifies commitment, work ethic, and the other qualities that the FFA Organization promotes. These students are passionate about agriculture and plan on fulfilling a career in agriculture. Kaitlyn Zeedyk was this year's Fairview FFA recipient.

Spirit of the FFA Award
The Spirit of FFA Award goes to a member that shows passion and dedication to the FFA Organization. This award-winner puts effort into spreading the word about FFA and promoting the organiza-

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tion. Blake Zeedyk was the recipient of this award.

Star Awards
The Star Greenhand Award is given to the top first-year member that is very involved from the start and exemplifies leadership. The Star Greenhand Award recipient was Elizabeth Bok. The Star Chapter Farmer Award is given to the member that has put time and effort into having the best production farming project. The Star Chapter Farmer Award was given to Brady Zeedyk. The Star Agribusiness Award is awarded to the member that has done exceptionally well and has the best job placement project that is agriculturally related. The Star Agribusiness Award went to Emilee Treace.

Senior Recognition
While the seniors got recognized, they got to share even more laughs and look back on memories. This year's seniors include Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Blake Zeedyk, Dakota Shaffer, Evan Saylor, Brooke Phillips, Bryar Williams, Kennedy Hill, Ashley Betz, Devin Montez, and Reed Singer. Kaitlyn, Blake, Evan, Brooke, and Dakota were presented with their graduation cords for receiving their State Degree. All of the seniors got gifts from the chapter as a thank you for all of the work they have dedicated. Each senior also got a more specialized gift to show how they are known and what their personality is like. A senior video was then shown filled with pictures of the seniors over the years and many fond memories.

Retiring Speech
Kaitlyn Zeedyk has been a great leader and role model during her time in FFA. She has contributed an abundance of dedication and effort to the FFA Organization. Kaitlyn gave her retiring speech as her time in FFA comes to an end.

Honorary Degrees
The Honorary Degrees go

to community members that are helping to advance agricultural education. The Honorary Degree is awarded to people whose efforts are to benefit the chapter and generously put their time into FFA. There is a majority vote by the members to elect Honorary Degree recipients. The recipients who had the honor to be awarded the Honorary Degree are DJ and Mickey Zeedyk, and Denver Zeedyk.

Officer Thank You's
The outgoing 2021-2022 officer team gave a special thank you to their parents and family. Each officer individually gave a thank you to the people that have supported them the most thought their journey. Before the new officers were inducted, the outgoing officers got to end by showing how thankful they were to the people that have helped them.

New Officer Inductions
To bring the banquet ceremony to a close the 2022-2023 officer team was inducted into office. The new officer team includes President Carrie Zeedyk, Vice President Emma Zeedyk, Secretary Kayla Mavis, Treasurer Miguel Garcia, Reporter Elizabeth Bok, Sentinel Dalton Haver, Student Advisor Brady Zeedyk, and Historian Summer Hiler.

Conclusion
The Fairview FFA Chapter is glad to have another successful year and a banquet to commemorate that success. The chapter is very thankful for all of the hard work that the members have put into the events and tasks throughout the year to make them run smoothly. Everything the chapter has done wouldn't have been possible without the added support from generous community members. Fairview FFA is happy to wrap up another memory and success-filled year and is excited to begin a new year with new possibilities.

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- 2 - CLAIMS ASSISTANCE - Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

Our office hours are Tuesday thru Friday, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Arrangements can be made for after office hours appointments
Any questions, please call 419-399-8285



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Home of the Archers



May 2022

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE	MR. LICHTY- HS/MS	MRS. STOKES - ELEMENTARY	ATHLETIC CALENDAR
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As we enter the month of May and the last few weeks of school for the 2021-2022 school year, students and staff are very busy with end of the year activities. Awards programs, concerts, sporting events, and student programs highlight the month of May. Please check the district calendar and support our students with your attendance at these celebrations. Students in grades K-11 will likewise be in a celebratory mood with their last day of school arriving Wednesday, May 18.

A big thank you to all of the people who are working to make this year's Prom and Post-Prom a safe and memorable night for our students! Our public walkthrough will be from 5:00-6:00 at Grant's on May 7 with dinner and the dance to follow.

May brings us to the end of another great school year here at Antwerp. Thank you to our teachers, support staff, parents, and guardians for creating wonderful learning opportunities for our elementary students. You have helped to make this such a memorable year! The kindergarten, first, and second graders were able to take their first ever field trip. This year we started a change to our reading reward system and were overwhelmingly surprised with the success and the amount of books our students read. Next year we are looking to build on our progress and can't wait to see what all our students will accomplish.

VARSITY BASEBALL

May 2	5:00	@ North Central
May 3	5:00	Home vs. Montpelier
May 4	4:30	@ Parkview Field vs. Edon
May 5	5:00	@ Woodlan
May 6	5:00	Home vs. Delta
May 9	5:00	Home vs. Crestview
May 10	5:00	@ Parkway
May 13	5:00	@ Fairview

The end of April and the first two weeks of May are also times to celebrate and recognize the efforts of our faculty. School Secretaries Appreciation Day was Wednesday, April 27. Ohio School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is designated for May 3. May 2-6 is National Teacher Appreciation Week with May 3 as National Teacher Day. May 11 has been designated National School Nurse Day. During this timeframe, please consider thanking a bus driver, teacher, aide, school nurse, or other school employee who made a difference in your child's life. We are proud of all our employees and believe they make a huge difference in the lives of children every day.

Spring Assessments were completed during the last week of April. Many thanks to our staff and students for their hard work.

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH
 Mo Reyes - KA, Sydnie Keeler - KB, Wyatt Hankinson - KC, Addie Straley - 1A, Bristol Kauser - 1B, Brody Smith - 2A, Lucas Phillips - 2B, Zoey Mylek - 2C, Matty Zielke - 3A, Cy Zuber - 3B, Lily Zijlstra - 3C, Hayden Grant - 4A, Laylah Bermejo - 4B, Clayton Flanary - 4C, Tyler Bradbury - 5A, Aleta Sorrell - 5B

VARSITY SOFTBALL

May 2	5:00	@ North Central
May 3	5:00	Home vs. Delta
May 5	5:00	@ Ottoville
May 6	5:00	@ Fairview
May 9	5:00	@ Woodlan
May 10	5:00	Home vs. Lincolnview
May 16	5:00	@ Wauseon

The Class of 2022, our 138th graduating class from Antwerp High School, will celebrate Commencement on May 22 at 2:00 p.m. with doors opening at 12:30. The ceremony will take place in the main gymnasium. We congratulate our senior class on their many accomplishments in reaching this milestone and wish them the best as they continue on a journey of lifelong learning.

Attention Seniors!! Please remember that all academic requirements must be met and all school fees/fines must be paid prior to graduation practice. Students must take part in graduation practice on May 20 in order to participate in our Graduation ceremony on May 22.

KINDERGARTEN
 If you missed kindergarten screening, please call the elementary office at (419) 258-5421 ext. 2200. Your child must be 5 years of age before September 30, 2022, to attend early five and August 1, 2022, to attend kindergarten. They will also need to participate in a kindergarten screening in order to attend kindergarten in August.

VARSITY TRACK & FIELD

May 3	4:30	Home vs. Edgerton/ Continental/Ft. Jennings
May 6	4:30	Antwerp Invitational
May 9	4:30	@ Wayne Trace/Paulding
May 13	3:30	GMC @ Ayersville
May 19	TBD	Districts @ Ayersville
May 21	TBD	Districts @ Ayersville

During the summer months, a few projects will be completed in time for the first day of school scheduled for Wednesday, August 24. Repairs and sealing of our asphalt parking lots will take place during the month of July. Interior projects include replacement of carpet in the B-Wing hallway and three classrooms affiliated with B-Wing. In addition, our two gymnasium floors will receive their annual re-waxing during the month of July. One other project includes the addition of a new sidewalk from the west end of our building out to the Softball/Baseball complex parking lot.

Our Senior Academic Awards night will be held on Wednesday, May 11 in the Auditoria at 7:00 p.m. Parents will be notified of the awards to be received that night as we get the information. Families are invited to attend.

TEACHER LISTS
 The 2022-23 class lists will be posted at the school in August.

JV SOFTBALL

May 2	5:00	Home vs. Woodlan
May 5	5:00	@ Van Wert

Prior to the start of the 2022-2023 school year, incoming 7th and 12th grade students will need updated immunizations per Ohio law. Students entering 7th grade will need the Tdap and Meningococcal Vaccines. Students entering 12th grade will likewise need the Meningococcal Vaccine. Additional information regarding the vaccine requirements, other recommended vaccines, and immunization clinics provided by the Paulding County Health Department, can be found on our school website and school app.

Summer School for MS and HS students will begin on May 23 and finish on June 6. We will have morning sessions from 8:00-11:00, as well as an afternoon session from 12:00-3:00. Students and their parents will be notified by the end of the year that they will be required to attend Credit Recovery classes during this time.

ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE
 This month in classroom guidance, the kindergarten classes talked about feelings. They listened to the book *The Way I Feel*. Then they went on a "Feelings Easter Egg Hunt" and played Easter feelings bingo.

SPORTS PHYSICALS

Archer athletes will have the opportunity to get their sports physical for next school year on May 12 at the school. Paulding County Hospital will be performing sports physicals for all athletes at Antwerp School from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Forms will be distributed to athletes before that day and must be thoroughly completed and signed by both the student and parents prior to arrival. The cost is \$15.00 for the sports physical and all money will go to the Antwerp Athletic Department. Please see Mr. Altimus for an appointment time. Additional appointments can be made at a later date by contacting your primary care provider.

Mark your calendars for the Grand Opening and Open House for the *Archer Advantage Innovation and Aquaponics Center (IAC)* that will take place Tuesday, August 23 at 5:00 p.m. The Center will serve as the hub for our STEM and STEAM initiatives and enhance our teaching to advance student academic achievement, student engagement, and inquiry-based learning. The IAC Open House will coincide with our regular beginning of the school year Open House scheduled for Tuesday, August 23 from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Go Archers!
 ~ Mr. Travis Lichty, MS/HS Principal

First grade learned about personal space. They listened to the book *My Personal Space Bubble* and used a hula hoop to represent the "invisible" comfort bubble that surrounds everyone. The lesson ended with a goldfish cracker activity.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 7	Prom
May 10	Elementary PTO Meeting
May 11	Senior Awards - 7:00 p.m.
May 12	Sports Physicals
May 13	Seniors last day
May 18	Last day of school (K-11)
May 19	Board of Education Meeting
May 22	Graduation
May 23-June 6	Summer School - MS/HS
May 31	Memorial Day

I want to thank the community for the support given to the staff throughout this school year. Antwerp is a wonderful school district with excellent staff, students, and parents. As noted earlier, the 2022-2023 school year will begin Wednesday, August 24. In the meantime, enjoy the long summer days with your family and friends.

HS/MS GUIDANCE NEWS
 Parents of students who are required to come to summer school for credit recovery purposes will be notified in early May for first semester failures and no later than May 20 for second semester failures. Summer school will run from May 23-June 6 with no class on May 31.

Second grade learned about positive self-talk, and practiced using a positive affirmation video. Each of them found an Easter egg with a positive affirmation inside. Students took home a book of positive affirmations to read as a reminder that they are all worthy and special.

WHAT'S COOKING ?

MENU - May 2-6

Mon, May 2	Grilled chicken on bun, vegetable, fruit, milk
Tues, May 3	Sloppy joe on bun, vegetable, fruit, milk
Wed, May 4	Burrito w/ salsa, vegetable, fruit, milk
Thu, May 5	Chicken fajitas, vegetable, fruit, milk
Fri, May 6	Hodge podge pizza, coleslaw, applesauce cup, milk

AP Exams will be held at the Antwerp United Methodist Church this year. AP exam dates can be found by visiting <https://sites.google.com/apps.aw.noacsc.org/antwerpmshsguidance/advanced-placement-ap?authuser=0>.

Fourth grade practiced teamwork this month. Students learned about the qualities of a good teammate. Then they practiced these qualities by working in teams to complete various tasks.

The Senior Awards Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, May 11 at 7:00 p.m. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

Fifth grade learned about life in middle school. Students learned about the various classes they will be taking, as well as the teachers they will be interacting with. They also learned about all the various activities that are included in middle school. Mr. Lichty and Mrs. Hammer came to the classrooms to talk about middle school expectations as well.

Seventh grade students will be participating in the LifeLines program May 3-6. The goal of the *Lifelines* program is to promote a caring, competent school community in which help-seeking is encouraged and modeled.

Students in grades 5-11 will be given a tentative copy of their 2022-2023 schedule before the end of the school year.

2022-2023 CALENDAR

Aug 23	Open House/IAC Grand Opening
Aug 24	First day of classes
Sept 5	Labor day - No school
Sept 23	In-service - No school
Nov 23	In-service tradeoff - No school
Nov 24-25	Thanksgiving break
Dec 21-Jan 2	Christmas/New Years break
Jan 16	M.L.K. Jr. Day - No school
Feb 20	Presidents Day - No school
Apr 6-10	Easter/Spring break
May 19	Seniors last day
May 21	Graduation
May 24	Last day of school (K-11)

As always, Mrs. Lichty is always available to meet all students' individual needs as well. If you have any concerns regarding your child, please call Mrs. Lichty at 419-258-5421, extension 2204, or email her at lichty_e@antwerpschools.org.

2022/2023 PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN

Aug 29	First day of Kindergarten
Aug 31	First day of Preschool

Martin A. Miller, Superintendent

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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

Who is the bigger baby? Preparing for the arrival of our baby was a big deal for me



I am sure the OB-GYN retired sooner than expected after having me indirectly as one of his patients.

as a soon-to-be-father. The process was more perplexing since that delivery wasn't going to happen in Indiana. The process of having a baby overseas, where language, culture and medical practices are different, is not a calming situation. We were young, naïve and just happy to be blessed by the Lord to have a

baby. In a jet-lagged and fatigued state on our first day overseas, we were asked by our new co-workers how they could help us get setup. They were anticipating we'd need help in finding a plumber, an electrician or where the nearest grocery store might be. Instead we shocked them by asking, “Do you have an OB-GYN you'd recommend? We're expecting to have a baby in 6-7 months.” Needless to say, 6-7 months was not adequate time to learn everything we needed to know about the language and culture, let alone about important medical procedures in that country.

Well, we met the OB-GYN who was a kind, friendly, soon-to-retire man. We

quickly learned they had different bedside manner, like when he'd call our house at ten or eleven at night with the results of this or that routine test. Finally, the big day arrived, the due date, but our baby wasn't ready to arrive, so we waited anxiously for a few more days. The extra time allowed him more and more

time to grow and grow. It wasn't a great fit for my wife who normally weighs around 115 lbs.

The baby finally was ready to arrive and I was allowed to be in the delivery room, which wasn't an unheard-of practice for them, but not necessarily a common one either. Let's just say that I didn't do a good job of giving a positive image of hearty Hoosier men. After a few whiffs of the sterilization chemicals and blood, I started to pass out. No problem. The nurses wheeled over another delivery bed next to my wife's bed. I laid calmly with nausea in my bed and she yelled and sweated in hers. When the baby was finally pulled out, he weighed 9lbs+, which was much larger than most babies born there. However, the way the nurses looked at me, I think they thought I was the bigger baby.

Something similar ever happen to you? Contact me and let me hear your story! mattsmishaps@gmail.com Matt's Mishaps, PO BOX 114, Grabill, IN 46741

PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL WELCOMES A NEW SPECIALTY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY-OUTPATIENT DERMATOLOGY CLINIC



Paulding County Hospital is excited to announce that a new specialty service has begun to see patients at our main campus. Starting this month, Dermatology services are now available in Paulding County!

Audrey Jones, FNP-C from Ft. Wayne Dermatology Consultants will begin holding a satellite clinic at Paulding County Hospital. Audrey is a board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner specializing in Dermatology.

Some conditions that are commonly treated through Dermatology include: acne, actinic keratosis, birthmarks, cysts, eczema, herpes simplex virus, hidradenitis, suppurativa, hives, impetigo, keratosis, pilaris, moles, psoriasis, rashes, ringworm, rosacea, seborrheic keratosis, shingles, vitiligo and warts.

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Our Dermatology Clinic will be seeing patients on Thursdays. For more information or to schedule an appointment with the Paulding County Hospital Outpatient Dermatology Clinic, please call 260-436-8000. Coming soon this service will have the option of self-scheduling via the website: <https://fwderm.com/>

NEW PODIATRY SERVICES COMING TO PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL



Dr. Nitie Sroa, board-certified local Podiatrist, is now seeing patients at Paulding County Hospital.

Dr. Nitie Sroa will be starting to see patients in the podiatry clinic at Paulding County Hospital in May. Dr. Sroa currently also sees patients in Hicksville, Ohio and Archbold, Ohio. She is excited start in Paulding and is looking forward to serving her community and spear head Midwest Foot and Ankle Clinic (MFAC) at Paulding County Hospital Clinic hours at PCH will be from 1pm-5pm every Tuesday. To contact the clinic to schedule an appointment, please call 419-518-7518.

Dr. N Sroa is invested in her community. She is now providing services that range from treatment of diabetic foot care, fungal nails, warts and other skin lesions, arthritis of the foot and ankle, flat-feet, high arch feet, heel pain, along with surgical services for foot and ankle trauma and reconstructive surgery of the foot and ankle at Community Memorial Hospital in Hicksville, Ohio.

Nitie Sroa DPM, FACFAS, MBA is a board-certified, surgical podiatrist by the American Board of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. Nitie Sroa is also a Fellow of the American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons. Nitie Sroa grew up in

Bryan, Ohio and obtained a Bachelor of Science from The Ohio State University. She then graduated Magna Cum Laude from Kent State College of Podiatric Medicine in 2010. She trained as a podiatric surgeon for the next three years at Northside Medical Center in Youngstown, Ohio. After graduating from residency, Dr. Sroa finished a one-year orthopedic foot and ankle reconstructive fellowship with Indiana University School of Medicine and the American Health Network in Indianapolis, Indiana in 2014.

Dr. Sroa is grateful and thrilled to be back and looks forward to taking care of her patients at PCH for years to come. She is looking forward to serving her patients for all their foot and ankle needs and cannot wait to be part of the community.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS EVENT MAY 14

The Huber is hosting a Mental Health Awareness Event sponsored by Helping Hands on May 14 from 11:00-2:00. Mental health includes are social, emotional, and psychological well-being. It affects how we think, feel and act. It is a topic that is often ignored, but needs to be addressed to raise awareness of signals and how to deal with stress, relate to others, and make choices. Speakers will address how to prevent mental illness and tips to keeping yourself balanced.

Featured Speakers include BJ Horner from Maumee Valley Guidance Center, Mary Juarez from Never Let go and local resident Jamie Langham. Demonstrations and entertainment will be provided by OAO Monci, The Huber Youth Choir, and WillPower Fitness. Displayers include: Maumee Valley Guidance Center, The Four County ADAMhs Board, APALD, and Parkview Hospital with hands-on opportunities with Yoga and Art Therapy. The event is free to the public.

(Continued from Page 1) honor to be the CEO of Paulding Putnam Electric” he stated. “To be only the 4th manager in the 86-year history of the cooperative and to have followed such great leaders as Floyd Furrow and Herb Monroe is an honor. I have been blessed with a great

group of employees that have always gone above and beyond expectations.”

Chairman McMichael noted that PPEC maintains an excellent reputation and is confident the co-op will attract quality candidates.

“Paulding Putnam is a very attractive utility. We have competitive electric rates; a very good mix of residential, commercial, and industrial members; an outstanding statewide and national reputation; and excellent, dedicated employees. We hope to attract some very good national candidates for the CEO position,” commented Chairman McMichael.

Chairman McMichael said the board and Mr. Carter have been working on a succession plan since the fall of 2021 when Mr. Carter informed the Board of his intention to retire early in 2023. The board immediately began working on a transition timeline. For background, a typical executive search takes between 4 and 6 months to complete.

The PPEC Board selected a search firm at its April 21, 2022, meeting. The firm conducting the search will be the National Consulting Group, a division of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA).

It is the board's intention to have the new CEO in place by the 4th quarter of 2022.

Those with questions about the transition can call PPEC at 800-686-2357. More details will be announced as the process continues.

Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative is proud to serve more than 12,900 members in Paulding, Putnam, Defiance, Van Wert, and Allen counties in Ohio, and Adams and Allen counties in Indiana. Since 1935, our not-for-profit model has allowed us to provide affordable, reliable, and safe power to rural areas with pride.

(Continued from Page 1) as on stage performing and singing. Auditions for major roles in “Legally Blonde, Jr.” will be held on May 5 (6- 8 pm) and May 7 (10 am-noon). Additional information about auditions is posted on the Huber website. Registration Forms for this program are available at the Huber Office or on the Huber website at huberoperahouse.org

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Antwerp Corner Cafe, Antwerp Pharmacy, H2O, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor, Library, Genesis House, G-Mart

Bryan: Chief, Town&Country, Walmart, Bryan Hospital, CVS, 4 Seasons, Dollar General

Cecil: 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village

Charloe: Charloe Store

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

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

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

Grover Hill: N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library

Hicksville: Sailers, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center

Ney: Marathon

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

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

Elections, Gardens of Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Kwik Mart, Library

Payne: Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Sherman, PC Branch Library

Sherwood: Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank

Scott: Scott Post Office

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

INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Milan Center: Milan Center Feed & Grain

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

New Haven: ACP Library, McDonalds, Ken's Meat Market, Paterson Hardware, Crumback Chevrolet, The Duce, McDonalds, CVS, NH Bakery, Old City Hall, Richard's

Woodburn: Clip-N-Tan, Woodburn Hardware, Bob's Restaurant, Woodburn Xpress, Country Oasis, Financial Partners, Heckley Automotive, S&V Liquors, Post Office, Dollar General, Phoenix Manor, Chop Shop, ACP Library

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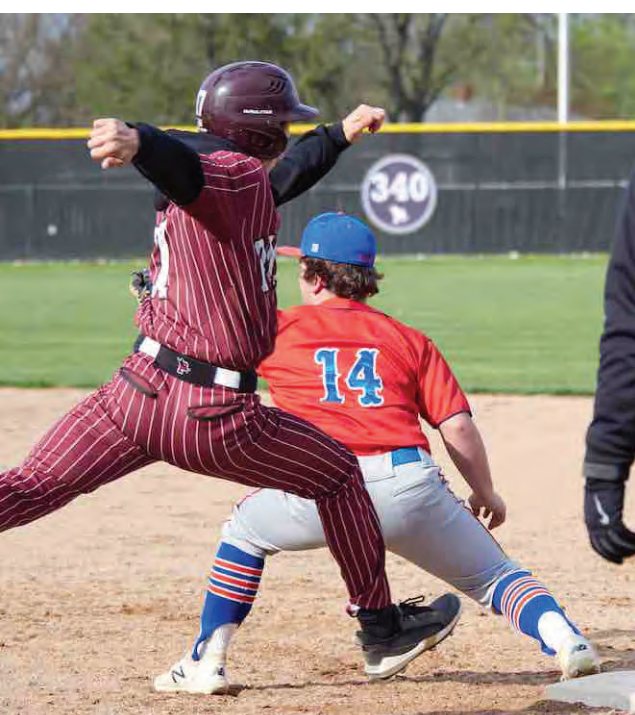
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PANTHERS FALL TO WAYNE TRACE IN GMC MATCH



Wayne Trace sophomore Kyle Forrer line drives the ball to second with Shortstop Ethan Foltz catching the ball and getting a double play at first. More pictures at westbendnews.net



Wayne Trace Junior Kyle Slade catches the ball at first while Paulding's Logan Tope barely makes it as he adds a hit to his stat sheet! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Score by Innings:
 Wayne Trace 0 0 2 1 1 0 0 = 4 runs, 9 hits, 3 errors
 Paulding 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 = 2 runs, 5 hits, 2 errors
 Winning Pitcher - Allen Minck (7 innings, 5 hits, 2 runs, 2 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks)
 Losing Pitcher - Jacob Martinez (5 innings, 8 hits, 4 runs, 4 earned runs, 3 strikeouts, 2 walks)
 Other Paulding Pitcher -

Reid Johanns (2 innings, 1 hit, 2 strikeouts)
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Cale Winans (double, run, RBI), Kyle Slade (single), Cooper Wenzlick (double, run), Allen Minck (two singles, run, two RBI), Kyle Forrer (single), Tyler Davis (two singles, run), Evan Crosby (RBI), Brevon Anderson (single)
 Paulding Hitters - Sam Woods (single, run), Jacob Martinez (double, run), Logan Tope (two singles, RBI), Ethan Foltz (single)

RAIDERS CLAIM GMC TITLE; FIRST SINCE 1987

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

So much was riding on the huge Green Meadows Conference showdown featuring Wayne Trace and Antwerp last Thursday. A conference title, state rankings, and county bragging rights, to name a few. When the dust settled it would be Wayne Trace who would claim the win; shutting out the Archers the first four innings before coasting to a surprising 13-4 win.

Antwerp entered the contest ranked No. 10 in the latest Division IV poll. The blue and white sported an 8-1 overall record and 5-0 in the Green Meadows Conference action. For the Raiders, who was 14-1 overall and 5-0 in league play entering the game was flying under the radar when it came to state rankings. Earlier in the season, back on April 5, both teams squared off in a non-conference contest in which the Archers handled the Raiders 3-1. But this game was about the GMC and sharing a title for now and then having the opportunity to win it outright a little later with a match up at Tinora. With the win the Raiders now have a share and it's been a while -1987 to be exact. To put it in perspective, Raider Head Coach Ryne Jerome wasn't born yet and his mother was in high school.

The Raiders jumped our early with four runs in the first inning and ballooned to a 8-0 advantage after four innings of play. The Archers made a little noise in the fifth frame with three runs but an inning later the red, white and blue struck with four runs to put the game away.

The Raiders scored in every inning with everyone playing contributing to the conference win. Raider hitter Cooper Wenzlick went 4-4 at the plate with three singles and a homerun while producing four RBIs. Kyle Forrer added three hits, none bigger than a two-out double in the first inning with bases loaded scoring two runs.

"Those two guys came to play tonight. Cooper has worked hard this season and it has really paid off. He goes to the plate mentally prepared and confident. He's a big hitter for us. I was also proud of Kyle's (Forrer) play tonight. In the first inning he had an error and he got a little frustrated with himself. He could have let that bother him but he came to the plate and got the huge double that got us going offensively," said Raider Head Coach Ryne Jerome.

Winning pitcher for the red, white, and blue was Tyler Davis. The junior completed five innings allowing six hits, three runs, three earned, two walks and seven strike outs.

In relief, Forrer finished up with two innings of work allowing one run while striking out three.

"Tyler did a great job for us. He battled through and competed. He responded well and made some big pitches. Every time he gave up a walk or hit a batter he would get the next batter out. He did the job and Kyle in relief came through for us at the end," said Jerome.

In the last inning Antwerp had one final opportunity at the plate. But the Raiders had an answer and again kept the from put any runs on the board.

"Their top four batters in their line-up are some of the best if not the best hitters in Northwest Ohio and we were facing their 2, 3, 4 batters but we got the job done. Our guts responded and played well but I also think our students and community in attendance also made a difference. They provided a great atmosphere and it was good to see so many out to watch the game, Jerome concluded.

For the Archers, Hunter Sproles started on the mound and went three innings allowing five hits, six runs, four earned, four strikeouts and two walks. Ethan Lichty pitched in relief for the blue and white. Leading hitters for the Archers were Luke Krouse with two singles and Sproles adding a double and single along with two RBIs.

PANTHERS HOLD OFF BULLDOGS

Paulding rallied from a two-run deficit with five runs in the top of the sixth and then held off host Columbus Grove 11-10 for a non-league

softball win Friday in Putnam County.

The Panthers jumped out to a 5-1 lead at the end of two frames but the Bulldogs scored once in the third and five times in the fourth to seize a 7-5 advantage.

Paulding, though, responded with a five-run sixth to go on top 10-7 but Columbus Grove answered with two runs in the home half to close within 10-9.

Each team then scored once in the seventh to hold on and record the 11-10 victory.

Zoe Valle had four hits, scored twice and drove in two runs for the Lady Panthers with Maci Kauser and Jocelynn Parrett picking up two hits apiece. Jalyn Klopfenstein, Alivya Bakle and Brooklyn Bakle also had a hit each for Paulding.

Brooklynn Bakle scored three times for the maroon and white with Parrett and Klopfenstein driving in two runs apiece.

Klopfenstein also got the victory on the mound, throwing four innings in relief giving up eight hits, five runs (one earned) and a walk. Riley Stork started for the Lady Panthers, surrendering three hits, five runs (two earned) and two walks with one strikeout.

RAMS RALLY TO NIP PANTHERS

Casen Wolfrum hit a one-out single in the top of the eighth to score Cole Commisso and the Tinora Rams made that run stand up to post a 3-2, eight-inning, win over Paulding in Green Meadows Conference baseball play Thursday evening.

With the win, the Rams keep alive their GMC title hopes in

improving to 12-1 overall and 5-1 in the league.

Tinora, which trailed 1-0 entering the top of the seventh, scored twice in the inning to take a 2-1 lead before Paulding rallied to knot the game at 2-2 in the home half of the frame.

That set up the winner for the Rams, who will host league unbeaten Wayne Trace Wednesday afternoon in a battle for the conference championship.

Commisso led the green and white offense with three singles while Wolfrum added a pair of hits. Nolan Schafer and Tristan Birks also had singles for Tinora.

Sam Woods and Kane Jones each ripped a single and a double for Paulding with Jacob Martinez, Logan Tope, Ethan Foltz, Casey Agler and Peyton Adams also getting one hit each.

Schafer got the win for the Rams, pitching all eight-inning allowing nine hits, two runs (one earned) and two walks with eight strikeouts. Woods suffered the loss for the Panthers, giving up seven hits, three earned runs and two walks while fanning five in tossing eight innings on the mound.

WOODBURN LIONS DONUTS

The Woodburn Lions Club will be selling their famous Donuts the next two Saturdays in Woodburn. On May 7th they will be for Opening Day & Mother's Day Donuts at the Community Park by the Basketball Court. On the 14th we will be located in the parking lot by the Meat Market/Hardware for the semi-annual Garage Sale. Times are 7:00 am - 11:00 am. All proceeds will be used for community projects.

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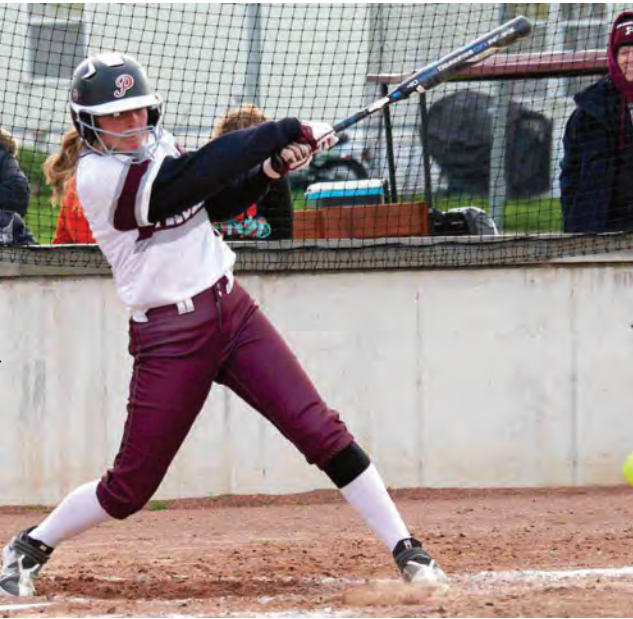
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LADY PANTHERS TAKE THE WIN AGAINST RAIDER SOFTBALL!



Paulding's Brooklynn Bakle hits the ball in the infield and beats the throw to first! More pictures at westbendnews.net



Riley Stork takes her foot off third base to pick up the ball and Wayne Trace's Kaitlin Slade slides in safely. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Wayne Trace 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 = 1 run, 5 hits, 1 error
 Paulding 3 0 0 0 1 0 x = 4 runs, 8 hits, 0 errors
 Winning Pitcher - Jalyn Klopfenstein (7 innings, 5 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 6 strikeouts, 7 walks)
 Losing Pitcher - Logen Bland (6 innings, 8 hits, 4 runs, 4 earned runs, 1 strikeout, 2 walks)
 Paulding Hitters - Maci Kauser (single, run), Jocelynn

Parrett (single, double, two runs, RBI), Jalyn Klopfenstein (RBI), Alivya Bakle (single, RBI), Riley Stork (run), Katie Beckman (single, double, RBI), Zoe Valle (single), Eternity Bassler (single)
 Wayne Trace Hitters - Tatum Tigner (run), Macy Doster (double), Kaitlin Slade (double), Paige Alber (RBI), Alivia Miller (single), Logen Bland (double), Ava Zartman (single)

FLYING JETS SHUT DOWN WARRIORS

Madelynn Hill threw only 74 pitches in seven innings of work and limited the Woodlan Lady Warriors to two hits in leading the Adams Central

Flying Jets to a 6-0 victory in ACAC softball play Tuesday night. Hill, who struck out three Warriors hitters, threw 55 strikes on the night and tossed only 19 balls in the game. Hill also led Adams Cen-

tral at the plate with three singles and two runs scored while Melina Peralez adding a single, a run scored and two runs batted in. Jenna Cook, Megan Byerly and Kaylen Sprunger all recorded a single as well for the Flying Jets.
 Libby Fisher and Alyssa Harvey each posted a single for the Lady Warriors.
 Austin Gaff tossed the first four frames for the Lady Warriors, giving up four hits, six runs (three earned) and five walks while fanning five strikeouts. Libby Fisher pitched three innings for Woodlan, allowing three hits and three walks.

THE LEFT TURN

By: Ron Burt
 Northwest Ohio has always been a hotbed for racing fans and with my weekly column, I will try to keep you informed on big races coming to area tracks. I will cover dirt and asphalt tracks each week. Some of you might think a few tracks I will be covering are a long drive from Paulding County and northwest Ohio, but for diehard race fans, they don't think about distance when it comes to good short track racing.

Several tracks have already opened and held races and fans braved the cold the first several weeks. Attica Raceway Park has eight race nights in the book. This track is just east of Tiffin and is known for running the 410-winged sprints but Friday May 6th the UMP Late Models headline the show with \$3000. to win the feature. 305-sprints and race trucks will also be racing. May 20th, the World of Outlaw sprints will be at Attica, \$10,000.00 to win. Mark your calendar!

The action track, Fremont Speedway, runs on Saturday nights and they normally race 410-winged sprints, 305's and race trucks but this summer they'll bring in some other classes on race nights. I personally am looking forward to June 11th and 12th when All Star Week gets two nights on this track. Fremont Motor Speedway is on Hwy 6 and a great stop on the way home from Lake Erie. They have an excellent racing hall of fame museum at the track included in your ticket price.

The Big E, Eldora opened, Tuesday April 26th with Flo Racing Night in America. The dirt late model race was non-stop action with California native, Kyle Larson getting the checkered flag and taking home over \$22,000.00 in first place prize money. North Carolina's, Austin Holcombe held off David Stremme to win the modified feature, and the stock car feature went to Nick Bowers. If you like sprints you don't want to miss May 6th & 7th World of Outlaws and USAC weekend at Eldora.

Two pavement tracks have already opened. Galesburg Michigan is one of the favorite tracks for northwest Ohio asphalt drivers and local race fans. They hosted the \$5010.00 to win Todd Foote Memorial this past weekend and next week I will have the recap. South Bend Motor Speedway is another Midwest historic track that brings in top drivers during the summer. They opened their season on April 23rd with the Outlaw Late Models headlining the show. Tracks getting ready to open include Limaland, Gas City and Kokomo all dirt tracks and on the pavement side, Angola, Toledo, Sandusky, Flat Rock, Berlin, and Plymouth (now paved again). I can't cover them all every week, but this column will try and cover the big races and mention those feature winners. Ron Out!

MINCK, WENZLICK LEAD RAIDERS IN COME BACK WIN

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

Playing their fourth game in as many nights Wayne Trace needed an extra inning to slip past Crestview last Friday 8-7. Senior Allen Minck smacked a single in the deciding inning to score Kyle Slade for the game winner. With the win the Raiders improve their season mark 16-1 while winning their last 12 in a row. The red, white, and blue will be at Tinora to battle the Rams on May 8 for the out-right GMC title with a win.

The Raiders trailed by as many as five runs late in the contest but used a huge sixth inning to punch win number 16. In the fifth frame the red, white, and blue started with a Slade double with power hitter Cooper Wenzlick reach first on an internal walk. Up next doer the Raiders, Kyle Forrer, responded with a single to advance Slade to home to put the Raiders a little closer but still trailing 6-2.

With the gap closed slightly by the Raiders, Crestview would come right back with another run in the top of the sixth. A Carson Hunter single quickly turned in the Knights favor as the Raiders committed an error allowing Hunter to move to third. Connor Sheets answered for Crestview; driving Hunter in on a sacrifice fly to right field to regain their five-run margin 7-2. However, the bottom of the sixth became a huge game changer for the Raiders.

The sixth inning fireworks started with a Breven Anderson single followed by back-to-back singles by Cale Winans and Tucker Antoine to load the bases and no outs. Kyle Slade came up huge as he worked the Crestview pitcher to draw a walk, scoring Anderson from third and the bases still occupied. Cooper Wenzlick stepped to the plate and wasted little time. Taking the first pitch, the sophomore sent the ball over the wall for a grand slam to bring the score even at seven apiece.

Crestview was shut down in the seventh as well as the eighth innings -- setting up the Raiders eighth inning winning combination -- Minck's single scoring Slade for the game winner.

In the hitting department Wenzlick continued to be hot at the plate with a single, double, and homerun while recording five RBIs. Slade delivered three RBIs along with a double while teammate Tucker Antoine finished with two singles and scored twice. Winans, Forrer and Tyle Davis each added a single.

Breven Anderson secured the win for the Raiders on two innings pitched, allowing no hits and striking out two. Also

WOODLAN GIRLS SHUTOUT SNIDER IN FIVE



The Woodlan girls picked up another win as they took on Snider high school on April 22. The Lady Warriors scored five runs in the first inning, leading the way for the 13-0 win in five innings. Shown here is Woodlan Junior Austin Gaff hitting a pop-fly ball that was missed, and earning two bases. More pictures at westbendnews.net

pitching for the Raiders were Winans and Antoine. Ayden Lichtenstiger delivered two innings of work for the Knights and tool the loss while allowing one run, two walks and two strikeouts.

surrendering six hits, one earned run and four walks while striking out four.

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ZOLMAN'S NO-NO LIFTS RAMS TO GMC TITLE

Scylea Zolman tossed a no-hitter at Paulding and the Tinora Lady Rams wrapped up an undisputed Green Meadows Conference softball championship with a 1-0 win over the Panthers Thursday night.

The victory improved the Rams to 6-0 in league play and 12-3 overall. Coupled with Wayne Trace's 4-2 loss to Antwerp as well Thursday night, the green and white claimed an outright conference championship.

Zolman struck out 13 Panther hitters in getting the win, giving up just one walk.

Tinora didn't get much offense but a Logan McQuillin home run in the top of the sixth was the difference and provided the only run of the contest.

Tanae Smith added two singles for the Rams with Anna Frazer, De'Vona Holmes and Quinn Horn also singling.

Jalyn Klopfenstein suffered the loss for the Lady Panthers,

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21ST ANNUAL MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEER PLANT EVENT

By: Sarah Noggle, OSU Extension Agriculture, and Natural Resources, Paulding County; OSU Extension - Paulding County

Plants, plants, and more plants will be available at the 2022 Paulding County Master Gardener Volunteer (MGV) plant event on Friday, May 13th, 2022, from 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM and Saturday, May 14th from 8:00 AM until 12:00 PM. The event will take place at the Paulding County fairgrounds inside the Block Building at 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding, OH 45879.

Plants available will include perennials, annual flowers, herbs, house plants, succulents, vegetables, trees, and shrubs. The proceeds will go back into the community Master Gardener Volunteer projects and programs. Past projects include trees for Divine Mercy School, hydroponics program support for Antwerp Schools, benches for the Black Swamp Nature Center, trees at Oakwood Park and Payne Park, downtown pots for Oakwood Village, watering bags for trees in community projects, planting the succulent bed at the Reservoir Park, assisting with the landscaping at the Habitat for Humanity projects, plants for the fairgrounds and 4-H club projects, plants for Flatrock Creek Fall Festival, assisting the Friends of the Paulding Park Board with projects, the native garden at the Black Swamp Nature Center, downtown Antwerp Village flowerpots, Fort Brown maintenance and care of plants, and MGV memorial garden at the fairgrounds.

"Volunteering is a great way to give back to our Paulding County community," stated the

Master Gardener Volunteers, "without this sale, our program would not have funds to develop projects within our county."

During the event, the Master Gardener Volunteers will be on hand to answer horticulture and gardening questions. Fact-sheets and general plant brochures will be available for free. Special items are available to youth, under the age of 10, free with a purchase. Bring a child or a friend to experience this great community event. Finally, come early for the best selection of our plants for sale.

For additional information on the Master Gardener Volunteer program or plant sale, contact Sarah Noggle, Paulding County Extension Educator, Ag, and Natural Resources, at noggle.17@osu.edu. Individuals can also walk into the OSU Extension Office at 503 Fairground Drive, Paulding, or call 419-399-8225.

FIND FANTASTIC YELLOW PERCH AND LARGEMOUTH BASS FISHING IN NORTHWEST OHIO

Northwest Ohio's public lakes and reservoirs teem with fish such as yellow perch,



largemouth bass, and more. Now is the perfect time to grab a fishing pole and try to catch them, according to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife.

Ohio has 124,000 acres of inland water, 7,000 miles of streams, 2.25 million acres of Lake Erie water, and 481 miles of the Ohio River. At \$25 for a resident one-year license, fishing is a cost-effective and ac-

cessible outdoor recreational activity. Youth under the age of 16 can fish for free, and all Ohio residents can fish without purchasing a license during Free Fishing Days on June 18-19. All size and daily limits apply during these two days.

The Division of Wildlife has numerous resources available to assist anglers, including lake maps, fishing tips by species, fishing forecasts, and introductory information for new anglers. Many of these resources are available right at your fingertips with the Hunt-Fish OH mobile app. Fishing regulations and an interactive fishing map can be located with ease from any mobile device. For more information on fishing tips and forecasts, go to wildohio.gov. Here are a few areas in northwest Ohio anglers may want to visit.

Yellow perch
Williams Reservoir (Allen County) - This reservoir was opened in 2012 and offers good numbers of large perch, some longer than 13 inches. If fishing from a boat, start along the north or south shore where the old haul roads are still in place. Shoreline fishing in the spring and fall can be productive. Williams Reservoir has an improved concrete launch and dock. There is an electric motor only restriction. Wind is usually more intense on this reservoir because of its height. Be careful of the wind direction and speed before venturing out.

Largemouth bass
Clear Fork Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties) - Ranks in the top 10 statewide for largemouth bass. Explore the western, shallow end for bass hiding among fallen trees and stumps. During spring, try the eastern end near the dam for big fish. Division of Wildlife sampling consistently shows good numbers of fish longer than 20 inches. The reservoir features a multilane concrete launch, as well as a full-service marina. This is an unlimited horsepower lake with an 8-mph speed limit. Clear Fork Reservoir is also one of Ohio's premiere muskellunge lakes.

Saugeye
Pleasant Hill Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties) - When possible, fish the flat just outside the marina, as well as where the reservoir bends south to the dam. Saug-eye fishing is also good just off the beach in 10 to 15 feet of water. Try fishing near the beach at night with a jig tipped with a live minnow near the bottom. An improved boat launch has courtesy docks, as well as an accessible fishing dock. This lake is unlimited horsepower for boat motors and it is sometimes busy. Try fishing in the upper end of the reservoir when it gets crowded.

Crappie
Pleasant Hill Reservoir (Richland and Ashland counties) - This reservoir continues to be the best crappie producer in northwest Ohio. It contains a large number of crappie longer than 9 inches (minimum size limit is 9 inches). Popular spots for fishing are along the rocky ledge on the southern shore and small coves along the southern neck of the reservoir. Focus on trees or logs submerged in the water. The northern end becomes more popular during the summer as fish seek more cover. Pleasant Hill has an improved boat launch with recently renovated courtesy docks, as well

WAYNE TRACE PAYNE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Payne Elementary is pleased to announce the April students of the month. These students have worked hard to accomplish many different things during this time. Front Row: Minn Holmes, Madison Pease, Lilly Holbrook, Alyvia Thomas, Jennifer Treece, Aaron Bohland, Cassie Mitchell, Ryleigh McGarvey, Savannah Sinn. Back Row: Emma Wilcox, Lucas Laukhuf, Mailey Stoller, Ella Gonzales, Laina Matthews, Jack Myers, Jeremy Seibert, Kimberly Evans, Payton Hollar, Beckett Taylor, Nash Sinn, Hanson Kutzli

as an accessible fishing dock near the boat launch. This lake is an unlimited horsepower lake that attracts many boating enthusiasts. Try fishing in the upper end of the reservoir when it gets crowded.

Sunfish
Lake La Su An Wildlife Area (Williams County) - The lakes and ponds on Lake La Su An Wildlife Area are managed for large populations of big bluegill (larger than 8 inches). For the largest lake on the area, Lake La Su An, the east shoreline and the south shoreline directly across from the fishing dock are the best locations to start. Live bait, especially waxworms or redworms, entice panfish to bite. Be aware that live fish (including minnows) are not allowed to be used as bait on the wildlife area. The main lake features a concrete boat launch with a dock, plus an accessible fishing dock. The lake is unlimited horsepower for boats with a no-wake restriction. Other ponds on the area have primitive boat launches suitable for small boats. Fishing is available from early May through late summer on Monday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Please visit wildohio.gov for a full listing of the area rules.

Channel catfish
Beaver Creek Reservoir (Sandusky County) - This up-ground reservoir offers good bank access for anglers of all ages. Look for channel catfish in deeper water during the day using cut baits or night crawlers. For early morning, early evening, or nighttime fishing try the shallow southern portion of the reservoir. Anglers can expect to find good numbers of fish in the 17- to 20-inch range, with some fish up to 27 inches long. The reservoir has an improved concrete boat launch with dock and is restricted to electric motors only. Boats with larger motors can keep them tipped up and out of the water. Be aware of strong west winds which can affect launching and landing boats.

The Division of Wildlife wants to help new and experienced anglers make the most of their outdoor adventures. Visit the Wild Ohio Harvest Community page at wildohio.gov for information on getting started, fishing opportunities, and delicious recipes.

Want to stay up to date on all fishing opportunities and updates? Follow the Division of Wildlife on Facebook and Twitter for instant news stories, outdoor recreation ideas, local wildlife information, and much more. The Your Wild Ohio Angler page provides fishing tips and useful information as you plan to get outside this season.

ANNUAL PATRIOTIC PROGRAM AT OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY



The Oakwood Elementary third graders would like to invite you to their annual patriotic program. This year it will be held on Monday, May 16th at 7:00 P.M. or school performance at 2:00 P.M. We hope to see you there! Shown in the photograph are Connor Manz, Janae Parrett, Rylee Steffes, and Grayson Porter.

The mission of the Division of Wildlife is to conserve and improve fish and wildlife resources and their habitats for sustainable use and appreciation by all. Visit wildohio.gov to find out more.

ODNR ensures a balance between wise use and protection of our natural resources for the benefit of all. Visit the ODNR website at ohiodnr.gov

TEN RUN FIRST PROPELS WARRIORS OVER NORTH SIDE

A ten-run first inning propelled visiting Woodlan to a 22-0 rout of host North Side Friday evening in non-league softball action.

The Warriors followed up that tremendous start with five more in the second before adding two in the third and five in the fourth to complete the 22-0 win.

Briana Roney led a 26-hit Woodlan attack with five hits, including a pair of doubles while scoring three times.

Alivia Ulmer added a home run, a double and two singles while driving in three runs and Alyssa Harvey chipped in a home run and two singles to go along with four runs batted in and three runs scored. Austin Gaff finished with two home runs and a single, driving in seven runs and scoring twice.

Libby Fisher aided the cause with a double and a home run, scoring twice and driving in two runs. Jade Lichty, Abigail Cowan and Avah Smith all recorded two hits while Mya Jones, Adrienne Spieth and Lillian Riley picked up one hit each.

Austin Gaff got the win on the hill for Woodlan, pitching a five-inning no-hitter with 11 strikeouts and one walk.

ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:

FIRST FINANCIAL BANK SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO COMMUNITY FIRST BANK AND TRUST, Plaintiff,

vs.

CAROLYN R. LAWSON, ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 19 117.

Pursuant to an Order of Sale in the above-entitled action, the following real estate will be offered for sale:

3025 State Route 500, Payne, Ohio 45880 Parcel Number: 03-09S-006-00

A full legal description of this property is on record at the Paulding County Recorder's Office located in the Courthouse or at:

www.uslandrecords.com.

Said premises appraised at Eighty-one Thousand and No/100 (\$81,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

The first sale date will be on the May 19, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

<https://paulding.sheriffssaleauction.ohio.gov>.

Registration and deposits must be completed at least one week before the date of sale.

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second on-line auction will be held on June 2, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. However, the purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

TERMS OF SALE: A deposit of Five Thousand and No/100 (\$5,000) Dollars will be due at the time of the sale. Balance of the purchase price shall be paid before the deed is recorded.

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

Taxes shall be prorated to the date of the sale and paid from the sale proceeds.

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PHS ANNOUNCES THEIR MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School announced their Student of the Month for April. From left to right: Freshman- Brooke Kilgore, Sophomore-Ava Foltz, Junior-Luis Cortez-Becerra, and Senior-Audrey Cordova

WOODS SIGNS WITH WILMINGTON COLLEGE



Sam Woods, senior at Paulding High School, signed recently for his post secondary education. He will be attending Wilmington College to continue his academic and baseball career. Pictured are Sam's parents, Joe and Mandy Woods, along with High School Baseball coaches, Ben Barton and Matt Arellano.

CHOW LINE: REUSABLE CONTAINERS JUST ONE OF MANY WAYS TO PACK WASTE-FREE LUNCHES

With Earth Day occurring next week, I'm wanting to do more to benefit the environment. Do you have any tips on how I can pack more sustainable lunches with less waste?

There are several ways that you can pack waste-free lunches and save money in the process.

For example, one way to spend less on lunch is to grab food to pack that you may already have in your refrigerator or cabinets so that you can stretch your food budget and reduce wasted food in your home, said Laura Stanton, educator, family and consumer sciences, Ohio State University Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

"For example, instead of buying single-use dips and condiments, pack your own from home," she said. "You can use small, reusable containers for salad dressings, ketchup, and other condiments and side dishes. Not only does that reduce waste, single-use items are more expensive and cost more money in the long run."

With consumer inflation on the rise—increasing 7.9% over the past year according to a report by the U.S. Labor Department—costs for everyday items are also on the rise. So, taking inventory of what you may already have in your home to prepare and pack for lunch is not only a good way to lessen waste and benefit the environment, it's also a way to lessen your costs.

"Packing waste-free lunches is a terrific way to save money," Stanton said. "A bonus is that you are also being a better steward of our planet. Reducing waste and decreasing our use of single-use items are terrific ways to be more sustainable."

Here are other tips Stanton suggests:

- Use a reusable lunch box or bag. Avoid single-use items like disposable plastic or paper bags. Personalize, monogram, or label your reusable lunch container and items so they do not get lost.
- Pack reusable utensils. Avoid disposable plastic forks, spoons, and knives. Pack utensils made of durable plastic, bamboo, or stainless steel. Consider buying used utensils from a thrift store or using what you already may have at home.
- Drink from a refillable beverage container. Avoid single-serving drink boxes, pouches, cans, and bottles. Filtered water in a reusable bottle is the healthiest and least expensive option. Skip the straw, or purchase one that is reusable and can be cleaned after each use.
- Consider your napkin. If you prefer paper napkins, purchase napkins that are made from 100% recycled paper. The most sustainable option is a cloth napkin. Remember to use environmentally safe detergent to wash them, and then line-dry them to save energy.
- Compost fruit or vegetable scraps. If composting is not currently offered, investigate what it would take to implement a composting program at home, school, or the office. Every item you com-

post makes a difference. • Recycle what you can. Check with your local waste hauler to understand what items are recyclable in your area.

Making these simple, small changes can make a big difference and help protect the environment, Stanton said.

"However, some of these changes can take time and money," she said. "If it seems too expensive, start small and recognize you will save money over time, especially if you ditch the more expensive, single-serve products and buy in larger quantities."

"For example, buying one large bag of pretzels and putting them in your own reusable containers is much cheaper than buying individual, single-serving bags of pretzels. Remember, you may have many of these reusable items or containers already, so reuse what you have."

WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 3/21/22

Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on March 21st, 2022:

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Councilmen Voirol, Watts, Gerig, and Martin. Chief Parker and Councilman Thompson were not present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report. Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: The mayor discussed as to whether or not the city or Maumee Township should pay for certain repairs that are necessary at the City Hall building. The mayor gave an update on a property within the city limits that is being prepared for multiple renters. The mayor gave an update on the construction taking place on Main Street.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the March 7th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the March 7th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. Two ordinances were prepared for Council's consideration that are both concerning COVID related payments. The first, Ordinance 22-1404 (Establish COVID IFA Reimbursement Fund 151 <RETROACTIVELY>) and the second, Ordinance 22-1405 (Modify ARP Ordinance 21-1397). After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to read Ordinance 22-1404 by title only, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved

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(Continued from Page 1) health outcomes. An organized list of strategies to close the wealth gap and support a fair recovery from the pandemic is also featured in the new report.

Health outcomes include length and quality of life measures, and health factors include health behaviors, clinical care, social and economic factors, and physical environment. Overall, Paulding County had a ranking of 20th in Ohio health outcomes, and 46th for health factors.

Paulding residents should be very pleased that Paulding County continues to be one of the healthiest counties in Ohio. There is some disappointment to see a lower ranking in health factors, the data reiterate the importance of prevention-focused public health programming. Future County Health Rankings will tell a better story of how COVID-19 has impacted our county's health overall, as much of the data for these measures predates the pandemic. County partners continue to update our Community Health Needs Assessment, and look forward to using that data, in addition to these latest County Health Rankings, to identify needs and develop meaningful strategies to positively impact the health of all Paulding County residents.

You can explore the rankings further at <https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/>

The West Bend News Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS VISIT THE FFA PETTING ZOO!



Shown here outside with a giant sprayer are our excited children: in back are: Mylann Good and Owen Gamble. In front are: Sawyer Stoller, Savannah Coil, Nathan Sizemore, Macklen Osting, Darius Ash and Harper Snyder.

Ann's Bright Beginnings preschoolers were recently invited to visit the FFA petting zoo being held at the Paulding School. We were so excited to go! We got to see and pet chickens, rabbits, a cow, don-

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PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

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

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

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

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NOTICE OF ONLINE SALE UNDER JUDGMENT OF DISCLOSURE OF LIENS FOR DELINQUENT LAND TAXES

Revised Code, Section 5721.19.1
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO
In the Matter of Foreclosure of Liens for delinquent land taxes:
LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, TREASURER PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO, Plaintiff,
vs.
LARRY SWITZER, ET AL., Defendants,
Case No. CI 22 003

Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges as follows:

313 Park Street, Melrose
Parcel Number: 09-03S-035-00 and 09-03S-036-00

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

The opening bid is One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty-four and 40/100 (\$1,684.40) Dollars, sufficient to cover pro-rated taxes, assessments, penalties, costs and charges of this suit.

Whereas, said judgment orders such real property to be sold by the undersigned to satisfy the total amount of said judgment;

Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I, Jason K. Landers, Sheriff, Paulding County, Ohio, will sell such real property at public auction to the highest bidder of an amount sufficient to satisfy the judgment against each parcel on Thursday, June 9, 2022 by on-line bidding at:

(RealAuction) <https://paulding.sheriffsaleauction.ohio.gov>. **Registration and a Ten and No/100 (\$10.00) Dollar deposit must be completed at least one week before the date of the sale.**

If this parcel does not receive a sufficient bid, it shall be offered for sale on-line, under the same terms and conditions of the first sale and on June 23, 2022 for the same minimum bid.

Bidding begins on scheduled Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. An auction will be conducted for each individual property/court case. After a property is sold, the next scheduled sale will begin.

The purchaser will be required to pay recording costs and transfer fee with the balance of the purchase price after the sale has been confirmed.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL SUCH REAL PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION MAY BE SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE, AND PURCHASERS OF ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY ARE URGED TO SEARCH THE FEDERAL TAX LIEN INDEX THAT IS KEPT BY THE COUNTY RECORDER TO DETERMINE IF NOTICE OF A FEDERAL TAX LIEN HAS BEEN FILED WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH REAL PROPERTY.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com
Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

CONVOY LADIES ON A MISSION PIE EVENT & CAFÉ

Homemade Pie Event will be held at the Convoy United Methodist Church at the corner of N Main & Sycamore Streets in Convoy. The event will be held in the church social room on May 13th from 8am-5pm and Sat. May 14th from 8am-1pm. All flavors of pie to include pecan, fruit, rhubarb, sugar cream, grape, fruit pies and lots more. This is sponsored by the Convoy United Methodist Ladies on a Mission with the proceeds to support the mission project. The Church Café is a dine in or take out and will be serving cinnamon rolls & coffee, shredded chicken, sloppy jo, hot dog, coney dog sandwiches, taco salad, strawberry shortcake. Bring your family, co-workers, neighbors and friends for lunch.

REMEMBERING THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY



The Village of Convoy Historical Society is presenting "Remembering the Lincoln Highway" by Michael Buettnert of Lima Ohio on Sunday May 15, 2022 at 1pm at the Convoy Opera House. He has written a book, "A History and Road Guide of the Lincoln Highway in Ohio" much of which can be viewed online.

OHIO STATE LIMA ANNOUNCES WBL SCHOLASTIC BOWL TOURNAMENT 2022 RESULTS

More than 110 high school students competed

Wapakoneta took home

top honors in the varsity division and Shawnee the junior varsity division at the Western Buckeye League Scholastic Bowl Tournament held Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at The Ohio State University at Lima. The two schools flipped for the second-place finish as Shawnee won the runner up slot in the varsity division and Wapak in the junior varsity division.

The winning varsity team from Wapak included Nathan Doll, Trenton Hook, Drew Pothast, Makahla Schnarre and Gavin Sutton. The team finished with a 9-0 record. The runner-up varsity team from Shawnee included Evan Conley, Ethan Delgado, James Harbur, Adam Jmiai and Andrew McKenzie, and finished with an 8-1 record.

The winning JV team from Shawnee included Shashank Chanamolu, Painter Drury, Camden Garlock and Salah Mohammed. The team finished with an 8-1 record. The runner-up JV team from Wapak included Tyler Ferris, Kaiden Hinegardner, Issac Puff and Justin Zinc. Wapak finished with a 7-2 record.

The Wapak coach is Adam Friemering and the Shawnee coach is John Young.

The WBL Scholastic Bowl All Tournament Team was chosen by the coaches and made up of one member from each school. The 2022 All Tournament Team members are Jonah Volbert from Bath, Malcolm Head from Celina, Dennis English from Defiance, Maddox Bell from Elida, Lily James from Kenton, Eugene Recker from Ottawa-Glandorf, Andrew McKenzie from Shawnee, Kaden Brackman from St. Marys, Cadee Bowen from Van Wert and Gavin Sutton from Wapakoneta.

High school teams from around western Ohio went head-to-head in the round-robin scholastic bowl tournament. Varsity and junior varsity teams from Bath (Daniel Grime), Celina (Hal Hoover), Defiance (James Kerr), Elida (Melody Morris), Kenton (Todd Daquino), Ottawa-Glandorf

(Joe Jahnz), Shawnee (John Young), St. Marys (Chad Doll), Van Wert (Chris Kraner) and Wapakoneta (Adam Friemering) competed. Coaches' names are in parentheses.

The competition is hosted and sponsored by The Ohio State University at Lima.

HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY HONORS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Siera Octaviano of Antwerp, OH, was among about 85 students honored at the conclusion of the spring semester at Heidelberg University. This year's Student Awards Celebration was held on April 22 and returned to an in-person celebration after a 2-year pandemic hiatus.

Octaviano, a sophomore majoring in Political Science, received the John I. Kolehmainen Scholarship (political science) during Heidelberg's celebration of academic, athletic, service and leadership excellence among individual students, student organizations and staff and faculty members.

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.

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Ciarra C. Owens, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs paid by defendant

Rebecca A. Elkins, Cecil, OH; Disorderly conduct; Case dismissed with prejudice; Costs paid by defendant

Spencer M. Strickler, Payne, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brian C. Thomas, New Baltimore, MI; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Frederick A. Quantance Jr., Cygnet, OH; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived

by defendant
Jonathan B. Foster, Chickasha, OK; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course

Ryan G. Brown, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Brian J. Morris, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Danielle L. Rangel, Marion, IN; Failure to yield emergency vehicle; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Javious J. Davys, Indianapolis, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Andy C. Kreis, Saint Louis, MO; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Dustin A. Haas, Grelton, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jason P. Rothstine, Arnold, MO; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Timothy J. Harris, Abilene, TX; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Robert A. Stites, 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; Physical control, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Crates, Pled guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, ALS vacated, Pay all fines and costs, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by arresting agency

Khalfani M. Kamau, Bloomington, IN; OVI/under influence, Count A dismissed; OVI/breath(low), Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Hyman, Pled guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Fines and costs to be taken from bond

Adam C. Stripe, Ohio City, OH; OVI/suspension; Guilty; Defendant appeared in court with Ms. Simson, Pled guilty; Pay all fines and costs; Shall secure a valid operator's license; Warrant and warrant block rescinded

Zachary David C. Kesler, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Eric Zehner, Payne, OH; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared in court with Ms. Simson, Pled guilty, ALS vacated, Pay all fines and costs, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail; Loud exhaust, Count B dismissed; Seat belt/drive, Count C dismissed

Cassandra K. Whitman, Hicksville, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Cristian Devian Boch, Fort Wayne, IN; Off Inv unag/p; Case dismissed per state, with prejudice; Costs waived

Noe Gabarrete Lopez, Paulding, OH; Obstructing; Case dismissed with prejudice; Costs waived

Andrew J. Hollis, Alton, MO; Drug paraphernalia, Case dismissed per state, Costs to defendant; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared with Mr. Fee, Pled guilty, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, May do online 36 or 48 hour DIP, Pay all fines and costs, Show proof of insurance by 4/28/22

Heather L. Bakowski, Melrose, OH; Obstructing, Guilty, Fines and costs to come from bond; 30 days jail; Write a letter of apology to the arresting

officer; Maintain general good behavior; Work release granted upon proper application

Brett W. Miller, Paulding, OH; Aggravated menacing, Count A dismissed; Criminal damage, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs, Shall have no contact with victims, Maintain general good behavior

David Ramos, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under suspension; Defendant appeared in court; Pled guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond

Darius D. Duguay, Toledo, OH; Driving under non FRA suspension, Count A dismissed; Seat belt/drive, Defendant appeared in court, Pled no contest, Pay all fines and costs

Joshua B. Warner, Toledo, OH; Marked lanes, Defendant appeared in court, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Seat belt/drive, Count B dismissed

Jessica L. Thomas, Convoy, OH; Driving under FRA suspension, Defendant appeared in court, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Child restraint, Defendant appeared in court, Pled guilty, Pay fine

Hunter J. Grimes, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Robert L. Carnahan, Paulding, OH; 12 point suspension, Case dismissed, Costs waived; Display plates, Case dismissed, Costs waived

Adrian L. Greer, Indianapolis, IN; OVI/under influence, Count A dismissed; No tail lights, Defendant pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs by 5/31/22; Seat belt/drive, Count C dismissed

Keirre D. Blackmon, Findlay, OH; Weapons disability; Case dismissed per state, Without prejudice; Costs waived

Brandon T. Ruffing, Antwerp, OH; Theft; Preliminary hearing waived; Case shall be bound over

Chad N. Eagleson, New Haven, IN; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Holly E. Rutherford, Defiance, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Terry G. Sidney, Fostoria, OH; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Sarah N. Welling, Perrysburg, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Warren P. Barrant, Fort Wayne, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jose J. Ramirez, Columbus, OH; Following close, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Distracted driving, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

Donald R. Stoller, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Margie L. Gordon, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

OHIO STATE HIGHWAY PATROL INVESTIGATES FATAL CRASH

The Defiance Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol is currently investigating a fatal crash that occurred on SR 15 just southeast of Ashpacher Road in Noble Township, Defiance County, at approximately 5:35 A.M. on April 30, 2022.

Tracy L. Perez, age 55, of Defiance, Ohio, was driving a

2012 Silver Chevrolet Equinox northwest on SR 15. The vehicle went off the left side of the roadway, crossed over Ashpacher Road where the vehicle overturned, and after coming to rest became engulfed in flames.

Miss Perez was wearing her seatbelt when the crash occurred. She was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by Defiance County Coroner's Office, Defiance Sheriff's Office, and Noble Township Fire & Rescue. This crash remains under investigation at this time.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol encourages drivers and occupants to always wear their safety belts, and to never drive distracted or impaired.

STATE DATA CONFIRM COVID SHUTDOWNS HAD 'DRAMATIC IMPACT' ON CHILDREN'S READING SKILLS

"This latest state data illustrates just how far behind Ohio's children have been set back by Mike DeWine's school shutdowns."

According to the Columbus Dispatch, new state data confirms that the COVID lockdowns had a "dramatic impact" on young children's reading skills, with third-grade reading proficiency decreasing statewide from 67% in the 2018-19 school year to 51.9% in 2020-21.

"When you are teaching kids sounds it's much more difficult to teach them virtually," one educator said. "They need to see your mouth. They need to hear it without muffled sounds through technology." Tragically, these learning setbacks have the potential to severely disadvantage these children for the rest of their lives, with the Dispatch noting, "Students who do not read proficiently by third grade are four times more likely to leave high school without a diploma than proficient readers...The number rises when those kids also come from poverty."

This kind of learning loss among Ohio's children was not inevitable, yet Governor DeWine played an instrumental role when he became the first governor in the entire country to shut down the state's schools, ignoring the science while opening the floodgates for other governors to follow suit:

"DeWine's order, which at the time was universally declared to be the most drastic action in response to the virus in the United States, gave cover to Democrats to pretend closing schools was a laudable policy decision. Republicans also followed him, seeing DeWine's decision as making school closures the norm."

Jim Renacci issued the following statement:

"This latest state data illustrates just how far behind Ohio's children have been set back by Mike DeWine's school shutdowns. Our children should never have been forced out of the classroom and should never have been forced to wear masks for hours on end when they returned. DeWine could have stood up to the Left's push for lockdowns and mandates. Instead he joined them. As governor, we will never cave to the mandate mob and we will fight to keep our schools open!"

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NSCC FOUNDATION AWARDS OVER \$1 MILLION IN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS



The Northwest State Community College Foundation recently proudly awarded \$1,043,450 in scholarships to 313 students from the region. The total dollars awarded shatters last year's record totals, offering needed financial help to students through the generosity of donors to the NSCC Foundation.

On Thursday, April 21st, the College welcomed students and donors from the surrounding area to the Archbold campus Atrium for the record-setting event.

"We were excited to host the Scholarship Awards event in person again this year - to show our appreciation for our donors and our congratulations to our scholarship recipients," said

Robbin Wilcox, Executive Director of Development & the NSCC Foundation. "We are so proud of our learners' accomplishments, and we are grateful for the generosity of our donors - they truly put our students first," Wilcox noted.

The event kicked off with opening remarks by NSCC President Dr. Todd Hernandez and NSCC Foundation Board member Doug Bernath, each providing congratulatory remarks to both students and gratitude to the donors who make the Foundation scholarships possible. Sally Taylor (VP of Physician Services) and Dr. Carolyn Sharrock-Dorsten represented Parkview Physicians Group for the Donor perspective.

FAIRVIEW FFA IS DOING A BIKE DRIVE

By: Elizabeth Bok

The Fairview FFA is hosting a bike drive to collect, repair, and donate used bikes to families in need. This is the first time that the Fairview FFA has hosted this event. The bike drive will be an event for people to drop off used bikes at the Fairview High School. Once the bikes begin to get collected, the chapter members will work to fix the bikes and refurbish them. After the bikes are finished being repaired, the chapter will donate the bikes to Central Shares. The bikes will then find new homes and families. The bike drive started on Monday, April 25, and is ending Monday, May 2nd. On the starting date, bikes could start to be

dropped off at the school, if necessary the chapter is offering to schedule pickups. Jessica Nagel or Carrie Zeedyk can be reached to set a time to pick up the bikes.

TRACE ADKINS TOUR TO COME TO VAN WERT

Country icon and film sensation, Trace Adkins has included the Niswonger Performing Arts Center as a stop on his 25th Anniversary Tour, The Way Trace Adkins Tour To Come To Van Wert! Wanna Go on Saturday, October 22, 2022 at 7:30 PM. Van Wert Live continues to deliver on the promise to make Van Wert an entertainment destination thanks to Presenting Sponsors Jim and Mary Pope and Supporting Sponsor Kenn-Feld Group.

In his 25-year career in Country music, Trace Adkins has sold over 11 million albums, charted over 20 singles, earned numerous awards and GRAMMY nominations, and garnered over two billion

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DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN WEST BEND NEWS IS MONDAYS AT 12 NOON!!!

streams. A Grand Ole Opry member for nearly two decades, the Louisiana native is known for dynamic baritone and fiery, always-memorable live performances, and has expanded his Country career to include film and TV acting.

He broke out in 1996 with the debut album, Dreamin' Out Loud, cracking the Top 5 of Billboard's Hot Country Songs chart with Every Light In the House Is On and following with the #1 smash, This Ain't (No Thinkin' Thing). Since then, Adkins has pioneered a mix of classic Country minded traditionalism and adventurous, good-natured showmanship, breaking open new avenues in modern Country through fun-filled hits like Honky Tonk Badonkadonk and Hillbilly Bone (with Blake Shelton). He'll celebrate the silver anniversary of his album debut in 2021 with The Way I Wanna Go, doing exactly what he always has - mixing pure-Country reverence with standout collaborations featuring Blake Shelton, Melissa Etheridge, Snoop Dogg, Stevie Wonder on harmonica and more. Adkins' newest single Where The Country Girls At (featuring Luke Bryan and Pitbull) is available everywhere now. Find out more about Trace Adkins at www.TraceAdkins.com.

For more information visit vanwertlive.com or through the Box Office Mon-Fri from 10A to 3P / 419-238-6722.

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

spring growth that the demand for all macronutrients occurs.

All nutrients must be present in sufficient quantities to maximize wheat yields. If one is lacking, it often negates the value of the others. Micronutrients are required in lower amounts and may account for only 1% dry weight of crop yield. Micronutrients form enzymes needed to increase crop yields. Nutrients removed with high wheat yields, 100 bushel per acre, includes 62# N, 11# P, 15.4# K, 12# S, 8# Ca, 3# Mg, .8# Fe (iron) and small amounts of Mn .42#, Zn .31#, B .15#, and Cu (copper) .06 #.

Many producers have not applied enough micronutrients to keep up with crop removal for several years. Losses of soil organic matter and soil erosion create many micronutrient deficiencies. Low soil organic matter or sandy soils often exhibit micronutrient deficiencies. No-till field typically have lower soil temperatures in early spring, especially iron and magnesium. Most micronutrients are less available in cooler soils, plus many of the plant-immobile nutrients, such as copper and zinc, are less soluble and can be tied up for 2-5 years in surface residue. Only about 5% of soil copper is plant available.

All micronutrients (except calcium, magnesium, and molybdenum) are less available at higher pH levels. Most micronutrients are less available in dry soils because nutrients move into roots by diffusion and drier soils limit root growth. These several factors together may greatly increase micronutrient deficiencies, such as wheat grown in high pH soil, in a lower rainfall environment or in no-till.

The best way to determine if micronutrients need to be applied is with a soil or tissue test. For no-till, take a 4-inch soil sample and on conventional soils a 6-inch soil sample to test for micronutrients. If using tissue tests, sample actively growing crops around the 4-leaf stage. Micronutrients can be applied to help boost grain numbers per head, before yield is determined around the 4-5 leaf stage. Compare healthy wheat samples to areas with poor wheat growth. Difference in nutrient levels between healthy and less healthy areas is more important than the actual tissue test numbers. Check with each lab for how to take a good tissue test. Some labs require the whole plant, others just upper leaves for any plant tissue submitted.

Wheat yields are most responsive to low zinc, copper and manganese levels. Low boron and chloride in sandy may provide a wheat yield increase since these elements are soil mobile. Foliar applications can be used on wheat and usually the sulfate or oxide formulations are used. Add fulvic acid (1 pint/A) to increase plant absorption. Some micronutrients

Sudoku solution from page 9

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

can be tank mixed with herbicides or fungicides to reduce application costs. Soil-applied micronutrients are the most efficient strategy for long-term management to prevent micronutrient deficiencies. If soil or tissue tests are consistently low, such as zinc or copper, then add those nutrients before or at seeding. Since wheat is actively growing now, adding micronutrients if needed may be your best option to increase wheat yields.

James J. Hoorman
Hoorman Soil Health Services

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to accept the first reading of Ordinance 22-1404, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to suspend the rules to waive any additional readings and adopt Ordinance 22-1404 as presented, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. Ordinance 22-1404 is ratified as presented. Councilman Watts moved to read Ordinance 22-1405 by title only, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 22-1405, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Councilman Watts moved to suspend the rules to waive any additional readings and adopt Ordinance 22-1405 as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Ordinance 22-1405 is ratified as presented.

Councilman's Report: Councilman Voiron was approached by a resident inquiring as to whether or not the city would consider changing the trash pickup to allow for a monthly large item pickup rather than the spring and fall large item pickups. The clerk-treasurer will check with Advanced Disposal and get back with the council with an answer.

Audience: A resident came to discuss the potential of rezoning his commercial property in order to create a rental space and inquired as to potential concerns the council may have in this request. He took comments from the council under advisement for future consideration.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voiron, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:28pm.

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The next applications for housing in Paulding Village are now being accepted
Enrollment May 1 - May 31, 2022
Free? No, but it is low cost because of volunteerism. The partner family have a zero interest low payment that must be repaid to Habitat for Humanity to fund other homes.
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Habitat of Paulding County assists low income; first-time homebuyers with affordable loans by selling the homes at no profit and financed with affordable loans. In addition to a down payment and monthly mortgage payments, homeowners invest sweat equity ours building their future Habitat home and the homes of others Habitat Homebuyers. Interest applicants must submit an application and meet program eligibility requirements.
Contact: pauldingohiohabitat@gmail.com or **419-789-8902**

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SENIOR DAY CELEBRATION AT PC SENIOR CENTER



The Paulding Co. Senior Center is hosting their annual Senior Day Celebration on May 17, 2022. This Rock'n and a Roll'n event will be held at the Paulding County Extension Building and doors open at 10:30 am.

The event is sponsored by area businesses so the complimentary meal, entertainment and door prizes are due to their generosity. We will also have some great raffle prizes

available. CCBanks Productions will be on the floor singing and dancing to the 50's music.

If you are 60+ or spouse of person 60+ please call 419-399-3650 or stop by the Senior Center to pick up your tickets. Pictured looking at some of the decorations are Yvonne Lilly, Food Manager and Samantha Smith, Admin. Assistant.

AQUARIUM TEAM EARNS BANNER AT STATE FFA CONTEST



The Paulding FFA Aquarium team who placed 2nd at State left to right: Jamy vHunt, Paige Jones, Carter Manz, Tyler Schlatter and Lathan Schneider.

By: Caydence Rue, Paulding FFA Reporter

On April 13th the Aquarium Management team consisting of Jamy Hunt, Paige Jones, Carter Manz, Tyler Schlatter, and Lathan Schneider competed in Columbus.

The team had to identify different types of freshwater and saltwater fish and other aquarium supplies, take a written test, and complete practicums on aquarium care.

This year's practicums included ammonia testing,

heater selection, and fish tank trouble shooting. The team placed 2nd in the state of Ohio earning them a banner.

The top placer was Carter Manz scoring 1st out of 74 individuals. He will get to walk across the stage at the Ohio FFA State Convention this year. Lathan Schneider placed 10th out of 74 individuals.

The Paulding FFA would like to congratulate this team for their hard work and achievements.

ARCHERS RUN-RULE EAGLES

After a disappointing loss to Wayne Trace on Thursday, the Antwerp baseball team rebounded with a 17-5 victory over Fayette Friday night in Paulding County.

The blue and white started the game with a ten-run first inning to take control and never let up, scoring four more times in the second.

Fayette broke up the shutout with a five-run fourth but Antwerp put up three more in the home half of the frame to wrap up the contest.

Parker Moore, Luke Krouse, Ethan Lichty and Carson Altimus all recorded two hits for the Archers while Reid Lichty, Eli Reinhart, Aiden Lichty, Hunter Sproles

and Chase Clark picked up one each.

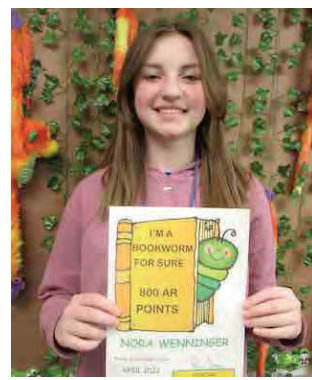
Chase Clark pitched three innings to get the win for Antwerp, striking out five and walking one.

RAIDERS, PANTHERS WIN ARCHER INVITE

The Wayne Trace girls and Paulding boys captured team titles at the Antwerp Junior High Track Invitational Friday night on a cold, windy and long evening.

Trailing by five points entering the last race, the Lady Raiders took first in the 1600 relay and catapulted to the team title with 107-1/2 points on the night. Ayersville, which led the meet prior to the last race, did not score in the final event and settled on a second-

WENNINGER EARNS NEW SCHOOL RECORD TITLE AT PAYNE ELEMENTARY



Nora Wenninger has earned 810 Accelerated Reading points so far this year, breaking our school record by almost 200 points. She has read 5,761,428 words. Nora received a \$50 gift card from Walmart for her achievement. Congratulations to Nora on this accomplishment.

place finish with 102-1/2 points.

The quartet of Aubree Miller, Amber Stoller, Lexi Moore and Abby Elkins combined to post a time of 5:00.04 to lift Wayne Trace to the team title and take first in the 1600 relay.

Wayne Trace's quartet of Caren Winans, Aubree Longstreth, Miley Jacobs and Caroline Winans took first in the 400 relay with a time of 56.96 seconds and the Raiders' Lexi Moore won the 200 hurdles in 32.37 seconds and the high jump with a leap of 4-8.

The red, white and blue's Aubree Miller captured the 800 run in 2:51.12 while Caroline Winans took first in the 200 dash with a time of 28.65 seconds.

Paulding was third at 82-1/3 points with Antwerp taking ninth at 30 points.

In the boys meet, the Panthers totaled 89 points to get past second place Fairview's 73 and third place Fayette's 72. Antwerp was sixth with 66 points and Wayne Trace finished tenth with 22.

The Archers' Zaine McMichael won the 110 hurdles in a new meet record time of 17.31 seconds and captured the pole vault with a new meet record leap of 9-0.

Lance Whitman of Wayne Trace also leaped 5-4 to win the high jump.

HERITAGE ROLLS PAST SOUTHERN WELLS

Host Heritage scored in every inning and the Lady Patriots rolled to a 15-0 win over Southern Wells Thursday night in ACAC softball play.

The Lady Patriots scored twice in the first, six times in the second, two in the third and five more in the fourth to wrap up the victory.

Heritage pitchers Lucy Buuck and Ella Bickel combined to allow singles to only Brittany Costello and Cheyenne Neuenschwander while striking out three and walking one.

Shelby Schane had three hits for the Patriot offense and Danica Fuller added a pair of hits. Libby Cain, Kendall Zelt, Abriyah James, Caylen Schane, Claire Bickel, Buuck, Lydia Schultz, Raelyn Mullins and Avi Washington all had a hit apiece.

COLLABORATION BUILDS & SUPPORTS BUSINESS GROWTH

The Paulding County Area Foundation (PCAF) and the Paulding County Economic Development (PCED) office have once again collaborated to promote Paulding County business growth. The PCAF has contributed \$20,000 to the PCED office to be used in small business loans. The loans can be used for any variety of expenses that could include: business start-up costs, equipment upgrades, facade improvements, etc. It would be asked that the loans be paid back, at a very low interest rate over an extended period of time, so that the funds would continue to be available for future businesses and investment.

Tim Copsey, PCED Director explained, "The partnership between these two county entities has always been strong. Lisa (McClure) and her board have been one of the biggest supporters of PCED, all the way down to providing us office space. But this collaboration piece goes above and beyond, in true promotion of business growth and expansion in the county. If we could turn this money over two or three times, just imagine how many businesses this could touch and support around the county."

The conversations began with PCAF Director Lisa McClure and Copsey discussing the surrounding counties and how their foundations were interacting with economic development. Some were heavily involved, some weren't involved at all. The question became if PCAF and PCED wanted to develop and test a new opportunity and begin something that could offer a small, but quick benefit to the county business community.

"During covid there were businesses that stated they



The Paulding County Area Foundation contributed funds to the Paulding County Economic Development office to be made available for area businesses. The collaboration will allow businesses that have ten full time employees or less to apply for a low interest improvement loan. Pictured are (L-R): Area Foundation Director Lisa McClure, Economic Development Director Tim Copsey, and George Carter, member of both boards.

would do some growth or expansion but just needed a little seed money to get started. They weren't exactly sure how covid was going to affect their bottom line. It would have been great to have this in place to help them jumpstart their ideas," stated Copsey. "Since covid has tapered off, similar type of requests continue to come into the office. We believe this loan program will really assist in putting these small ideas into real projects that assure businesses of their idea and perhaps further enhance business, employment, include financial institutions, and basically grow the county bottom line" he continued.

McClure presented the opportunity to her PCAF board and they were in full support, "Our board was fully engaged in this grant opportunity. Promoting growth to the residents of Paulding County, in part, is the mission statement of the

Paulding County Area Foundation. We look forward to many more partnerships with Paulding County Economic Development as we continue to further enhance the business of Paulding County".

Loan applications are available through the PCED office. For those that employ less than ten full-time employees, and meet the established eligibility guidelines, there will be loans of up to \$2500 considered. The business that qualify will receive their funds and have a ninety day grace period before a repayment schedule is provided for payment over the next 18 months. All repaid loan funds will be returned back into the account for future use. "We cannot thank Lisa and the Paulding County Area Foundation board enough for believing in us enough to make these funds available and helping develop this opportunity" closed Copsey.

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