

## LOCAL COUPLE CELEBRATES 45<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



Lonnie and Linda Bostelman of Antwerp are celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary. Lonnie Bostelman and Linda Brewer were married on May 14th, 1977 at Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church in Antwerp by Rev. John Chovan. The couple have five children: Terrance Graven, San Francisco, CA; Lonnette

(Stacie) Bostelman, Little River, SC; Catherina (Zach) Richards, Raleigh, NC; Shawn (Cindy) Brewer, Antwerp; and Jennifer (Ryan) Anderson, Morral, OH.

They also have eight grandchildren: Luke, Lydia and Landon Brewer; Zane and Ethan Richards and Corinne, Easton and Jack Anderson.



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## LUTHERAN HOSPITAL RECEIVES ACC HEART FAILURE ACCREDITATION

Lutheran Hospital is the first hospital in Indiana and one of only three nationwide to recently be awarded the Heart Failure Accreditation with Outpatient Services by the American College of Cardiology (ACC).

The ACC recognized

## BAUGHMAN TILE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED - 20 YEARS!



Baughman Tile celebrated two new inductees into the 20 year employee club. Congratulations to both Brock and Scott on



their accomplishment! Enjoy your new trucks and we appreciate you for your hard work and dedication to excellence!

## EXCITING NEWS FOR PAULDING COUNTY RESIDENTS!

After being located in the basement of the Court House, Ann Pease Clerk of Courts has announced the Title Office will be relocating to the former Fritz House building Located at 451 McDonald Pike, Paulding.

The Commissioners purchased the building last year and has since completed some extensive remodeling. The building has no stairs and is wheel chair accessible.

PCBDD, Soil and Water and The Paulding County Juvenile Court Family Resource and Assessment have already moved into their new offices.

Since the office is totally remodeled, all we are waiting on is for the fiber optic wire for the internet to be installed.

## JPHS SEEKS ARTIFACTS FOR COUNTY FAIR ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT

John Paulding Historical Society is planning an exhibit in June and July to help commemorate the Paulding County Fair's 150th anniversary.

The first fair at the current county fairgrounds was held in 1872. A big centennial celebration was held in 1972.

The museum has several artifacts from past Paulding County Fairs, but more items

are needed. The historical society would welcome loaned items for this exhibit. Loaned items will be returned. Does anyone have any of these items relating to Paulding County fair activities, entertainment, advertising, horse racing, 4-H, midway, grounds and barns and livestock shows:

- Old signs (concessions, barns, buildings, granges, exhibitors, games, etc.)
- Vintage Agricultural Society membership cards
- Tickets
- Fair advertising posters
- 4-H banners, signs, projects, photographs
- Original midway games (milk bottle throw, ring toss, balloon burst, knockdown dolls, shooting gallery, ring the bell, nickel pitch, etc.)
- Memorabilia (fans, neckties, glassware, souvenirs, shirts)
- Crowns or sashes from Jr. Fair King & Queen and Miss Paulding County
- Trophies, rosettes and special awards from different eras
- Horse blankets from winning horses
- Photographs, snapshots and candid photos, black & white or color
- Home movies (8mm or 16mm) and videos
- Salvaged items from old buildings, barns and structures, such as gates, signs, ticket booths, fixtures
- Any items from the fair between 1860 and 1872

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## Community Calendar

### MON & WED

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

### 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

### May 14

• WT Art Show, 12-3pm  
• Unseen Afflictions: A Mental Health Awareness Event @ Huber, 11a-2p

### May 15

• Free Meals @ Cecil Comm Church, after 11am service

### May 16

• VWCOA Bus Trip, Holland, MI  
• VWCOA Texas Hold 'Em Poker Night, 6pm

### May 17

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

### May 20

• Tunes, Brews & BBQ, downtown Paulding, 5-10pm

### May 21

• PC Comm. Day @ TinCaps game, 6:30pm  
• NRL22 Rifle Event, ACC, 9a

### May 22

• Free Meals @ Cecil Comm Church, after 11am service

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**OBITUARIES**



Catharine (Miller) Caris. Terry's passion was teaching. For ten years, he taught at Edon Northwest Local School. In 1980, he began working for Paulding Exempted Village Schools and taught there until he retired in 2005. In addition to teaching, Terry enjoyed coaching his students. He was the assistant basketball coach for both Edon and Paulding as well as the head coach for baseball at Edon.

Terry is survived by his brother, James (Kay) Caris, Paulding, OH; nieces and nephews: Sharon (David) Arens, Sherwood, OH; Bruce (Cheryl) Caris, Sherwood, OH; James (Angie) Caris, Fort Wayne, IN; Brian (Susan) Caris, Lima, OH; Karen Caris, Defiance, OH; great nieces and nephews: Madison (Garrett) Jones, Bailey Caris, Pauly Caris, and Belle Caris.

Funeral service will be held 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at Den Herder Funeral Home with Rev. David Prior officiating. Burial will follow in Middle Creek Cemetery, Grover Hill.

Visitation will be 2:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at Den Herder Funeral Home. There will also be visitation from 10:00 A.M. until time of services on Wednesday.

Memorial contributions may be made in Terry's name to Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 5326 County Road 151, Paulding, OH 45879 or Grover Hill EMS, 104 S. Main St., Grover Hill, OH 45849.

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

FAYETTE, OH: **Valerie Jean Williams**, 70, of Fayette, formerly of Payne, went to her eternal home on Wednesday, May 4, 2022. Arr. by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 SR 500, Payne, Ohio.

*(Lutheran Hospital continued from Page 1)*

Lutheran Hospital for its demonstrated expertise and commitment in treating patients with heart failure based on rigorous onsite review of the staff's ability to evaluate, diagnose and treat patients with heart failure through pre-hospital care, early stabilization, acute care, transitional care, clinical quality measures and more. In collaboration with the hospital's Advanced Heart and Vascular Center, Lutheran Hospital has extended its commitment to care for the heart failure population beyond the acute

hospital setting. "The new ACC accreditation is an example of our continued commitment to innovation and the incorporation of best practices to provide patients with comprehensive, quality care through every step of their journey toward better heart health," said Asim Mohammed, M.D., advanced heart failure and transplant cardiologist and medical director of heart transplant and ventricular assist device (VAD) programs at Lutheran Hospital. "We are proud to offer the highest level of care close to home for our patients with heart failure."

Heart failure is a chronic and progressive condition where the heart is unable to pump enough blood to meet the body's needs for blood and oxygen. Hospitals that employ an evidence-based, protocol-driven and systematic approach to managing heart failure have been able to reduce time to treatment and are able to identify and predict high-risk patients while also reducing length-of-stay and hospital readmissions.

Facilities earning Heart Failure Accreditation with Outpatient Services not only demonstrate the management of acute heart failure, but also provide or partner with outpatient clinics for post-discharge care and services to heart failure patients. This approach promotes a smooth transition between the inpatient and outpatient setting and ensures a collaborative team effort to ensure the continuum of care.

"The entire Lutheran Hospital team is dedicated to providing patient-centered care, which is the foundation for all our treatments and specialized services," said Brady Dubois, Lutheran Hospital chief executive officer. "It is an honor to be the first hospital in Indiana to receive the ACC Heart Failure Accreditation with Outpatient Services and a testament to the hard work our providers put into achieving our fundamental purpose of helping people get well and live healthier through enduring relationships with our patients."

Hospitals receiving Heart Failure Accreditation with Outpatient Services from the ACC must take part in a multi-faceted clinical process that involves: completing a gap analysis; examining variances of care; developing an action plan; a rigorous onsite review; and monitoring for sustained success. Improved methods and strategies of caring for patients include streamlining processes, implementing guidelines and standards,

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The museum has plenty of fair books so no more are needed.

If you have an item of interest to loan, please email

and adopting best practices in the precise care of heart failure patients. Facilities that achieve accreditation meet or exceed an array of stringent criteria and have organized a team of doctors, nurses, clinicians and other administrative staff that earnestly support the efforts leading to better patient education, improved patient outcomes, and more effective and efficient disease control.

The ACC offers U.S. and international hospitals like Lutheran Hospital access to a comprehensive suite of cardiac accreditation services designed to optimize patient outcomes and improve hospital financial performance. These services are focused on all aspects of cardiac care, including heart failure.

About Lutheran Health Network

Lutheran Health Network is a family of more than 6,000 employees, physicians, advanced practice providers and volunteers dedicated to providing compassionate, quality care with the best possible experience, to every patient, every time. As a tax-paying, integrated healthcare delivery system and one of the largest employers in the region, Lutheran Health Network makes a positive impact on the communities we serve. The Network's access points across northeastern Indiana include acute care hospitals, specialty hospitals, physician offices, urgent care clinics and outpatient centers. For more information, please visit [LutheranHealth.net](http://LutheranHealth.net). Dupont, Lutheran, Lutheran Downtown, Rehabilitation and The Orthopedic hospitals are owned in part by physicians.

**Yoder Loader Van**

We have a friend who sells vehicles in small-town America and who found us something to drive when back in the States. Our travels always take us to the East Coast. When once near Washington DC, we stayed in the home of a couple whose daughter had been recently married. Driving an extended white Chevy Express van doesn't turn any heads in the small-town Indiana or even seem that big

About the American College of Cardiology

The American College of Cardiology envisions a world where innovation and knowledge optimize cardiovascular care and outcomes. As the professional home for the entire cardiovascular care team, the mission of the College and its 54,000 members is to transform cardiovascular care and to improve heart health. The ACC bestows credentials upon cardiovascular professionals who meet stringent qualifications and leads in the formation of health policy, standards and guidelines. The College also provides professional medical education, disseminates cardiovascular research through its world-renowned JACC Journals, operates national registries to measure and improve care, and offers cardiovascular accreditation to hospitals and institutions. For more, visit [acc.org](http://acc.org).

Melinda at [jphs45879@yahoo.com](mailto:jphs45879@yahoo.com), leave a message at 419-399-3667 or stop in at the museum on Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. The historical society's Facebook page is [facebook.com/jphsmuseum](http://facebook.com/jphsmuseum).

**Scripture of the Week**

"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death."

— Romans 8:1-2

**MATT'S MISHAPS**



Two of our sons got their Indiana driver's licenses and learned to drive using a large van. After you learn to drive a "Yoder Loader," you can drive about anything. One son's experience driving a large van served him well as he then got a job driving Amish pastries to restaurants and businesses.



"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

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compared to many four door pickup trucks. It is definitely less common in D.C.

When the DC area couple saw us pull up in their driveway in the long white van, he said, "Oh, you've got a big 'Yoder Loader.'" His daughter had just married into a Yoder family and they were driven with other family members to the wedding in a white van like ours. It did seem big compared to his little hybrid parked in their garage. However, he commuted for hours each day in East Coast traffic.

Vehicles overseas and people's perceptions of them are from a whole different galaxy. I remember when a national pastor friend, who had six daughters, was looking for a vehicle for their family of eight. A member of his church offered them a vehicle. The pastor told him it was too big - it was a Ford Escort!

Something similar ever happen to you? Contact me and let me hear your story!

[mattsmishaps@gmail.com](mailto:mattsmishaps@gmail.com) Matt's Mishaps, PO BOX 114, Grabill, IN 46741



PAULDING, OH: **Terry L. Caris**, age 73, passed away on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at Dupont Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Terry was born on July 5, 1948 in Paulding County, Ohio to the late Carl "Cy" and

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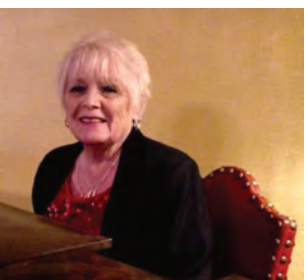
**ALL WE NEED IS "3"**

**Penny For Your Thoughts**

**By: Nancy Whitaker**  
 Maybe I am ancient, because I remember when we did not have a television.

In fact, for entertainment we had a big cabinet sized radio that we gathered around and listened to.

When we finally got a TV, we thought we were in seventh heaven. Back in the day, we only had three channels to



choose from and none of the TV sets had remotes.

In fact, we had never heard of a remote or even realized someday we would have one.

We had three major channels which were ABC, NBC and CBS. However, we did have some really good shows to watch.

Today, some of those old TV shows are still being shown as re-runs. I love looking at those old shows and seeing that old familiar furniture we had.

Now, I love remotes and I appreciate all the channels we get to watch. I sit back and with quick fingers and a steady hand, I can flip through television channels very quickly.

I enjoy the Discovery Channels, the ID Channel and the Food Network.

One channel that most of us ladies like to watch is the Hallmark Channel.

About October, a lot of us will be glued to Hallmark to watch all the Christmas movies.

Those movies, looked forward to by many, are usually set around lots of snow, cookies, trees, caroling and hot chocolate. Plus, there are always a romance involved in the plot.

These TV Christmas movies have made themselves

well loved and enjoyed in many homes. I want to move to a Hallmark town at Christmas.

With lots of channels to choose from, sometimes, I still say, "There is just nothing good on TV to watch tonight."

Really! Then I think about those three channels from long ago, I grab the remote and channel surf.

While channel surfing, I find shows on just about everything.

There are shows with dance competitions, singing, cooking, racing, wrestling and tattooing.

There are shopping channels, gospel channels with lots of good preaching, and there is even a dog channel for your dog to enjoy.

Of course, we have access to Disney, many cartoons, old movies, new movies and pay-per-view movies.

One of my favorite type of shows are those about animals.

There are also a veterinarian show that I like. One in particular is Dr. K's Exotic Animal ER.

I watch in amazement as the doctor treats pigs, skunks, lizards, bearded dragons, bunnies and squirrels.

Exotic animals get sick and injured also, and a lot of people have these strange animals as pets.

One such lady who came into the animal clinic loved mice (of all things). I don't know how she developed a love for mice, but she came with the little critter held in her hands.

Holding the little mouse, she told Dr. K the mouse had been wheezing. She was worried about the mouse, but the doctor told her that mice have a very short life span, so just enjoy the time it had left.

You know I still love the old television shows. We can still watch repeats of "The Beverly Hillbillies," "Hee Haw," "Andy Griffith," Happy Days," "M.A.S.H." "and even "The 3 Stooges."

In retrospect, it was nice sitting in the living room at night years ago, when our kids were little and all of us watching "The Brady Bunch," "Name that Tune" or "Little House on the Prairie."

Good shows, good memories and good evenings with family.

How about your TV watching preferences? Do you like the old shows? Do you ever say, "There's nothing on TV tonight?"

How many television channels is enough? Let me know, and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

**By: Dr. James Bachman**

*Dear Parson,  
 Why was God upset with Balaam in Numbers 22:22 about going with the prince of Moab when God gave him permission to do so in verse 20?*

Being bribed, Balaam had previously asked God permission to go with them and God clearly told him: "Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed." (verse 12)

Then higher princes came to Balaam with greater bribes. That alone moved Balaam to ask God again. Knowing Balaam's greed and unsundered heart (II Peter 2:15), God gave him permission to test him and teach him and Israel's enemies a lesson.

When the children of Israel tempted God in the wilderness He gave them their request, but sent leanness to their soul (Psalm 106:14-15). Many died as a result.

Don't try to persuade God to get your own way over His, He may just let you have it.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

**KINGDOM THOUGHTS**

**By: Doris Applegate**

We celebrate and honor all the great men and women who have made our lives better, and we despise and have no regard for those that take from us.

God, the creator of all things, wants only good for humanity and calls these "takers and robbers" wicked.

God has reserved a special place for them if they don't repent and change their ways.

In the meantime, people suffer and live in poverty and fear! God wants the Kingdom of God to come to earth as it is Heaven.

As we pray the Lord's Prayer it surely will come when our Lord, Jesus Christ, comes again and sets His Kingdom up on earth for one thousand years.

In the meantime God's great Kingdom is within each spirit filled person.

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked, Whatsoever we sow that also will we reap.

The wise person fears the Lord and does right,

But the foolish does not heed God's word.

A great day of reckoning is close at hand and everyone

will stand before God and give an account.

Let's be one of the wise and be in the Kingdom.

As we continue to seek the Lord and do His will. The Lord will equip us to rule and reign in God's Kingdom on the earth.

Satan 'the Devil' will be bound for one thousand years during this time period and the world will live in peace.

Amen



**MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY**

**By: Mark Holtsberry**

Emmett Good was born May 5, 1892, the son of Alfred Jerome, born January 15, 1871 in Ohio and Eura Ellina (Bradford) Good born October 19, 1873 in Rudolph, Indiana. The couple was married November 19, 1891 in



**SERGT. EMMETT GOOD**

Paulding.

By 1900, the Good family was living on Main Street, Paulding. Alfred was a day laborer. Emmett and brother Everett Roy, born November 28, 1893, were in school. Also a sister, Verdia C., known as "Verdie", born December 27, 1897 was at home. By 1910, the Good family was living at 902 West Jackson Street, Paulding. Alfred was doing odd carpentry jobs. Emmett, Everett and Verdie, were in school. The Good family also welcomed daughters, Violet M. and Mavis M.

On December 21, 1914, while working at a dry goods store, Emmett joined Company B. 2nd Ohio National Guard out of Paulding. On July 21, 1915, his brother Everett also joined Company B. 2nd Ohio National Guard. Emmett was promoted to Supply Sergeant July 19, 1916. Both served until October 16, 1917. Emmett shipped off to Camp Sheridan, Alabama and served with 11th Company, 3rd Training Battalion. Then he was sent to serve with Company K. 146th Infantry 37th Division. Brother Everett served as a Private with Company K. 146th Infantry 37th Division.

April 1918, back home in Paulding, as war was declared in Europe, Oakwood citizens held a celebration and raised a flag pole on the school house lawn. A flag was unfurled, Sergeant Em-

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mett Good hoisted the flag to the top of the pole. On June 15, 1918, Emmett was sent to Hoboken, New Jersey, where he boarded the ship, "Leviathan" and set sail for Europe. Unclear when Everett was sent overseas, but he was in France. On May 18, 1918, Everett was assigned to serve with 156th Depot Brigade. June 15, 1918, Emmett was sent to the Defensive Sector, Muese Argonne, France. On September 28, 1918, Emmett was killed in action. Late November 1918, after the war was over, Emmett's parents, Alfred and Eura, were notified. The newspaper, The Paulding Republican, stated that, "His deeds will live after him and he has set an example for the youths of the county". Emmett was buried in the Muese-Argonne American Cemetery, grave 25, row 37, block f.

Everett survived the war, and was honorably discharged, January 1, 1919. He moved to Arizona, married and passed away December 24, 1952 and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Phoenix, Arizona. Their sister, Verdia married Bruder Brown, a World War 1 Veteran. She passed away, January 19, 1987. Verdia, along with the parents, Alfred, who passed June 16, 1941 and Eura, May 17, 1946, was buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Jackson Township.

Until Next Time!

**SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS SET AT LAKE LA SU AN WILDLIFE AREA**

Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Division of Wildlife fisheries biologists have set the 2022 special fishing regulations at Lake La Su An Wildlife Area in Williams County. The area is open to fishing from Friday, May 6 to Monday, October 3, 2022.

Fishing is permitted on Mondays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from sunrise to sunset during the open season. Lake La Su An Wildlife Area is closed to

fishing at all other times. Visitors are reminded that reservations are not needed to fish at the lakes on Lake La Su An Wildlife Area, but all vehicles are required to park in a designated parking space.

The sunfish daily limit is 20, with no more than five sunfish of 8 inches or larger. Largemouth bass have an 18-inch minimum length requirement and a five-fish daily limit. Channel catfish have a two-fish daily limit. Daily limits are posted on site and are in effect area wide. Anglers may only catch up to one daily limit regardless of how many lakes are fished. All other statewide fishing regulations apply to the area's lakes. Anglers are also reminded that no fish may be used as bait on the area.

These regulations are designed by Division of Wildlife fisheries biologists to continue the tradition of quality bluegill fishing on the Lake La Su An Wildlife Area lakes. The Division of Wildlife maintains healthy fish populations at Lake La Su An by limiting the number of days the lakes are open to fishing and the number of sunfish taken home each day.

For more information and a map of fishing access locations, visit the Lake La Su An Wildlife Area page at wildohio.gov. 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 for information on getting started, fishing tips and tricks, and delicious wild game recipes.

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.

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## PAULDING COUNTY STUDENTS' THINK-A-THON



Shown in the photo are students from each Paulding County elementary school, Gifted Intervention Specialist teachers, and parent volunteers.

This past week 5th and 6th grade students from Antwerp, Oakwood, Paulding, WT Grover Hill, and WT Payne Elementary participated in the GATE (Gifted and Talented Educa-

tion) Think-a-Thon hosted by the 6th grade students at WT Grover Hill Elementary. They competed in both indoor and outdoor thinking stations that incorporated problem solving, plexors,

analogies, and word play. They wrapped up their day with lunch and a friendly game of kickball. As the back of our shirts say, "You really made your brain sweat!"

## OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY BAND SPRING CONCERT



The Oakwood Elementary 5th and 6th grade band performed their spring concert in early May. Shown here are all but two of the band members. The band is under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Wehrkamp.

## LIONS WIN NEW HAVEN RELAYS

The Leo Lions swept the team championships at the New Haven Relays last Saturday as both the boys and girls squads took first place.

Leo won the boys meet with 106 points over second place Van Wert's 87 points. New Haven took fifth place with 64-1/2 points while Heritage (42-1/2) was eighth and Woodlan (36) placed ninth.

The Bulldogs placed first in the 400 relay with a time of 43.98 seconds and Kamari Clopton took the long jump following a leap of 21-6-1/2.

Aiden Delatorre of Leo took first in the 300 hurdles, posting a time of 42.95 seconds while Charlie Riddle of Heritage captured the discus with a toss of 125-7.

The Lady Lions finished with 95-1/2 points to win the title while Angola (84) was second and New Haven (77) took third. Heritage placed ninth with 39-1/2 points and Woodlan finished tenth at 33-1/2 points.

Leo's Leah Handshoe placed first in the 100 hurdles

with a time of 15.41 seconds and also won the 300 hurdles in 45.72 seconds.

The Lady Lions' Karis Davis captured the 100 dash in 12.38 seconds while Katelyn Fry won the discus with a throw of 108-8.

New Haven won the 400 relay in 49.80 seconds with the Bulldogs' Ashyla Marshall captured the 200 dash in 26.34 seconds. Trishelle Ganaway jumped 17-0-3/4 to win the long jump for New Haven as well.

Heritage's Abby Zelt picked up the win in the shot put with a toss of 36-3-1/2.

## PATRIOTS ROUT ARCHERS

Heritage scored at least five runs in each of the first three innings as the Patriots routed visiting South Side 18-0 last Saturday morning in high school baseball action.

The Patriots scored five times in the first and added six more in the second before plating seven in the third as Heritage rolled to the win over the Archers.

Andrew Mirelez and Caleb Abbott had two hits each for

Heritage with Morgan Andrews, Leroy Lepper, Noah Redmon, Tyler Redmon, Christian Hoffman, Austin Buuck and Dalton Wasson all had one hit.

Abbott touched home plate three times for Heritage with Tyler Redmon, Lepper, Mirelez and Kobe Meyer also scoring twice each. Abbott and Noah Redmon each drove in three runs for the Patriots and Lepper had two runs batted in.

Noah Redmon recorded the win on the mound, striking out nine while scattering three hits and a walk in the five-inning victory.

## WARRIORS RALLY TO NIP BRUINS

The Woodlan Lady Warriors rallied from two runs down in the fifth with a three-run frame to post a 4-3 victory over visiting Northrop Saturday in high school softball play.

Each team scored once in the first before a two-run single by Lexi Key in the top of the fifth put the Bruins in front 3-1.

Woodlan responded in the bottom of the third, getting an Alyssa Harvey double to drive in J Lichty in getting the Warriors within 3-2.

Austin Gaff followed with a double that plated Harvey to knot the game at 3-3 before Gaff came in to score the go-ahead run and make it 4-3 Woodlan.

Gaff led the way for the Lady Warriors with three hits and Jade Lichty picked up two hits. Harvey had the remaining hit for Woodlan.

Abby Horn pitched a complete game for Woodlan, striking out seven while allowing five hits and three earned runs.

## BIG FIFTH DOOMS PATRIOTS

Blackhawk Christian scored five times in the top of the fifth inning and went on

to record a 5-1 victory over Heritage in Monday evening baseball play.

Scoring took place in only two half-innings in the contest as the Patriots got their lone run in the bottom of the seventh as Barry Lomow drove in Christian Hoffman.

Dalton Wasson had a pair of singles for Heritage with Hoffman doubling for the Patriots. Lomow, Tyler Redmon, Noah Redmon and Caleb Abbott also had singles for Heritage in the contest.

Morgan Andrews took the loss for the Patriots, giving up seven hits and five runs (three earned) while striking out three in 4-2/3 innings. Hoffman pitched the final 2-1/3 frames, scattering three hits.

## BIG FIRST SENDS PATRIOTS PAST RAIDERS

Heritage plated nine runs in the opening inning and the Patriots cruised the rest of the way to a 16-5 win over Southern Wells Thursday in high school baseball action.

After the visiting Raiders opened the game with two runs in the top of the first, the bottom of the frame saw Heritage plate nine runs to take control of the contest with a 9-2 advantage.

Southern Wells added a single run in the second but Heritage scored three more times in the home half to extend the margin to 12-3.

The Raiders did get a run each in the third and fourth but the Patriots responded each time, scoring twice in each frame to wrap up the 16-5 win.

Barry Lomow had a double, two singles and scored three runs in the contest while Noah Redmon posted three singles, drove in three runs and scored twice.

Dalton Wasson added a pair of singles, scored twice and picked up two runs batted in with Leroy Lepper recording a single and a home run to go along with three runs batted in and two runs scored. Christian Hoffman had a home run as well with a run scored and three runs batted in.

Payton Fields and Caleb Abbott had a single each for Heritage, which totaled 13 hits in all.

Hoffman got the win on the mound, pitching the five-inning complete game giving up eight hits, five runs (three earned) and one walk while striking out eight.

## QUICK START PROPELS BULLDOGS OVER PANTHERS

Host Columbus Grove scored three runs in the bottom of the first and the Bulldogs used that advantage to post a 5-3 win over visiting Paulding Friday night in non-league baseball action.

The Panthers scored once in the top of the second to cut into the deficit but Columbus Grove answered with a single run in the home half for a 4-1 lead.

After the Bulldogs extended the margin to 5-1 with a run in the bottom of the fourth, the Panthers plated single runs in the fifth and sixth but that would be it as Columbus Grove held on for the 5-3 win.

Sam Woods had a double while Logan Tope, Kane Jones and Isaac Reeb added a single each for the maroon and white. Jones, Peyton Adams and Woods all scored for

Paulding while Jones, Reeb and Woods drove in runs.

Ethan Foltz suffered the loss for the Panthers, tossing six innings allowing seven hits and five unearned runs with two strikeouts.

## RAIDERS WIN 11<sup>th</sup> CONSECUTIVE GAME WITH WIN OVER OTTOVILLE

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

Last Wednesday the Wayne Trace baseball team continued their winning ways with a 5-2 non-conference win over Ottoville. The win improves the Raiders overall mark to 14-1 and winners of their last eleven.

The Raiders enjoyed a 1-0 advantage when they opened up the fifth inning with three runs. In the inning Cale Winans started off the scoring binge with a walk and then made his way to second base when Kyle Slade was hit by a pitch. Both runners would score when sophomore Cooper Wenzlick connected on a double to bring both base runners' home. With an Ottoville throw to home plate in an attempt to stop a Raider score, Wenzlick made his way to third base. With Wenzlick on the corner, Allen Minck was successful on a squeeze bunt to score Wenzlick and put the Raiders on top 4-0.

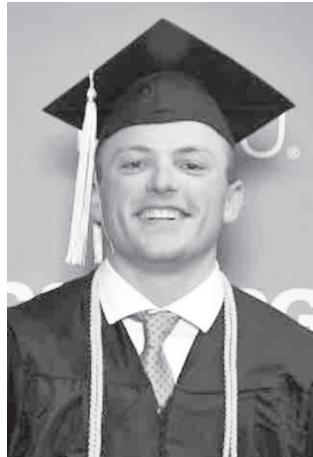
Wayne Trace managed its final; run in the sixth frame with two outs. Slade singled with Wenzlick providing a single to advance Slade to third. Minck reached first on an Ottoville throwing error allowing Slade to cross home plate for the final score.

"This was a tough game after coming off an emotional GMC match up with Paulding (last night). We then have an important conference game with Antwerp tomorrow night. We knew we would have our work cut out for us with Ottoville because they threw their best pitcher (Jayden Saxton) at us," commented Wayne Trace Head Coach Ryne Jerome.

Evan Crosby got the start for the Raiders and com-

pleted four innings. In his time on the mound, the junior struck out six, walked one, while giving up no hits. Crosby helped his cause offensively with a single in the second inning scoring Hyle Forrer who had singled earlier. Breven Anderson relieved Crosby and completed two innings, giving up two runs, two hits, one strike out and one walk. Getting the save was Forrer who completed the final inning and quietly shut down the Ottoville offense.

"We got exactly what we wanted from our pitchers tonight. Forrer came in for the last inning and he simply does what he does and Crosby did a nice job. It all worked out the way we wanted it to," said Coach Jerome.



## POULSON GRADUATES BGSU

Bryan and Jodi Poulson of Antwerp wish to announce the graduation of their son, Joshua Ross Poulson, from Bowling Green State University.

Joshua received a bachelor's degree in Physical and Health Education and graduated Summa Cum Laude.

Joshua has accepted positions as an Elementary Physical Education teacher and an assistant football coach in the Van Wert City School system.

From the time he was a little boy till now, he has only given us reasons to be proud.

May our Loving God continue to bless and support him in this new chapter of life.

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**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**BLM/CRT EQUAL COMMUNISM**

Critical Race Theory is an offshoot of Karl Marx teaching that brought communism to Russia. It is only destructive ideology that rose to popularity with the Marxist radical agenda of Black Lives Matter and nothing else.

Democrats and other radical liberals don't want you knowing the truth about their ultra liberal, anti-God, anti-American ideals they are sup-

porting in their drive to convert America to communism. They can't stand sharing government responsibilities with conservative Republicans and sure can't stand sharing with anyone who believes in God.

Race problems greatly multiply when Democrats are in control. Biden is the only person talking about it or in plain talk he wants race problems so he can falsely blame it on Republicans. Why is it that when any major trouble exists such as race, law enforcement, sanctuary cities, guns and more, it is more than likely to be a Democrat controlled city or state?

Let President Biden explain the following. How about a Massachusetts teacher fired just for objecting to CRT taught in their schools? Explain the records showing teachers being taught CRT in Maryland. What about CRT in Virginia schools? In Rhode Island teacher training includes CRT. Even West Point teaches CRT. Then there is a high school football coach fired just because he had concerns about his seventh grade daughter being taught BLM/CRT. The only thing these two evils do is divide people, turn them from God and to communism. It's true, if you live in a democrat controlled district, you are almost certain to be having BLM/CRT pushed in your schools.

With BLM and CRT taking an evil hold, our coming generations will have no chance of living a civil life. If you disagree with this, I would like to see it printed in this paper. You must say how and why you feel it is right to teach against God and morality.

Liberalism has too much of an evil hold over America. Liberals are fast duplicating

the days of Sodom and Gomorrah. God destroyed them, He could do the same to us. Too many teachers and judges tend to rely on stupidity in teaching and interpreting the law. You had best study God's law in the Bible.

Here are perfect examples of school officials acting with insane authority. A teenager was up and creating a terrible disturbance in class and wouldn't stop. The teacher finally had to subdue the student who also had a gun. The teacher was let go and the unruly student stayed. It's called "blind liberal justice at work."

All across America many are exhibiting a Harper Valley PTA mentality. I guess that's to be expected since common sense died decades ago. I realize many liberals don't like my writings. It is you that I ask a special favor. Please tell me in the paper how you will feel when Democrats finally deliver America to Satan's communism. You can't erase truth, but you can speak it. It started in the 1930's with the ACLU's Humanist Manifesto. Democrats got involved in 1947 and continue erasing God's America today. Wake up America.

—Richard Mastin  
 Hicksville, OH

**LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

**Sewer tax raise??**

I see the powers that be in our town are trying to shove another tax hike down our throats, 33%!!! This is so outrageous to be unbelievable. At this time when people are struggling, getting gouged at the gas pumps, at the supermarkets, our property taxes, and on other commodities that they need if they can even get them how could they consider this?? Where are people going to get this extra money when there is not that much employment in this county no matter what they say. And we just lost another factory a couple of weeks ago, not that many people worked there but still they were jobs for them.

I'm sure we would all like to get a 33% raise on the monthly checks we get but that won't happen. Most of us got a raise of just over 4% this year but the inflation is over 8% thanks to the Biden administration so we gained nothing but lost. I'm sure if they push this on us they will vote themselves a raise so taxpayers will pay it for them.

The everyday person and taxpayers should be able to vote on these instead of having them shoved on us. Or

they will declare an emergency and push it, biggest farce there is in any government where tax increases are involved.

People are struggling to pay bills, food, gas and everything they need but politicians and people in power just don't care or ignore it. It's bad enough that we are headed for a socialist society under Biden and his bunch of disciples of destruction but even sooner in our own county. He has opened the doors for everyone and anyone to take as much of our money as possible with no reasons. A blank check that the everyday person will have to pay.

Everything our country stands for is being destroyed by this type of thing and people better get ready for the crime rates to go up when people can't find work or make enough to support their families properly. Everything going on in this county from the smallest town to the biggest city is all a result of the Biden administration and their plans to bring our country down. The more it costs to live the more its going to cost us to live, from our food to our utilities and we can't afford this never ending circle where everyone loses. We just recently had a water rate increase, now they want a sewer rate increase!!! What next and how do they expect us to keep paying when we don't get an increase in pay?? Where is all this money going, somebody sure isn't using any financial sense in our community it seems. More, more, more but we don't see improvement.

I have talked to other people about this and they just shake their heads wondering the same thing. When will it end and common sense be used to let us afford to at least enjoy our lives a little without counting every penny or holding our breath saying for things we need?? Our summer is on the way to being destroyed and the worst lots of us have ever known because of gas and food prices, we don't need another local tax gouging, at least not a ridiculous 33%!!

This used to be such a good town when a lot of us were growing up but now it's all about money. What a shame.

Shout out to the West Bend News for allowing us to speak

**ANN'S BRIGHT BEGINNERS CELEBRATE THEIR MOTHERS**



Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool held their annual Mother's Tea last Thursday. All of the children invited their mom to a very special day that included muffins,

iced tea, decorations, a photo booth and entertainment! Shown here presenting his mom, Laura, with her flower planted by his own little hands is Nathan Sizemore.

our opinions that so many other so called freedom of speech newspapers won't do.

—Gregg Gorman  
 Paulding, OH

**WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 4/18/22**

Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on April 18th, 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, Martin, Thompson, Gerig, and Watts. Chief Parker and was not present.  
 The Mayor opened up the public hearing for consideration of additional appropriations at 7:05 pm. After hearing no comments from the audience, with general comments provided to the Council by the Clerk-Treasurer, the public hearing was closed at 7:06pm.  
 Chief's Report: Nothing to report.  
 Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.  
 Mayor's Report: The mayor discussed a sewer ordinance violation and what the next steps will look like regarding the city's response.  
 Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the April 4th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Voirol moved to accept the minutes from the April 4th meeting as corrected, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Voirol moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. The clerk-treasurer

explained the reason for Resolution 22-260 (Transfers w/in Funds and Additional Appropriations). Councilman Watts moved to read Resolution 22-260 by title only, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Resolution 22-260, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. Councilman Thompson moved to adopt Resolution 22-260, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Resolution 22-260 is ratified as presented. The clerk-treasurer was asking for guidance on what content should be placed on the LED sign out at the street. Council provided input for this process going forward.

Councilmen's Report: Nothing to report.  
 Audience: A resident discussed a concern about a neighbor behind her house on Carl Street that has chickens that get into her yard and was asking the council for guidance on how to proceed. The mayor mentioned that either he or a councilman would approach this resident and begin a conversation on this issue. A resident complemented the utility workers for clearing up the snow this winter. He wanted to know what to do with a sand/stone mixture that piled up near his drive. The superintendent stated that he would take care of this by the end of the week. The resident also asked if the city can relay a request to wipe down the trucks that are working out at Homestead to avoid dropping mud and stone on the road.

Councilman Voirol moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:03pm.  
 Go to www.cityofwoodburn.org to see previously approved minutes and recent community news.

**READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS**

- OHIO LOCATIONS**  
**Antwerp:** Antwerp Corner Cafe, Antwerp Pharmacy, H20, 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:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center  
**Ney:** Marathon  
**Oakwood:** Rhees' Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip  
**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, Lichy'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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## PAULDING FFA REALIZES THEIR GOAL OF CRUSHING CANS FOR CANCER



Pictured left to right: Paulding FFA members Kobe Foor, Jamy Hunt, Paige Jones, Shannon Ruschel with WMEA, and Ken & Denise Kohart with Kohart Recycling.

By: Caydence Rue,  
Paulding FFA Reporter  
and Shannon Ruschel,  
Director/WMEA Program

Paulding FFA Chapter collaborated with Paulding County WMEA and Kohart's Salvage to bring to completion a fundraiser that directly benefited our Paulding Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

On February 14th-25th the Paulding FFA Chapter collected cans at the Paulding High School for their project "Crushing Cans for Cancer." They were picked up by the WMEA Program and stored until the initiative was complete.

As people in the community were alerted to the drive, there were many residents that wanted to contribute so the WMEA Program diverted all aluminum for one month to add to their total. Paulding

FFA Officers then loaded the cans that were collected and transported them to Kohart Recycling on April 12th.

The FFA Chapter got over \$300 from the cans and all of the money will be going directly to the Paulding Chapter of the American Cancer Society. We are hoping to be able to put on this project at the Paulding County Fair and other venues.

The Paulding FFA chapter received a grant from the Paulding Area Foundation to build stationary can crushers to be used around Paulding County at special events. We want to thank Kohart's for giving us an above market price for the cans and the WMEA as well as the Paulding Area Foundation for their contributions to this project. The Paulding FFA is very grateful for the donations that were collected and for your support of this project.

## PAULDING FFA HOLDS ANNUAL PETTING ZOO



Pictured here is Paulding FFA Member Carter Manz showing the baby piglet to two preschoolers from Ann's Bright Beginnings Darius Ash and Harper Snyder looking very closely at the piglet.

By: Caydence Rue,  
Paulding FFA Reporter

Last Friday, April 29th, the Paulding FFA Chapter held their annual petting zoo with over 800 students and staff attending including Oakwood Elementary and Ann's Bright Beginnings Preschool.

Over 15 FFA members volunteered to bring in their animals for students and staff to enjoy. The elementary students truly enjoy this day because they get to pet and interact with livestock they may have never seen up close before. Francis Maag brought in a sow with 6 baby piglets that were just 5 days old.

The members brought in dogs, a cat, chickens, sheep, goats, ducks, a donkey, a pony, rabbits, a tortoise, and even a two-day-old calf. The kids also got to go outside and look at a few of the tractors and equipment that was brought in by Goyings Farms.

To end the petting zoo each kid got stickers or a t-shirt and then they got to try to guess how many soybeans were in a jar. The FFA members also put together a photo booth where students could use props to get their photos taken.

This day was a wonderful opportunity to educate the youth about agriculture and livestock grown in Paulding County. The petting zoo was a huge success and the Paulding FFA Chapter cannot wait until next year! Our FFA chapter loves to educate and interact with younger students about agriculture and FFA!

## GMC 2022 ALL CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETES NAMED

Green Meadows Conference recently announced "All Conference Scholar Athletes" for Spring 2022.

To be eligible for this honor, the athlete must be a senior, participate and letter in a recognized sport or cheerleading and have a 3.5 GPA or better after 7 semesters.

ANTWERP: Gaige McMichael, Kennedi Recker, Breanna Fulk, Lydia Brewer, Kennedy Trabel, Emerson Litzenberg, Mia Altimus, Kiera Reyes, Carson Stoller, Allison Reinhart, Jagger Landers, Luke Krouse, Layla Copsey, Hayden Wagner, Leslie Pollock

AYERSVILLE: Tyler Winzeler, Isaac Eiden, Lily Weisgerber, Bradley Young, Isaac Miler, Jakob Trevino, Isaver Johnson, Delaney Parcher, Braeden Scheirer, Riley Barnett

EDGERTON: Cole Meyer, Holly Stark, Ashlyn Slesman, Grace Schroeder, Nicholas Roth, Nathan Tunbrook

FAIRVIEW: Nathaniel Adkins, Samuel Clemens, Ethan Grant, Brady Karzynow, Easton Kime, Kaylin Mack, Alyssa Merritt, Kayleigh Garza, Kylie Gates, Samantha Rohrs, Kaitlyn Zeedyk, Jace Chapman, Samuel Miller, Dakota Shaffer, Ethan Underwood, Blake Zeedyk

HICKSVILLE: Kyler Baird, Kadance Barnes, Jackson Bergman, Sydney Bland, Taylor Early, Gabrielle Eicher, Macy Eicher, Emily Harmon, Christian Layne, Taylor Metz, Ryan Schliesser, Mary Siebener, Jade Sigman, Avery Slattery, Izzie Smith, Emily Taylor, Zachary Thatcher

PAULDING: Logan Tope, Ethan Herman, Reid Johanns, Sam Woods, Wyatt Beckman,

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IHSAA releases football sectional classifications

The Indiana High School Athletic Association announced the football sectional assignments for the 2022 season.

Leo (11-1) and New Haven (5-6) both will be in the Class 4A, Sectional 19 along with Angola (2-8), Columbia City (5-6), DeKalb (2-9), East Noble (6-3), Fort Wayne South Side (1-8) and Fort Wayne Wayne (4-8).

Meanwhile, Woodlan and Heritage are each in Class 3A, Sectional 27.

Joining the Warriors (3-7) and Patriots (4-6) in the sectional are Belmont (1-9), Delta (5-6), Fort Wayne Concordia (2-8), Garrett (4-6), Norwell (11-2) and Yorktown (5-5).

Six of the eight teams in Sectional 19 had a losing record a season ago while only one of the eight teams in Sectional 27 posted a winning record last season.

## QUICK START PROPELS BLUE STREAKS OVER PANTHERS

After a wet, cold and windy week, high school baseball returned to the local scene on Saturday as Paulding made the trip to Archbold for a non-league battle.

It was the host Blue Streaks who took control early, though, as the Fulton County squad plated seven runs in the first and cruised to a 15-2 win over the Panthers.

Archbold added five more runs in the second before scoring twice in the third and once in the fourth. The Panthers picked up single runs in both the fourth and fifth frames to complete the scoring.

Krayton Kern got the win on the mound for the Blue Streaks, throwing a complete game with six strikeouts while scattering three hits, two earned runs and two walks.

Kern also had two singles with four runs batted in for the Blue Streaks while Jaybe Burkle singled and scored twice with a run batted in. Devon Morris posted three singles, three runs scored and three runs batted in for Archbold and Jack Hurst finished with two singles, two runs scored and two RBI's. Carson Dominique also posted multiple hits with a single and a double while scoring once and driving in two.

Larkin Yates took the loss for Paulding while Casey Agler and Greyson Harder each saw action on the mound as well.

Reid Johanns, Logan Tope and Kobe Foor all had singles for the maroon and white. Tope and Foor scored the two Paulding runs while Johanns

## PANTHERS NIP BIG GREEN



This game was Paulding's Military Appreciation Game against Ottoville on May 2, 2022. Local veterans, Chad Breedlove and John Reeb threw out the first pitch, the color guard from VFW Post 587 (pictured here) presented the national colors. Photo by Sarah Harris.



At the Military Appreciation Game, Paulding vs Ottoville baseball, Retired Air Force Master Sergeant, Dan Wilder, sang the national anthem. Photo by Sarah Harris.

In a game that didn't see an earned run by either team, Paulding picked up a 2-1 non-league victory over Ottoville Monday night in high school baseball action.

With the game tied at 1-1 in the bottom of the fifth, Nick Manz reached on a Big Green error with one out in the bottom of the fifth and the Panthers would take advantage.

After Manz stole second, a Peyton Adams ground out moved Manz to third. With Sam Woods at the plate, Manz sprinted home for the second Panther run on a Big Green passed ball.

From there, Reid Johanns shut the door for Paulding in

tossing a complete game scattering five hits while striking out seven Ottoville hitters.

The two teams traded runs in the fourth to set up the deciding run in the fifth.

Keaton Schnipke took the loss for the Big Green, pitching six innings allowing three hits, two unearned runs and a pair of walks while striking out four.

Jacob Martinez, Ethan Foltz and Kane Jones each had a single for the Panthers.

Alex Suever posted a double and scored for Ottoville while Jayden Saxton, Grant Leis, Carter Schnipke and Nolan Miller had singles for the Big Green.

and Isaac Reeb each picked up a run batted in.

## BIG SIXTH SENDS PATRIOTS OVER BRAVES


Visiting Heritage broke open a close game with a six-run sixth as the Patriots went on to defeat host Belmont 9-4 Wednesday evening high school baseball non-league play.

The Patriots opened a 2-0

advantage with a two-run third before Belmont sliced the deficit in half, scoring a single run in the bottom of the fifth.

Heritage, though, took control by plating six runs in the top of the sixth to push the margin to 8-1 before the Braves posted three runs in the home half to trim the deficit to 8-4 after six innings.

In the seventh, the Patriots wrapped up the scoring with a





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single run to set the final margin at 9-4.

Caleb Abbott paced Heritage with a pair of singles while Jackson Bearman, Noah Redmon, Dalton White, Austin Buuck and Hunter Miller finished with a single each.

Payton Fields and Abbott scored twice for the Patriots with Leroy Lepper, Austin Buuck, Barry Lomow, Morgan Andrews and White touching home plate once apiece. Fields, Buuck and Bearman all drove in two runs for Heritage while Christian Hoffman and Lomow picking up one run batted in each.

Noah Redmon pitched seven innings to get the win for the Patriots, striking out eight while giving up four walks, five hits and four earned runs.

### LADY PATRIOTS BLANK WARRIORS

Heritage scored a pair of runs in each of the fourth and fifth innings as the Lady Patriots blanked host Woodlan 4-0 Wednesday in ACAC softball action.

The Lady Patriots jumped in front on a two-run single from Libby Cain that scored Raelyn Mullins and Ella Bickel as Heritage opened a 2-0 advantage in the bottom of the fourth.

In the fifth, Ella Bickel and Lydia Schultz both had run scoring singles to expand the Heritage lead to 4-0.

Schultz posted a pair of singles to pace Heritage while driving in one run with Grace Guenther, Ella Bickel, Libby Cain and Abriyah James added a single each.

Mullins touched home plate twice with Claire Bickel and Ella Bickel scoring once each.

Danica Fuller picked up the win on the hill for Heritage, scattering two hits and a walk while fanning a dozen Woodlan hitters in the complete game effort.

Abby Horn suffered the loss for Woodlan, surrendering four hits, two earned runs and three walks with three strikeouts. Libby Fisher and Austin Gaff combined to finish the Warrior effort on the mound.

Alivia Ulmer and Adrienne Spieth had a single each for the Lady Warriors.

### RAIDERS RALLY TO DEFEAT KNIGHTS

The Wayne Trace Raiders scored four times in the top of the seventh to rally for a 6-4 win over rival Crestview in junior varsity softball play Wednesday evening.

Trailing 4-2 entering the final frame, Allison Noggle started the seventh with a single before Maya Reynolds walked. After a groundout advanced both runners a base, a walk to Morgan Elliott loaded the bases.

Noggle sprinted home on a passed ball before a Storm

Tracy single plated both Reynolds and Elliott to put Wayne Trace on top 5-4. Tianna Sinn then doubled to score Tracy as the Lady Raiders extended the lead to 6-4 before coasting the rest of the way to the victory.

Tianna Sinn had a double and a home run, scoring once and driving in two runs. Allison Noggle added a pair of singles with Storm Tracy recording a single, a run scored and two runs batted in.

Sinn also threw a complete game for Wayne Trace, striking out 11 Knight hitters while scattering four hits, four runs (one earned) and four walks.

Kaylee Mollenkopf, Shay Wehner, Kennedy Sites and Lilla Krugh each finished with a single for Crestview. Mollenkopf scored twice for the Knights with Nevaeh Ross and Wehner also touching home plate for the Van Wert County squad. Krugh, Wehner and Sites each drove in a run for the Lady Knights.

Josie Kulwicki suffered the loss for Crestview, throwing seven innings with six strikeouts while allowing five hits, six earned runs and five walks.

### BLAZERS TOO MUCH FOR PATRIOTS

Visiting Eastside booked the game with three runs in the first and three more in the seventh as the Blazers posted a 7-3 non-league softball win over Heritage Monday night.

After giving up three runs in the first to the Blazers, the Patriots answered with one in the third to trim the deficit to 3-1.

However, Eastside answered with one in the top of the sixth before allowing a pair of Heritage runs in the bottom half with the Blazers taking a 4-3 lead into the seventh.

The visitors then put the game away by scoring three times to set the final 7-3 margin.

Claire Bickel had a double to top the Lady Patriot offense while Danica Fuller, Grace Guenther, Ella Bickel and Abriyah James added a single each.

Fuller, Claire Bickel and Shelby Schane all scored runs for Heritage with Claire Bickel, Guenther and Ella Bickel driving in runs.

Fuller took the loss for Heritage, fanning two while allowing ten hits and seven runs (six earned) in the complete game effort.

### IHSAA SETS BASEBALL TOURNEY MATCHUPS

The Indiana High School Athletic Association released the 2022 tournament pairings on Sunday as local squads found out their tournament paths.

Sectional baseball play will take place the week of May 25-30 with New Haven and Leo taking part in the Class 3A, Sectional 22 at Angola.

The Bulldogs will open tournament play by taking on Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger while Leo starts the tournament trail by taking on host Angola. One other opening round game will feature Fort Wayne Concordia playing Fort Wayne Bishop Luers.

In the semifinals of sectional play, Garrett has the bye and awaits the winner of the Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger-New Haven contest. Winners from the Leo-Angola and Fort Wayne Concordia-Fort Wayne Bishop Luers contests will play each other as well.

Winners of the semifinal games will then play in the championship contest.

Meanwhile, Heritage will participate in the Class 3A, Sectional 23 at Bellmont.

The Patriots open action against the host Braves in a semifinal game while four other schools battle in quarterfinal action. Oak Hill takes on Marion and Norwell battles Mississinewa in the quarterfinals with the two winners meeting in the semifinals.

The Heritage-Bellmont winner then plays the surviving team from the Oak Hill-Marion-Norwell-Mississinewa foursome.

Lastly, Woodlan competes in the Class 2A, Sectional 36 at Eastside High School as the Warriors open the tourney trail by taking on Bluffton in a sectional semifinal.

Opening round games have Eastside playing Churubusco in one quarterfinal while the other contest features South Adams against Adams Central. The winners of those two contests then meet in a sectional semifinal for the right to battle the Woodlan-Angola winner for a sectional championship.

### SOFTBALL MATCHUPS SET FOR SECTIONALS

The IHSAA released the high school softball tournament pairings over the weekend with area squads finding out their tournament paths.

Both Leo and New Haven will take part in Class 2A, Sectional 22 hosted by Garrett on opposite sides of the bracket.

The Lady Bulldogs will play Angola in the sectional opener with the winner returning to battle host Garrett. Leo squares off against Concordia in its first tournament game and the victor comes back to Garrett to play Bishop Dwenger. The semifinal winners then will square off in the sectional championship.

In Class 2A, Sectional 23 action at Bellmont, Heritage opens its postseason schedule against the host Braves with the winner playing Mississinewa in the sectional semifinal.

The other sectional semifinal has Norwell playing Marion with the two victors meeting in the sectional title game.

The Class 3A, Sectional 36 will take place at Eastside with seven teams battling it out to move on.

In opening round play, the host Blazers will battle South Adams and Bishop Luers tangles with Bluffton. The two winners will meet in a sectional semifinal.

On the bottom of the bracket, Woodlan tangles

# ANTWERP FALLS TO CRESTVIEW AT PARKVIEW FIELD



Antwerp's Parker Moore hits the ball to third basemen and gets to first before the ball! More pictures at westbendnews.net

High School baseball hit the Minor field on Wednesday, May 4, 2022. Antwerp Archers squared off against the Crestview Knights. This was a low-scoring game to

be sure, with Crestview tipping the scales in their favor to end the evening: Antwerp 0, Crestview 2.  
Pitching:  
Antwerp - Hunter Spro-

les - 4 IP, 4 H, 2 R, 4 Ks; Parker Moore - 3 IP, 2 H, 0 R, 1 K  
Offense:  
Antwerp - Parker Moore - 1 single

with Churubusco while the winner returns to square off against Adams Central in semifinal play.

The two semifinal winners then meet in the sectional championship.

Sectional softball action takes place between May 23 and May 28.

### RAIDERS OVERCOME EARLY DEFICIT FOR WIN OVER BULLDOGS

After falling behind 9-2 in the second inning, the Wayne Trace junior varsity softball team rebounded to score 11 straight runs in rallying for a 13-9 victory over Elida Monday night.

The Bulldogs scored four in the first and five in the second, sandwiched around a two-run frame for Wayne Trace, to take a 9-2 advantage.

Wayne Trace scored twice in the third after Elida wild pitches and added four more runs in the fourth to trim the deficit to 9-8. The Lady Raiders then took the lead for good with a four-run fifth that put the red, white and blue on top 12-9.

A single Raider run in the sixth wrapped up the game's scoring as Wayne Trace sealed the 13-9 victory.

Anna Miller got the win for the Lady Raiders, tossing the complete game with six strikeouts while allowing nine hits and six walks.

Mary Lands, Tianna Sinn, Natalie Stoller, Allison Noggle and Storm Tracy all had hits for Wayne Trace. Noggle scored three times for the Lady Raiders with Lands, Sinn, Stoller and Makenna Elliott scoring twice. Sinn also drove in two runs for Wayne Trace.

### PANTHERS SWEEP QUAD MEET

County rivals Paulding and Wayne Trace were joined by Crestview and Ottoville for a junior high track quadrangular Monday night at the home of the Raiders with the Panthers capturing first in both the boys and girls meets.

The Lady Panthers nipped the host Raiders 80-75 with Crestview taking third at 40 points and Ottoville finished fourth with 37.

Caren Winans won the 100 dash for the red, white and blue in 13.85 seconds while Caroline Winans took first in the 200 dash with a time of 29.50 and the pole vault with a leap of 7-0. Wayne Trace's Lexi Moore captured the 300 hurdles in 32.78 seconds.

The Lady Raider 400 relay team of Caren Winans, Caroline Winans, Aubrie Longstreth and Miley Jacobs was first in 56.66 seconds while the 1600 relay squad of Moore, Abby Elkins, Aubree Miller and Amber Stoller took first with a time of 4:50.78.

Paulding's Jayla Griffith was a multiple winner, capturing the 800 run (2:41.77) and 1600 run (5:15.25) while Estie Pease took first in the 400 dash (1:11.03). Addison Pease posted a time of 18.13 seconds to win the

100 hurdles and Hannah Griffiths leaped 4-10 to capture the high jump.

In the 800 relay, the Lady Panther quartet of Lucy Breier, Addison Pease, Makayla Carr and Olivia Breier was victorious in 2:04.50

On the boys side, the maroon and white scored 83 points followed by the Big Green (73), Crestview (42) and the Raiders (27).

Wayne Trace's Eli Treece was victorious in the 400 dash, recording a time of 1:05.72, and Lance Whitman took first in the high jump with a leap of 5-4.

Jordan Manz of Paulding placed first in the 1600 run with a time of 5:23.69 and Camron Wolford won the 200 hurdles in 31.35 seconds. The maroon and white's Jack Schweller captured the pole vault after jumping 8-6 and Jared Manz leaped 16-11 in winning the long jump. Trenton Manz tossed the discus 104-2 in placing first in the discus as well for the Panthers.

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**THE LEFT TURN**

**By: Ron Burt**

More area racetracks are starting to open, and we'll cross our fingers the weather will cooperate. This past weekend at Attica Raceway Park, defending 410 Sprint Car Champion, Trey Jacobs won his first feature of the young season. With one lap remaining in the race, he passed teenager Ryan Timms to get the victory and take home \$4000. Cole Macedo rounded out the top three. Devin Shiels the three-time track champion in the UMP Late Models got the victory and picked up his 12th career feature win at the speedway. He's now sixth on the all-time Late Model win list at Attica. The win didn't come easy as he had to fight off JR Gentry and Ryan Markham throughout the entire feature. The 305 Sprints A-Main was a battle for all twenty-five laps between Logan Riehl and Larry Kingseed Jr. It was Riehl at the line getting his first 305 Sprint win after competing in the class for three years. The fans got their money's worth. Only .63 seconds separated the top four cars at the checker. May 6th, the UMP Late Models will be battling for \$3000. Also racing will be the 305 Sprints, Dirt Trucks and Vintage Cars. The 410 Sprints will be off, because of the World of Outlaw/USAC Sprints double header weekend in Eldora. I will cover the Eldora weekend.

Two weeks in a row California driver Cole Macedo won the 410 Sprint Feature at Fremont Motor Speedway and took home another \$4000. He led all 30 laps making the win look easy. Tyler Shullick, won his first 305 Sprint feature,

leading all 25 laps but it got interesting with four laps to go, Matt Foos the current track champion, began pressuring Shullick after the caution flag came out. The race then became a shoot out until the checker dropped. The 20 lap Dirt Truck A-Main came down to three drivers with seven laps to go. Jamie Miller picked up his 32nd feature win at the "Track Action Built".

If you like non wing sprint cars, then you will enjoy Gas City Speedway in Gas City, Indiana about hour forty minutes south of Fort Wayne off I-69. They run on Friday nights. This Friday, May 13, they will run non wing sprints and the Indiana Race Saver Winded Sprints will be on the show, along with street stocks and hornets. Limaland Motorsports Park will also be in action on the 13th featuring UMP Modifieds, Thunderstocks, USAC D2 Midgets and the Race Truck series returns. Personally, I would go to see the USAC D2 Midgets.

If you like racing on pavement former NASCAR star Ken Schrader will at Michigan's Flat Rock Speedway Saturday, May 14th and Toledo Motor Speedway Sunday, May 15th competing in the ARCA Outlaw Super Late Models. He has 5 wins on the high banks of the Toledo Motor Speedway. Schrader competed in 763 NASCAR Cup Series events from 1984 through 2013, winning 4 races with 64 top-5 finishes and finished in the top-10 in Cup points 8 times. Plymouth Motor Speedway, twenty minutes west of Fort Wayne, is set to open Friday May 20th with a new look. The track has removed the dirt and is asphalt again. Opening night, they will feature the Outlaw Late Models, Sportsman, Street Stocks, FWDs and Hornets. This summer the track will host four Grand Slam high dollar races for the Outlaw Late Models. Sixty-four of the best drivers in the Midwest have already registered for the four races. The first Grand Slam will be held Saturday June 4th and advanced tickets

are on sale. We are just a couple of weeks away from the opening of Sandusky Speedway and Angola Motorsport Speedway. Both tracks will have weekly shows and special races this summer. Until next week, keep your wheels on the track. Ron Out!



**ANTWERP POLICE REPORTS**

On April 22, a village resident reported that they had received threats from an individual in Defiance. The case was investigated and a complaint and warrant was filed.

On April 22, criminal damaging was reported at Antwerp ball fields. The case was investigated, juvenile suspects were located and a report was forwarded to the prosecutor's office.

On April 22, Antwerp Police Department received a complaint about a residence on Wilcox Street being in violation of the junk ordinance. Officers went to the location, spoke to the resident and the resident complied.

On April 23, Antwerp officer met a village resident at the CashLand Pawn Shop in Bryan. The officer assisted the individual in obtaining items that had been stolen from his residence.

On April 24, a resident of Defiance County reported that her husband had taken her motorcycle and brought it to a residence in or near Antwerp and had placed it in a garage. The officer provided her with the necessary information to contact law enforcement within her jurisdiction.

On April 24, a resident reported that a dog was being left tied to a tree behind a residence on East River Street. The caller stated the dog had no shelter or food and water. The dog's owner was contacted.

On April 25, Antwerp officers went to the village of Ottawa and was assisted by Ottawa officers with a follow up to an investigation for an incident that occurred in the village of Antwerp.

On April 25, a complaint was received in reference to a resident of West Daggett Street being in violation of the junk ordinance. Officers went there and notified the resident and the resident complied.

On April 27, officers assisted an individual with a vehicle that had been misplaced.

On April 27, officers were requested to do a welfare check on a village resident.

On April 27, a resident turned in a cell phone that he found in his yard.

On April 27, an officer was called in reference to a child being bitten by a dog.

On April 28, an officer assisted Paulding County Job and Family Services at a residence.

On April 29, an officer was called to Washington Street to stand by for exchange of custody.

On April 29, suspicious activity was reported on Island

**ANTWERP ELEMENTARY ANNOUNCES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



Antwerp Elementary April Student of the Month are: Back Row: Cate Rohrs, Pearce Cottrell, Carson Blair, AJ Honigford, Liam Burelison. Middle Row: Grace Kobee, Josie Laker, Bradlyn Miller, Keigan Custer, Quintin Reyes, Jameson Reeb, Brando Cruz. Front Row: Ashlynn Dunham, Zac Barker, Maryn Cottrell, Ethan Flanary

Street.

On April 29, a resident reported that there were dogs running loose outside of the village limits. The caller was referred to the Paulding Sheriff's office.

On April 29, a golf cart inspection was performed for a resident of the village.

On May 3, officers were called to North Garden Apartments in reference to custody issues with children.

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

**PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS**

**Criminal/Traffic Disposition**

**Roger N. Cardoso**, Miami, FL; Highway Use Tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Manpreet Singh**, Brampton, ON; Highway Use Tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Honorio I. Vega**, Laredo, TX; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course

**Jerry J. Halberstadt**, Anna, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Tewanna K. Dale-Burke**, Houston, TX; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Carmen R. Snideman**, Anderson, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Randi N. West**, Van Wert, OH; Driving under suspension; Count A dismissed

**Sarah M. Yatcko**, Bossier City, LA; Driving under non FRA suspension; Count A dismissed

**Sebastian D. Brown**, Cloverdale, OH; Criminal trespassing; Case dismissed per state

**Rachel N. Box**, Cecil, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Trinity E. Williams**, Georgetown, SC; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**William M. Sutton**, Toledo, OH; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jose A. Guerra**, Berne, IN; Distribution to minor; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

**Ronald L. Craig III**, Antwerp, OH; Domestic violence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; No unlawful contact with victim;

Repay attorney fees; Placed on standard probation; Risk assessment; Mental health/anger management; Probation to determine online classes; 40hrs community service

**Christopher D. Collins II**; Winchester, KY; Possession of marijuana, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs by 6/24/22; Drug paraphernalia, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines and costs by 6/24/22

**Amanda L. Diaz**, Defiance, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Defendant appeared in court with Ms. Smith, Pled guilty; Proof of insurance not provided; Pay all fines and costs; Shall provide insurance to BMW; Club may be removed from vehicle; Club fee waived

**Christina J. Hoffman**, Fort Wayne, IN; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jeanine B. Lambert**, Taylor, MI; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Roger D. Longerbeam Jr.**, Williamsport, MD; Failure to control, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant;

**Archie M. Harper**, Akron, OH; Highway use tax, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

**Carlos R. Mangual**, Titusville, FL; Highway use tax; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Allissa S. Rooks**, Paulding, OH; Child restraint; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Jerrold L. Fleece**, Lima, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**RAIDERS, ARCHERS WIN QUAD MEET**

The Wayne Trace girls and Antwerp boys picked up wins in a quadrangular junior high track meet at Antwerp last Monday evening.

The Lady Raiders racked up 91 points to get past second place Antwerp's 60 while Hicksville (38) and Edgerton (22) completed the field.

Wayne Trace's Caren Winans won the 100 dash (13.50) with Abby Elkins capturing the 1600 run (6:17.00) and 800 run (2:51.00). Caroline Winans posted a time of 28.02 to win the 200 dash while Lexi Moore took first in the high jump (4-8) and 200 hurdles (33.46).

The Raider foursome of Caren Winans, Aubrie Longstreth, Miley Jacobs and Caroline Winans won the 400 relay (57.43) with the quartet of Ingrid Bautista, Addison Stoller, Isabel Gilbert and Longstreth capturing the 800 relay (2:10.00). Aubree Miller, Gilbert, Lexi Moore and Elkins combined to win the 1600 relay (5:05.00).

Antwerp's Taylor Shull finished first in the 100 hurdles (19.32)

In the 3200 relay, the Lady Archer quartet of Haylee Lingenfelter, Miley Jewell, Alexisa Hankinson and Ava Coney finished first (16:17.00).

On the boys side, Antwerp totaled 71 points with Hicksville second at 47 while Wayne Trace and Edgerton tied for third with 44.

Individually, Zaine McMichael captured the 110 hurdles (18.02) and 200 hurdles (28.65) with Ty Jackson taking first in the 100 dash (11.93) and 200 dash (25.56).

Wayne Trace's Landon Blankenship picked up a win in the 800 run (2:40.00) with Lance Whitman capturing the high jump (5-2), shot put (28-9 1/2) and discus (83-9).

The Archer 3200 relay team of Colten Sargent, Corbin Sargent, Israel Gonzalez and Aiden Hook was victorious in 12:29.00.

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# PJHS HOLDS COLLEGE / CAREER DAY



On Thursday, May 5th Paulding Junior High School held a college and career day for all students in the eighth grade. This event was organized by Paulding Junior High School guidance counselor Maddie Reinhart. Shown in the picture are presenters Joel Parret and Cody Clark speaking to students about career opportunities.

# PAULDING COUNTY LAND BANK PROPERTY SUCCESS



Pictured is the new home built by Jake Places, LLC at 848 W. Perry Street in Paulding on former Paulding County Land Reutilization property. The new home has just sold and will bring new property taxes into the village.

The Paulding County Land Reutilization Committee (commonly called Land Bank) was invited to an open house this week. Jake Gentz, owner of Jake Places, LLC recently completed a 1300 square foot home at 848 West Perry Street. The three-bedroom, two bath home, was

built on land bank property that was purchased in 2021 through a sealed bid process.

The open house was to show the property had been improved. Tim Copsey, Economic Development Director for Paulding County commented, "This is exactly how this process is supposed to work. This property was acquired by the Land Bank in 2018 for clean-up and rehabilitation. Once the land bank completed that task the property was made available for public bid. Jake won the bid and immediately moved forward with planning to build a new home on the lot. Today is the culmination of the plan and the sale will close on Friday. The new home owners will be paying new taxes into the community."

This is the second successful venture for the builder. The first was a 900 square foot home on Jackson Street in Paulding. Gentz highlighted, "The Village of Paulding has been great to work with. We have worked in many places around the area but the help we received on these projects from Paulding Zoning Inspector Ron Schmidt and other village officials made these projects very easy to work on."

The Land Reutilization Committee members Commissioner Roy Klopfenstein, Commissioner Mark Holtsberry, county Treasurer Lou Ann Wannemacher, township trustee representative Mike Kauser, and Paulding Mayor Greg White joined Commissioner Mike Weible, commissioner Office Clerk Heather Barnhouse, Paulding Chamber Director Erica Noggle, Paulding County Area Foundation Director Lisa McClure, Gorrell Brothers Realty representative Dustin Stoller, economic development Office Manager Kristen Schilt, and Copsey in reviewing the home and property.

For more information about Paulding County Land Reutilization or current available properties, please reach out to the Paulding County Treasurer office 419-399-8280.

## RIEDEL ANNOUNCES BROWNFIELD GRANTS COMING TO DISTRICT

State Representative Craig Riedel issued the following statement on Tuesday's announcement by Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted of \$60 million in grants as part of the Ohio Brownfield Remediation Program, including more than \$1.1 million for projects in Defiance, Van Wert and Paulding counties. The funding is part of \$350 million lawmakers included in the state budget last year for brownfield remediation.

"Revitalizing former industrial sites benefits the community and economy, and will help improve the quality of life in neighborhoods across the state. The investment we made in the state budget and today's announcement will have a positive impact in our area and in communities across the state."

The following entities were awarded grants for projects to be assessed for cleanup:

- Defiance County Land Reutilization Corporation, \$182,025.

Zeller Property located along a commercial artery close to the city of Defiance,

this property was originally developed in 1905 by the National Box Company to manufacture wagon boxes. The site was later used for automotive parts manufacturing including steel forging and machining. The property has been vacant since 2001 and all structures on the property have been demolished. Once the VAP Phase II is complete, the city plans to treat the soil and groundwater and prepare the property for commercial development.

- Paulding County Board of Commissioners, \$148,897.

The former Stokely Can property was acquired by the Village of Paulding in 1999. Much of the history of the project is unknown, so an assessment will be done to determine any environmental contamination. After assessment and any needed remediation, the village plans to redevelop the property into a solar farm.

- Van Wert County Land Reutilization Corporation, \$300,000.

Part of the larger Van Wert Forward revitalization in downtown Van Wert, this project consists of 52 buildings, many blighted and vacant. A Phase I and asbestos assessment will be performed on each property. If a Phase II is deemed necessary, that will also be performed. The revitalization of downtown Van Wert will be a benefit to all residents and visitors and includes plans for dry cleaners, offices, movie theaters, retail shops, housing, and restaurants or bars.

The following entity was awarded a grant for project cleanup:

- Defiance County Land Reutilization Corporation, \$529,114.

The Vortex Redevelopment will remediate the Defiance Box Company, which was originally developed in the 1890s to mill, plane, dry and paint wood. This property was utilized by a variety of other uses until 2005 when it was abandoned. Remedial activities will include soil excavation, soil gas confirmatory sampling, engineering and institutional controls, investigation derived waste, monitoring well abandonment, quality control, and reporting. After cleanup, the county plans to demolish the structures and remove any contaminants and redevelop the site as a rail yard and warehouse.

## EXTRA INNINGS LEADS ARCHERS PAST WAYNE TRACE

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

In classic fashion the Antwerp softball game with Wayne Trace went down to the wire and then some. Needing nine innings to complete the GMC show-down, the Archers managed to produce two runs in the top of the ninth to slip past the Lady Raiders 4-2. In the decisive inning senior Astiana Coppes slapped a single to score Lauren Schuller to push the Archers past the home team Raiders 3-2.

Later in the inning Emerson Litzenberg was intentionally walked to load the bases. Antwerp managed to tack on their final run when Megan Pendergrast walked that allowed Samantha Rigsby to score to make the final score 4-2. The Raiders

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# Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

had one last opportunity in the bottom of the ninth but could not produce a threat.

Early in the contest with the blue and white hanging to a 2-0 margin, Raider senior, Tatum Tigner, connected on a solo home run to cut the Archer lead in half -- the red, white and blue trailing 2-1. Wayne Trace continued to chip away and in the sixth frame tied the contest when Ava Zartman crossed home plate on a hard-hit shot turned error by Katie Anna Baumle. The score remained at two a piece until the ninth inning heroics by the Archers.

For the winning Archers Lydia Krouse got the win. In relief the junior delivered five innings, allowing six hits, one walk along with one strikeout. With the win the Archers improve their record to 4-2 in league play and 7-3 overall.

Samantha Rigsby helped

lead the Archer's attack offensively with three singles, scoring twice and driving in a run. Coppes also came up with some timely hits including two singles and driving in two runs. Lauren Schuller scored twice for the winners. Also picking up hits for Antwerp were Pendergrast, Kearstyn Pierce, Kennedy Trabel and Jillian Treece -- all with a single apiece.

For the Raiders, who fall to 13-4 overall and 4-2 in GMC play, Logan Bland went the distance, pitching all nine innings. The sophomore gave up 10 hits, four earned runs, seven walks and four strikeouts.

At the plate for the Raiders Macy Doster contributed a single and double with team mate Tigner adding a single and home-run. Alivia Miller collected two singles with Zartman, Bland and Laura Thornell each with a single.

## 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 Recorder's Office located in the Courthouse.

The opening bid is Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-five and 30/100 (\$3335.30) 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) 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 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](http://www.pauldingohsheriff.com)  
Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

## 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.uslandrecorders.com](http://www.uslandrecorders.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.sheriffsaleauction.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.

Sheriff Jason K. Landers

Paulding County, Ohio

[www.pauldingohsheriff.com](http://www.pauldingohsheriff.com)

Robert R. Hoose, Attorney for Plaintiff

# NSCC COLLEGE PHLEBOTOMY & MEDICAL ASSISTING GRADUATES CELEBRATED AT CEREMONY



Pictured here is the Phlebotomy students.

Five students from the medical assisting program, along with twelve students from the phlebotomy technician program were recognized at a special ceremony yesterday at Northwest State Community College. Both options lead to entry-level positions in the health care field, and students earning the phlebotomy technician certificate may choose to continue their education for an associate degree in medical assisting.

Medical Assisting student recognized:  
 Fulton County: Aschlen Reynolds (Wauseon) Williams County: Gabriella Barker (Bryan), Melissa French (Montpelier), Kaitlyne Romero (Montpelier), Courtney Stewart (Bryan)  
 Phlebotomy students recognized:  
 Defiance County: Katelyn Becker (Defiance), Cassandra Weisner (Defiance)

Fulton County: Angelimar Ramirez Feliciano (Archbold), Trisha Ford (Wauseon), Alicia Garcia (Archbold), Hannah Long (Wauseon), Jessica Schang (Archbold)  
 Henry County: Andrea Irving (Napoleon)  
 Lucas County: Katrina Gonzales (Toledo)  
 Van Wert County: Carol Arend (Van Wert)  
 Williams County: Tiffany Bernath (Pioneer), Brittany Carter (Bryan)

## LOCAL TEENAGER FIGHTS LEUKEMIA WITH COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Some might know Tyler Grossman from the local ballpark, hearing his name on the Highlight Zone, or maybe he delivered you dinner from the New Haven Domino's Pizza. Tyler attended Central Lutheran School and graduated from Concordia Lutheran High School in 2021. He excitedly started Saint Francis as a freshman this year playing football for the team. Over the last year, he noticed a change in his overall health, losing over 50+ pounds in a relatively short period of time. Just a few months ago he was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Doctors started aggressive chemotherapy treatments on him weekly down at Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis. Tyler was advised to take a medical withdrawal from Saint Francis for

this semester. The TylerStrong Committee was soon formed to help consolidate fundraising efforts for Tyler and his family. His mom, Tammy, has taken a leave from her job to care for Tyler. They will be hosting a "Party in the Park" to benefit Tyler at Schnelker Park on May 26, 2022, from 6-9 pm. The fundraiser features music by JON DURNELL, drinks served by WINNER'S CIRCLE, pizza from DOMINO's, SNOWBIZ shaved ice, burgers, hotdogs, and more! Admission is FREE and everyone is WELCOME - We appreciate all food/drink purchases and donations to support Tyler. All proceeds go towards Tyler Grossman's fight against Leukemia. If you cannot attend the event please go to <https://gofund.me/301f83f6> to donate. Tyler's treatments have not been easy on him as he entered round 2 of his chemotherapy last week. He has been encouraged by recent test results that show that the treatments are working. Tyler and his family appreciate all of our community's generosity!

**LAWN CARE FOR THE HOMEOWNER**  
**Weed & Feed Products**  
 Hopefully warmer weather is finally here to stay. The time has come to feed your lawn for the first time if you already haven't done that. You can also get rid of those pesky

weeds at the same time. In this article, I'll give you some information about perennial weeds, picking a good weed & feed, and application tips to make your chosen product more effective. Perennial weeds, such as dandelion, plantain and clover, are present in the lawn all year long. In winter, the plants may wither and disappear, but their root systems are still alive and well. These noxious roots are lurking beneath the surface of your lawn, and waiting for warm spring weather to reappear as eyesores in the lawn. When warm weather (finally) arrives, new leaves begin to grow, and begin their "crowding out" tactics to take over the lawn. Summer annual weeds, such as chickweed, oxalis, spurge and purslane also begin to invade. Control of these pesky weeds is done by applying a post-emergent weed control. Unlike digging or pulling weeds, weed controls get rid of weeds from the roots to help ensure the weeds cannot grow back from root stubs that may be left in the soil. This is not accomplished overnight. Instead, the weeds slowly disappear over a period of a few weeks as the weed control kills the roots. Weed controls come in both liquid and granular form. Whether liquid or granular, the weed control needs to have an opportunity to adhere to the

leaves of the plant in order to be effective because the ingredients enter the weed primarily through the surface of the leaves. For those who prefer a non-granular, fertilizer free post-emergent control for spot treating small areas, liquid controls provide an ideal option. Some are water-proof in hours. The ready-to-use and concentrate versions are effective for treating a host of broadleaf weeds without harming the lawn. Because the weed control is already in a liquid form, it adheres to the plant and absorbs into the weed more quickly than the granular versions. The granular forms of the weed controls are typically combined with a grass fertilizer to feed your lawn—hence the name weed & feed. All granular applications should be made on a damp lawn in order to help the weed control adhere to the weed plant. Application after a light rainfall or early morning dew is ideal. Additionally if it's possible, apply the granular weed & feed to a freshly cut lawn. If within 24 hours of mowing, it will help the granules of nutrients and weed control absorb in the fresh cuts on grass and weeds alike. After application, avoid foot traffic on the lawn and hope the weatherman was right in predicting no rain storms from 24 to 48 hours. The heavy rain and foot traffic with the 24 to 48 hour window could dislodge the granules and make the weed control less effective. The timing of post-emergent weed control application is important if the lawn is to get the maximum benefit from the product. As a general rule, the application should be made when the weeds are actively growing. Application for the most northern part of the U.S. is recommended in mid- to late-spring. For our area this means an application should be made sometime in late April or early May when air temperatures are between 60-90 degrees F. Another time for applying weed controls is in the early fall. From mid-September to early October, weeds are actively growing. Weeds are susceptible to the weed controls in the fall because they are naturally translocating nutrients to their roots in preparation for winter dormancy. Make sure to space out your feedings. You need a period of at least 6 to 8 weeks between feedings. Otherwise you may be overfeeding your lawn causing you to mow your lawn more often. If you have broadleaf weeds coming up and you have recently fed your lawn, use a granular or liquid weed control that doesn't have fertilizer to get rid of those eyesores. The only times weed controls should not be used is on newly planted grass. Once that new grass has had time to grow and be mowed at least four times (approximately 20+ days), then you can apply a weed control to the newly seeded area. If you've already applied weed controls but need to overseed, it is best to wait one month after your last application. Whether liquid or granular, using a weed control will help ensure your lawn stays weed free in the warmer weather to come!

—Len Schrock  
 Jonathan Green Lawn Consultant; Grabill & Woodburn Hardware

## NORTHWEST STATE RECOGNIZES POETRY CONTEST WINNERS



The Office of Career and Activities and the Division of Arts and Sciences at Northwest State Community College are pleased to announce the winners of the 2022 YawpFest Open Mic Competition in celebration of National Poetry Month:  
 1st place: Chad Durham  
 2nd place: Brianna Herrin and Kally Durham (in a tie!)

3rd place: Jason Saman  
 A big shout out to all learners, faculty, and staff who came out to read, listen, and cheer each other on. YawpFest is an annual three-day celebration of poetry, art, music, food, and campus community. Be sure to check out the amazing student art display and the NSCC Lego masterpiece in the library.

## PAULDING JH ANNOUNCES STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Each month Paulding Junior High School teachers select one Student of the Month per grade level. These students are recognized for being some of the top academic performers at Paulding Junior High School. Shown in the picture from left are Nick Baughman (Grade 6) and Megan Manz (Grade 7). Not pictured is Lucy Breier (8th grade Student of the Month).

## CIVIC THEATRE ANNOUNCES UPCOMING YOUTH SHOWS

Van Wert Civic Theater is pleased to announce their summer Youth Theater shows. On Sunday, May 15 and Monday, May 16, directors Emily Gehle, Alyssa Taylor, and Griffin Waltmire will hold auditions by appointment for "Disney's The Little Mermaid Jr". Any youth ages 5 - 18 can schedule an audition from 7 - 9 PM on either night. The show features those familiar songs like "Under the Sea" and characters such as Ariel and Flounder. Rehearsals primarily will be 6:30 - 8:30 PM, Mondays - Thursdays at the theater. Performances are June 23, 24, 25, and 26. The second opportunity for young people to get on stage is the play "Hey Diddle Diddle: The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon." Director Monica Campbell will hold auditions by appointment Sunday, June 19

and Monday, June 20. Performances will be July 30, 31 and August 1. A cat plays the fiddle; the cow jumps over the moon while the little dog laughs; and the dish runs away with the spoon...but then what? A group of storytellers are challenged to continue the story of the dish and the spoon from Hey Diddle Diddle. The tales that they spin find the dish and spoon fleeing from the Abominable Snowman, encountering the witch from Hansel and Gretel, becoming spies, and even fighting bad sushi. All ages will love watching this funny play. Young people ages 6 - 18 are invited to audition. There are a variety of roles available both speaking and nonspeaking. Rehearsals primarily will be 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Mondays - Thursdays at the theatre. July 24 - 28 will be technical and dress rehearsals. To schedule an audition for either show via online form, visit vwct.org. All auditions, rehearsals,

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# PJHS POSITIVE PANTHERS



Each month Paulding Junior High School teachers select one Positive Panther per grade level. These students are recognized for the positive character traits they exhibit as students of Paulding Junior High School. Shown in the picture (from left) are Eldora Woodruff (Grade 7), Delaney Johanns (Grade 6), and Kristopher Schuchart (Grade 8).

and performances will be held at the Van Wert Civic Theatre at 118 South Race Street in Van Wert.

## NHEG HONORED AS GOLD STEVIE® AWARD WINNER IN 2022 AMERICAN BUSINESS AWARDS®

New Heights Educational Group (NHEG) was named the winner of a Gold Stevie® Award in the Education Hero of the Year category in The 20th Annual American Business Awards®.

More than 3,700 nominations from organizations of all sizes and in virtually every industry were submitted this year for consideration in a wide range of categories, including Startup of the Year, Executive of the Year, Best New Product or Service of the Year, Marketing Campaign of the Year, Thought Leader of the Year, and App of the Year, among others. NHEG was nominated in the Education Hero of the Year category.

Judges Comments:  
--The pandemic has accelerated and worsened equity gaps in education and has deepened the divide in our communities. The work that NHEG is doing is truly wonderful. To think that everyone at NHEG is an all-volunteer staff is truly remarkable. Please keep up that great work and know that your work is making a difference.  
--This is amazing work. A lot of students are ignored and left behind if they are unable to catch up in traditional schools due to a lot of rea-

## TREASURE ISLAND SWAP MEET & FLEA MARKET

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# Home Owner Applications

**Low Income Family? Become a Home Owner in Paulding Village!**

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Paulding County Habitat for Humanity assists low income, first time home buyers with affordable interest free loans. This is possible because homes are constructed with volunteer labor and sold at no profit. In addition to being required some level of a down-payment with monthly mortgage payments, home owners invest their own volunteer time ("sweat equity") in the completion stages of their own house build and/or on the next house build for another family. Homeowners are responsible for insurance, maintenance, utilities, and taxes. Applicants must meet program eligibility requirements.

**Contact:**  
pauldingohiohabitat@gmail.com  
or Call 419-789-8902



# Classified Ads

## Sell it in the Classifieds!

Classified ads are \$8.50 for 20 words or less and \$.15 for each additional word.  
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P.O. Box 1008, Antwerp, OH 45813  
**Classifieds MUST be paid up front!!**

**SALE: Cleaning out the classroom sale - elementary and preschool teacher resources; lots of children's books, games, and puzzles; set of Haviland blue garland China; wood kitchen table and chairs; Step 2 Canyon Road train & track table; Keurig; XL ladies clothing; misc, household items and décor. Friday, May 13 9am-5pm and Saturday, May 14 9am-3pm. 6509 St. Rd. 49 Convoy, Ohio, during Convoy town-wide sales. 19p**

**RAIN TECH SEAMLESS GUTTERS, 419-258-1818 18-20**

**FOR SALE IN LEINARD MOBILE HOME PARK: 2 bdrm/2 full bath, 18 X 6 Victorian Home with 2X6 construction, shingled roof, sky lights and porch. The mobile home has a large kitchen with a separate laundry room with vinyl & carpet through out. \$27,500. We are a no dog park and a background check is required. Call at 419-258-2710. tf**

**GROOMING: Dogs/Cats, large/small - Clippings, nails, bath, glands. 419-399-3389. tf**

**FORT DEFIANCE Antiques - 402 Clinton St. Downtown Defiance, OH. Hours M-Sat 10-5. Phone 419-782-6003 tf**

**MANUAL COMB or WIRE-O punch binder ltr/A4. 419-258-2000.**

**WANTED: Old toys, postcards, jewelry, coins, railroad items, watches, military collectibles, antiques, pens, stamps, comics, magazines, records. Paulding by the jail. (419) 399-3353 16-21**

**MANUAL COIL BINDING punch ltr/A4 size w/ electric coil inserter, \$75. 419-258-2000**

**FOR SALE: Cutting torch, cart, helmet, extra oxygen tank, misc. Accessories, \$480. Call 419-670-4305. p**

**BIG YARD SALE: 406 West Perry, Paulding. May 13-14, 9:00-? Household items, auto parts, tools, many power tools, small desk & chair, fans, heaters, lots of misc. Golf balls, brass lamp, woman's bike. If rain following week same schedule. No early sales. I need time to set up. p**

**GARAGE SALE: May 13, 9-5; May 14 9:00 to ?? At 25033 Maumee Center Road, Woodburn. Misc. Household, bushel baskets, push mower, tools, garage door 16"x10", tiller. 19**

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

## CHOW LINE: SPRING IS A GREAT TIME TO ADD MORE FRESH SPINACH TO YOUR DIET

I've got a lot of fresh spinach from my parents' garden, and I'm looking for more creative ways to eat it. Do you have any tips?

Spinach is in harvest right now, making this a great time to add this vitamin- and mineral-packed plant into your diet. Spinach is a healthy, dark, leafy, green vegetable that is full of protein, calcium, iron, magnesium, potassium, folate, fiber, phosphorus, thiamine, and vita-

mins A, C, and K.

Also considered a super-food, spinach, as part of a healthy, balanced diet, is important for skin, hair, and bone health. Additionally, spinach can help improve blood glucose control in people with diabetes, and it lowers the risk of cancer, improves bone health, and can promote digestive regularity.

There are three types of spinach, including savoy spinach, flat spinach, and semi-savoy spinach, all of which can be eaten cooked or raw.

And it's fairly easy to grow—even over winter, said

Tim McDermott, an educator with Ohio State University Extension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). "If you want to grow spinach over winter, you can plant it in October by first preparing the soil, broadcasting the seed and lightly covering it with soil, and watering it," he said. "Then, cover the cold-hardy vegetable with season-extension row covers."

"Protected under the cover, the spinach will germinate in a week or two and slowly grow over winter. Harvest can start when temperatures go over 45 degrees."

McDermott, who runs the Growing Franklin food production blog, recently posted a video that he and fellow OSU Extension educator Jenny Lobb produced on how to make spinach into a crunchy, healthy salad that both kids and adults can enjoy.

The video demonstrates harvesting freshly grown spinach leaves and mixing them with fresh strawberries, crumbled goat cheese, slivered almonds, balsamic vinegar, and olive oil to create a sweet, healthy, light, fresh salad.

"Spinach goes well with fresh strawberries," Lobb said. "Spinach is also very versatile. It can be added to your favorite pasta, soup, or casserole, or sauteed in olive oil and seasonings."

"Spinach can also be added to a wrap, sandwich, or flatbread, or cooked in an omelet or even added to a smoothie to give it added healthy benefits."

There are risks, however, for those who are taking blood thinners such as Coumadin, also known as warfarin. This is because foods that contain vitamin K, such as spinach, play a large role in blood clotting.

Chow Line is a service of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences and its outreach and re-

## Sudoku solution from page 9

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

search arms, Ohio State University Extension and the Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center. Send questions to Chow Line writer Tracy Turner, 364 W. Lane Ave., Suite B120, Columbus, OH 43201, or turner.490@osu.edu.

## HORN BLANKS TIGERS

Abby Horn struck out nine and limited Bluffton to only two hits in pitching the Woodlan Warriors to an 11-0 victory over the host Tigers Thursday night.

Horn gave up singles to only Teresa Renner and Lily King but kept the Lady Tigers off the scoreboard for the five-inning win.

Woodlan picked up a pair of runs in the first inning and the Warriors added one more in the second to expand the margin to 3-0. Woodlan then widened the margin in the third with a seven-run frame that extended Warrior advantage to 10-0. The Lady Warriors picked up their final run in the top of the fifth.

Jade Lichty topped Woodlan with three singles in the contest and scored a pair of runs while Abigail Cowan doubled twice, scored twice and drove in three runs. Austin Gaff doubled and picked up three runs batted in.

Briana Roney, Avah Smith and Alivia Ulmer all had singles for Woodlan.

## HELP WANTED

The Village of Haviland is looking for an individual for

## Ground Maintenance

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The City of Woodburn will have the **Spring City-Wide Garage Sale on May 13-14, 2022**. This will run from approximately **8am - 5pm** each day. If you have questions, feel free to contact Woodburn City Hall at **260-632-5318**. **City-Wide Trash Pick-Up** for residents within Woodburn city limits will be **Saturday, May 21, 2022**.  
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# THIS WEEK ON PCBW: MEMORIES BY TAWNYA



Next up on the Paulding County Business Weekly broadcast we will talk with Memories by Tawnya business owner, Tawnya English. Be sure to listen in to how this nationally published local business started and thrives here in Paulding County. Hear how Tawnya

sets her business apart by providing an experience for her customers, not just photographs. Thanks to the Ohio Means Jobs office of Paulding County and My102.7FM you can hear this recording Tuesday and Thursday at 8:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m. and anytime on Spotify.

## PEVS 2022 ACADEMIC HALL OF FAME RECIPIENTS

The 2022 Paulding Exempted Village Schools Academic Hall of Fame induction will take place at the PHS Graduation ceremony on Sunday, May 22, beginning at 2:30 p.m. in the High School Gym. The following former PHS students will be inducted:

**Dr. Barbara (Proxmire) Lassiter - Paulding High School Class of 1960**

Barbara Proxmire Lassiter graduated from Paulding

High School in 1960. She was active in band, Honor Society, Yearbook editor, science fair, journalism conference, newspaper staff and Spanish and Latin clubs. She graduated from Parkview Methodist School of Nursing as a Registered Nurse and Wesleyan University. Barbara worked in Emergency/Trauma for five years and brought the Paramedic Program to the upstate of South Carolina. After earning a MAJ in administration and education from the Medical University of South Car-

olina, she became Director of Corporate Occupational Health Programs at Springs Industries, where she was responsible for the occupational and environmental health of 28,000 employees at 45 clinics. During this time, she authored numerous journal articles and two books on nursing procedures and OSHA compliance. Barbara is Board Certified in Occupational and Environmental Health and as a Case Manager. A frequent speaker at medical workshops and conferences, she also participated in medical exchange programs in the Soviet Union, China, Spain, Northern Africa and the Philippines. In 1999 she became Director of CE Health Sciences and Nursing Programs at Greenville Technical College. Three years later she became Vice President of Planning and Technology. In 2020, she funded and dedicated the Dr. Barbara Lassiter STAT Training Center at the college that houses 12 high-fidelity human patient simulators ranging in age from newborn through adult as well as high-tech CPR mannequins.

She is the daughter of Russell and Freda Proxmire. Barbara has two children, Kimberly and Scott, and two grandchildren. She is married to Dr. George Bomar. Since retirement, they have traveled all 50 US states and 6 continents. They live in Fountain Inn, SC.

**Sandra (Singer) Dobbelaere - Paulding High School Class of 1977**

After graduating in 1977, Sandy married Michael Dobbelaere and began raising their three children: Jesse, Shandi, and Kinsey. Sandy did

# ANTWERP CIC BREAK GROUND FOR FUTURE 24/49 DEVELOPMENT



The Antwerp, Payne, Paulding County Community Improvement Corporation has been meeting regularly to discuss the property at the 24/49 interchange.

It is with much excitement to announce that an agreement has been reached with the NAI Harmon Group to begin marketing and developing the 83 acres on the northeast side of the interchange. Plans include residential

dwelling with the potential for multi-family homes, villas and senior housing. Preliminary plans also include light commercial development and retail opportunities toward the south end of the property where there exists potential for US24 road frontage.

CIC are beginning this project with much anticipation of what has been a dream for many Paulding County residents for years and the

group feels the proposed development being heavy on residential property will be advantageous to the county as well as maintaining friendly relationships with the neighboring homes, school and businesses that surround the development.

Pictured above are members of the CIC, breaking ground on the first street to be developed coming off of SR 49 inside the village of Antwerp.

freelance commissioned art pieces, painted portraits and landscapes or pets on various materials. She also took up wood carving and did many relief carvings for customers. She worked part-time at the Oakwood Chiropractic office, helping to manage the office, and illustrated the cover of the office's monthly newsletter. When her children were a little older, she took on a full-time job at R&B Fabrication as their silkscreen artist.

Sandy's older sister, Janet Saxton, who taught 6th grade science and math at Oakwood Elementary, had been battling cancer. Not only did she urge Sandy, but made her promise to go back to college and do something with her Art. Janet passed away in the spring of 1991 and that fall, Sandy kept her promise, enrolled at Defiance College and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education (Visual Arts). She was hired to teach at Paulding High School in the fall of 1994 and received her Master's in Education and Curriculum from BGSU in 1999.

The promise to her sister led Sandy on quite a journey. She and Mike have traveled to many distant places and have met many people. They took in exchange students and also other students that needed help

While teaching, Sandy was heavily involved with the Drama Department, was the Jr. Class advisor, and led past cheerleaders to award winning competitions. Sandy has enjoyed all of her students whether it be watching their wheels turn as they figure something out, showing them how to fall down a flight of stairs in a play, helping them see their vision of Prom come to life making endless amounts of paper Mache rocks for a waterfall, or erecting a 30-foot Eiffel tower in the gymnasium with the help of some enthusiastic dads.

Sandy's life skills interwove with her teaching skills pretty seamlessly. She received many 1st place awards at Art Shows over the years, a

1st place National Art Education Award in 2004, and was the OAEA Outstanding Art Teacher of Ohio in 2005. While doing research for a sculpture class, she got herself into competing in the International snow carving event at Zehnders Snowfest in Frankenmuth Michigan Her sculptures placed in the top 3 six different years! She was fortunate to have family, friends and students join her with this experience.

After viewing murals in other countries and the city of Philadelphia, she wanted to try her art of painting in a large format, so with the help of her daughter Kinsey, (who is also an Art Teacher), they have completed several murals together and some with the help of community members. Together, her and Kinsey have completed murals in the Villages of Oakwood, Scott and Paulding, and in many private homes. Many of the murals in the school have been completed by her with the help of some of her students.

After teaching for 27 years, Sandy retired in 2021 to create her own Art and enjoy her family which now includes seven grandchildren. She and Mike enjoy traveling and have visited all 50 states (34 on the backs of their motorcycles). They have climbed Manchu Picchu, saw the Nazca Lines, stood in the Sistine Chapel and the Roman Coliseum.

Sandy hopes that all the lives that she has come in contact with have been encouraged and inspired. She is happy that they have fallen into and shared her space for a little while. She knows that she is very lucky to have been raised by her adventurous, loving, hardworking parents and is thankful to have been encouraged by her sister Janet, big brother Larry, and little sister Cindy. Last but not least, Sandy sends a big 'Thank You' to her husband Mike for his support and for all the life experiences they have accomplished together.



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