

## PHS SENIOR BAND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER



Sophia Fisher has been awarded the PHS Band Booster scholarship for 2022. She has been in band since the fifth grade playing flute, and saxophone for the marching band, jazz band, and concert

band. She was also a field commander her Junior and Senior years during the marching season. Sophia plans to go to Northwest State for Radoigraphic Imaging. Congratulations Sophia!

## ANTWERP VFW POST 5087 MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE & PARADE

Memorial services will be at the Veterans Memorial Park at 10:00 am on May 30<sup>th</sup>. The invocation will be performed by Pastor Regan Clem

and speaker will be Mark Holtsberry, County Commissioner. Parade will begin at 9:45 in front of VFW Post 5087. In event of inclement weather, services will be at VFW pavilion. Refreshments and snacks will follow at VFW hall.

## CONGRATULATIONS 2022 HARLAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL GRADUATES!



**XANDER RYAN JEWELL** was named 2022 Valedictorian of Harlan Christian School. His parents are Ryan and Nicole Jewell. His GPA is 11.60.

After graduation, Jewell plans to attend Ivy Tech for Computer Science because he plans to have a career at a software development company.

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## CONGRATULATIONS 2022 PAULDING COUNTY SCHOOL GRADUATES!

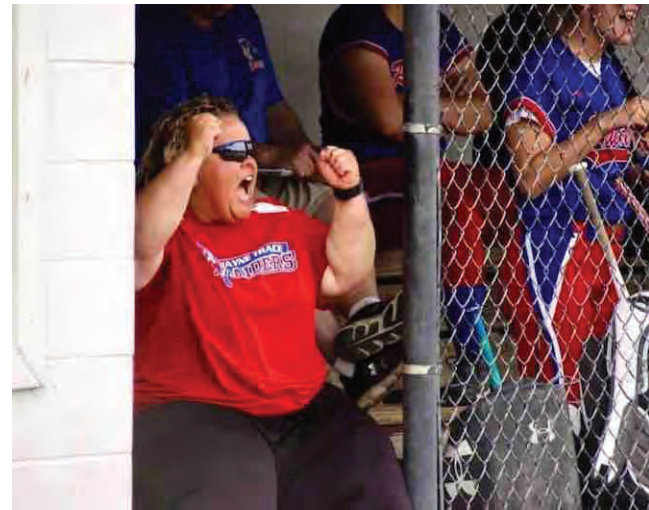


**Antwerp High School KENNADI RECKER** has been named 2022 Valedictorian of Antwerp High School. Her parents are Dennis and Monica Recker and the late Lisa Recker.

After graduation, she plans to attend Bowling Green State University and major in Nursing. During

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## WT COACH HITS 100<sup>th</sup> CAREER WIN @ DIVISION IV SOFTBALL SECTIONAL



**Coach Amber Showalter** celebrates with the Lady Raiders in her 100<sup>th</sup> career win as the Raiders won the Sectional championship on May 12, 2022.

With this victory, Wayne Trace head coach Amber Showalter hits her 100th victory in her career. The Lady Raider mentor is now 100-64 for her career, which is currently in her seventh season.

To top it off, this was the Sectional Championship game against Cory Rawson. Lady Raiders play next at El-

ida on May 17, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Score by Innings:  
Cory Rawson 0 0 1 0 0 = 1 run, 3 hits, 3 errors  
Wayne Trace 7 2 7 4 x = 20 runs, 11 hits, 2 errors  
Winning Pitcher - Logen Bland (4 innings, 3 hits, 1 run, 1 earned run, 3 strikeouts, 2

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## EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER FUNDS AVAILABLE

Paulding County has been awarded federal funds made available through the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP). EFSP is a federally funded grant program that is administered by the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Paulding County will receive \$11,086 for Phase 39 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in Paulding County.

A local board will determine how the funds awarded to Paulding County are to be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by local service agencies. The local board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds.

Under the terms of the

grant from the national board, local agencies chosen to receive funds must:

- Be privately voluntary non-profits or units of government
- Have an accounting system
- Practice nondiscrimination
- Have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food or shelter programs
- If they are a private vol-

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## Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

**May 17**

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

**May 19**

• FREE Comm. Meal @ St. Paul UMC, 4:30-6pm

**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

**May 23**

• VWCOA Texas Hold 'Em Poker Night, 6pm

**May 24**

• Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 4-7p  
• JPHS general meeting, 6:30pm

**May 29**

• Free Meal @ Cecil Comm Church, after 11a worship service

**May 30**

• Memorial Day Parade, Antwerp; Parade @ 9:45a; service @ Park, 10am  
• VWCOA Texas Hold 'Em Poker Night, 6pm

**May 31**

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

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**OBITUARIES**

PAYNE, OH:  
**Ed Asher**, 77 of Payne, Ohio, passed away at home on Monday, May 9, 2022. Arr by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 SR 500, Payne, Ohio.

ANTWERP, OH:  
**William Stanley Bricker**, DDS, formerly of Antwerp, died on Sunday, January 23, 2022 in Mesa, Arizona. Arr. by Dooley Funeral Home, 202 W. River Street, Antwerp, Ohio.

**PARSON TO PERSON**

**By: Dr. James Bachman**  
*Dear Parson,*  
*My teenage daughter told me that some of her friends are being very unkind to her. I am not sure how to tell her to handle the problem. Can you help me?*

Without knowing the specifics I can only give you four general biblical principles.

- She should first check her own behavior. I Peter 2:20 says, "For what glory is it, if when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently?" Matthew 7:5 says, "First cast out the beam out of thine own eye."

- Second, forgive. Unless she finds forgiveness toward her offenders she will have a growing bitterness, which will isolate her more and more now and in future relationships. Almost everyone will offend us sooner or later. She must ask God for a forgiving heart. Study Ephesians 4:30-32.

- Third, she needs to go to the offenders. Matthew 18:15, "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone." The rest of the passage clearly gives follow-up alternatives. The purpose in going to them is to restore them to a proper relationship with God and with her (see Galatians 6:11).

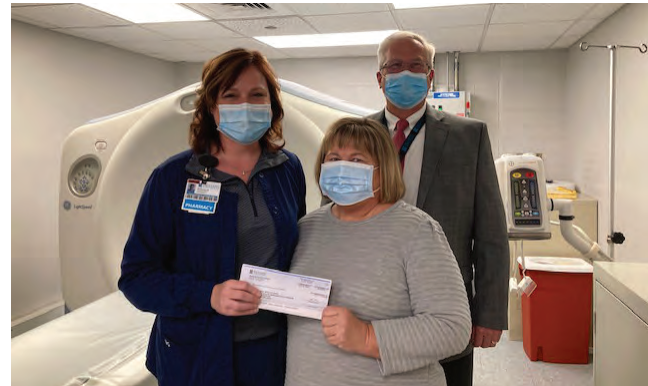
- Fourth, overcome evil with good. Read Romans 12:17-21 and Matthew 5:43-48. Putting this into practice will not only show her offenders what Jesus is like, but it will also bring conviction on them and cause them to change their actions toward her if she continues to return good for bad long enough.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

**I-69 LANE CLOSURES TO BEGIN AS PART OF ONGOING INTERCHANGE MODIFICATION PROJECT**

ALLEN COUNTY, Ind. - The Indiana Department of Transportation announces

**PCH AUXILIARY/ GIFT SHOP DONATE \$10,000 TO THE CT PROJECT**



**Barb Hoersten, VP of Pharmacy and Radiology; Barb Grant, PCH Gift Shop and Auxiliary; and Ron Goedde, CEO of Paulding County Hospital**

Paulding, Ohio- The Auxiliary and Gift Shop graciously donated \$10,000 for Paulding County Hospital's NEW CT Project. The donation is part of a campaign currently advertised by the Paulding County Hospital Foundation. Donations to the CT project up to \$25,000 will be matched by the Paulding County Hospital Foundation.

For more information about the Paulding County Hospital Foundation CT project campaign, please contact Ashley Collins at 419.670.4444.

Thank you to all of the hard-working volunteers who willingly give of their time and energy, on behalf of Paulding County Hospital. We greatly appreciate you and all you do!

**HERITAGE LIONS 25B IN HOAGLAND**



The Heritage Lions will be parking their ice cream trailer at all the special events in our area again this year. The profit from every cone or cup sold goes to local EMS and Fire Departments, food banks and many other worthy organizations.

These are the places and dates you can find the Heritage Lions ice cream trailers:  
**Monroeville Youth League Opening Day:** May 21  
**Monroeville Car Show:**

June 2  
**Monroeville Music in The Park:** Thursday Evenings  
**Hoagland Days:** June 16-18

**Monroeville Harvest Festival:** August 5-6  
**St. Joseph Hossen Cassel Fall Festival:** September 24

*The Heritage Lions motto is "We Serve" and we welcome and encourage everyone who wishes to help their local community to contact a Heritage Lion.*

lane closures on I-69 as part of the ongoing I-69 and Coldwater Road interchange modification project.

Starting on or after May 16, the left lanes of I-69 in both directions will be closed in both directions under the bridge for approximately three to four weeks. Following that closure, the right lanes of I-69 in both directions will be

closed for approximately three to four weeks. There will be a work zone speed limit of 55 mph in place. All work is weather-dependent and schedules are subject to change.

Work on the \$9.7 million project began in March and is expected to last until November.

INDOT reminds drivers to consider worker safety and slow down, use extra caution and drive distraction-free when travelling in and around all work zones.

**FIRST TIME NO-TILLERS**

As the national price of diesel fuel averages around \$5.40/gallon, many farmers are considering no-tilling both soybeans and corn for the first time. Also, due to wet weather and a late planting window, getting crop seed in the ground becomes even more important. Here are a

few tips that may help improve your first year no-till crop yields.

First, scout your fields. Weeds like purple dead nettle, henbit, dandelion, chickweed, yellow rocket, ragweed and marehail can be problems and require a good burn-down herbicide. Most farmers will use glyphosate (Roundup®) but remember that as a chelator, glyphosate ties up many micronutrients, especially iron, manganese, zinc, and copper, so minimize it use.

Second, check for slugs and other pests, especially in weedy fields. Ferroyx® is a new slug bait that has a 40-day residual. The pellets are very small and the slugs ingest it. The rate is 10-15#/A and costs \$11-\$16/A. If you are not sure how many slugs you have, place a few boards or shingles flat on the ground in several places and check in a few days. There is no Midwest research on slug numbers, but Oregon State University research shows that more than 5 slugs per shingle is an issue. Slugs thrive in moisture cooler weather, when crops grow slowly.

One major downfall to no-tillers is that it often takes 3-7 years to make the transition to no-till. No-till soybeans are more resilient and fairly easy to no-till while corn is less forgiving. Ideally, the best time to no-till, is to plant when the soil is a little warmer, at least 500F. Several veteran no-tillers in Northwest Ohio wait until the water temperature in Lake Erie's western basin reaches 500F, in central Ohio 480F, and in southern Ohio 45-460F. Usually planting starts earlier in the South due to warmer soil temperatures. Lake Water temperature, correlates fair well to soil temperature when soils are wet.

One reason farmers till soil is to warm it up. Every tillage pass evaporates about .5 to 1.0 inch of water. It takes 10X more energy to warm up water than it does air. When soils are a little cold, getting the soil to dry out warm it up. For no-tillers, they have to either wait for warmer temperatures by planting later, or they improve their soil structure over time (3-7 years). No-till with cover crops create macroaggregates, large soil peds, that allow water to infiltrate and drain away. Unfortunately, tillage destroys these aggregates. Many nutrients are stored in these aggregates, so most crops benefit upfront from this fast nutrient release.

In tilled fields, poor soil structure and soil compaction are major issues. This creates a major problem for farmers switching to no-till. Poor soil structure does not allow water to infiltrate easily, so ponding or standing water occurs. Soil compaction keeps the soil saturated and keeps soils cold in the spring. Ideally, adding live roots from cover crops not only adds soil organic matter to improve soil structure, live roots also build soil macroaggregates where carbon and nutrients are stored.

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untary organization, they must have a voluntary board. Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and

Shelter Program funds must contact Lora Lyons at 419-399-8240 or pcuwdirector@gmail.com to request an application. The deadline for applications to be received is May 25th by 3:00 p.m.

**Scripture of the Week**

"The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."

— Zephaniah 3:17

**MATT'S MISHAPS**

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



*Laugh along with me – or at me!*

When growing up, my older brother always had a shelf full of books, while I had my shelves filled with things that I had found while out in the woods or in the fields. Yes, I was the kid who'd often check out anything but books when going to the library. It is therefore with great irony (especially to my English teacher through school) that I am releasing the Matt's Mishaps book with lots of help from my wife Joy. The book is a compilation of around fifty mishap stories that I experienced (and my family survived) during my first twenty years in living overseas. The book is not written with bookworms in mind, but rather for people who like to hear a sim-

ple, light-hearted, humorous story being told. The not-for-profit book project received sponsorship from many of your favorite local businesses whose ads appear throughout the book.



The famous H. Souder & Sons General Store on Main Street in downtown Grabill, Indiana, will be the primary distributor of the book. Your purchase of the book will help send funds to advance overseas missionary work. Why not pick up a copy of the book while you shop for some other small-town inspired products at the general store. And then during a slow, humdrum, or overwhelming point in your day, read a mishap and smile and laugh along with me – or at me!

For more information about the book project, or to order a book if a drive to Grabill, Indiana is too far, please feel free to contact me. mattsmishaps@gmail.com or Matt's Mishaps, PO BOX 114, Grabill, IN 46741

**HERITAGE LION CLUB GIVES DONATION**



**Heritage Lions Club President Tom Wolf presented a \$1000 check to Zach Hartman, President of Hoagland Area Advancement Association. The donation will go toward park improvements.**

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# HERITAGE LIONS CLUB INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS



The Heritage Lions held their annual installation of new officers May 10 at the Hoagland Community Center. Each person stood up as Past District Governor Al Arnold swore the new officers in.

The new Heritage Lions Club officers for 2022-2023 are:

- Tom Wolf - President
- Jan Hockemeyer - First Vice President
- Jack Clear - Second Vice President
- Cindy Wolf - Secretary
- Dick Weber - Treasurer
- Tom Bullerman - Lion Tamer
- Ed Coy - Tail Twister
- Ken Sorg - Board Member
- Larry Smith - Board Member

The ice cream committee discussed several issues for the coming season. Members were encouraged to sign up for shifts for Hoagland Days and other upcoming events.

The first ice cream event was Hoagland Baseball Opening Day, Saturday May 14.

Past District Governor Al Arnold encouraged all officers to attend the Lions training sessions in Bluffton. He is taking a van of volunteers to the Indiana State Fair in August,

where Lions volunteers will help sell tickets. Mr. Arnold encouraged the Heritage Lions to get involved in vision screening in the schools. Children are screened in grades 1, 3, 5, and 8. Lions Club members conduct these simple screenings and have caught sight problems in some of the young children.

Outgoing President Larry Smith thanked the club for the past two years that he was president. In spite of the pandemic, the Heritage Lions were quite active and were able to raise a surprising amount of money for local groups.

Incoming President Tom Wolf listed his main goals for the coming year. He wants to find new members so the Heritage Lions can do more for the community. With more members the Lions could start new projects, and even work with school kids on service projects. Mr. Wolf also would like to start having meals together as a club again. Larry Smith then called the meeting to a close.

The Heritage Lions motto is "We Serve" and we welcome anyone who wishes to help their local community to contact a Heritage Lion.

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Tillage can partially fix these problems short-term, but it becomes like a drug addiction. For first time no-tillers, you have to adjust your planting equipment and nutrient management system to counter these effects.

First year no-tillers should plant their crops a little shallower, 1.5-2.0 inches deep. Due to expected compaction issues, the soil will be colder the deeper you plant. As your fields improve with better soil structure and less com-

paction, farmers should plant deeper. Once tillage is eliminated, plan to plant cover crops to make no-till work better. Live roots add macroaggregates and break up about 8-12 inches of soil compaction per year, going down to 30 inches in 3 years. Live roots promote soil microbes with 1,000-2,000X more soil microbes around the roots than in the bulk soil. Each soil microbe is a soluble bag of fertilizer for your crops. If planning for your cover crops in the fall, watch for herbicide carryover. Con-



Senior Tatum Tigner is one of many scorers in the bottom of the fourth inning, the

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walks)

Other Wayne Trace Pitcher - Tianna Sinn (1 inning, 0 hits, 0 runs, 2 strikeouts, 0 walks)

Losing Pitcher - Kaylee Sanchez (1-1/3 innings, 2 hits, 9 runs, 9 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 5 walks)

Other Cory Rawson Pitcher - Chelcie McVetta (2 innings, 8 hits, 10 runs, 7 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 3 walks)

Other Cory Rawson Pitcher - Carley Powell (2/3 innings, 1 hit, 1 run, 0 earned runs, 0 strikeouts, 1 walk)

Wayne Trace Hitters -

last at-bat for the Raiders. More pictures at westbendnews.net.

Macy Doster (two doubles, run, two RBI), Tatum Tigner (single, two runs, RBI), Kaitlin Slade (single, two runs), Paige Alber (single, three runs, RBI), Alivia Miller (three runs), Ava Zartman (single, double, two runs, five RBI), Logen Bland (single, home run, run, four RBI), Katie Anna Baumle (single, run, RBI), Laura Thornell (run, RBI), Allison Schilt (single, run, RBI), Anna Miller (run), Natalie Stoller (run), Allison Noggle (run)

Cory Rawson Hitters - Franki Duncan (two singles, run), Averie Elchert (single), Morgan McVetta (RBI)

sider planting earlier maturing crops to help get cover crops planted timely.

For first-time no-tilling corn into soybean stubble, row cleaners are helpful to move the residue off the row and to warm up the soil. If planting green into a cover crop, they may be a hindrance. One key to success is to have sharp disc blades to cut residue. Many veteran no-tillers are now removing the front coulter, because then the weight is transferred to your disc blades. For corn nutrient management, no-till corn needs more nitrogen up-front so apply 40-60 pounds N at planting with adequate sulfur, calcium and micronutrients (zinc, copper, manganese). For more no-till info, go to [hoormansoilhealth.com](http://hoormansoilhealth.com).

James J. Hoorman  
Hoorman Soil Health Services

## LADY PANTHERS JUMP OUT EARLY IN WIN OVER BULLDOGS

The Paulding Lady Panthers opened a four-run lead after one frame and went on to record an 11-6 victory over visiting Defiance in non-league softball action.

Jalyn Klopfenstein led the way for the maroon and white, getting four hits while scoring three times and driving in two runs at the plate as well as tossing the complete-game victory. Klopfenstein struck out three Defiance batters while allowing ten hits, six runs (three earned) and one walk.

Riley Stork and Katie Beckman both added two

hits for Paulding with Alivya Bakle and Zoe Valle having one hit apiece. Alivya Bakle scored three times for the Lady Panthers while Maci Kauser and Jocelynn Parrett touched home plate twice each. Stork also drove in four runs for the maroon and white.

At Lincolnview, the Panthers dropped an 11-6 decision to the host Lancers.

Alivya Bakle had a single and a double while scoring once and driving in one for Paulding with Jalyn Klopfenstein scoring twice to go along with a single and a run batted in.

Jocelynn Parrett and Katie Beckman also singled, scored and drove in a run for the Panthers with Riley Stork, Maci Kauser and Brooklynn Bakle getting a single each.

The maroon and white posted a 10-6 win over Delphos Jefferson, coasting to the victory after a five-run first frame.

Alivya Bakle had a single and a double for the Lady Panthers with two runs scored and two runs batted in while Maci Kauser added two singles, two runs scored and two runs batted in.

Jalyn Klopfenstein, Katie Beckman and Brooklynn Bakle all had one hit for the Lady Panthers. Brooklynn Bakle also drove in three runs and Beckman had two runs batted in with Klopfenstein scoring twice.

Klopfenstein picked up the victory, throwing a complete game giving up five hits and six runs (three earned) with three strikeouts.

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

## MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

Paul Echard Bashore was a Paulding boy who signed up



to serve in Pennsylvania, but his heart was always in Paulding County. Paul Echard Bashore was born September 12, 1894, son of Joseph E. and Anna Rebecca (Echard) Bashore. Rebecca was born February 18, 1859 in Franklin County, Ohio. Anna was born January 18, 1869 in Paulding, Ohio. They were married October 4, 1888 in Paulding.

By 1900, the Bashore family consisted of Joseph, Anna and three children. Daughters, Gladys Opal, Madalin E. and son Paul, who was the middle child. Joseph was a farmer and the family was living in Paulding. Gladys and Paul went to school, I am guessing Paulding Elementary.

By 1904, a daughter, Vivian L. was born. Hard luck fell on the family as Joseph suffered an aneurism and fell. At 4:00 P.M. July 9, 1909, Joseph was pronounced dead in Paulding. Joseph served on various boards within the school system as well as serving at the Township level at various posts. He was buried in Cooper Haines Cemetery outside of Paulding.

By 1910, question remains who farmed the 125 acres for

the family in Paulding Township. But the Bashore family led by Anna, kept the farm going with the help of Paul, who was fifteen and still in school.

On November 9, 1910, Anna remarried. She married a fella named Columbus D. Mann in Paulding. Between 1914 and 1917, Paul moved to Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. He was living at 120 Grant Street Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania, working as an inspector at Westinghouse Electric Company. Paul had signed up to serve in the Pennsylvania National Guard, but as a college student studying agriculture. He was serving a term of three months. Paul then registered for the draft on June 5, 1917. Paul was listed as medium built, tall build, blue eyes, and brown hair. He listed that he was single. On February 11, 1918, Paul was given the rank of Private and given the service number of 1835699. He was shipped off to Norfolk, Virginia and set sail for France on the ship, "America" May of 1918. Paul was to serve with Battery F, 314th Artillery, 80th Division. The ship landed in France May 26, 1918.

While serving in France, Paul saw action between Bois deArgonne and the River Meuse. On July 8, 1918, Paul was promoted to Corporal. Also on October 22, 1918, Paul was promoted to Sergeant. Paul was killed in action, October 31, 1918. His mother, Anna R. Mann, was notified of his death. Thursday September 8, 1921, word was received saying that Paul's body had arrived at Hoboken, New Jersey. From there the body was brought to Paulding, to be buried beside his father Joseph, in Cooper Haines Cemetery. Paul's mother, Anna, passed away June 3, 1937, in Lansing, Michigan. She was brought back to Paulding County to be buried with her first husband, Joseph.

...Until Next Time

## Defiance County Historical Society AuGlaize Village

12296 Krouse Rd. Defiance Ohio



### 2022 EVENT SCHEDULE

**Settlers' Encampment**  
May 21-22, 2022

**Antique Tractor Show/Pulls, Garden Tractor Pulls**  
June 11-12, 2022

**World War II Reenactment**  
July 8-9, 2022

**Motorama Car Show**  
July 10, 2022

**Johnny Applesed Festival**  
October 1-2, 2022

**Hobo Supper**  
October 15, 2022, Fundraiser

Take a step back in time at these events to experience the pioneer village's school, Church, Dr. Cameron's office, mid-1800s train depot, Ayersville Telephone Company, watch the sawyer at the sawmill saw the timber along with vintage farm equipment, take a train ride and the many other experiences of the AuGlaize Village!

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# PAULDING FFA ATTENDS 94<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL OHIO FFA STATE CONVENTION



Pictured here are the 34 FFA members who attended FFA State Convention with their Gold Rated Ohio FFA Chapter Award.

By: Caydence Rue,

## Paulding FFA Reporter

The Paulding FFA Chapter recently took 34 students to the Ohio FFA State Convention held May 4th-6th at the Ohio State Fairgrounds.

The chapter left on May 4th and got to tour MVP Dairy in Celina on the way down to convention. On the tour the students learned about how the dairy farm keeps track of each cow and how all the milk from MVP Dairy goes to Dannon to make yogurt.

After the tour, the students headed to their hotel to unload the bus and then went and ate dinner at the Cheese-cake Factory.

On May 5th in the morning before convention started the chapter went on a tour of the Ohio State football Stadium, during the tour the students were guided through the whole Ohio Stadium, where they took pictures and learned about the history of the Ohio State Buckeyes.

After this, the students ate lunch and headed to the Expo

Center and Career Show, to get ready for Session One of the Ohio FFA Convention. During this session Kyle Mobley accepted the chapter's Charitable Giving Award for contributing at least \$500 to a charitable organization in our community.

Afterwards the students had some time to go shopping at the Polaris shopping center before they left to eat dinner at Quaker Steak and Lube.

Friday was day 2 of the State FFA convention where two students, Kadence Thomas and Courtney Good were selected to participate in the Ohio FFA Band they practiced before performing a variety of awesome music during the evening sessions. During Session 3 our chapter received the Gold Rated Chapter Award, Paulding was 1 of 27 chapters out of the 340 chapters in Ohio to receive this award.

Then during Session 4 the FFA officers got their state award for their gold rated officer books, those students were, Jamy Hunt, Carter

Manz, and Mason Schlatter. Carter Manz was also recognized during this session for placing 1st as an individual in the Aquarium Management CDE, our chapter also received several plaques for our placings in state CDE events. During this Session, the Ohio FFA president gave his retiring address and the 2022-2023 Ohio FFA Officers were announced.

During Session 5 there were 4 Paulding FFA members who received the Ohio State Degree, the highest degree a state can bestow upon their members. Students who received this degree were Brooke Ankney, Carter Manz, Mason Schlatter, and Sam Woods.

The Paulding FFA Chapter definitely had a lot of fun during these 3 days and they want to thank the Paulding FFA Alumni for their support of this trip. They are very grateful for the support of the community and school district as they celebrated the many accomplishments and awards of our chapter.

After Woodlan scored once in the third and Antwerp picked up a single run in the fourth, the Warriors picked up a run in the sixth but the Archers answered with two in the bottom of the frame to wrap up the scoring.

Austin Stephenson had a pair of singles while DeJay Gerig, Drew Fleek and Carter Knoblauch recording one hit apiece. Gerig and Noah Acquaviva scored a run each while Stephenson drove in one run.

Hunter Sproles posted three hits to lead Antwerp and drove in five runs while Ethan Lichty, Luke Krouse and Parker Moore recorded two hits apiece. Chase Clark, Camden Fuller, Aiden Lichty and Carson Altimus also had a hit each for the blue and white.

Moore scored twice for Antwerp with Clark, Krouse, Fuller, Sproles, Altimus and Reid Lichty scoring a run each. Ethan Lichty had two runs batted in as well for the Archers while Moore picked up one.



## THE LEFT TURN

By: Ron Burt

Races for the weekend of May 6th and 7th were washed out, for area dirt tracks. Not only were the tracks flooded but so were the pits. Let's hope this week the sun comes out and the

tracks dry. The biggest disappointment was Eldora canceling "Let's Race Two" which was two nights of the World of Outlaw Sprints and USAC Sprints on the same show. This event will not be made up this season as both sanctions have full schedules. Two great nights of racing are coming to the Big E. The Johnny Appleseed Classic will be Sunday, May 29th, featuring the Dirt Late Models in a tune up before the Dream. Modifieds and Eldora Stocks will also be on the show. The Eldora Million & the 28th running of the Dirt Late Model Dream will be June 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th. Four great action-packed nights with the best Dirt Late Model drivers in the country getting sideways.

It's time to start planning to attend some big races coming to tri-state tracks. Keeping it on the dirt. I'm sure some of you attended this past weekend racing at Attica Motorsports Park featuring the 410 Sprints, 305 Sprints and Attica/Oakshade Late Models. I will have the recap next week. On Friday May 20th the World of Outlaws will be racing for \$10,000. to win at Attica. Next door in the Hosier state Friday, May 20th Gas City Speedway will run their non wing sprints and The Buckeye Outlaw Sprints will be in town racing for \$2000. to win. Last summer 39, B.O.S.S. Sprints made the trip to this great track. Gas City Speedway is about thirty minutes south of Fort Wayne just off I-69 exit ramp.

On the pavement side, Sandusky Motor Speedway will host the Ohio Wheelman Series Saturday, May 21st, for Street Stocks. This is one stop in a series of tri-state tracks that will feature some of the best Midwest Street Stock drivers, competing for \$2,000. to win each feature race. Over 50 drivers have signed up to race in this traveling series. Plymouth Speedway, west of Fort Wayne will open their track Friday May 20th with the dirt gone. After a lot of hard work this past winter, Plymouth Speedway has gone back to pavement. They've made lots of improvements for drivers and fans. The Outlaw Late Models will appear opening night along with Sportsmen, 4WD, and hornets. This will be a tune-up of for the Outlaw Late Models before the first of four special Grand Slam races this summer. Close to 60 cars have already pre-registered to run this high dollar summer series.

It's hard to believe Toledo Motor Speedway don't have the Super Modifieds on their 2022 schedule. It's disappointing for racing fans. The good news, if you don't mind traveling, they will race four nights at Lorain Raceway Park this summer. The big Modifieds will also make one stop, July 2nd at Sandusky Motor Speedway. They will be at Berlin Speedway near Grand Rapids Michigan, July 15th and 16th. The IMSA and MSS Super Modifieds will go head-to-head both nights at Berlin.

Before going to your local track always check their schedule. There's always a chance last minute updates could be made. Until next week, keep your wheels down.

Ron Out!

# ARCHERS TAKE SECTIONALS AFTER 10 INNINGS!



Antwerp's Lauren Schuller ties the game at 1-1 by stealing home! More pictures at westbendnews.net

It was a nail biter on Thursday May 12, on the Archer Field as Antwerp softball faced off against Pettisville in the Secional Championship. It took 10 innings, but the Lady Archers pulled out the win for the evening. Now Antwerp moves on to play Edgerton in Bryan on Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Antwerp 5, Pettisville 4 = 10 innings

WP - E. Litzenberg, 5innings, 7hits, 3k, 1BB

Other - Krouse, 5innings, 3hits, 1k, 1BB

LP - Rochefort, 10innings,

10hits, 7k, 2BB

## Hits:

Antwerp - Schuller, single; Rigsby, single; Coppes, triple; Litzenberg, 2singles; Trabel, single; Townley, 2singles, double; Reinhart, single; Pettisville - King, single; Rochefort, double; Wiemken, single; Lugbill, single; Richer, single; Meck, 4singles; Miller, single; Rogillo, single

Coach's comments, "Super proud of our team continuing to push through the rough innings!! It will make us stronger for the next game."

## RAIDERS JV'S GET PAIR OF WINS

Wayne Trace's junior varsity softball team recorded a pair of victories last week as the Lady Raiders defeated both Paulding and Leipsic on the diamond.

Against the Panthers, the red, white and blue pounded out 18 hits in cruising to a 22-0 victory. Tianna Sinn, Allison Noggle and Natalie Stoller each had three hits and Storm Tracy recorded a pair of hits. Stoller and Noggle also scored four times while Tracy, Mary Lands, Anna Miller and Ciarra Cotterman each scored twice. Makenna Elliott touched home plate three times for the Lady Raiders with Sinn, Stoller and Noggle driving in three runs apiece.

Grace Goyings picked up a

single for the lone Paulding hit in the contest. Sinn got the win on the mound for Wayne Trace, pitching the complete game with 11 strikeouts while allowing just the one hit and four walks.

Wayne Trace also cruised to a 13-3 six inning victory over the Vikings on Friday. Anna Miller pitched 4-2/3 innings of relief to record the victory, surrendering two hits, three unearned runs and a pair of walks while striking out two. Sinn topped the Raider offense with three hits and three runs batted in while Tracy added three hits and scored twice. Noggle recorded two hits and scored twice as well.

Lands, Miller, Stoller, Elliott and Maya Reynolds each finished with one hit for Wayne Trace.

# ARCHERS USE QUICK START TO BEAT WOODLAN



Antwerp senior Mason Steel catches the ball at second base hit by Woodlan Junior Austin Snyder. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Interstate rivals Antwerp and Woodlan hooked up in a non-league baseball game Monday night with the host Archers using a quick start to pull away for an 8-2 victory

over the Warriors.

The blue and white scored twice in the first and three times in the second to open an early 5-0 advantage and carried the rest of the way.

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# VANTAGE CAREER CENTER CAP SIGNING



Vantage Career Center students and their employers stand together in unity after the Signing Day ceremony.

On May 6th, Vantage students celebrated In-Demand Jobs Week by participating in the 4th Annual Career Advanced Placement (CAP) Signing Day. The event marks the beginning of students' professional careers, as both they and their employers—often those that have worked for or interned at throughout their education—sign the necessary documents to accept them as proper employees after graduation from Vantage Career Center.

27 students and 20 employers participated in the momentous occasion, with Superintendent Rick Turner giving opening remarks for the event. It was all made possible thanks to Lt. Governor Jon Husted, who both created the Signing Day concept and continued to support it into the future, paving the way for countless students—just like those at Vantage Career Center—to achieve their priceless moment of signing at the start of their career. For students,

it's a physical representation of the culmination of the two years that they have poured into their career education.

The following is a complete list of both companies and students that participated in Signing Day: APT Manufacturing Solutions welcomed Jared Phillips (Antwerp); All Temp Refrigeration welcomed Avery Schulte (St. John's), Troy Calvelage (Fort Jennings), and Mackenzie Burgei (Fort Jennings); Speed Pro Machine LTD welcomed Hunter Bruns (Parkway); GROB Systems, Inc. welcomed Jakob Swyers (Kalida) and Kaden Rhonhouse (Paulding); Paulding County Municipal Court welcomed Zach Lockhart (Antwerp); L. A. Miller Restorations welcomed Trevor Kill (St. John's); B-K Tool & Design welcomed Joseph Klir (Fort Jennings); Massage by Missy P @ The Garden Spa welcomed Olivia Paschall (Paulding); Menke Bros. Construction welcomed Jessie Calvelage (Fort Jen-

nings); Lima Millwork welcomed Mason Vonderwell (St. John's); Tenneco welcomed Jaykob Edwards (Wayne Trace) and Amari Perkins (Van Wert); Total Reflection Day Spa welcomed Kendall Klausing (Lincolnview); Schnipke Brothers Tire welcomed Luke Recker (Continental); Sprint Electric welcomed Jacob Miller (St. John's) and Devin Sanders (St. John's); Tuttle Construction welcomed Nathan Schroeder (Kalida); Cooper Farms welcomed Vanessa Krueger (Paulding); Plumbers Pipefitters HVACR JATC welcomed Jackson Ream (Jefferson); Gerdeman Inc welcomed Alaina Cross (Jefferson); the Army welcomed Emilee Stuteville (Jefferson) and Zoey Westrick (Kalida); and Elmco welcomed Kody Kline (Van Wert) and Cullen Dunn (Van Wert).

Congratulations to all Vantage Career Center Seniors, as well as their employers!

# TITLE 1 STUDENTS RECEIVE ANTWERP ARCHER BACKPACKS



Students in Antwerp Elementary's K-3 Title I program are leaving school for the summer with an Antwerp Archer backpack for summer reading. The backpacks are filled with approximately

seven assorted fiction and nonfiction books picked by students around their reading level, bookmarks, Scholastic News magazines, a road trip fun pack, a dry erase pocket and marker with practice

pages, and a reading poster. The backpacks also contain math books to practice skills. Thanks to Title I teacher Pam Bailey for organizing the backpack program!

# WT GROVER HILL APRIL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Grover Hill April Students of the Month are: Seated L-R: Angel Bautista, Kipton Jay, Ellie Wilt, Alirah Ricker, Kyndra Grimes, Jaxon Porter, Kynleigh Angel, Lane Noffsinger. Standing: Jennifer Lopez-Castillo, Sawyer Schlatter, LaShan Reynolds, Braylin Sinn, Mia Adkins, Jocelyn Adkins, Abigail Tarlton, Addily Davis, Kelly Bautista, Traiden White, Daniel Jewell, Ian Scarberry Cali Nieto, Skyler Goins and Braylyn Baker.

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## FEIGNER RECEIVES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Fort Wayne law firm HallerColvin PC announces that one of its senior lawyers, John O. Feighner, past managing partner, received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association on May 12, 2022. The Award honoree is selected by ITLA

Past-Presidents, and Mr. Feighner's choice was unanimous.

Mr. Feighner served as Assistant Allen County Attorney representing the Allen County Sheriff's Office and other county departments before the state and federal courts from 1977 until August 28, 2018.

He is a graduate of Culver Military Academy where he was Captain of Troop B, Black Horse Troop. He obtained his undergraduate degree from Brown University in 1973 and graduated cum laude in 1976 from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

Mr. Feighner is Past-State Chair of the American College of Trial Lawyers and he has been listed in the Best

Lawyers of America since 2001. He is a Past-President of the Benjamin Harrison Chapter of the American Inns of Court and he is a Past-President of the Indiana Trial Lawyers Association. He has served five terms on the Board of Trustees of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art and he is a Past-President of the Museum. He is a Past-President of the Fort Wayne Country Club.

Mr. Feighner also served three terms on the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission and the Indiana Judicial Qualifications Commission. He has practiced law in Fort Wayne for more than 45 years.

He is married to Marge Feighner and has two children, Spencer Feighner and Betsy Miller.

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high school Recker participated in National Honor Society, Student Council, Basketball and Track. She was awarded the BGSU Freshman Scholarship, was on honor roll, Top Student in Biology, and Top Student in World History. Outside of school, Recker is involved with Discipleship at the Catholic Church.

The event that Recker will never forget about high school is when she went to Regionals with her 4x1 track teammates.



**NATHAN DUNSTAN** has been named 2022 Valedictorian of Antwerp High School. His parents are Jeffrey and Elizabeth Dunstan. He has a 4.0 GPA.

After graduation, Dunstan plans to attend the University of Toledo to major in chemical engineering. He chose this path because he has always had an interest and passion for science and enjoyed the chemistry courses offered in high school. During high school, he participated in being an Ohio File/Mail clerk for the local attorney's office, student advocate for United Way of Paulding County, National Honor Society, scoreboard operator of all Antwerp

High School basketball games, American Legion Buckeye Boys State attendee, and member of Divine Mercy Y-Disciples.

Awards and recognitions Dunstan has earned are the following: University of Toledo Excellence Scholarship, Advanced Placement Statistics Student of the Quarter, Antwerp High School Rotary Award in Football, Antwerp High School Varsity Award in Football, GMC All-Conference Academic Team, Perfect Attendance, English Student of the Quarter, Academic Excellence, President's Education Award Program, and Chemistry Student of the Quarter.

Outside of school, Dunstan enjoys working on cars, being outdoors to go hunting, walks or running; he also enjoys attending sporting events and races.

When asked what his most memorable High School experience was, he wisely remarked, "It's extremely difficult for me to just pick a single thing for my most memorable High School experience, but I would have to say it was playing football my senior year and being a part of an incredibly fun, talented and loving group of guys that made a valiant run in the state playoffs and making a ton of new friends while playing."

**KATE FARR** has been named 2022 Valedictorian for Antwerp High School. Her parents are Melanie and Richard Farr. Her GPA is 4.0.

After graduation, Farr plans to attend Ball State University to pursue a BA in Journalism. She is also considering a double major or a minor in political science or public policy.



During high school Farr participated in yearbook as the Editor-in-chief, co-president of NHS, co-president of the Ohio Scholastic Media Association student board, is the first Ohio high school journalist on Quill and Scroll's student advisory board. She also ran cross country, and does community and school theater since elementary school. She has earned numerous awards and scholarships: OSMA Journalism awards, Quill & Scroll; NSPA, and Ball State; Top Student awards in English II & III, STEM, and AP Biology; female cross country team captain; Presidential Scholarship from Ball State; and PPEC First Place Scholarship.

Outside of school, Farr enjoys reading, writing poetry, tending her large assortment of plants, collecting vinyl records, doing photography, and working out.

"My most memorable high school experience would probably be my senior trip. So many things went wrong, but it was still such a great time with all of my friends."

**GAIGE MCMICHAEL** has been named 2022 Valedictorian of Antwerp High School. His parents are Scott and Courtenay McMichael.

After graduation, Gaige plans to attend The Ohio

State University to pursue a degree in Computer Science.

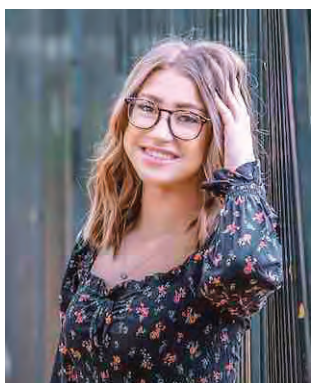
During high school, McMichael participated in golf, basketball, track, student council, STS, and 4-H. He received the following honors and awards: honor roll all four years; Top Student in Precalculus, Algebra 2, Chemistry, Computer Sci-



ence, and AP Computer Science; National Honor Society; 21 College Credit Hours. McMichael earned the following scholarships: Northwest Ohio District 7 Basketball Coaches Association Scholarship, Ohio High School Athletic Association Coaches Scholarship, Franklin B. Walters Scholarship. Outside of school, Gaige was active in his youth group, participated in Kamp Dove-tail, helped JH golf athletes, clock technician at MAC gym, volunteer for Christmas for Kids.

McMichael stated about his most memorable high school experience, "Going through the tournament trail with the basketball team and making it to State would definitely be my most memorable experience. I made memories and experienced things that I will remember for the rest of my life."

Graduation for all 2022 seniors of Antwerp High School is scheduled for Sunday, May 22, 2022.



**Paulding High School**  
**TAELYN ETZLER** has been named 2022 Salutatorian for Paulding High School. Her GPA is 4.226. Her parents are Chis and Stacie Etzler.

After graduation, Taelyn plans to attend Northwest State Community College for two years and then transfer to Purdue Fort Wayne to major in Graphic Design. "I have always loved art and being creative, so I chose this career path to be able to do something I am passionate about of the rest of my life," stated Etzler.

During high school, Etzler was involved in her church worship team, was on the cheerleading squad and is a member of the Ohio Model United Nations. She received the Presidential Scholarship from Northwest State. Outside of school, Taelyn enjoys doing makeup, acrylic nails, art, and spending time with her nieces and nephews.

Etzler added this about high school, "My most memorable high school experience was cheering for the football and basketball teams, and watching the students come together."

**PAIGE JONES** was named



2022 Valedictorian for Paulding High School. Her GPA is 4.398. Her parents are Rachel and Brian Egnor, and the late Andrew Jones.

Jones is finishing up her Associates of Science from Northwest State Community College. In the fall, she will be attending Miami University to major in Data Science and Statistics with a minor in actuarial science and business management. She chose data science because she loves mathematics and looks forward to one day working as an actuary.

During high school Paige was Paulding's NHS Vice President, the Paulding FFA chapter President, science olympiad team member, quiz bowl member, and am a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society at Northwest State. With the Paulding FFA chapter, she helped to create, implement, and now maintain the Food for All program as well as the hygiene closet. She earned the following awards/recognitions in high school: Dean's List at Northwest State Community College, as well as their honor society; 2022 AP Scholar; Paulding FFA alumni Scholarship; Nucor's Foundational Scholarship; and the governor's scholarship from Miami University.

Outside of school, Jones is actively involved as a 4-H member — secretary of the Country Clickers group, a 4-H camp counselor, 2021-2022 Paulding County Fair Queen; and enjoys traveling with her family as well as shopping.

"My most memorable high school experience was getting to walk across the stage at the FFA National Convention senior year to accept the chapter's award in front of thousands of people," stated Jones.

Graduation for all 2022 seniors at Paulding High School is set for Sunday, May 22, 2022.

**Wayne Trace High School**  
**THERIN COYNE** is 2022 Valedictorian for Wayne Trace High School. His GPA is 4.0. His parents are Eric and Brandy Coyne.

After graduation, Coyne plans to attend Purdue University Fort Wayne for Microbiology. After college, his plans are to be a researcher in the field of genetic engineering because he wants to help create something new that can help people all over the country and beyond.

During high school, Therin was involved in the Marching Band, Concert Band, Pep Band, Robotics, Art Club, Scholastic Bowl,



National Honor Society, and Yearbook Club. Awards and recognitions for Coyne include Americanism Test Class winner, Grand Champion Exhibition Bird, 2nd place woodworking project, and most improved Band.

Outside of school, Coyne is a member of the Blue Ribbon Workers 4-H club, a member of the Paulding County Jr. Fair board, enjoys listening to music, playing video games, playing Dungeons & Dragons, and hanging out with friends.

Therin commented about his most memorable high school experience, "One of the funniest things I can remember is one of last year's seniors had convinced a freshman that her name was Linda for the entire school year. He didn't believe us when we told him at the end of the year she was not Linda."



**KATE LAUKHUF** was named 2022 Valedictorian for Wayne Trace High School. Her GPA is 4.0. Her parents are Mick and Lisa Laukhuf.

After graduation, Laukhuf plans to attend Defiance College for nursing because she has always had a fascination

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Outside of school Kate  
 works at a coffee shop, young  
 group events, and spending  
 time with friends and family,  
 and any sports for fun.  
 Of her most memorable  
 experienced of high school,  
 Laukhuf had this to say, "Get-  
 ting to see Duke the Police  
 Canine almost every day!"



**FAITH MERAZ** was  
 named 2022 Valedictorian for  
 Wayne Trace High School.  
 Her GPA is 4.0. Her parents  
 are Saul and Lucinda Meraz.

After graduation, Meraz  
 plans to attend Northwest  
 State Community College for  
 two years and transfer to the  
 Ohio State University at Lima  
 to complete a Bachelor's De-  
 gree in Psychology. She then  
 plans to pursue a Master's de-  
 gree in school psychology. "As  
 a school psychologist, I can  
 help students work through  
 academic, social, and behav-  
 ioral issues," stated Faith.

During High school,  
 Meraz was involved in cross  
 country, scholastic bowl, pep  
 band, marching band, concert  
 band, National Honor  
 Society, WT FFA Chapter, 2  
 years as secretary and one  
 year as president. She earned  
 the following awards and  
 recognitions: Americanism &  
 Government Test winner,  
 Academic Letter and Honor  
 Roll, National Merit Scholar-  
 ship commendation, presi-  
 dential scholarship at North-  
 west State Community  
 College, Jerry Heiby Memori-  
 al Scholarship.

Outside of school, Meraz  
 enjoys raising and caring for  
 animals, specifically goats,  
 rabbits, and chickens; writing  
 short stories; reading books  
 of all genres; watching legal  
 dramas on TV; Auglaize  
 Chapel Church of God mem-  
 ber; Liveries 4-H Club, and  
 Paulding County Jr. Fair  
 board.

Meraz's most memorable  
 high school experience, "The  
 most memorable part of my  
 high school experience was  
 being a part of the scholastic  
 bowl team and hanging out  
 with my friends both on the  
 bus rides and at the meets,  
 making them out of it  
 whether we were winning or  
 losing."

**CLAUDIA SINN** was  
 named 2022 Valedictorian for  
 Wayne Trace High School.  
 Her GPA is 4.0. Her parents  
 are Tim and Marlene Sinn.

After graduation, she  
 plans to attend college to dual  
 major in Early Childhood Ed-  
 ucation and Intervention  
 Specialist. "Ever since my



brother was born with Down's  
 Syndrome, I've had a passion  
 for helping those with disabili-  
 ties. I enjoy spending time  
 with kids and giving them the  
 tools to become successful  
 adults," stated Sinn.

During high school Clau-  
 dia was involved in church  
 youth group, volunteering at  
 the Fort Wayne Rescue Mis-  
 sion and the church choir.  
 Awards and recognitions in-  
 clude, 4-year academic letter-  
 man, advanced English  
 award, Anatomy & Physiol-  
 ogy award, 1st place Regional  
 HOSA competition, Student  
 of the Month, Trigonometry  
 award, Perfect Attendance,  
 and National Honor Society.

Sinn's hobbies and inter-  
 ests include photography, be-  
 ing an aunt, baking/cooking,  
 spending time with her  
 church youth group, and trav-  
 eling.

Claudia's most memorable  
 high school experience, "Eat-  
 ing lunch outside on Gurdie  
 the gazebo senior year."



**RACHEL STOLLER** was  
 named 2022 Valedictorian for  
 Wayne Trace High School.  
 Her GPA is 4.0. Her parents  
 are Neil and Sandy Stoller.

After graduation, Stoller  
 plans to attend Purdue Fort  
 Wayne for Communication  
 Sciences and Disorders. Her  
 plans are to become a speech  
 therapist to help kids who  
 struggle with talking and pro-  
 nunciation.

During high school,  
 Rachel was involved in volley-  
 ball, basketball, track, Na-

tional Honor Society, and  
 Class President. Award and  
 recognitions she earned in-  
 cludes 2nd place at State for  
 4x400m in track; basketball  
 Regional runners-up, school  
 record breaker in 4x800m &  
 4x400m; named Scholar Ath-  
 lete of the Week (3/14/22), re-  
 ceived the PCH Scholarship,  
 and received Elks Student of  
 the Month.

Outside of school, Rachel  
 enjoys hanging out with  
 friends and reading. When  
 asked about her most memo-  
 rable high school experience,  
 she stated, "Getting second at  
 state in 4x400 meter relay my  
 junior year."



**MALIA WITTWER** was  
 named 2022 Valedictorian for  
 Wayne Trace High School.  
 Her GPA is 4.0. Her parents  
 are Nicholas and Shiloh Wit-  
 twer.

After graduation, Malia  
 plans to attend Miami Uni-  
 versity of Oxford, OH to ma-  
 jor in biochemistry and mi-  
 nor in mathematics. She plans  
 on becoming a biochemical  
 analyst or biomedical engi-  
 neer.

During high school Wit-  
 twer participated in track and  
 field, school and club volley-  
 ball, basketball cheer, tum-  
 bling, dance, National Honor  
 Society, student council, and  
 church worship. Awards and  
 recognitions she earned in-  
 cludes: department awards in  
 Advance Geometry, Physical  
 Science, AP Biology, and  
 Spanish III, Honor Roll, nomi-  
 nated for Franklin B. Walter  
 scholarship, National Honor  
 Society, and Phi Theta Kappa  
 Honor Society member.

Outside of school, Malia  
 enjoys reading, tumbling, and  
 playing the flute. Of her most  
 memorable high school expe-  
 riences, she commented, "I  
 made so many new friends  
 through running track, and I  
 got elected for homecoming  
 court senior year."

All three Paulding County  
 high schools will host com-  
 mencement ceremonies on  
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# ANTWERP HIGH SCHOOL 2022 PROM COURT



**2022 Prom Court: Juniors Aerielle Snyder and Eli Reinhart; Queen Layla Copley and King Nathan Dunstan; Seniors Summer Franklin and Gaige McMichael; Seniors Hailey Grant and Jagger Landers; and Princess Cambria Bereszazi and Prince Mo Reyes.**

*(Continued from Page 1)*

During high school Jew-  
 ell participated in youth  
 group, baseball, basketball,  
 and is a church member. He  
 earned the following awards  
 and/or recognitions: high  
 honor roll all 4 years, Aca-  
 demic Achievement Award  
 for basketball - 2 years,  
 Hawk Award (Hard work-  
 ing, Always encouraging,  
 Works with others, Keeps  
 Christ first). Outside of  
 school, Jewell enjoys basket-  
 ball, technology study,  
 church, and football.

When asked about his  
 most memorable high  
 school experience, Jewell re-  
 marked, "All of the memo-  
 ries I made with my friend  
 group called the "fab five"  
 (Elijah Murphy, Isaac  
 Schwartz, Caleb Shenkel,  
 and Shane Comer)."



**LILYANA WELLMAN**  
 was named 2022 Valedictor-  
 ian of Harlan Christian  
 School. Her parents are  
 Matthew and Lindsay Well-  
 man. Her GPA is 11.60.

After graduation, Well-  
 man plans to attend Ivy Tech

for Business Administration.  
 She would like to open her  
 own business someday be-  
 cause she would like to run  
 an alteration shop or a small  
 boutique.

During high school,  
 Wellman played volleyball,  
 basketball, was a member of  
 the service club, yearbook  
 committee and newspaper  
 staff, and is an active mem-  
 ber of the Harlan church of  
 Christ youth group. Awards  
 and recognitions Wellman  
 earned are the Academic  
 Athletic Achievement  
 Awards for volleyball and  
 basketball.

Outside of school, Well-  
 man enjoys sewing and  
 making and designing her  
 own clothes. Her most  
 memorable high school expe-  
 rience is playing on the  
 volleyball team with her  
 friends.



**BREANNA CROWL** has  
 been named 2022 Salutator-  
 ian of Harlan Christian  
 School. Her parents are  
 Todd and Erica Crowl. Her  
 GPA is 11.58.

After graduation, Crowl  
 plans to attend God's Bible  
 School and College to earn a  
 Bachelor's in Elementary  
 Education. She wants to be

an elementary teacher to  
 "help kids be confident in  
 themselves and be the best  
 they can be."

During high school, Bre-  
 anna interned with the  
 school's elementary classes,  
 played volleyball, volunteers  
 with her church's children's  
 program, was on the news-  
 paper and yearbook staff,  
 and does community service  
 projects with her youth  
 group. Awards and/or recog-  
 nitions she has earned in-  
 clude academic awards, vol-  
 leyball awards, placed at  
 International and Regional  
 Student conventions; earned  
 recognition in Expressive  
 Reading, Poetry Reading,  
 Photography, one-act Plays,  
 Crafts, Scrapbooking, and  
 Singing; and earned 3rd  
 place in a Creative Writing  
 competition.

Outside of school, Crowl  
 enjoys hiking and camping  
 with her family, painting,  
 swimming, crafting, and  
 playing the piano. She also  
 enjoys playing volleyball  
 with friends and family,  
 spending time with her  
 dogs, and working with the  
 kids at church.

"My favorite memory was  
 when the senior class de-  
 cided to ride go-karts  
 through the gym during a  
 free period ... and anytime  
 our class would make dumb  
 jokes that would make you  
 laugh for a while," Breanna  
 stated about her most memo-  
 rable high school experi-  
 ence.

Graduation for the stu-  
 dents of Harlan Christian  
 School was Saturday, May  
 14, 2022.

# EMS WEEK

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# PANTHERS FALL TO VAN BUREN



Paulding's Aameah Carr hits the ball towards shortstop. The ball is thrown to first but slips out of the glove and Carr is safe! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Paulding gave host Van Buren all it could handle Friday night in Division III sectional softball action but the Black Knights held on to post a 3-2 win over the maroon and white.

Each team scored once in the fourth inning before Van Buren jumped in front with a two-run sixth to seize a 3-1 advantage.

The Lady Panthers made things interesting in the seventh, getting one run back,

but Paulding came up short to fall 3-2.

Maci Kauer and Alivya Bakle each had a pair of hits for the maroon and white with each scoring a run as well. Jalyn Klopfenstein recorded the lone run batted in for the Lady Panthers.

Klopfenstein also suffered the loss on the hill, giving up seven hits, three runs (one earned) and four walks while striking one in the six-inning effort.

# PANTHERS PICK UP TRIO OF WINS



Paulding Junior Jacob Martinez gets 2 bases after the first baseman misses the throw! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Mother Nature cooperated and the Paulding Panthers took advantage with five high school baseball games taking place last week.

The maroon and white recorded three wins in that stretch, defeating Hicksville, Pandora Gilboa and Fort Jennings while losing to Delphos St. John's and Miller City.

In the win over the Musketeers, Ethan Foltz had four hits and Logan Tope added three as Paulding posted a 12-4 victory.

Tope drove in four runs and Foltz scored three times and added two runs batted in for the Panthers. Jacob Martinez and Kane Jones both had two hits as well for the maroon and white while Ethan Herman, Johanns,

Nick Manz and Isaac Reeb picked up one apiece.

The Panthers recorded a 14-1 victory over Pandora Gilboa with Martinez totaling three hits, three runs scored and two runs batted in and Reeb added two hits and scored twice while driving in three.

Foltz touched home plate three times and Casey Agler scored twice with Peyton Adams picking up four runs batted in.

Paulding defeated Hicksville 7-5 with Sam Woods and Tope each getting two hits while Woods and Agler scored twice. Foltz finished with four runs batted in as well for the Panthers.

In a pair of losses, the Panthers dropped a 7-0 decision to Delphos St. John's while falling to Miller City 12-2.

The maroon and white had three hits against the Blue Jays as Adams, Jones and Reeb each singled.

Against the Wildcats, Foltz doubled and scored once while Adams and Jones each singled. Reeb scored the other Panther run.

## KEY GMC BATTLE GOES TO RAMS OVER WT

By: Joe Shouse, Sports Writer

The Tinora Rams hosted Wayne Trace in Green Meadows Conference baseball last Wednesday. In the key conference finale, the host Rams made it look easy with a 10-0 win over the Raiders. Both teams entered the contest with conference title aspirations. The Raiders had already clinched at least a tie and a win would give them the title all alone. However, for Tinora, a win would give them along with the Antwerp Archers a share of the crown.

In a game that was settled in the first inning and was completed as a 10-run rule affair after six innings, the Rams crossed home plate seven times and never looked back. Tacking three additional runs on the scoreboard; one each in the third, fifth and sixth sealed the deal in six innings of play. In the first frame after the Rams recorded their first out, seven consecutive batters managed to get on base and eventually score. Raider pitcher, senior Allen Minck, lasted just 1/3 of an inning allowing five runs. With Head Coach Ryan Jerome electing to make a pitching change the rams continued to light up the score board with two additional runs to jump out to a convincing 7-0 lead in the first inning.

With everything going Tinora's way, the Raiders seemed frustrated at the plate and struggled to get anything going. The red, white, and blue had their chances with runners in scoring positions in four different innings but came up empty, stranding a runner on third each time. For the Raiders, Cale Winans finished with two singles with teammates Kyle Forrer and Allan Minck each adding a single.

Minck took the loss with Tyler Davis working 3 2/3 innings in relief and Forrer delivering 1 2/3 innings of work on the mound. For the victorious Rams Carsen Wolfrum got the win allow-

ing just four hits, striking out six and walking just one.

It was the Rams fifth consecutive league title where they have either won it outright or shared and for the Raiders it is their first title in 26 years. With tournament time just getting started the Raiders overall record stands at 18-2 while Tinora moves to 16-3.

## ARCHERS BEAT APACHES TO GRAB SHARE OF GMC TITLE

With a Green Meadows Conference title on the line, the Antwerp Archers did just what they had to do in picking up a 9-4 victory over Fairview to share the crown with Wayne Trace and Tinora.

At the home of the Apaches, the Archers trailed 4-2 entering the sixth inning before scoring three times in the sixth and four more in the seventh to rally for the win.

Luke Krouse had three hits, scored three times and drove in five runs to lead the blue and white with Parker Moore and Hunter Sproles each recording two hits and scored twice. Ethan Lichty also had a pair of hits and picked up two runs batted in.

Aiden Lichty, Reid Lichty and Carson Altimus picked up one hit each as well for the Archers.

Krouse also got the win on the mound for Antwerp, striking out ten in the complete-game victory allowing five hits, four unearned runs and four walks.

In earlier action last week, Tinora cruised to a 10-2 win over the Archers.

Krouse finished with three hits and two runs batted in while Chase Clark posted two hits and scored twice. Reid Lichty had the remaining Antwerp hit.

## RICICA SHUTS DOWN ARCHERS

Paige Ricica struck out seven and scattered three hits to lead the Fairview Lady Apaches to an 11-1 victory over visiting Antwerp in Green Meadows Conference softball action last week.

Ricica went the distance for the black and gold, allowing just one earned run in the five-inning win.

The Apache standout also dominated at the plate, hitting a single, double and home run while driving in four runs and scoring three times.

Alexis Taylor added two singles and a double for Fairview with Jasmin Minck posting a single and a double. Carrie Zeedyk and Kaylin Mack both recorded a pair of singles for the black and gold as well with Sydney Merritt adding a single.

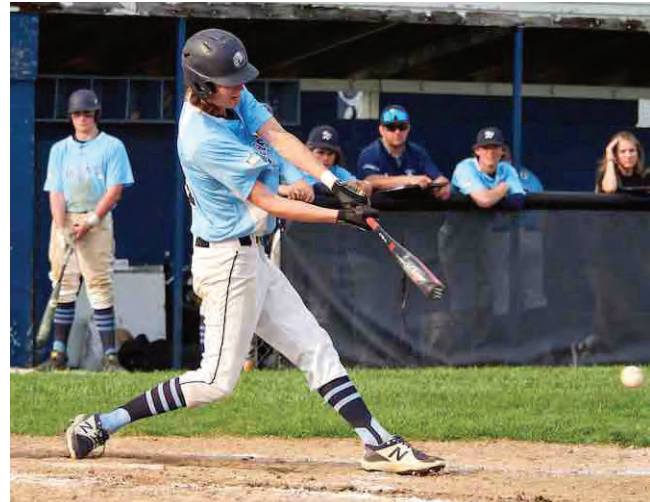
Samantha Rigbsy doubled and scored for Antwerp and Emerson Litzenberg picked up a single.

## RAIDERS NIP LEIPSIC IN JV ACTION

The Wayne Trace junior varsity baseball team improved to 7-4 on the season with a 9-8 victory over Leipsic last week.

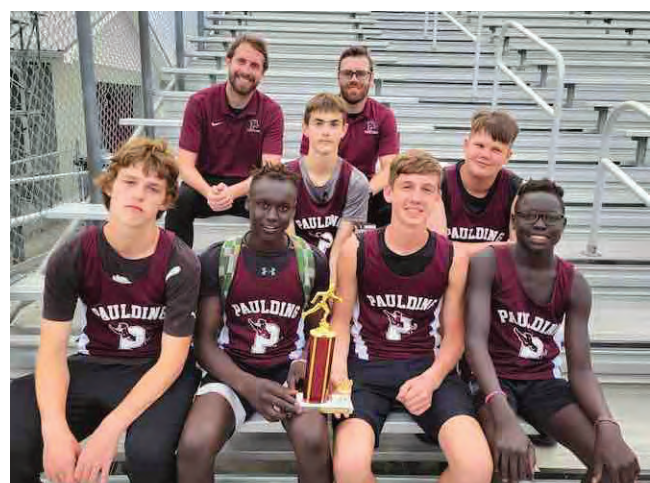
A Keegan Rager walk-off single in the bottom of the ninth scored Connor Davis for the win as Rager finished the contest with two singles, a triple, four runs batted in and a run scored. Tyler Head

# WARRIORS GRAB SHUT OUT AGAINST STARFIRES



Woodlan Warriors baseball hosted the South Adams Starfires on Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup>. Woodlan dominated this low-scoring game on their home turf. Warriors kept a win at home in a shut out, 3-0. Pictured here is Woodlan's Dawson Lichty hitting the ball and he earned two bases for the Warriors. More pictures at westbendnews.net

# PJH TRACK PANTHER RELAYS



On Tuesday, May 10th the Paulding Junior High Track team participated in the Panther Relays. The girls' team finished first and the boys' team finished second. The picture shows members of the Paulding Junior High School boys' and girls' track teams and their coaches.

also had a pair of singles and scored three times for Wayne Trace.

Connor Davis and Nicholas Sinn had the remaining Raider hits and Adrian Laukhuf scored twice.

Jordan Lotz picked up the win in relief, pitching the final 3-1/3 innings with eight strikeouts while allowing

five hits, two earned runs and one walk.

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**PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING**

*New Schedule For Large Villages*

**1st Weekend- Paulding , Fair Grounds**  
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**3rd Weekend- Payne ,**  
(Paved lot east of Homier's)  
**4th Weekend- Antwerp ,**  
(13744 CR 43, sewer treatment plant)

*New Schedule For Smaller Villages*

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

**For Questions Call : 419-399-3630**  
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**Antwerp Conservation Club Event Schedule**

**May 21 - NRL22 Rifle Event -**  
**Registration & sight-in opens at**  
**8am. Match begins at 9am. This**  
**event is open to the public.**

For more info & range rules, go to ACC website & check out membership application.

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## WARRIORS GET TRIO OF WINS



Woodlan Junior Avah Smith clobbers the ball sending it past the left fielder's head and over the fence for a home run! More pictures at westbendnews.net

Four games in five days were on the schedule for the Woodlan softball team last week with the Lady Warriors recording three wins in that stretch.

Woodlan opened the week with a 6-2 victory over South Adams on Tuesday before defeating Southern Wells 15-2 Thursday evening. After falling to Carroll 11-6 Friday, the Lady Warriors wrapped up the week with a 27-0 rout of Lakewood Park.

Austin Gaff had three hits for Woodlan in the win over the Starfires and Briana Roney posted two hits as well. Libby Fisher, Avah Smith and Jade Lichty all picked up one hit for the Lady Warriors as well. Lichty and Gaff scored twice as well for Woodlan and Gaff drove in five runs.

Gaff got the win on the mound as well, pitching a complete game with nine strikeouts in the contest.

In the victory over Southern Wells, Abby Horn recorded the win with an eight-strikeout effort.

Alivia Ulmer led the

Woodlan offense with two singles, two doubles and a home run in the contest while scoring five times and driving in five runs. Alyssa Harvey added three hits, two runs scored and two runs batted in while Mya Jones singled twice and scored twice.

Jade Lichty also singled, scored twice and drove in two runs with Gaff scoring twice and Avah Smith picking up two runs batted in.

Horn also took the win against Lakewood Park with nine strikeouts in the five-inning complete game while allowing just one hit and one walk.

Gaff drove in six runs, scored twice and had four hits for Woodlan with Ulmer posting four runs batted in, two runs scored and three hits. Avah Smith also had five runs batted in, four hits and four runs scored and Mya Jones totaled three hits, three runs scored and two runs batted in. Adrienne Spieth picked up two hits, scored three times and drove in two.

Abigail Cowan, Harvey,

## ATHLETES SHINE AT ANTWERP TRACK INVITATIONAL



Leslie Pollock, senior at Antwerp, hurls the shotput and wins first place at the Antwerp Invite with 35-08.00. More pictures at westbendnews.net



Paulding's Claire Schweller vaults over the bar but bumps it in one of her attempts. Schweller takes first place in the event with 11-03.00. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Lillian Riley, and Lichty each had a hit as well for the Lady Warriors while Lexi Metzger finished with two hits, two runs batted in and scored once.

In the loss to the Chargers, Gaff picked up a double and a home run while scoring twice and driving in three runs with Lichty also having two hits for Woodlan.

### LADY PATS RUN WIN STREAK TO FIVE

The Heritage Lady Patriots wrapped up a highly successful week on Saturday as the softball squad posted four wins last week to stretch its overall win streak to five games.

Heritage started the week with a 14-1 win over Bluffton on Tuesday night before nipping Adams Central 5-4 the following night. After defeating Jay County 17-6 Friday evening, the Lady Patriots wrapped up the week with a 3-2 decision over Whitko.

Against the Pirates, Ella Bickel and Kendall Zelt each had three hits while Grace Guentner and Shelby Schane drove in three runs apiece. Guentner and Abriyah James also recorded a pair of hits each for Heritage while Zelt and Avi Washington both picked up two runs batted in.

James, Danica Fuller and Guentner each scored twice for the Lady Patriots.

On Wednesday, Claire Bickel singled home James in the bottom of the seventh to give Heritage a 5-4 win over the Flying Jets.

James and Claire Bickel both finished with two hits for Heritage while Guentner and Claire Bickel recorded two runs batted in apiece. Fuller singled, scored a run and drove in a run for the Lady Patriots. Claire Bickel, Guentner, Libby Cain and James also touched home plate for Heritage with Guentner, Fuller, Cain and Schane all adding a hit apiece.

Fuller recorded the win on the mound, striking out four in the complete game effort.

Heritage pounded out 21 hits in the run-rule win over Jay County, getting four hits from Fuller and three each by James, Guentner and Shelby Schane. Ella Bickel, Claire Bickel and Zelt also had a pair of hits apiece. Guentner led the way with five runs batted in while Fuller and Cain drove in two apiece. Fuller also scored three times.

Saturday, Ella Bickel singled home Guentner in the bottom of the seventh to lift Heritage to a 3-2 win over Whitko.

Kendall Zelt and Guentner each had two hits for the Lady Patriots while Cain and Ella Bickel recorded the remaining two hits. Fuller and Cain also scored for Heritage.

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## Sudoku Puzzle

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		7						
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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

### 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.

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Joseph R. Burkard, Prosecuting Attorney

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The Paulding County Land Bank Reutilization Corporation (Land Bank) will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of the following identified real estate:

**1. 103 E. Mervin Street, Antwerp, OH 45813  
Parcel Number 12-04S-027-00**

A packet containing the sealed bid auction rules, sealed bid agreement and the purchase documents may be obtained at the Paulding County Commissioners office located (Courthouse) 115 N. Williams Street, Suite B-1, Paulding, Ohio 45879. All sealed bids must be received no later than June 9th, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of the Paulding County Commissioners. Bids will be opened on June 11, 2022 at 8:30 a.m.

The Paulding County Land Bank Reutilization Corporation reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

# PJHS STUDENTS USE CHALK TO INSPIRE



On Wednesday, May 11th students in Mrs. Daeger's Paulding Junior High School Panther Pride class used sidewalk chalk to create inspirational quotes outside the entryways to the junior high school. Shown in the picture are members of Mrs. Daeger's Panther Pride class.

# PJHS PAULDING PRIDE CARD RECIPIENTS



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

## PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION AWARDS \$1800 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Paulding County Retired Teachers Association recently awarded \$200



Brookelyn Ankney

scholarships to nine Paulding County high school seniors planning to enter the



Ella Cook

field of education.

The recipients from Paulding High School were Brooke-lyn Ankney and Ella Cook. Brooke-lyn is the daughter of Wendy Groves and Randy Ankney. She plans to attend Owens Community College on the transfer path to Bowling Green

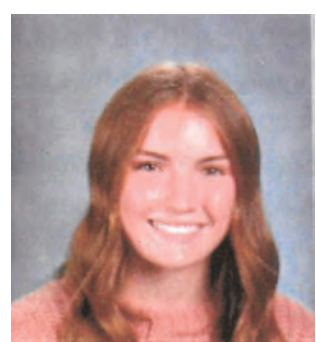
State University where she will major in Primary Education. Ella, the daughter of Allen and Casey Cook, plans to attend Ohio Northern University to major in Early



Rachel Stoller

Childhood Education.

The recipient from Wayne Trace High School was Rachel Stoller. Rachel is the daughter of Neil and Sandy Stoller. She plans to attend Purdue Fort Wayne where she will major in



Mia Altimus

Communication Sciences and Disorders.

The recipients from Antwerp High School were Mia Altimus, Lydia Brewer, Summer Franklin, Luke Krouse, Alexandra Lehman, and Allison Reinhart. Mia Altimus is the daughter of Drew and Erica Altimus. She plans to attend Bowling Green State University where she will major in Inclusive Early Childhood Ed-



Lydia Brewer

ucation. Lydia Brewer, the daughter of Shawn and Cindy Brewer, plans to attend Bowling Green State University where she will major in Middle Childhood Education. Summer



Summer Franklin

Franklin is the daughter of Sara Morales and Brad Franklin. She plans to attend Purdue Fort Wayne where she will major in Elementary Education. Luke Krouse is the son of Mike and April Krouse. His plans are to at-



Luke Krouse

tend Bowling Green State University where he will major in Intervention/Special Education. Alexandra Lehman, the daughter of



Alex Lehman

Dan and Laurel Lehman, plans to attend Bowling Green State University where she will major in Special Education. Allison Rein-



Allison Reinhart

hart is the daughter of Joe and Michelle Reinhart. She plans to attend Purdue Fort Wayne where she will major in Elementary Education. The members of the Paulding County Retired Teachers Association hope these scholarships will provide help and encouragement to the students as they pursue their educational careers.

# ANTWERP STUDENTS RECEIVE ALL-OHIO AWARD



7th grade students Briley Bagley, Emily Laker, Gabriella Snyder, and Emery Jones



Seniors Summer Franklin, Kennedy Trabel and Emerson Litzenberg

Some local students earned the All-Ohio Award from the Ohio Association of Student Leaders. They were chosen for their commitment to leading others at Antwerp Middle and High School. As OASL's website writes, All-Ohio winners make up "a smaller group that goes beyond what is required. These are the students who stay that extra hour, who work harder, who say "thanks" more often, who lead by example, and are respected by their teachers and peers."



Freshmen Maggie Trabel

## PAULDING HIGH SCHOOL 2022 SENIOR AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

Senior Awards were held at Paulding High School on May 3, 2022. Members of the PHS Class of 2022 received approx. 132 in awards and approx. \$110,00.00 in scholarships.

COACH STEVE CLARK FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIPS: Samuel Woods, Zachary Gorrell  
DIANNE COOPER BOBCAT SERVICE AWARD: Samuel Woods  
GORMAN FAMILY

TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS: Samuel Adams, Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Zachary Gorrell, Paige Jones, Zoraya Valle  
IRA HAMMAN SCHOLARSHIP: Austin Hawk, Samuel Woods  
JACOB SCHOLARSHIPS: Zoraya Valle, Lily Roehrig  
JANICE LIPP/JOHN BETZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Audrey Giesige, Ella Cook  
FRANKLIN B WALTERS: Paige Jones  
BONNIE EDDY EDUCATIONAL SUPPLY/BOOK AWARD: Ella Cook

**Northwest Ohio 2 FARMS** Defiance & Williams Co.  
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TILLABLE LAND • POSSIBLE BUILDING SITES  
TWO STORY HOME WITH QUONSET BUILDING  
HUNTING: DEER, TURKEY, PHEASANTS, FISHING, BOATING

**FARM #1** WILLIAMS COUNTY **120± acres**  
Home & Quonset Building In 2 Tracts or Combination

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Meet at each property or call auction mgr for walk-over permission.

Stop looking for that Hunting, Recreation, Fishing, and Scenic Private Getaway! Both of these unique properties offer so much of all the above! Take advantage of this opportunity to buy your own at public auction!

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Lots start closing Tuesday, May 31st @ 7 pm

Guns, Ammo, Reloading Supplies, Tools, Furniture, Outdoor/Survival Gear, Household Items & More

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

**Apply NOW through May 31, 2022**

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

NUCOR: Paige Jones, Ryleigh Johanns, Grady Vogel  
 JOHN PAULDING VFW SCHOLARSHIPS: Audrey Giesige, Ella Cook, Taelyn Etzler, Samuel Adams, Paige Jones  
 JP CRAIN SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Zoraya Valle, Samuel Woods, Samuel Adams, Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Wyatt Beckman, Ella Cook, Zachary Gorrell, Jerrod Austin Hawk, Audrey Cordova  
 LAFARGE SCHOLARSHIP/ONE ENERGY MEGAWATT: Paige Jones  
 LELA McGUIRE JEFFERY SCHOLARSHIPS: Taelyn Etzler, Wyatt Beckman, Samuel Woods  
 14. MELROSE BOOK SCHOLARSHIP: Gabriella Casper  
 15. MONROE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP: Paige Jones  
 16. OAKWOOD ALUMNI ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Samuel Woods  
 17. OAKWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Samuel Woods  
 PAULDING BAND BOOSTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS: Sophia Fisher  
 PAULDING COUNTY AREA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Samuel Woods  
 PAULDING COUNTY HOSPITAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP: Zoraya Valle  
 PAULDING COUNTY RETIRED TEACHER'S ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIP: Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Ella Cook  
 PAULDING EDUCATION ASSOC. SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Ella Cook, Samuel Adams, Audrey Giesige, Austin Hawk, Samuel Woods  
 PAULDING FFA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS: Paige Jones, Ella Cook, Jaylyn McCloud, Claire Schweller, Brooke-Lyn Ankney  
 PEVS BOARD/ADMINISTRATION SCHOLARSHIPS: Kyle Kelly, Lily Roehrig, Caleb Thompson, Ethan Herman  
 RAE McMICHAEL

SCHOLARSHIP: Karli Phlipot, Erika Dobbelaere  
 ROSEMARY YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP: Zachary Gorrell  
 RUSSELL BAUER SCHOLARSHIPS: Janae Pease, Samuel Woods  
 SYSTECH BOOKSTORE SCHOLARSHIP: Caleb Thompson  
 HELENA HOMEGROWN SCHOLARSHIP: Sameul Woods  
 VIRGIL H. COOPER SCHOLARSHIPS: Audrey Giesige, Zachary Gorrell, Janae Pease, Alivia Perl, Caleb Thompson, Samuel Woods, Paige Jones  
 MY102.7 SCHOLARSHIP: Janae Pease  
 MIAMI UNIVERSITY GOVERNORS SCHOLARSHIP: Paige Jones  
 Northwest State Community College Presidential Award: Taelyn Etzler, Jaylyn McCloud  
 JOHN PHILLIP SOUSA AWARD: Caleb Thompson  
 LOUIE ARMSTRONG JAZZ BAND AWARD: Sophia Fisher  
 Americanism Award: Zachary Gorrell, Ella Cook  
 VAN WERT PEONY PAGEANT REPRESENTATIVE 1st runner up/Miss Photogenic: Audrey Giesige  
 Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award: Paige Jones  
 Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award: Zachary Gorrell, Janae Pease  
 DRAMA DEPT AWARDS: Kyle Kelly, Janae Pease, Audrey Giesige, Claire Schweller, Grady Vogel, Samuel Woods, Brooklynn Arnold  
 BIOLOGY II AWARDS: Ella Cook, Erika Dobbelaere  
 ENGINEERING TEAM: Lily Roehrig  
 SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM: Paige Jones  
 QUIZ BOWL AWARDS: Samuel Adams, Jerrod Austin Hawk, Paige Jones, Lily Roehrig, Grady Vogel  
 ART AWARD: Audrey Cordova, Janae Pease, Zoraya Valle, Alex Tressler, Gabriella Casper, Myla Mitchell, Autumn Yonge  
 OFFICE ASSISTANTS: Audrey Giesige, Zoraya Valle, Alexandria Ade  
 BLESSINGS IN A BAG: Kellsey Kupfersmith, Lily Roehrig, Cierra Singer  
 STUDENT COUNCIL/CLASS OFFICERS: Zachary Gorrell, Audrey Giesige  
 PHS SCHOLAR ATHLETES: Zachary Gorrell, Reid Johanns, Logan Tope, Samuel Woods, Alivya Bakle, Janae Pease, Claire Schweller  
 OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award: Logan Tope, Audrey Giesige

# Classified Ads

## Sell it in the Classifieds!

Classified ads are \$8.50 for 20 words or less and \$.15 for each additional word.  
**Bold is \$1.00 additional.**  
 Ph: (419) 258-2000 • Email: info@westbendnews.net  
 P.O. Box 1008, Antwerp, OH 45813  
**Classifieds MUST be paid up front!!**

**FOR SALE IN LEINARD MOBILE HOME PARK: 2 bdrm/2 full bath, 18 X 60 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 COIL BINDING WIRE-O punch binder ltr/A4. 419-258-2000.**  
**42" PULL BEHIND lawn sweeper: brand new in box from Tractor Supply. 419-670-4305. p**  
**MANUAL COIL BINDING punch ltr/A4 size w/electric coil inserter, \$75. 419-258-2000**  
**RAIN TECH SEAMLESS GUTTERS, 419-258-1818 18-20**

**ARE YOU NEEDING HOME Health Care? 25+ yr experience, lifting & transportation. Call for information, 260-203-7134. p**  
**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**  
**FOR SALE: Buck Wood Stove. Glass doors, etc. Black Maytag Electric Range/oven. Call 419-258-2244. p**  
**FOR SALE: 9.9hp, Johnson Outboard w/tank. \$500obo, 419-406-0043 p**  
**LAKES OF HARLAN & HARCEN GARDENS Association Wide Garage Sales: both neighborhoods off SR 37. May 19,20&21, Thur - Fri - Sat**  
**ANTWERP TOWN WIDE Garage Sales: Register YOUR sale by stopping in West Bend News by June 3<sup>rd</sup> w/\$5 to be put on map. Sales are June 10-11.**  
**DEADLINE FOR THE CLASSIFIEDS IN WEST BEND NEWS IS MONDAYS AT 12 NOON!!!**

NFHS NATIONAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: Samuel Woods, Janae Pease  
 ARCHIE GRIFFIN SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD: Zachary Gorrell, Claire Schweller  
 GOLF ACADEMIC ALL-OHIO: Logan Tope  
 PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE: Paige Jones, Caleb Thompson, Grady Vogel, Samuel Woods, Gabriella Casper, Brody Fisher, Jerrod Hawk, Harley Hoghe, Audrey Cordova  
 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY: Paige Jones, Samuel Adams, Audrey Giesige, Caleb Thompson, Claire Schweller, Ella Cook, Janae Pease, Lily Roehrig, Reid Johanns, Zachary Gorrell, Zoraya Valle  
**HONORS' DIPLOMA:** Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Alivya Bakle, Gabriella Casper, Ella Cook, Erika Dobbelaere, Taelyn Etzler, Brody Fisher, Audrey Giesige, Zachary Gorrell, Jerrod Hawk, Reid Johanns, Paige Jones, Kyle Kelly, Jaylyn McCloud, Janae Pease, Karli Phlipot, Lily Roehrig, Claire Schweller, Cierra Singer, Caleb Thompson, Zoraya Valle, Grady Vogel  
**GRADUATING WITH HONORS 3.5-3.99 AFTER 7 SEMESTERS:** Wyatt Beckman, Audrey Cordova, Karli Phlipot, Austin Pessefall, Vanessa Krueger, Kaylena Gray, Harley Hoghe, Carsen Perl, Ethan Herman, Cierra Singer, Kyle Kelly, Austin Hawk, Brody Fisher, Samuel Adams, Sophia Fisher, Zoraya Valle, Alex Tressler, Brooke-Lyn Ankney, Alivia Perl, Janae Pease, Jaylyn McCloud, Gabriella Casper, Samuel Woods, Reid Johanns, Zachary Gorrell, Logan Tope, Erika Dobbelaere  
**GRADUATING WITH HIGHEST HONORS 4.0 OR**

HIGHER AFTER 7 SEMESTERS: Alivia Bakle, Claire Schweller, Grady Vogel, Audrey Giesige, Ella Cook, Caleb Thompson, Lily Roehrig, Taelyn Etzler, Paige Jones  
**PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS**  
**Criminal/Traffic Disposition**  
*James A. Lewis*, Haviland, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Fines and costs to be taken from bond; Firearms, magazines and ammo may be released to Dennis Lewis or Lance Wilker; State shall provide serial numbers; Knives may be released to the defendant; Maintain general good behavior  
*Amanda L. Wells*, Hicksville, OH; Possession of marijuana, Case dismissed per state, Costs to defendant, All contraband shall be forfeited and destroyed or put to lawful use by the arresting agency; OVI/under influence, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Vigorito, Pled no contest, May attend DIP in lieu of 3 days jail, Pay all fines and costs, Repay \$150.00 of court appointed counsel fees; Left of center, Count B dismissed  
*Bert L. Hyde Jr*, Delphos, OH; Attempted theft, Guilty, Pay all fines and costs, Complete 40 hrs community service, Maintain general good behavior; Criminal trespassing, Count B dismissed per statement  
*Cynthia L. Martin*, Warsaw, IN; Distributing to minor; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior  
*Bruce A. Mann Jr.*, Defiance, OH; Seat belt/pass; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*James G. Veldt*, London, OH; Distracted driving; Defendant completed course  
*Kirtus D. Woodson*, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Robin R. Bauer*, Ottawa, OH; Theft; Case dismissed per state, without prejudice; Costs waived  
*Adam Keeler*, Paulding, OH; Driving under suspension; Defendant appeared in court; Pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs  
*Luke A. Weible*, Oakwood, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Candice L. Lewis*, Defiance, OH; Child restraint; Case dismissed at defendant's cost  
*Jason T. Do*, Greencastle, IN; Marked lanes, Guilty, Case was waived

by defendant; Distracted driving, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant  
*Zachary C. Boltz*, Whitehouse, OH; Failure to reinstate; Count A dismissed  
*Sonny J. Drayton Jr.*, Toledo, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Steven T. Lloyd*, Continental, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Joshua A. Riffenburg*, Farmington, MI; Traffic device/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Jacquelyn R. Johanns*, Paulding, OH; Prohibited turn; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Symmion D. Southers*, Anderson, IN; Driving under suspension, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Chapel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay all fines and costs; Marked lanes, Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Chapel, Pled no contest, found guilty, Pay fine; Distracted driving, Count C dismissed  
*Guillermo J. Crisolago*, Port Clinton, OH; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Gabriel J. Steyer*, Van Wert, OH; Left of center; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Austin Owens*, Sherwood, OH; FRA suspension, Count A dismissed; Seat belt/drive, Guilty, Defendant appeared in court, Pled guilty, Pay all fines and costs  
*Randall Odom*, Maryville, TN; Prohibited turn; Defendant pled no contest, found guilty; Pay all fines and costs  
*Jeffrey M. Haslage Jr.*, Fort Wayne, IN; Drug paraphernalia, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Ethan J. Miller*, Antwerp, OH; Disorderly conduct; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs today; Maintain general good behavior  
*Michael L. Treece Jr.*, Paulding, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Cheluvanaray Krishnappagowda*, Orchard Lake, MI; Distracted driving; Guilty; Defendant completed course  
*Martin W. Toma*, Clinton Township, MI; Marked lanes; Defendant appeared in court with Mr. Hyman; Bench trial held; Defendant found guilty; Pay all fines and costs; If any outstanding sheriff fees are returned those shall be waived  
*Hector Gallardo*, Weslaco, TX; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Sean J. Williams*, Fishers, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Shuan N. Mack*, Defiance, OH; Traffic device/signs; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant  
*Theodore Stutz*, Columbus, OH; Improper backing; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

**Sudoku solution from page 9**

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

**HAVE A WEDDING, ENGAGEMENT OR ANNIVERSARY?**

Let your friends and neighbors know for **FREE** in the **West Bend News.**  
(pictures are extra)

As sure as it's going to rain, the classifieds sell.



**HELP WANTED**

The Village of Haviland is looking for an individual for **Ground Maintenance**

Responsibilities would include mowing, trimming and any other outside needs or concerns. Competitive wages and hours available. For all interested parties, please call **Edwin Ruger** (Mayor of Haviland) at **419-670-4604**, for an interview.

**HELP WANTED:**

**Innovative Assembly Services, LLC**  
 109 Victory Lane, Antwerp, OH 45813  
 Phone: 419-399-3886  
 Email: InnovativeAssemblySvc@outlook.com

Family owned business located in Antwerp, Ohio looking for general labor associates to do light manufacturing and assembly. Will provide on the job training. Hours are Monday-Friday from 5:00 am-1:30 pm. Competitive wages, vacation and personal leave after probationary period.  
 To apply contact us via phone or email

Village of Payne's **GARAGE SALES** weekend of June 3rd

Registration forms are available at Village Hall at 119 N Main St., Payne, OH 45880. Registration is also available online, the link is posted on our Facebook Page: Village of Payne, or our website: [www.villageofpayne.com](http://www.villageofpayne.com)

All registrations must be turned in by May 25th to be included on the map. Maps will be available June 2nd at the Payne Marathon Gas station.



**HELP WANTED**

**Vantage Career Center Adult Education Secretary Posting**

**Position:** Adult Education Secretary  
**Start Date:** July 5, 2022  
**Application Deadline:** Friday, May 27, 2022

**Job Objectives:** Performs secretarial duties that support the effective delivery of the adult program and maintains databases providing timely and accurate reporting to state, federal and accrediting agencies. To view the full posting and application process please visit <https://www.vantagecareercenter.com/Employment.aspx>

*Vantage Career Center is an Equal Opportunity Employer*

**HELP WANTED**

**Vantage Career Center POSITION POSTING**

**Position:** Culinary Arts Instructor  
**Start Date:** 2022-2023 School Year  
**Application Deadline:** Friday, May 20, 2022

**Job Objectives:** Plans, implements and evaluates instruction in Culinary Arts curriculum designed to address a wide range of maturity and skill levels. Courses consist of Hospitality Fundamentals, Fundamentals of Food Production, Baking & Pastry Arts and Dining Room Service & Operations. Assists secondary high school students with work based learning opportunities as well as with post-secondary placement. The Culinary Arts program also manages and operates our school restaurant, Cup & Saucer, as well as participates in a limited number of events associated with our school. Encourages parental, business and community involvement.

**Preferred Minimum Qualifications:**

- Possess or be eligible for valid state department of education license/certificate appropriate for position.
- Ability to successfully teach courses in the Ohio Department of Education Hospitality and Tourism career field specifically within the Culinary Arts pathway.
- Industry certification(s) preferred. Serv Safe
- Meets all mandated health requirements (e.g., a negative tuberculosis test, medical exam, etc.).
- A record free of criminal violations that would prohibit public school employment.
- Complies with drug-free workplace rules and policies.
- Keeps current with technology and other workplace innovations that support job functions.
- Training and/or experience in behavioral management techniques.

Interested applicants should send a letter of interest, application, resume and three letters of reference by **3:30 p.m. Friday, May 20, 2022** to:

Rick L. Turner, Superintendent,  
 818 N. Franklin Street, Van Wert, OH 45891  
 turner.r@vantagecareercenter.com

**A full posting and Vantage Career Center employment applications can be found at [www.vantagecareercenter.com](http://www.vantagecareercenter.com)**

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# 2022 BOYS AND GIRLS STATE PROGRAM DELEGATES



Kyle Slade and Lane Morehead.



Mallory Moore

The Reuben J. Smith Post 297 American Legion in Payne is sponsoring three

Wayne Trace Students to participate in the Boys and Girls State Programs this year. Boys State will be held at Miami University and Girls State will be held at the University of Mount Union. The two Boys State Delegates are Kyle Slade, son of Kenneth and Angela Slade of Payne, and Lane Morehead, son of Ricky and Nicole Morehead of Payne. The Girls State delegate is Mallory Moore, daughter of Chad and Tracy Moore of Defiance and the late Audrey Moore.

## OAKWOOD ARBOR MEETS IN APRIL

Oakwood Arbor #759 held their April meeting at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall on April 25, the 2022. Guest speakers for the evening were three young women from Paulding County who have a passion for families who have loved ones who have taken their lives or are fighting

mental and emotional thoughts of suicide. The name of the new founded organization is Be|eve. Each of the young women shared a time that they themselves experienced losing a member of the family or a good friend by suicide. Last Fall our county experienced a devastating month as we tried to grasp why anyone would want to

take their life when there is so much to live for. The first meeting was held at the Nazarene church on Dooley Drive at 7:30 p.m. Each meeting night will be open for sharing experiences and gaining support and understanding from others facing the same situation. There will be a group for those who are affected with any type of mental illness and a second group for caregivers. You can follow on Facebook . Search for Be|eve.

Arbor is an extension of the Gleaner Life Insurance Company. For every volunteer hour that we submit to Gleaner along with our regular monthly meetings we are given funds that are to go back into the community. Recently we gave donations to the John Paulding Historical Society, the Paulding Hospital Auxiliary, supported the printing of the newsletter at the Senior Center and was a sponsor of the Spring program for Paulding County residents on May 17th at the Extension Center. To recognize the support staff at Wayne Trace Grover Hill and Oakwood Elementary we provided snacks for the employee lounge and at the bus garage along with Glen Park assisted living support staff. Quarterly Arbor members clean up a portion of State Route 66. You can see our sign as you go north out of Oakwood.

Next meeting will be May 23rd at the Twin Oaks Fellowship Hall. Oakwood. We will be hearing about the update on the "Life Wise Academy" which will begin at Oakwood in the fall.

## LIBRARY'S HISTORY RESOURCES TO BE TOPIC OF HISTORICAL SOCIETY GUEST SPEAKER



Kelly Taylor

John Paulding Historical Society will host a general meeting and program at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 24. The meeting is open to all.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Kelly Taylor from Paulding County Carnegie Library. She will present information about the library's impressive resources for local history and genealogy research, including vertical files, special collections, obituaries and access to databases.

As a library clerk and genealogy specialist at the library, Taylor works at the circulation desk with an emphasis on assisting with patrons' genealogy research questions. In her 24 years at the library, she has learned a lot about Paulding County's history and has become the "go-to" person for help in locating and navigating documents and information.

The museum is located at 600 Fairground Drive in Paulding, across from the county fairgrounds.

Admission is free. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. For those who have never visited the museum, this is a perfect opportunity to learn about the organization and see some of the tens of thousands of artifacts in the museum's collection.

Any updates or notices will be posted on the historical society's Facebook page at [facebook.com/jphsmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/jphsmuseum)

## BICYCLIST INJURED AFTER BEING STRUCK BY CAR

On May 12, 2022, at approximately 11:50 P.M. troopers responded to a re-

## STOLLER NAMED MY102.7 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



Abbie Stoller, a senior at Wayne Trace High School, recently received a \$500 scholarship from MY102.7 FM. The radio station awards one scholarship per graduating class at each of Paulding County's three high schools and Vantage Career Center. Stoller plans to use the scholarship at the University of Toledo, where she will study nursing.

"One of the main goals with this station has always been to give back to the community," said Joe Barker, station manager at MY102.7. "Investing in our local youth just

makes sense, especially when we can support them as they pursue higher education and career training. It's one small way we can help build the future workforce in northwest Ohio."

Based in Paulding, MY102.7 can be heard on the air throughout Paulding County and online from anywhere with an internet connection through [my1027.org](http://my1027.org). The station has been on the air since 2015, and its mission is to showcase why Paulding County is a great place to work, live and raise a family.

port of a bicyclist being struck on SR 309, near Thayer Rd.

Hali N. Conner, age 33, of Lima, was riding a bicycle eastbound on SR 309, near the right side berm when she was struck by an eastbound passenger vehicle. Ms. Conner sustained minor injury due to being struck. She was treated on scene by Perry Township EMS. The vehicle that struck Ms. Conner did not stop after the crash and reportedly continued eastbound on SR 309.

The passenger vehicle that struck Ms. Conner is believed to be silver in color

with possible damage to the right front and side. The State Patrol is asking anyone with information regarding the crash to contact the Lima Post of the Ohio State Highway Patrol at (419)228-7072.

Ms. Conner was not wearing a helmet at the time of the crash and did not have an illuminated tail light on the bicycle. Troopers want to remind any bicyclist who choose to use the roadway to be equipped with an illuminated headlight and tail light after sunset, and are encouraged to wear reflective material for enhanced visibility.

Vancrest of Payne presents

# CRAFT AND HOME GOODS SHOW

Come sell your homemade crafts and goods

BYOT (Bring Your Own Table)

No fee for vendors

May 27th, 2022  
10 AM TO 2 PM

Vancrest of Payne  
650 N Main St  
Payne OH 45880

\*\*Subject to change based on weather\*\*

**Antwerp Archers**

**Paulding Panthers**

**Wayne Trace Raiders**

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