

## INSOURCE TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF BUSINESS



By: Angel Steiner

What started with a humble family man who knew about refrigeration units and how to manufacture them, has grown into a nearly 300 employee corporation that manufactures components for emergency and fire vehicles, refrigeration units, and control panels for pieces of equipment including farm vehicles. In 1997, Ken Manz decided to step out on his own in faith to create a business in Paulding County, his home. Manz's innovative and engineering mindset set the stage for InSource. Over the past 25 years InSource has come a long way from recycling refrigeration units — evolving manufacturing to also include electronics with embedded hardware for farm equipment plus others, wire harnesses for emergency vehicles as well as the original

manufactured OEM, refrigeration units.

These are some of the things I discussed with Fred Manz, sales & marketing representative for InSource, during the tour of the facility. You could see the the growth of the business as we walked through each doorway; the history of InSource evolving with each step through a fire door threshold. Going from office space and storage areas, to the harness shop, then the electronics and engineering and then refrigeration. With Fred's enthusiasm for the employees' work and the products they manufacture, it was quite easy to get excited about the mission of InSource.

InSource is a Quick Response Manufacturing company. Meaning that InSource does the smaller quantities for

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## PAULDING'S SUMMER BLAST CARRIES ON DESPITE RAIN

Last Friday, July 15th was drizzly and just a little bit dreary. None the less, CoRP pressed on with last minute preparations set up for Paulding's Summer Blast.

The parade — about 3/4 mile long — traveled around the square in downtown Paulding, showing off all the area businesses and organizations (45 entries!) — including InSource's 25 year celebra-



Grand Marshal  
Harry Weibe,

tion! Grand Marshal was Harry Weibe, selected by the JPSB committee. He was chosen to honor his 38 years of service CoRP and our community are honoring Harry Weibe today as our Grand Marshal. Harry served the Village of Paulding as Village Administrator for 38 years. One of the longest serving administrators in our history. During Harry's term of service, he oversaw some very significant projects including

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## PAULDING COUNTY MUNICIPAL COURT SUPPORTS VANTAGE CAREER CENTER



Pictured above is 2022 Antwerp/Vantage Career Center graduate, Zach Lockhart with Judge Rister at the Career Advanced Placement Signing Day.

During his senior year, Zach completed an internship with the Paulding County Municipal Court learning about and getting hands-on training in all departments of the court, while receiving graduation credit for his experience. Zach is the son of James and Sherri Lockhart of Paulding.

Each year, the Municipal Court Probation Department coordinates with the Criminal Justice Program at Vantage to hire a student intern. Students are exposed to a variety of careers available in the field,

giving them insight to all the positions available in the criminal justice profession and having the opportunity to apply classroom skills to work place responsibilities.

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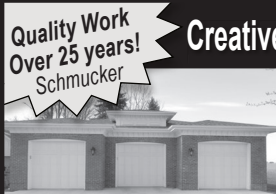
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MON & WED

July 26

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

July 27

- Living Free group @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm

July 28

- Heritage Lions Ice Cream @ Monroeville Park
- PCTWP Assoc Dinner 5-7p

July 29

- VBS Friday @ St. Paul Lutheran, 9a-12p

July 29-31

- Hamler Fest @ Hamler Comm. Park

July 31

- Karen Wahl in Concert @ Cecil Comm. Church, 6pm

August 2

- 82nd Congressional District Primary Election
- Antwerp Comm. Food Pantry @ Antwerp UMC, 4-7p

August 4

- Heritage Lions Ice Cream @ Monroeville Harvest Festival

August 4-6

- Harlan Days Festival @ Harlan Park

August 5

- VBS Friday @ St. Paul Lutheran, 9a-12p

August 6

- Pink Out The Park Yoga @ Antwerp Park, 9:30a-11a
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PARSON TO PERSON

By: **Dr. James Bachman**  
*Dear Parson,*  
*What does it mean in I Peter 3:19 where it says Christ went and preached unto the spirits in prison?*

I believe the spirits here were the fallen angels of Genesis chapter 6 who consorted with the daughters of men. Jude 6 - "And the angels which kept not their first estate but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day." "Prison" in I Peter 3:19 refers to a place of judgment. See also II Peter 2:4.

The word "preached" in I Peter 3:19 means He announced to the fallen angels their eternal doom and His eternal victory. This had nothing to do with giving a second chance for anyone to be saved if they died without Christ.

This happened between Christ's death and His resurrection. That was likely also the time "He led captivity captive." Ephesians 4:8 - "Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive and gave gifts unto men." He delivered to heaven the paradise section of saved people who physically had died, but those in hell were reserved to eternal judgment. See Luke 16:19-31 and Revelation 20:11-15.

Send questions and comments to: jamesbachman@juno.com

AUGUST HAPPENINGS AT  
CECIL COMMUNITY CHURCH

**Back to School Blast**  
Cecil Community Church will offer a Bible based event with games Thursday August 11th 6 PM to 830 PM ;Friday August 12th 6 PM with camp out with outdoor movies and Saturday morning breakfast.

**Food Pantry**  
Cecil Community Church August 20th Food available from 12- 3 PM

**Christian Rock Concert**  
Cecil Community Church will host an outdoor concert on August 28th 6 PM with Ja-

SENIOR SAINTS CHOIR 2022 CONCERT SCHEDULE



Take an imaginary trip through the United States as the Senior Saints sing their concert titled "I Feel Like Traveling On". This "tour of the United States in song" features classic favorites and hymns of the faith. Written and led by Marsha Wright, this year's Senior Saints include 61 singers and instrumentalists aged 66-90 from 25 different churches.

**CLASSIC FAVORITES:**  
"California Here I Come", "Route 66", "I Left My Heart in San Francisco", "Deep in the Heart of Texas", "Old Cape Cod", and, of course, "Back Home Again in Indiana".

**HYMNS OF THE FAITH:**  
"It Is Glory Just to Walk with

Him", "Walking with Jesus", "Follow I Will Follow", "Footsteps of Jesus", "Singing I Go", and "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go".

**The schedule is as follows:**

August 8 (Monday)  
1:00pm: Emmanuel Community Church, 1222 W. US 24, Door 2, Fort Wayne 46814; 260-672-3377

August 11 (Thursday),  
7:00pm; Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church (Waynedale), 1819 Reservation Drive, Fort Wayne 46819, 260-747-4121

August 21 (Sunday),  
6:30pm; Leo Apostolic Christian Church, 11714 Leo-Grabill Road, Leo 46765, 260-627-2944

Sept. 8 (Thursday),

12:15pm; First Assembly of God, 1400 W. Washington Center Road, Door 5, Fort Wayne 46825, 260-490-8585

Sept. 11 (Sunday), 6:00pm; Woodburn Missionary Church, 5801 Bull Rapids Road, Woodburn 46797 260-632-4615

Sept. 13 (Tuesday),  
7:00pm; Huber Opera House, 157 East High Street, Hicksville, Ohio 43526, 419-542-9553

Sept. 22 (Thursday),  
1:00pm; The Chapel, 2505 W. Hamilton Road South, Fort Wayne 46814, 260-625-6200

Sept. 25 (Sunday), 6:00pm; Grabill Missionary Church, 13637 State Street, Grabill 46741, 260-627-3678

cob;s Well performing from Fort Wayne IN.

**Sunday Dinner**

Cecil Community Church offers Sunday Dinner 12:15 PM, after the 11 AM Worship Service each Sunday

**Fireside Chats & Games**

Cecil Community Church will offer Fireside Chats & Games Sundays 6 PM on August 7th, 14th, & 21st

**TRABEL CMH FOUNDATION  
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**



The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation would like to congratulate Kennedy Trabel, a graduate of Antwerp High School, for being chosen as a recipient of the Community Memorial Hospital Foundation Scholarship for 2022.

Ms. Trabel will be attending The University of St. Francis this fall looking to major as a physician assistant.

The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation presented eight scholarships this year to high school students who are furthering their education in the healthcare field. Students graduating from high schools in the counties of Defiance, Paulding and Williams Counties in Ohio as well as students from Leo and Woodlan High Schools in Indiana were eligible to apply for the scholarship.

**POSEY CMH FOUNDATION  
SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**



The Community Memorial Hospital Foundation would like to congratulate Kaitlyn Posey, a graduate of Bryan High School, for being chosen as a recipient of the Community Memorial Hospital Foundation Scholarship for 2022.

Ms. Posey will be attending Spring Arbor University and majoring in nursing this fall.

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who are furthering their education in the healthcare field. Students graduating from high schools in the counties of Defiance, Paulding and Williams Counties in Ohio as well as students from Leo and Woodlan High Schools in Indiana were eligible to apply for the scholarship.

**MERCY HEALTH SPONSORS  
STROKE CAMP**

Mercy Health and Kingston Healthcare Company are proud to be a sponsor this year's Retreat & Refresh Stroke Camp - a camping experience dedicated to helping survivors and caregivers improve their quality of life.

The three-day weekend event will bring participants back to the Roaring '20s with events and entertainment from that era. Additionally, there will be crafts, drum circles, and games focused on embracing life again and having fun with others who understand the life after a stroke.

"The neuroscience program at Mercy Health provides care for stroke patients from the onset of symptoms - with the Mobile Stroke Unit's ability to bring stroke care to the patient - through treatment and finally to comprehensive rehabilitation," said Julie Goins-Whitmore, Neuroscience Program Manager. "With partnerships like with the area's Stroke Life Center and now by offering this camp, Mercy Health is continuing that commitment to stroke survivors by offering another way to embrace life."

The all-inclusive camp includes everything from games and educational sessions to pampering, good food, hiking/walking, discussion groups, informal chat with experts, relaxation, and more.

The event will be held at Michindoh Conference Center in Michigan on Aug. 26-28, 2022. Space is limited. To register or for more information, visit [www.stroke-camp.org](http://www.stroke-camp.org) or call 309-688-5450.

Scripture of the Week

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."

— I John 1:7

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*



**Little Gas Tanks Aren't  
Just for Barbecues**

Big propane tanks have dotted backyards in rural yards for years. All of us are looking for a cheap and reliable source of power for home appliances. Small butane or propane tanks seem standard equipment for barbecue grills. I remember getting the job of



lighting our family barbecue as a kid. My sister accompanied me on my important task. She was standing and looking too close to the flame, and I let too much gas out before clicking the starter button. Whoosh went the flame as it lit up, singeing off completely my sister's eyebrows (and thankfully nothing more happened).

We live overseas in an urban area that does not have a stable power grid for the densely packed one million people. It means that power outages are frequent. We decided to split up our apartment's power source, so our water heater (20 gallon tank for our family) and oven are powered by electricity. Our stove top burners are powered by a small butane tank like you'd have for a barbecue. Butane tanks are common for stove tops and for water heaters. In the case of an elec-

trical power outage, we still have a way to heat food - the stove top. It is common to see open flatbed trucks driving around the city, exchanging filled butane tanks for empty ones.

A little gas tank has at least one major flaw as a power source for a stovetop. It only runs out when you are actually using it to cook something. We never can tell when it is about to run out. It means a stew, pasta dish or something frying in a pan is put on hold until we get more butane. It is never convenient to have planned a meal and lose power right in the middle of it. Sometimes we have to go to Plan B with a new meal, other times it is put on hold. Ironically butane tanks seem to run out when you have the least time to get more butane, or when you have guests or a special meal being made. It sure teaches you to be flexible, though hungry.

Despite using a little butane tank every day of my life overseas now, I can say that I have yet to singe off anyone's

eyebrows here ... yet!

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

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

caption: Butane tanks are usually stored in the kitchen cabinet, but we have been able to get our tank tucked under the utility sink. Heavy tanks are hard to maneuver to kitchens in apartments through hallways and steps, so people often own "wheelie boards" to transport them.

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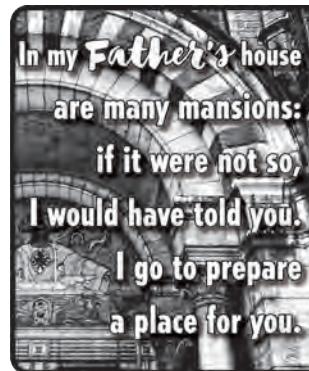
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## THEY'RE ONLY WORDS

### Penny For Your Thoughts

By: Nancy Whitaker

They say the hardest language to speak and learn is English. Now, back when I went to school, we used to diagram sentences on the blackboard. I wonder if they still teach the subject, predicate, verbs, adverbs and adjective of a sentence?



While net surfing I ran across this interesting article about words. I wonder about these words also:

We'll begin with "a box and the plural is boxes

But the ox becomes oxen and not oxes"

"One fowl is a goose, but two are called geese

Yet the plural of moose should never be meese"

"You may find a lone mouse or a nest of mice

Yet the plural of house is not hices"

"If the plural of man is men, why isn't the plural of pan called a pen"

"If I speak of my foot and show you my feet

And I give you a boot, would a pair be called beets?"

"If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth

Why shouldn't the plural of booth be called beef?"

"Then one may be that, and three would be those

Yet hat in the plural would never be hose,

And the plural of cat is cats, not cose."

"We speak of a brother and also of brethren

But though we say mother, we never say mrethren"

"Then the masculine pronouns are he, his and him

But imagine the feminine of she, this and shim."

These are things I wonder about but these words have been around for years.

Are you fluent in another language? Have you ever diagramed a sentence? And, "Have you ever spoken Pig Latin?"

Well that's another subject for another time. If you have ever diagramed a sentence, spoken Pig Latin or speak another language, let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

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a new water tower- our second water tower, established a second cemetery- Memorial

Cemetery on Emerald Road, started the Sewer separation project, Built a new state of



the art water filtration plant. Harry served under 5 different mayors.

John Paulding (Ian Ferguson) was present at Herb Monroe Park explaining the lost art of Spruce Beer making and handing out free samples

Live entertainment Kaitlyn Schmit and The Move took the stage at 7:30 as the rain dissipated. Event goers milled

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to Workforce & Marketing Manager. Waterman recently served as the Office Manager. In her new role, she'll take the lead on all workforce & marketing initiatives.

"I am excited about the opportunity to build relationships with local companies and assist them with their workforce needs. The goal is to be that connecting piece between county residents and careers. I also look forward to collaborating with our county schools. The future is bright for Defiance County, and I am so glad to be a part of it," said Waterman.

Waterman hasn't even been in the position for a month and already has plans to build on the workforce plan established at the Defiance County Economic Development Office. Some of the strategies include:

- Expanding workshop/ learning opportunities for employers and their teams
- Development of Engagement Training Programs for companies
- Recruiting of hometown students back to Defiance County, following their completion of a college degree or certification
- Creation of new networking opportunities and connector events between jobseekers & employees
- And marketing campaigns that target our youth & "In-Demand" jobs to our younger generation.

"I've seen firsthand the drive Hannah Waterman has and we are very lucky to have her taking the point on our

about eating from the tasty food trucks and food tents, as well as inflatables for the kids to have some fun!

What summer festival is complete with out a blast of fireworks to conclude the night?! Summer Blast's fireworks sponsors this year was Cooper Farms and the Paulding County Area Foundation.

organization's workforce & marketing efforts. I can tell you with complete confidence, Hannah is an influencer and I see that role only growing in her new role," said Erika Willitzer.

Another staffing announcement will come in August, after we hire our new Business Development and Operations Manager.

You can reach out to Hannah@DefianceCountyED.com for any of your workforce or marketing business needs. Our office line is 419-784-4471.

### LATTA VOTES TO BOOST TROOP PAY; PROVIDE MILITARY WITH RESOURCES IT NEEDS TO CONFRONT RISING GLOBAL THREATS

Congressman Bob Latta (R-OH5) released the following statement after voting in favor of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The annual defense legislation sets priorities and policies for our armed services. The bill passed by a vote of 329 to 101.

"The men and women of our armed forces deserve to have the resources they need in order to best protect and defend our country from increasingly dangerous global threats," said Latta. "By passing the NDAA, we are sending a message to our allies and adversaries around the world that the United States will always prioritize our national security and will remain prepared to challenge those that would wish to do us harm. I supported this year's NDAA because it provides our service members with a pay increase, contributes resources to help military families dealing with increasing costs and inflation, guarantees the right of military parents to have a say in their kids' education, continues the process of modernizing our forces, and provides the tools to confront the rising threats from adversaries like China, Russia, and Iran."

Background

The Fiscal Year 2023 NDAA includes a broad array of provisions that will impact pay for servicemembers, resources and policies for military families, and priorities related to national defense. For example, this year's NDAA included the following provisions:

- 4.6% pay increase for servicemembers
- 2.4% pay bonus for enlisted personnel to counteract the impacts of inflation on low-income military families. As the United States continues to combat rising inflation and the increased costs associated with inflation.
- \$500 million for additional housing allowances to

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counteract the skyrocketing cost of rent on military families.

- \$750 million to reduce costs of food and other necessities at military commissaries.

- Provision to ensure parents of children attending DoD schools have the opportunity to review curriculum, instructional materials, and disciplinary policies.

- Permanent reimbursement of spouse professional relicensing fees due to a servicemember's change of station.

- Continued funding to modernize the American nuclear arsenal.

- Authorization of programs to deter Chinese and Russian malign behavior and to maintain force readiness to combat external threats.



### MILITARY HISTORY IN PAULDING COUNTY

By: Mark Holtsberry

A story of travel, adventure and service. Rassie Wilford Beverly, also known as Erastus, was born in Columbus, Ohio, January 31, 1890. The son of Samuel and Samantha Ann (Smith) Beverly. This couple was married in 1869.

Samuel served in the Civil War as a private in the Confederate Army from Virginia. By 1900, the family of four children were living in Latty, Ohio. Rassie was in school along with his two brothers, Arthur and Cornelius and sister Clara M. Sometime after 1910, Rassie was living in Broughton, Ohio. Then he moved to Montana.

On June 5, 1917, Rassie registered for the draft in Sheridan County, Montana. He was listed as 5'6", medium height and build, brown eyes and black hair, listing farming as his vocation. Rassie moved back to Broughton where he was sent to serve with 158th

Depot Brigade. He served with this unit until July 15, 1918. He was then assigned to Company C. 334th Infantry.

On September 2, 1918 Rassie was put on the ship Aquitania, and set sail from New York to France. He served with this unit until November 2, 1918. He was then assigned to Company C. 1st Provisional Regiment Camp at D'Auvours Le Mans, France, then was transferred to Headquarters Department Army Service Corp American Expeditionary Force to July 8, 1919.

On July 8, 1919, Rassie boarded the ship Manchuria at St. Nazaire, France and set sail for Hoboken, New Jersey. Ship docks July 18, 1919. He was be Honorably Discharged July 26, 1919. After returning home, Rassie moved to Ft. Wayne, Indiana living on Osage Street became a car repairman working on the railroad.

On August 25, 1923, while living in Ft. Wayne, Rassie married Else Belle Hackerman, born November 20, 1897 in North Baltimore, Ohio, the daughter of William and Nancy (Spence) Fagan. Nancy Fagan passed away September 12, 1927. In 1930, Rassie, Elsie and Elnora were living on Tioga Street, Findlay, Ohio.

Rassie was working for the Oil refinery as a machinist. His father-in-law, William and sister-in-law, Eliza were living with them. William passed away, July 28, 1935. In 1935, Rassie, Elsie and daughter Elnora, had moved to Saginaw, Michigan. Living at 321 South Jefferson Avenue, 22nd Street. Rassie was working as a laborer machine operator. In 1942, Rassie registered for the World War Two draft. He was living at 434 North Second Street, Saginaw, Michigan. He was working at the Chevrolet Service Parts Plant. His wife, Elsie passed away 8:35 A.M. October 15, 1943 in Saginaw, Michigan. November 8, 1941, daughter Elnora M., married Rollie M. Cramer. November 8, 1943, Elnora joined the Woman's Army Corp in Detroit, Michigan. Her husband, Rollie, also served in World War Two. While living in Traverse City, Michigan, Rassie passed away, June 23, 1952. Rassie and Elise are buried in Maple Grove Cemetery, Findlay, Ohio.

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Glen & Ione Gorrell

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a quicker response time for their client. Since InSource is only providing pieces for a larger product, getting their



part completed and shipped off to their client as speedily as possible without compromising a quality built component, allows those companies in turn to complete their product and get it out to the consumer. Larger mass quantities are posted manufactured overseas. InSource provides companies with a resource to not only stay in the USA but stay with small local business. On average, about 5,000 parts are made in a work day. Products of Insource are for their



clients all over the Midwest region - from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio to Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. One Insource client that deals in farm equipment technology has been working with the company since 2007.

Some of the pieces of equipment being used during the tour was technologically above my hairline of understanding, so I stood in awe and pride at what Paulding County does for the business region. There is an entire team of leaders that oversee pro-



duction in all units of Insource. Larry Manz oversees Controls and Harnesses, while Fred is the overseer of the Refrigeration unit and the new nylon loom braiding for the wire harnesses unit. In all actuality, all the units of Insource are a team effort. While watching a harness assembly happening, it was evident that each person's particular job on an order is important to a good quality end product. They need to be in constant open communication, whether they are measuring,

cutting assembling, clamping, etc. There are indispensable jobs at Insource. Each worker is important for their task.

Fred Manz, commented about the success of InSource in its 25 years of operation at the conclusion of our tour, "This business is bigger than we are. We are just standing back and seeing what God can do through us with our employees. It's amazing to watch really."

## COVID UPDATE FOR PAULDING COUNTY

This week we had 29 new cases and 1 new hospitalization.

Paulding County is ranked 82nd in the state of Ohio for Covid and transmission level is High

Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots. Call (419) 399-3921 to schedule your appointment.

Get tested if you have symptoms.

## 2022-2023 FREE & REDUCED MEAL APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Van Wert City Schools announces its 2022-2023 Free and Reduced Price Meals policy for students unable to pay the full price of meals served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Program. Each school office and the central office has a copy of the policy, which may be reviewed by any interested party.

Please note that the USDA's Free Meal Program expired June 30, 2022, which provided free meals for all students. Eligible students may still receive free or reduced-price meals but must apply for these benefits. Application forms are

available on the district's website at [www.vwcs.net/Administration2/foodservice](http://www.vwcs.net/Administration2/foodservice) or in each school building's main office. Completed applications are to be turned in to the Superintendent's Office at 205 W. Crawford Street, Van Wert, 45891.

Foster children are categorically eligible for free meal benefits regardless of the household's income. If a family has foster children living with them and wishes to apply for such meals for them, contact the school for more information.

Households will be notified of the approval or denial of benefits.

Households may apply for benefits any time during the school year. If a household is not currently eligible and if the household size increases or income decreases because of unemployment or other reasons, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for free or reduced-price benefits if the family income falls at or below the levels shown above.

For more information, visit <http://www.vwcs.net/News/2022-2023-free-reduced-meal-applications-now-available>

## FINDING A WAY OUT

(NAPSI)—A new book, A Way Out of No Way, is a timely new resource that builds on the Christian tradition of making a way out of no way.

It offers a six-step approach to innovation, lessons and stories from the trenches, and theological reflections with an approach to Christian innovation grounded in the life and ministry of Jesus, and African diasporic people's ingenious experiences.

The Authors

The book is by Kimberly R. Daniel, senior director of communications at the Forum for Theological Exploration (FTE) and Stephen Lewis, the president of FTE. It's a leadership incubator that inspires young people to make a difference in the world through Christian communities, providing resources, events, networks, grants and fellowships to cultivate tomorrow's leaders, pastors and theological educators. Daniel and Lewis are also the co-founders of DO GOOD X, an inclusive community of Christian social entrepreneurs.

They believe that for people in marginalized communities who work at the intersections of faith and entrepreneurship, innovation often begins with identifying the needs of the least among us.

The Inspiration

Back in 2017 the authors began hosting small gatherings with entrepreneurs, pastors and community leaders at FTE. What they learned from more than 200 innovators around the country, and at DO GOOD X, inspired them to write the book.

"We voice the wisdom gained from speaking to dozens of thinkers and doers who are working to create a more just world, where real solutions emerge to tackle stubborn problems," they explain.

Learn More

For further facts and to order the book, visit [www.FTE-leaders.org](http://www.FTE-leaders.org).

## BAD BOYS TOYS CAR SHOW = BEAUTIFUL CARS & WEATHER



Antwerp Boy Scouts hosted the Bad Boys Toys Car Show on Saturday, July 16th. Classic cars, antique cars, vintage cars, unique cars were all represented at this yearly

much anticipated event on South Main St. in downtown Antwerp. This year's event had perfect blue skies and average summer temperatures for Show participants and



attendees to thoroughly enjoy hanging out in the streets just talking cars.

The following are the judging results of the day:

1920's - Dan Wiedman, #28

1930's - Tom, #71

1940's - Dick Bonan, #41

1950's - Dick & Kathy Bruce, #74

1960's - Robert Werfal, #63

1970's - Emily Schlegel, #46

1980's - Roger Dix, #1

1990's - Joe Collins, #93

2000's - Don Kryder, #14

2010's - Collin Gross, #7

2020's - Phil McDaniels, #22

Best rat rod - Roger Dix, #2

Best 1995 and older - Tom Taylor, #59

CHAMBER CHOICE - Jaron Fetters, #21

Fire Dept Choice - Rick Hook, #47

Police Choice - Mike Johnson, #39

VFW CHOICE - Bob Lehman, #49

Elaine Manz Pretty in Pink - Josh Schlegel, #48

Best Engine older than

2002 - Scott Lanstor, #50

Boy Scout Choice - Pat Clark, #25

10th - Bryan Paulson, #6

9th - Bryan Myer, #77

8th - Shelton Bradbury, #15

7th - Charles Osenbault, #53

6th - Larry Tomlinson, #27

5th - Russel Bergdall, #10

4th - Denny and Sharon Sanders, #64

3rd - Rob Gerken, #17

2nd - Billy Barlow, #35

Best of show 1st - Terry Sprin, #56

Best Truck - Brad Canfield, #67

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**3rd Weekend- Payne, (Paved lot east of Homier's)**

**4th Weekend- Antwerp, (13744 CR 43, sewer treatment plant)**

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**3rd Wednesday of each month**

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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 or Visit : [www.pauldingcountywmea.com](http://www.pauldingcountywmea.com)**

**ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB**

**Antwerp Conservation Club Event Schedule**

**August 6 - Hunter Education Class, 9a-5p.**  
Registration online @ [wildohio.gov](http://wildohio.gov)

**August 7 - IDPA Pistol Shoot: Registration @ 12Noon, match begins @ 1pm**

**August 11 - Monthly Meeting @ 7pm**

**August 14 - Trap Shoot: Registration @ 12:45pm, Shoot begins @ 1pm**

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

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Freedom At Stake

America's freedom is at stake. When we lose, the world loses. This becomes more evident with each passing year. That is why long ago I quit voting for Democrats. I couldn't help build their Godless party. My only weapon is my voice in letters to the editor.

We started losing our direction when Democrats took God, morality and common sense out of schools, they stole the only anchor mankind had.

This left us with no map to chart our direction and no compass to gain perspective. Better read Revelation to see what's coming because like the rest of the Book, it is for real.

I believe our ultra liberal media and radical socialist Democrat leaders want God replaced with "I-ism" or "C-ism". I also believe most of them would prefer we bow down to one of them rather than to God. Why does the name Jesus make so many tremble?

We're in fatal trouble today because fewer Americans listen to and believe in God than ever before. Many don't believe me but I believe today's trouble are exactly what you get when you abandoned God. We've fallen from 98% to less than 30% Christians with less than 15% being committed Christians. If you don't feel close to God, guess who moved.

Liberals or Democrats if you please, always cry foul and make ludicrous accusations against what they call the "religious right", the Bible believing Christians. They try to make Americans believe Christians are the evil among us. Christians founded America and grew it into the best nation ever.

While Satan's Democrat leaders try to destroy Christianity in America, it is only Christians who can save us. If you can't believe that, I suppose that makes you one of Satan's puppets.

How would you like to live in Australia, Canada or England? They've all fallen to less than five percent Christian with a big drive to turn England to Islam. If the far-east became aggressive, Australia would probably convert to Islam for self protection. Then

would lose their souls just for a few more days on earth.

Without God and strong Christian faith, we have no true purpose or direction in life. America will either be annihilated or be like Russia, Iran, N. Korea, China and others. There would be no equal rights, freedom of speech, religion, education, work, play or life itself.

We should be showing social responsibility but individuals, families and even churches are "passing the buck" to federal government and Satan. Our socialist Democrat controlled government is obeying Satan by removing God from the scene saying practice safe sex, not abstinence and rely on us for your retirement and medical needs.

That's just for today. Once they're sure they have total control, they will start ruling like Russia and China. Don't think it won't happen. That's the reason Biden and comrades want to federalize elections. They only want the power. Past history says it takes place every time God, morality and self will get removed. That's another reason they quit teaching basic history.

Americans have failed so government has become a surrogate or substitute provider. Individuals, families and churches stopped caring for their own so government changed social security. We stopped health-care because being non-Christian, greed in that field priced health-care out of reach, so government gave us medicare.

Big government created OSHA when companies failed safety and quality standards. When companies failed environmentally, government over-regulated.

Parents increasingly abused or failed to supervise children, resulting in government responding excessively, even interfering with legitimate parenting. I blame this on Democrats removing God.

I don't believe that any person who voted for Biden did any research or thought into what they were doing. In his many years in government, he was never right (not even once) about foreign policy. Since being named president the only he has done is destroy America and build up the world's evil.

Our ruling party in Washington is nothing more than socialist crap with designs on changing us into a communist nation.

Richard Mastin  
Hicksville, OH

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Assault rifles and weapons, that's all we hear about anymore...and banning them! The democrats seem to be using this as a cover up to the destruction they are doing to our country.

They, and the anti gun liberals, think that taking our guns is going to make the country safer when it will have the opposite effect. If you take my guns or my neighbors nothing will change other than criminals will be able to have their way freely with us, which isn't happening because you will not get my guns! My guns have never hurt myself or anyone else and hopefully never will, unless I'm forced to use them to prevent harm to myself or another innocent person being threatened.

What exactly is an assault rifle or weapon? First I looked up assault and it's defined as a physical or verbal attack on someone or someone to cause injury, death or damage. Second a military attack against an enemy with weapons that then could be considered assault weapons. So anything can be used as an assault weapon but is not such until it's actually used as such. So obviously I've got some assault hammers in my toolbox and assault knives in my kitchen as I've done more damage to myself with them than any gun.

Now "assault rifle", A military rifle designed to their specifications that has select fire capabilities of semi automatic or fully automatic mode, unlike the similar appearing civilian sporting rides that have only semi automatic mode. Besides AR doesn't stand for Assault Rifle, it was a name given by the media and anti gun liberals and is being pushed down our throats. It stood for ArmaLite Rifle the name of the person and company that produced them for the military. I know people will say I'm nit picking and these guns are still dangerous and yes they are and these or any shootings are tragic. But taking our guns will not solve anything, are the criminals going to give up their guns? I think not. So you take these "assault" rifles from everyone then they get regular rifles, shotguns or hand guns, are these now "assault weapons"?

Criminals and people with

bad intentions will get guns no matter what, always some dealer or drug addict willing to sell them in a back alley, room or somewhere out of sight of law enforcement. Look at Chicago, some of the strictest gun laws in the country and every weekend they have multiple shootings but you never hear of those, aren't those people just as important in life?

That last school shooting had so many red flags that were ignored by everyone. He was posting on social media that something was going to happen but the people that run those sites would rather punish people who tells truth on subjects than bring his posts to the attention of the authorities. Then the gun store owner, didn't an 18 year old kid buying 2 AR-15 rifles and a large amount of ammunition throw a red flag? If I had a gun shop and that happened I would have called law enforcement and said something was not right and they needed to keep an eye on him.

Something needs to be done, but disarming the responsible gun owners isn't going to change anything. If anything it would bring more crime because nobody would have the means to stop the criminals. Hitler did the same thing to the small European countries and see what happened?

We need a judicial system that treat these people as the criminals they are and not trying to find an excuse for why they did it. No bleeding heart sympathizers, high paid lawyers trying to find them innocent when there is absolutely no doubt of their crime and the media calling them the "alleged shooter". If you are caught in the act you ARE the guilty person and should pay the ultimate price. Not 10-15-20 years later wasting taxpayers money. Their victims didn't get a choice so why should they?

Stan Jordan had it right in his column years ago, if no doubt and caught in the act, instant execution. Our country is becoming soft against violence and people with evil intentions know it, they laugh at law enforcement and our system and blame their actions on everything else and get a lawyer to support their fake problems.

I'm afraid shootings are

going to continue unless this country gets tough on these people, that's why people get permits to carry guns legally to defend themselves or possibly stop a shooting before law enforcement can arrive. Those no gun zones and their signs are a joke and attract criminals like bears to honey. It's a shame schools and so many public businesses have to have armed security, locked rooms and so much protection but it's a sick world we live in now where life means nothing to people, and Biden and his gun grabbing bunch and followers are trying to make it worse. They just don't understand it, disarming people who respect guns will only make our country more dangerous.

I guarantee we will not give up our guns and become victims. Our country was founded and kept free by God, guns and guts and brave people who stood for all three and will continue to do so. The old West had it right, justice was served in a short time or on the spot, anybody who was anybody wore a gun, knew how to use it and criminals were dealt with in a way they understood and it sent a message to others. America needs a judicial system that works and people that stand up for it, criminals understand nothing else.

Gregg Gorman  
Paulding, OH

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**Cecil:** 127 Maramart, Vagabond Village

**Charloe:** Charloe Store

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

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

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

**Grover Hill:** N&N Quick Stop, GH Branch Library  
**Hicksville:** Sailors, Hickory Creek Nursing Home, Shell Station, Lassus Handy Dandy, Marathon, Dollar General, Subway, Senior Center

**Ney:** Marathon  
**Oakwood:** Oakwood Market, The Oakleaf, Dollar General, Library, Landing Strip

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

**Payne:** Village office, Panchos, Vancrest of Payne, Dollar General, Lichty's Barber Shop, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Puckerbrush Pizza, Maramart, Library  
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**Scott:** Scott Post Office

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

### INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

**Hoagland:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub  
**Milan Center:** Milan Center Feed & Grain

**Monroeville:** Mel's Town Market, Hoagland's Pizza Pub  
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## ANTWERP BOY SCOUTS GO HIGH ADVENTURE CAMPING



The Antwerp Boy Scouts recently returned from a high adventure camping trip at Philmont Scout Camp in Cimarron, New Mexico. It is the first time in over 20 years that the troop has been able to take this trip. With fundraisers, such as Bad Boys Toys Car Show, it was made possible this year.

## MERCY COLLEGE LAUNCHING SURGICAL TECHNOLOGIST PROGRAM

You've seen them in every medical drama, the surgical technologist calmly and efficiently passing instruments to the surgeon. While the surgical technologist may have a small role in Hollywood productions, they are an important part of every surgery and are in high demand in Ohio hospitals.

In response to the need, Mercy College of Ohio (Mercy College), which is part of Mercy Health, has added an Associate of Applied Science in Surgical Technology to its healthcare degree offerings and is accepting applications for its inaugural class beginning January 2023.

The lecture coursework for the five-semester degree will be delivered online, and the labs and clinical experiences will take place in Mercy Health facilities in Toledo and Cincinnati. Students can start working as surgical technologist externs after their third semester.

Class size will be limited to ensure quality personal instruction and an optimal learning experience. Mercy College is hosting a virtual in-

formation session on July 27 at 7 pm (EST). For more information or to register, visit [www.mercycollege.edu/surg-tech](http://www.mercycollege.edu/surg-tech).

Participants in the program who already work with or go on to work with Mercy Health can take advantage of Mercy Health's education benefits to offset tuition costs.

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safety of each surgery. They assist the surgeon in ensuring well-maintained, and sanitary instruments and play a key role in patients having the best outcomes.

"Becoming a surgical technologist is a great career choice for those with a strong work ethic and attention to detail who want to be part of a team. Surgical technologists can grow in their role and advance in the field while enjoying a great deal of responsibility and autonomy," said Kimberly A. Watson, EdD, MBA, BS, RHIA, Dean of Health Sciences.

Christy Jordan, MSN, RN,

CNOR, Director of Perioperative Services at Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center says, "We value our Surgical Techs and are so excited to partner with Mercy College to offer this much-needed medical professional program."

While emergency surgeries occur around the clock, most surgical technologists work 36 to 40 hours a week, Monday through Friday, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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

## BIDEN-HARRIS ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCES ACTIONS TO STRENGTHEN INFANT FORMULA ACCESS RESILIENCY IN THE SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

Actions will help ensure that families who rely on the WIC program have safe and reliable infant formula options even in an emergency or supply chain disruption, including a recall. Since Abbott Nutrition's voluntary infant formula recall to address health and safety concerns at its Sturgis, Michigan manufacturing plant, the Biden-Harris Administration has been working around the clock to ensure that safe and nutritious infant formula is available to every family that needs it. In light of the recent crisis and new authority provided through the bipartisan Access to Baby Formula Act, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is announcing a series of additional steps it will take to strengthen resiliency in WIC, which covers the cost of infant formula for families with limited means. These actions will ensure that the families who rely on the WIC program have safe and reliable infant formula options even in an emergency. Currently 1.2 million infants receive WIC formula benefits, and more than half of infant formula is purchased by WIC participants.

Specifically, USDA will:

- Help ensure that WIC participants can continue to access formula during times of crisis. USDA will require

WIC State agencies to include a provision in future infant formula rebate contracts to include remedies in the event of an infant formula recall, including how an infant formula manufacturer would protect against disruption to program participants in the State.

- Ensure WIC state agencies are prepared for future supply chain disruptions. USDA will work with WIC state agencies to have a disaster plan in place, which would include a plan to distribute infant formula during a supply chain disruption, disaster, or emergency period. In addition, USDA will support WIC state agencies in prioritizing resources and developing a separate plan for the distribution of specialty formula for infants with health conditions. Disaster plan actions might include how WIC agencies will coordinate with health care centers to manage the supply of specialty formula or an integrated plan for WIC retailers to share information about infant formula stock with WIC to support a formula locator.

- Test and launch online shopping for infant formula for WIC participants. WIC participants may not currently use their benefits to purchase infant formula or other food items online. This can make it more challenging for families to find formula if their local stores are not carrying it. USDA will use up to \$50 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds to test and launch online shopping in WIC, with planning grants announced last month. USDA will also propose rulemaking to address regulatory barriers to online shopping and to expand the types of stores eligible to participate in the program. Online shopping will give WIC families more options. The Administration proposed to further expand online options in the President's 2023 Budget.

- Increase transparency and competition in WIC infant formula bids. To procure infant formula rebate contracts, WIC state agencies solicit bids from infant formula manufacturers to provide a rebate for infant formula. To ensure all manufacturers have the information they need to compete for state contracts and to support any new qualified companies in the market, this fall USDA will establish a dedicated webpage for state bid solicitations for infant formula, similar to actions called for by both Republicans and Democrats in Congress.

This announcement builds on numerous actions the Biden-Harris Administration has taken to address infant formula supply chain disruptions:

- Provided regulatory flexibility to enable safe, nutritious infant formula from overseas to be imported more easily to the U.S. market.
- Launched Operation Fly Formula to get imported formula to store shelves faster.
- Invoked the Defense Production Act to ensure domestic formula manufacturers have the ingredients they need to ramp up production.

These efforts have resulted in millions of additional bottle equivalents of infant formula being made available to American families. Cumulative sales of infant formula are up around 4 percent this year adjusting for projected increases in the number of births.

## LATE SEASON CORN FERTILIZER

Heavy rains have been falling in many areas in the month of July. This has many farmers wondering how much Nitrogen (N) is still available. Soluble N in the form of nitrate can be leached, some can runoff the surface, and other N can be lost by denitrification into the atmosphere. If corn is turning yellow, it can be nitrogen or sulfur (S) deficient or both. Many farmers are asking, is it too late to apply corn fertilizer?

Late season corn N applications have proven to be successful, but often requires specialized high clearance fertilizer equipment. Often, fungicides and micro-nutrient blends are also put on late, so adding some N fertilizer is an option. University of Missouri and Ohio State University research shows that urea and dribbling on 28% UAN can be applied late season. With the recent rains, most fields should have adequate moisture for the N to be used effectively. Some leaf burn may occur with broadcast urea, but yield damage is relatively slight.

How late can N be applied? Most research shows that N applied up to tasseling is quite effective, after tasseling; results are more variable. Corn takes up N much slower after tasseling as the corn goes from a vegetative stage to reproductive. Nitrogen is translocated from the stored N in the vegetation to make grain. Tissue tests are recommended to determine the rate of N needed. If for some reason, no N was applied, or a significant portion was lost; up to full rates of N can still be applied with good results.

Farmers are now using Y drops as a new way to apply late season N. The Y drop system applies liquid N to the base of the corn plant. Corn gets about 60% of its soil N within about 7 inches of the corn stalk. With Y drops, N can be applied right at the base of the plant so that about 80% of the corn roots are in the vicinity of applied N.

The Y drops increase N nutrient use efficiency. Farmers can apply the N in split applications to increase efficiency and also apply other nutrients or fungicides as needed. Most modern corn hybrids can now produce 1 bushel of corn using about 0.8 pounds of N per acre. With the high price of N fertilizer, increasing N nutrient use efficiency is needed to be profitable.

Corn nutrient uptake

curves show that about 75-80% of N is taken up by the corn plant by tasseling or pollination. For phosphorus (P), about 50-60%, for potassium or potash (K) 75%, and for sulfur (S) about 50-55% is taken up by tasseling or the start of the reproduction phase. For N and K, most nutrient uptake occurs before pollination and significant portions can be mobilized from existing plant vegetation during grain fill. For P and S, a significant portion is taken up after pollination and most is still coming from roots. Sulfur is needed in a 10:1 ratio of N to S for optimal protein synthesis. If many of these nutrients are lacking, corn still has time to take up the fertilizer. Again, moist soil is needed for adequate root absorption.

For calcium (Ca), about 80% is taken up before pollination. Boron (B) is needed to move calcium into the plant. Interestingly, only about 60% of B is taken up by tasseling. Calcium is second only to N in the total amount of nutrients needed for high production. Calcium activates many key enzymes, so keeping both Ca and B levels adequate is critical for excellent yields. Boron is often lacking and pint to a quart of liquid B per acre can improve calcium uptake.

For other micronutrients, about 50% of iron (Fe) and zinc (Zn), 40-45% of manganese (Mn), and 30% of copper (Cu) is taken up by tasseling. This means, that these nutrients can still be applied late with good results. Many fungicides contain at least one of these elements as a central part of their structure. Iron is needed to active an enzyme that makes chlorophyll, manganese is needed by crops to split the water molecule to make proteins. Zinc activates over 300 enzymes (some redundant) but Zn deficiency could account for up 10-30% corn yield losses. Copper is needed to make lignin, and is slowly mineralized (2 to 5 years) from soil organic matter. A lack of copper means corn stalks may be weaker and more likely to lodge. Overuse of glyphosate has caused many of these micronutrients to be plant unavailable. Promoting good soil health with cover crops (especially oats) and healthy soil microbes makes all these nutrients more crop available.

James J. Hoorman  
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## PC RETIRED TEACHERS HALL OF FAME BRUNCH

The Paulding County Retired Teachers' Association honored educators that retired in 2020, 2021, and 2022 with 25 or more years of service to the students of Paul-

ding County Schools.

A recognition brunch was held July 11th and each of the five inductees present received a certificate. Their names have been added to a plaque which is displayed along with other Hall of Fame plaques in the John Paulding

Historical Society Museum.

Those present to receive this honor at the Memories theme program are pictured above from left to right. They are Linda Mabis, Shelley Shinn, Pamela Moore, Jennifer Mohr, and Pat Miesle.

USDA continues to work closely with the Administration, HHS, and FDA to support families through this challenging time and to bring to a swift end to the infant formula shortage with a particular focus on the WIC program. USDA has:

- Worked with Congress to enact the bipartisan Access to Baby Formula Act, which gives the Secretary of Agriculture more tools and flexibilities for WIC to respond to infant formula supply chain disruptions and emergencies.
- Provided flexibility and temporarily increased the federal investment in the WIC program to ensure that participants can purchase a wider variety of formula with their WIC benefits.

Through these efforts, USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has worked to ensure WIC participants and stakeholders have the information they need to keep infants safe and to access formula. Following the Abbott plant closure, the agency immediately provided guidance to WIC state agencies and, within days, offered flexibilities including waivers to help them respond to the impacts of the recall. In the months since, FNS has been providing

ongoing assistance and support to help states put those flexibilities to best use and adapt to the rapidly-changing situation, approving nearly 500 waivers.

Since 1989, Congress has required WIC state agencies to operate a cost containment system for infant formula, which states are meeting through a competitive bidding process for formula contracts. Contracts are awarded to the manufacturer offering the highest discount on wholesale prices. This 1989 reform has resulted in billions of annual savings for WIC and allowed the program to provide necessary benefits to serve every eligible infant, child and pregnant, postpartum or breastfeeding women.

This 1989 cost containment reform helped ensure that every WIC-eligible family could access nutritious foods and infant formula they needed, and helped to modestly reduce market-wide concentration. Two companies have dominated the infant formula market since the 1950s, and in 1987, three companies controlled 99 percent (PDF, 581 KB) of the market—a more concentrated market than today in which four companies control 90

percent of the market. While the current system has allowed the program to serve eligible families in a cost-effective way, today's reforms are an important step towards building more resilience into the system, to protect the health and safety of American infants.

## FAITH-BASED LIFE TRANSFORMATION ORGANIZATION GETS A TRANSFORMATIVE DONATION

(NAPSI)—Offering residential and outreach programs to individuals, families, and communities dealing with homelessness, hunger, poverty, addiction, domestic violence, education, and human trafficking, one organization has exhibited inspirational Christian charity—and you can be a part of it, too.

### A Generous Donation

Veterans, youth, homeless people and others are the beneficiaries of a quarter-million dollar donation by entrepreneur and philanthropist Stephen J. Cloobek to the Los Angeles Dream Center. You don't have to give quite as much, but you can help increase godliness in the world with whatever amount you can spare.

Especially moved by the purpose-driven, results-oriented mission of the Center to achieve successful outcomes for people facing often insurmountable odds, explained Cloobek: "I was inspired to donate to Dream Center not only because of the Center's successful mission of helping people rebuild their lives, but because I also have overcome life challenges similar to many of the people who find themselves here. It is my hope that I can lead by example in both word and deed, and provide some measure of inspiration and financial support to truly deserving people."

### The Man Who Gave The Money

Cloobek is the current Chairman of the State of Nevada Athletic Commission and a self-made entrepreneur with more than 30 years' experience across every aspect of hospitality design, development, and deployment. As the founder and former CEO and Chairman of Diamond Resorts International—a business that grew to become the second-largest vacation-own-

ership company worldwide with more than four hundred properties across thirty-three countries in its portfolio—Cloobek made a name for himself as an advocate for radical customer service, what he calls embracing the "Meaning of Yes."

"As an entrepreneur and businessperson in a tough industry, I was used to overcoming difficult personal and professional challenges," said Cloobek. "But I am humbled by the inspiring stories I have heard of recovery and redemption through the Dream Center."

For his commitment to serving the hospitality industry and expanding its economic impact nationwide, Cloobek was appointed by former Commerce Secretary Gary Locke to serve as the inaugural chairman of the board in Brand USA Inc., a US government-formed nonprofit corporation with the sole mission of promoting travel to the United States. As Brand USA's leading voice, he coordinated with the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of State, the Department of Commerce, Congress, the White House and leading American businesses in a first-ever effort to efficiently, effectively, and economically make the United States a more welcoming and accessible international travel destination for millions of would-be visitors around the globe. Cloobek supports many charities and civic organizations, including the Prostate Cancer Foundation, FasterCures, Keep Memory Alive, the Barack Obama Foundation, the Brent Shapiro Foundation for Drug Prevention, the Nevada Community Foundation, and various educational initiatives. In personal efforts to assist Diamond Resorts team members dealing with unexpected life events, Cloobek founded the Diamond Resorts International Team Member Crisis Fund, now the Diamond Resorts International Foundation, an unprecedented initiative that continues to offer aid to Diamond team members

worldwide struggling with personal challenges.

Cloobek received a degree in psychobiology from Brandeis University in 1983, only to learn after graduation that he had been grappling with undiagnosed dyslexia all that time. He is the author of the 2018 book, "Checking In: Hospitality-Driven Thinking, Business, and You."

Practicing Christian Charity

The Dream Center was founded in 1994 by Pastor Tommy Barnett and his son, Matthew Barnett. Its mission is to transform lives and communities through Christ. It does this by connecting broken people to a community of support and providing free resources and services that address immediate and long-term needs in the areas of homelessness, hunger, poverty, addiction, abuse, education, and human trafficking. The Dream Center now serves some 40,000 people a month through various pro-

grams, and distributes 500,000 pounds of food and 15,000 articles of clothing every month to those in need.

"Thanks to Stephen's generous donation, the Dream Center will be able to continue to support our homeless families program, which provides the opportunity for struggling homeless families to gain support in spiritual, emotional, educational, financial, and vocational areas, while establishing stability and engaging in community. We are blessed," said Pastor Matthew Barnett.

### Anyone Can Get Help

The Dream Center welcomes those in need completely free of charge with the resources, training, and support they need, regardless of faith, age, gender, orientation, nationality, or any other defining factor.

### Learn More

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Correction  
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Plan Title: Improved Shopping Wheel Caster  
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Team Hunter Sherer, 12



Hunter Sherer

and Keigen Martz, 12  
Plan Title: New Spike Design for Cross-Country Shoes  
Award: STEM Commercialization Plan \$10,000 Scholarship

### STATE EV INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT PLAN

The Indiana Department of Transportation today announced a draft version of Indiana's Electric Vehicle (EV) Infrastructure Deployment Plan is available online for review and public comment.

The plan is required by National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program, part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed in November 2021. Through the NEVI program, Indiana will receive significant federal formula funding over five years to support the construction and operation of Direct-Current Fast Charging (DCFC) stations along alternative fuel corridors as designated by the Federal Highway Administration.

The intent of the NEVI program is to increase the availability of fast, reliable EV charging infrastructure across the country to reduce range anxiety and make EV ownership and operation more convenient.

Indiana's plan includes interstate agency coordination, public engagement, vision and goals, initial contracting and procurement guidance, existing and future conditions analysis, implementation considerations, cybersecurity planning, and civil rights and equity requirements.

The plan may be viewed online at <https://www.in.gov/>

indot/current-programs/innovative-programs/electric-vehicle-charging-infrastructure-network/ under the "Draft Deployment Plan" tab. Written public comment on the plan can be submitted online through the "Public Comment Form" tab and will be accepted through August 20, 2022.

INDOT must submit the plan to the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation for federal review by August 1, 2022. The Joint Office anticipates completing review of state plans by September 30, 2022. The plan will be updated annually over the life of the NEVI program.

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### AS GLOBE WARMS, INFECTED PINES STARVE AND DISEASE-CAUSING FUNGI THRIVE

The high heat and low water conditions produced by global warming weaken pine trees' resistance to disease by hindering their ability to mount an effective defense at the same time that pathogenic fungi in their tissues become

more aggressive, new research suggests.

The study is the first to simultaneously examine metabolic gene expression in both host trees and the pathogens attacking them under normal and climate-change conditions. The findings help explain the mechanisms behind what has become a well-known fact: The warming world makes trees more susceptible to disease.

The study was conducted on Austrian pines, which are native to southern Europe and used ornamentally in the United States. Researchers tested climate change conditions' effects on the trees after infection by two related fungi that have killed large swaths of these pines over time.

"We decided to study the effects of the combined stresses of higher temperatures and lower water availability because that's what trees will experience in the future," said senior author Enrico Bonello, professor in The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

"Within three days of infection under climate-change conditions, the tree was pulled in two different directions: It was deprived of carbon by both reduced photosynthesis and enhanced acquisition of the carbon by the fungi," said Bonello, who is a professor of molecular and chemical ecology of trees in the CFAES Department of Plant Pathology. "When we're talking about carbon, we're talking about sugars, food and reserves for all other metabolic processes in the trees, including growth and defense."

The research was published recently in the journal *Frontiers in Forests and Global Change*.

Carbon sequestration by the world's forests is a major mitigator of climate change's effects, and could be accelerated if improvements are made to their protection, management and restoration, experts say. In a 2021 study of U.S. forest plots, scientists estimated recent disease and insect disturbances had lowered carbon

sequestration rates by 28% and 69%, respectively, from 2001-2019 compared to undisturbed forests.

"This is another reason to combat global warming induced by human activities – another piece of evidence that what we are doing to the planet has so many implications," Bonello said.

He and colleagues exposed 3-year-old Austrian pines to two sets of conditions: daily temperatures ranging from 59 to 82.4 degrees Fahrenheit for the control or, to mimic climate change conditions, daily temperatures of 68 to 91.4 degrees Fahrenheit, which reduced the amount of water in the atmosphere compared to available water in the cooler temperatures. After trees got accustomed to their conditions, they were inoculated with one of two strains of the pathogenic fungus.

Diplodia sapinea, an aggressive fungus, and its less-aggressive relative *Diplodia scrobiculata* are found in both the Northern and Southern hemispheres. They remain dormant much of the time, waiting for the best opportunity to kill host cells and feed on the dead plant material – usually when their host is weakened. In addition to killing Austrian pines, the fungi have also begun damaging Scots pines in Scandinavia. "The hypothesis is that the warming and lower water availability in those areas is making trees more susceptible to a pathogen that would normally sit in the background," Bonello said.

Three days after infection, the team collected plant and pathogen tissue that was used for an RNA sequencing analysis to identify gene activation, or expression, pattern changes in the trees and both strains of the fungi.

The analysis showed a fundamental change in the trees exposed to the climate-change conditions: Their capacity to carry out photosynthesis decreased, meaning they had fewer resources to invest in their own food supply, growth and defense against disease. At the same time, both strains of the fungus ramped up their carbon utilization machinery, and the usual difference between their aggressiveness disappeared – they became significantly more pathogenic, and to the same extent, than under normal conditions.

"Essentially, climate change conditions led the host to starvation, which is compounded by the fact that the fungi became more aggressive, grew faster and killed more host tissue faster," Bonello said. "These were early responses, but it gives us an idea of what's happening in the system."

While these results are one example of one tree species and one type of pathogen, the research offers insights into how much damage global warming may do to one of the planet's main carbon sinks.

"Pathogen and pest invasions are already having an effect on carbon sequestration," Bonello said. "If you make it even worse with climate change, carbon sequestration will be affected negatively because trees will die in ever larger numbers. Trees that might otherwise survive adverse environmental conditions for a while, and recover if conditions become better or intermittent, may be killed by pathogens in the meantime."

## THE LEFT TURN



Devin Moran, UMP Late Model National winner at Oakshade Raceway. Photo Credit Charlie Orns

By: Ron Burt

Hail to the King! Last week 410 Sprint Car and World of Outlaw driver Brent Marks won the prestigious Kings Royal at Eldora. Two nights before, he won the Historical Big 1 at the same track. Both victories earned him \$275,000.00 The sweep puts him in rare company to become only the eighth drive to accomplish this. He put the Sprint Car world on notice the night of the Historical Big1, that he would be the driver to beat during the week. The week started off with the \$10,000.00 to win Jokers Wild on Wednesday. This feature event went to Watertown CT. negative David Gravel, who had a dry spell from victory lane of 110 days and 26 consecutive losses. It was a flag-to-flag win and his 4th career victory at the Big E. Carson Macedo of Lemoore, CA came in 2nd and six-time World of Outlaw winner Brian Brown of Higginsville, MO finished 3rd. The next race up was the Historical Big 1, Brent Marks of Myerstown, PA earned the richest win of his World of Outlaws Sprint Car Series career, scoring \$100,000 for rocketing from 14th-to-1st by lap 15. Finishing second and third as the most dejected individuals on the night was Tyler Courtney and Rico Abreu who both challenged Marks during the 40-lap feature. In contrast to Thursday's win from 14th, Brent Marks won Saturday's 40-lap grand finale from the sixth spot. Marks had driven forward to third by Lap 3, worked into second around Kerry Madsen on Lap 8, and then drove by Brian Brown to assume command on Lap 22 of the feature event. He then held off late charges by Carson Macedo and Donny Schatz to score the biggest win of his life. Finishing behind Marks was Donny Schatz, Carson Macedo, Logan Schuchart and Kyle Larson. In a fitting traditional ceremony, King Jac XV returned to Eldora as the Royal Sovereign and officially crowned him "King Brent the 39th."

In Wauseon Ohio, Oakshade Raceway hosted a UMP Dirt Late Model and UMP Modified Summer National, attracting drivers from several states and Canada. In the Late Model feature, a late-race caution set up an exciting finish as Devin Moran outduelled Oakshade regular and six-time track champion Rusty Schlenk at the 24th annual Birthday Race Saturday night at Oakshade Raceway in the annual stop for both divisions. Colin Shipley started on the pole and led the first five laps before being overtaken by Moran, who charged forward from the third spot. Moran held off the field for multiple restarts. The car of Brad Eitner went over the nose of Rob Anderzack and ended upside down, which brought out the red flag. Schlenk was able to move to second once the race restarted. Current Summer Nationals point leader Bobby Pierce had an outstanding move to shoot the gap between Payton Freeman and Devin Shiels to move to third on the restart. Pierce ended third, with Freeman and Shiels rounding out the top five. Devin Moran took home \$10,000, and joined his father, Donnie, as the second father and son winners of the Oakshade birthday race. In the 25-lap Summer National modified feature, Chad Bauer and Brian Ruhlman put on a show over the final five laps with Bauer besting the former Oakshade late model track champion for the win.

The Supermodifieds took to the asphalt high banks of Berlin Speedways big 7/16 mile and didn't disappoint to race fans in the two-night, co-sanctioned event with the MSS and IMSA Modifieds. Bartlett, Tennessee driver Kyle Edwards, took the checker in Friday's feature with Trent Stephens, and AJ Lesiecki behind him. The 60-lap feature on Saturday night went to Mike Ordway who also set a new track record for the speedway at 13.021. He recently set the track record at Oswego NY on July 9th. Finishing behind the winner on Saturday was Trent Stephens and Kyle Edwards.

USAC Indiana Sprint Week, starts this week and I will have coverage here. For more racing information and track updates visit the Ohio Sports Blitz on Facebook. I can be reached at [ohiosportsblitz@yahoo.com](mailto:ohiosportsblitz@yahoo.com). Until next week, keep your tires down. Ron out!



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## 8U & 10U ALL-STAR SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT IN WOODBURN



8U All-Stars — winners: Fairview and Runner-Up: Antwerp



10U All-Stars — winners: Monroeville and Runner-Up: Woodburn

This past weekend Woodburn Youth League hosted an 8U and 10U softball Allstar tournament for some local summer softball action. In the 8U division, Fairview played Antwerp in the championship game. Fairview

dug out a win. In 10U division, Monroeville took the mound against Woodburn for the championship. Monroeville took the win, giving Runner-Up to Woodburn.

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### STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE CERTIFICATION FOR THE 2022 GENERAL ELECTION ANNOUNCED

The Ohio Secretary of State's office announced the results of independent candidate certifications for the November 8, 2022 General Election. In all, four candidates filed to run as independent candidates statewide in the fall.

To avoid any potential conflict, all decisions in the independent candidate certification process concerning the Ohio Secretary of State race were officially and formally delegated to Assistant Secretary of State Kimberly Burns, as Secretary Frank LaRose will also appear on the November ballot.

Under Ohio law, candidates wishing to run as an independent are required to obtain 5,000 valid signatures from registered Ohio voters. For the 2022 General Election, the nominating petitions were required to be filed with the Ohio Secretary of State by May 2 and were then distributed to the 88 boards of elections for signature verification. The deadline for the county boards to certify the validity of petition signatures was July 5.

Subject to protest under the timeline and process permitted by state law, the following candidate will appear as an unaffiliated candidate on the General Election ballot:

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The following candidates will not appear as unaffiliated candidates on the General Election ballot:

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- Kelli Prather - United States Senate

### PAULDING COUNTY GRAND JURY

Paulding County Prosecuting Attorney Joseph R. Burkard announced that the Paulding County Grand Jury indicted (15) persons on Thursday, July 14, 2022

**Marci E. Goings** (8/14/89), Latty, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**Kory R. Powelson** (6/29/91), New Haven, IN; Theft, F5

**Scott Russell Haney** (5/18/82), Paulding, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F2

**Joseph M. Thomas** (1/17/91), Defiance, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5; Violating a Protection Order, M1; Domestic Violence, M1

**Leneal M. Whitehead** (12/31/91), West Bloomfield, MI; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**Ashley LaCombe** (3/7/87), Petersburg, MI; Nonsupport of Dependents (3 counts), F5

**Tony L. Stephey**

(12/15/80), Oakwood, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**Kobe B. Cutlip** (6/8/04), Melrose, OH; Grand Theft of a Motor Vehicle, F4

**Angela K. Lands** (9/6/83), Defiance, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**Matthew T. White** (5/31/83), Defiance, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**Alicia F. Larson** (12/28/82), Antwerp, OH; Aggravated Possession of Drugs, F5

**David O. Bidlack** (8/24/90), Bryan, OH; Grand Theft of a Motor Vehicle, F4; Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle, F4

**Sarah E. Hodson** (4/4/83), Failure to Appear as Required by Recognizance, F4

**Jay A. Watson** (4/3/67), Paulding, OH; 45879, Gross Sexual Imposition (4 counts), F3; Rape, F1

**Brandon Michael Cooper** (4/24/97), Oakwood, OH; Failure to Appear as Required by Recognizance, F4

### WOODBURN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 7/5/22

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

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

Mayor's Report: The mayor received an estimate to maintain the streetscape on Main Street for \$3,890 annually, with a three year commitment, from JP Landscaping. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to proceed with the estimate from JP Landscaping, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the June 20th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the June 20th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. A change order related to the Mainstreet Project was presented for consideration. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to approve Change Order # 1 to API, which results in the additional payment of \$30,387.55, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. A third and final invoice to be paid to API Construction for the Mainstreet Streetscape Phase II project was presented in the amount of \$258,734.50 to API with another \$13,617.20 to be paid to the city escrow account as retainage as well as an additional \$9.00 for fees associated with the escrow account. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to proceed as proposed, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. If the work is accomplished to the Council's liking, the Clerk-Treasurer then asked if they would approve the release of retained funds for the project to API in the amount of \$32,156.33. This may take a few more days as the last retainage amount will need to be deposited first, with the full amount paid as a check to API, and then the escrow account will be closed. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to release the retained funds for the Mainstreet Streetscape Phase II Project in the amount of \$32,156.33, second by Councilman Watts, all present in favor.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Thompson reminded Council about the benefit on July 17th for the Jackson family. Audience: Chris and his associates provided information about potential services of grant writing that they can facilitate on behalf of the city. A resident came to discuss an issue with his utility bill. It was determined that the resident was having issues with his water softener, and that this

water was not treated, but had generated a massive utility bill. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to modify all affected utility bills to reflect the average sewer consumption on the account, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. A resident inquired as to the status of the sign on the City Hall building and wanted to know if it were possible to relocate it to the other side of the building and use it for events at the Community Center. The Council seemed receptive to this proposal. A resident asked questions about how access to fiber internet would be beneficial to businesses within the City limits.

Councilman Watts moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Thompson, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm.

Go to [www.cityofwoodburn.org](http://www.cityofwoodburn.org) to see previously approved minutes and recent community news.

### LACK OF ACTION ON INFLATION CONTINUES TO IMPACT OHIO NEW BUSINESS GROWTH

Ohio Secretary of State Frank LaRose announced 14,589 new business filings in June 2022, a 16% decrease from June 2021. This is the third consecutive month in which the number of new businesses was fewer than the previous year.

Nearly six in 10 U.S. workers say their paycheck is not enough to support them or their families, much less allowing them to invest in starting a new business. The chilling effect inflation has on business creation is measurable in June's new business filing numbers, delaying many families from attaining their American dream.

"The gravity of higher costs continues its impact on Ohio's entrepreneurs," said LaRose. "As inflation grows unabated, our leaders in Washington continue sitting on their hands. Ohio's job creators deserve better."

Through streamlining certifications for minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses and modernizing the process for limited liability companies (LLCs) to incorporate in Ohio, Secretary LaRose continues to tear down barriers to business creation in Ohio.

Over the past three years, Secretary LaRose has also expanded the Ohio Business Resource Connection, a compilation of private and public resources available to assist businesses at [OhioSoS.gov/BusinessResources](http://OhioSoS.gov/BusinessResources). The Secretary has held dozens of roundtables throughout the state with community, legislative and business leaders to spread the word about the resources available for entrepreneurs looking to start or grow a businesses.

#### QUICK FACTS:

- 14,589 new business filings were reported in June 2022, a 16% decrease from June 2021.
- 95,069 new businesses have been created in 2022 so far, averaging 15,844 per month.
- 2019, 2020, and 2021 were all record-setting years in Ohio for new business creation. In 2021, Ohio surpassed the annual filing record with 197,010 new business filings.
- Ohio entrepreneurs can visit [OhioSoS.gov/BusinessResources](http://OhioSoS.gov/BusinessResources) to discover the array of opportunities available to them that can help them start and grow their business.

### HIGHWAY PATROL INVESTIGATING TRAIN CRASH

The Defiance Post of Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a minor injury train crash that occurred on July 21, 2022, at approximately 1:30 P.M. The crash occurred on

County Road 15 north of County Road M in Jefferson Township, Williams County.

Thomas N. Traxler, age 73, of Pioneer, Ohio, was operating a 2013 Ford F150 southbound on County Road 15 north of County Road M. Mr. Traxler then proceeded to drive across a set of railroad tracks when he was struck by a railcar being pushed by a Norfolk Southern train engine. Mr. Traxler was treated on scene with only minor injuries. There were no injuries reported from the railroad employees.

Alcohol and drug impairment is not suspected and a safety belt was found to be in use at the time of the crash. The railroad crossing warning lights and gates were found to be in proper working order at the time of the crash.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by Williams County EMS, Williams County Sheriff's Office, Norfolk Southern, and John's Towing. The crash remains under investigation.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol reminds motorists to stop and remain stopped for railroad crossing lights and gates. The Patrol also reminds motorists to always wear safety belts and to never drive distracted.

### HIGHWAY PATROL INVESTIGATING FATAL CRASH ON INTERSTATE 75

The Lima Post of Ohio State Highway Patrol is investigating a fatal crash that occurred on July 17, 2022, at approximately 12:48 P.M. The crash occurred on Interstate 75 near mile post 127 in Bath Township, Allen County.

Saul Palacios, age 53, of Avon Park, Florida, was op-

erating a 2015 Harley Davidson southbound on Interstate 75. Mr. Palacios lost control of his motorcycle and struck a guardrail. Mr. Palacios and a passenger, Reina Palacios, age 56, of Avon Park, Florida were thrown from the motorcycle. Mr. Palacios succumbed to his injuries on scene. Ms. Palacios was transported to the Lima Memorial Hospital in critical condition. Both occupants were wearing helmets at the time of the crash.

The Highway Patrol was assisted on scene by the Bath Township Fire and EMS, Allen County Coroner's Office, H&H Funeral Services and Able Wrecker Service. The crash remains under investigation.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol reminds motorists to operate all vehicles in a safe manner and never drive distracted or impaired.



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### ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

**THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY: THE ANTWERP EXCHANGE BANK COMPANY, Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**SHARON ANN FRY AKA SHARON FRY, ET AL,**

**Defendants,**

Case No. CI 21 122.

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

**104 West Woodcox Street, Antwerp  
Parcel Number: 12-04S-050-00**

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

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

Said premises appraised at Thirty-nine Thousand and No/100 (\$39,000.00) Dollars and cannot be sold for less than two-thirds of that amount on the first sale date.

The first sale date will be on the August 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. All bidders must be registered with RealAuction for on-line bidding at:

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

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

In the event this property does not sell on the above date, a second on-line auction will be held on September 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. However, the purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers

Paulding County, Ohio

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Brian S. Gorrell, Attorney for Plaintiff

### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

LOU ANN WANNEMACHER, PAULDING COUNTY TREASURER Plaintiff,

vs.

JESUS ORONA, EL.AL. DEFENDANTS,

Case No. CI-22-105  
Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

TO: Jesus Orona; Eva Orona; Nations Credit Home Equity Services Corp.

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 302 E. Harmon Street, Oakwood, Ohio; 405 West Loop 620 South, Fort Worth, TX 76108

Please take notice that a complaint has been filed in the above-captioned action against Jesus Orona and Eva Orona seeking a foreclosure of tax liens and a public sale of real property owned by Jesus Orona and Eva Orona to pay delinquent real estate taxes owed on said real estate recorded in Volume 534 Page 1661 of the Paulding County Records. Defendant, Nations Credit Home Equity Services, Corp. has been named as a lien holder to the property.

The real property in question is situated as follows:

Situated in the Village of Oakwood, County of Paulding and State of Ohio: Commencing at the North side of Harmon Street and being Seventy-six (76) feet East of the intersection of Harmon and Third Streets on said North side of Harmon Street; thence North One Hundred and thirty-two (132) feet; thence East Sixty-four (64) feet; thence South One Hundred and

Ann Pease, Clerk  
Court of Common Pleas  
Paulding, County, Ohio

By:   
Deputy

Respectively submitted,

  
Joseph R. Burkard, (#0059106)  
Paulding County, Ohio  
Prosecuting Attorney  
120 S. Walnut Street  
Paulding, Ohio 45879  
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## HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE FOR WEEK OF JULY 25, 2022

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Defiance, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert Counties. All outlined work is weather permitting.

### Defiance County: U.S. 24 PROJECTS

U.S. 24 westbound exit ramp to Baltimore Street in the city of Defiance closed on April 27 for approximately 90 days to reconstruct the embankment. Visit the project webpage.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Reopening is delayed until mid-to-late August, due to weather delays during the beginning of the project.

Detour: U.S. 127 to U.S. 24 eastbound back to Baltimore Street.

U.S. 24 in both directions between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance will have the left/passing lane closed for pavement repairs.

### U.S. 127 PROJECTS

U.S. 127 between Baker Road and Buckskin Road, approximately two miles north of the village of Sherwood is open following a bridge deck repair.

State Route 18/State Route 281, at the railroad crossing on the east side of the city of Defiance, will close on Wednesday, July 27, for approximately eight days for railroad repairs.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: SR 281 to U.S. 24 to SR 108 back to SR 18 (see map).

State Route 66 between the city of Defiance and the Williams County line will have lane restrictions for a resurfacing project.

State Route 249 between the village of Ney and the Indiana state line will be restricted to one lane for chip seal operations.

### Paulding County U.S. 24 PROJECTS

U.S. 24 in both directions between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance, the left/passing lane will be closed for pavement repairs.

U.S. 24 westbound, ap-

proximately one mile east of the U.S. 127 interchange and the village of Cecil, the driving/right lane is closed due to a slide. Work on this project is set to begin Monday, July 25. Visit the project page for more information about slide projects in Paulding County.

State Route 500 between the Indiana state line and State Route 111 in the village of Paulding will have lane restrictions to remove reflective pavement markers in preparation for chip seal operations.

### Putnam County

State Route 65, near the Henry County line, between County Road A and County Road B will close on Monday, July 25, for approximately three days for pavement repairs.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: SR 613 to SR 235 to SR 18 back to SR 65

County Road 19 on the north side of State Route 613 will close on Monday, July 18, for approximately five days for a culvert replacement. Reopening is expected on Friday, July 22.

### Van Wert County

#### U.S.30 PROJECTS

U.S. 30 eastbound between State Route 49/Convoy Heller Road and Lincoln Highway, over Hagerman Creek, is restricted to the right/driving lane until early August for bridge repairs.

#### U.S. 33 PROJECTS

U.S. Route 33, just south-east of the village of Willshire, will be restricted to one 10-foot lane beginning July 25 for approximately five weeks for a project to repair a culvert. Traffic will be maintained utilizing a temporary traffic signal.

U.S. 127/U.S. 224 ROUNDBOUT AND BRIDGE PROJECT

U.S. 127, U.S. 224, and Marsh Road 224 closed on June 1 for approximately 60 days to construct a roundabout at the intersection.

U.S. 127, just south of County Line Road, five miles north of the roundabout closed on June 1 for a bridge deck replacement.

Visit the project webpage for more information.

### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

• Mendon Road at U.S. 30 and Boroff Road at U.S. 30 are restricted to right in and right out for the duration of the detour for the project.

• U.S. 127 Detour: SR 114 to SR 49 to U.S. 30 back to U.S. 127.

• U.S. 224 Detour: SR 66 to U.S. 30 back to U.S. 224 (see map).

State Route 49 between Wren-Landeck Road and Sheets Road over Twenty-seven Mile Creek, south of the village of Wren, closed on April 11 for approximately 120 days to replace the bridge.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: U.S. 33 to Indiana Route 101 to U.S. 24 back to State Route 49.

State Route 116 between State Road and Wren-Landeck Road closed on June 28 for approximately 45 days for a culvert replacement.

### TRAFFIC IMPACT

Detour: U.S. 127 to SR 709 back to SR 116  
Grill Road/Kear Road/Bonnewitz Avenue between John Brown and Washington Street in the city of Van Wert will have traffic impacts through October for a project which includes sanitary line replacement, resurfacing, and shoulder widening.

### TRAFFIC IMPACTS

• Phase one work is com-

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plete. Phase two widening work is expected to begin in mid-August.

### DISTRICTWIDE LIGHT- ING UPGRADE PROJECT

U.S. 23, U.S. 30, State Route 15 -- will have temporary lane or shoulder closures for highway lighting upgrades. High-pressure sodium fixtures (HPS) will be replaced with light-emitting diode (LED) luminaires. Lighting will be added at 12 locations where drivers make key decisions. Nonessential lighting will be removed. Temporary lane or shoulder restrictions may occur. Visit the project webpage for more information.

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### PREMIER FINANCIAL CORP. NAMED TO 2021 KBW BANK HONOR ROLL AND TO HOVDE GROUP'S HIGH PERFORM- ERS CLASS

Premier Financial Corp., holding company for Premier Bank and First Insurance Group, has been named to the 2021 KBW Bank Honor Roll: Guardians of Growth in Uncertain Times published by Keefe Bruyette & Woods (KBW), which highlights banks that consistently deliver exceptional growth per share over the past 10 years. This is the 8th consecutive year Premier Financial Corp. has been named to this list of banking institutions.

To be eligible for the KBW Bank Honor Roll, banks with more than \$500 million in total assets must have reported consecutive increases in annual earnings per share over the past decade. Premier Financial Corp. is one of 16 banking institutions, just 4% of all banks screened, that met KBW's criteria for inclusion in the 2021 Bank Honor Roll.

Premier Financial Corp. has also been named to the Hovde Group's High Performers Class of 2021. This listing recognizes smaller community banks that the Hovde Group, a leading provider of advisory services to the financial services sector, identifies as performing at the top of the industry from a financial perspective.

To be admitted to the High Performer class, companies

needed to have a market cap below \$1.0 billion at the end of the year and operate with above-average banking fundamentals. To be included in the High Performer class each bank needs to be above median in areas such as pre-provision ROA, both loan and deposit growth, credit and year-over-year tangible book value per share increases. Against industry medians, banks needed to out-perform in at least four of the five metrics. Efficiency ratio, EPS growth, and FTE productivity in our selection process was also considered.

"We are honored to be recognized for our consistently strong performance by our inclusion on the KBW Bank Honor Roll and the Hovde Group's High Performers Class of 2021," said Gary Small, President and CEO, Premier Financial Corp. "Being named by KBW as a member of this prestigious group of community banks for the 8th year and by Hovde Group reflects the dedication of our associates and their commitment to all of our stakeholders to provide the best in community banking."

About Premier Financial Corp.

Premier Financial Corp. (Nasdaq: PFC), headquartered in Defiance, Ohio, is the holding company for Premier Bank and First Insurance Group. Premier Bank, headquartered in Youngstown, Ohio, operates 75 branches and 12 loan offices in Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Pennsylvania and West Virginia (West Virginia office operates as Home Savings Bank) and serves clients

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### PREMIER BANK WELCOMES CHUCK LORENZ AS DIREC- TOR OF DIGITAL TECHNOL- OGY

Premier Bank is pleased to announce the addition of Chuck Lorenz as Senior Vice President, Director of Digital Technology.

Lorenz brings with him over 26 years of industry experience in technology with his most recent 15 years coming from various positions at M&T Bank in Buffalo, NY. While at M&T, he led the online and mobile banking teams over several years through multiple platform conversions. His experience also includes directing teams in digital imaging, collateral management, financial and corporate systems, human resources, information security, fraud detection and interdiction.

"We are thrilled to add Chuck to our growing team of professionals at Premier. He is aware of the requirements necessary and prepared to do what it takes to provide our clients with a premier mobile and online banking experience," said Varun Chandhok, Executive Vice President, Chief Information & Operations Officer, Premier Bank.

In his new role as Director of Digital Technology at Premier Bank, Lorenz will lead the organization's Digital Technology space, working closely with various lines of business to better deliver digital capabilities and solutions to the Bank's customers across all business segments.

"I am looking forward to helping the Premier Bank team implement technology

### Sudoku solution from page 9

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5	3	1	9	8	4	7	6	2

strategies that will give our customers a great mobile and online experience," explained Lorenz. "My team and I will work to ensure Premier Bank is employing the highest quality and most secure digital banking technologies available."

Lorenz earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from State University of New York at Oswego. He has continued his education, completing various vendor specific training and certifications including agile practices. He has also completed the certification to become a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE). In his free time, Lorenz enjoys volunteering at the Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center and the Aquarium of Niagara. He currently resides in Lancaster, NY with his wife, Christine and their children, Lara, George, Victoria and Alexander.



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**Desirable Qualifications:** Current certification as RNFA, Current certification as CNOR, Current licensure as CRNA

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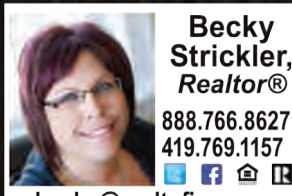
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## ANTWERP'S DAY IN THE PARK GETTING CLOSE!



Deadlines have come and gone, food vendors, craft vendors and direct sales vendors, business vendors are all signed up and ready for 2022 Day in the Park - Island Vibes! on August 13th. 50/50 tickets are printed, silent auction items are being donated, and Cutie Pie submissions are being received daily! Antwerp Chamber met in their regular meeting on Wednesday, July 20th to finalize all plans for Day in the Park. Gem of the Year was decided (look for their feature in an upcoming issue!)

Along with the craft and direct sales vendors, this year Day in the Park is offering something new for attendees of Day in the Park — Young Makers' Market. This new category is for the young entrepreneurs in our midst (children and youth up thru high school) who want to exhibit their wares to the public. If you are a young entrepreneur, contact Mike Schneider at 419-506-1035 to reserve your space for August 13th. Keep a look out for the updated Vendor Form on [antwerpchamber.com](http://antwerpchamber.com) or

Antwerp chamber of commerce Facebook page.

Don't forget about the Parade! This year's theme is Island Vibes. Think "6 Days, 7 Nights", "Castaway", "Gilligan's Island", "Lost", "The Rock", "Big Hero 6", "Jurassic Park" ... you get the idea. We want to see some creative ideas about Islands for the parade. Contact Audrey Feasby at 419-506-0030 to register for this year's parade.

There is still time if you are a Direct Sales vendor, a crafter, business organization, or food vendor and would like to set up at the 2022 Day in the Park. Contact the Antwerp Chamber of Commerce at [antwerpchamber@gmail.com](mailto:antwerpchamber@gmail.com) or send a message on Chamber facebook page.

### VETERANS NATIONAL MEMORIAL SHRINE AND MUSEUM TO HOST NATIONAL KOREAN WAR VETERANS

On Wednesday, July 27th the Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum will host a Korean War Veterans

Armistice Day Ceremony from 11am to 1pm at the Shrine Pavilion located at 2122 O'Day Road. Korean War Veterans and their families are invited to attend. There will be a ceremony honoring Korean Veterans in attendance. Antoinette Lee will be the featured speaker at the event. Snacks and refreshments will be served.

This year marks the 69th Anniversary to the end of the Korean War. The war began in June of 1950 when communist North Korea invaded South Korea. After three years of fierce fighting, an armistice was signed and a new border between North and South Korea known as the demilitarized zone was established. The war cost the lives of millions of Koreans and Chinese, as well as 50,000 Americans.

The Veterans National Memorial Shrine and Museum is open Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 11 am to 4 pm. Memorial grounds are open 24/7. Admission is free. Donations are always accepted. The public is invited to attend. Visit our website at [honoring-forever.org](http://honoring-forever.org)

### WHEN DEALING WITH DIABETES, SEE THE DOCTOR ABOUT YOUR EYES

(NAPSI)—According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, more than one in 10 Americans can expect to be diagnosed with diabetes. If you or someone you care about is ever among them, you may be surprised to learn that one of the most important ways your doctor can help detect the condition is with an eye exam.

The Problem That's because a serious

complication of diabetes is diabetic retinopathy. The disease causes damage to the blood vessels in the back of the eye. It can affect up to 80 percent of patients living with diabetes and is the leading cause of blindness amongst working age adults. It can affect up to 80 percent of people with diabetes. Diabetic retinopathy has no early warning signs, and symptoms such as blurred vision do not occur until diabetic retinopathy is in an advanced state.

#### What Can Be Done

Fortunately, early detection and timely treatment can reduce the risk of vision loss due to diabetic retinopathy by 95%. Primary Care physicians now have access to a simple and affordable solution called the Welch Allyn® RetinaVue® Care delivery model, available from Henry Schein. The RetinaVue care delivery model is a turnkey solution that consists of three core components, including the RetinaVue 700 Imager, RetinaVue Network software for secure transfer of patient images and Professional Medical Services to analyze and diagnose patient images and networks the doctors already have. The imager's ease of use and lightweight, portable design make it well-suited for use across clinics, at the bedside or even in the home. In a fast and non-invasive procedure, your primary care physician can take a photo of your retina and send it to an ophthalmologist to analyze the blood vessels there. Thanks to this technology, you won't even need to leave the doctor's office and may not need to make another appointment with the ophthalmologist, although doctors do recommend that anyone living with diabetes get

## THREE PAULDING COUNTY 4-H HORSE STUDENTS COMPETE AT STATE FAIR



Paulding County sent three area girls to the Ohio StateFair to ride on July 19 & 20th.

All three girls qualified with their horses at the Paulding County PAS show during

the fair. Pictured here are Delaney Johannis (Paulding Middle School), Ally Jo Merriman (Paulding High School) and Beth Miller (Wayne Trace High School).

an annual retinal exam.

#### What Else You Can Do

Managing your diabetes is the best way to lower your risk of diabetic retinopathy, advises the National Institutes of Health. That means keeping your blood sugar levels in a healthy range. You can do this by:

- Getting regular physical activity,
- Eating healthy
- Carefully following your doctor's instructions about taking insulin or other diabetes medicines.

Treatments include injections of drugs that can slow or

even reverse the damage; laser treatment to shrink retinal blood vessels; and a type of eye surgery called vitrectomy that replaces the vitreous humor with another clear fluid.

#### Learn More

For further facts on diabetic retinopathy, you can visit the National Institutes of Health at [www.nei.nih.gov/learn-about-eye-health/eye-conditions-and-diseases/diabetic-retinopathy](http://www.nei.nih.gov/learn-about-eye-health/eye-conditions-and-diseases/diabetic-retinopathy). Doctors and patients can find more information on the RetinaVue care delivery model at [www.retinavue.com](http://www.retinavue.com).

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