

PC VISION BOARD PROCURES \$148,000 FOR COUNTY



Pictured above is the playground installed at Grover Hill's Welcome Park.

The Paulding County Vision Board is a 501c3 Non-profit organization comprised of local representatives from each village and township in Paulding County, as well as the Paulding County Area Foundation, Paulding County Chamber of Commerce, Paulding County Economic Development, Paulding County Commissioners, Paulding County Parks Board and several at large members who all worked collaboratively to improve Paulding County. Together they put together a grant application for the Capital Budget Grant which would help fund multiple projects throughout the county.

Through this process the Vision Board was able to secure \$89,500 in grant dollars to support three separate projects. This round of funding is a 50% matching grant, which means that each of three projects supported under this grant will need to raise the other half of the funds themselves, essentially another \$89,500, making the grand total of \$179,000 in funds to be invested.

\$50,000- Lela McGuire Jeffery Park

The Village of Paulding received \$50,000 for the construction of a playground at Lela McGuire Jeffery Park. Another \$25,000 has been

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ANTWERP CHAMBER SPONSORS BUSINESS CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

Christmas Cheer is coming to the village of Antwerp this holiday season! The Antwerp Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Business Christmas Lighting Contest. Chamber members may enter the contest to be named Cheermeister & get bragging rights with the Major Award to display throughout the holiday season.

Businesses — decorate your store fronts, front lawns, or front windows and let the contest begin!

Registration is available by emailing the Chamber at antwerpchamber@gmail.com or send a message through Antwerp Chamber of Commerce Facebook page or see Sue Fowler or Angel Steiner. Business must be registered by November 25th to make it on the voting ballot.

Decorations must be displayed by December 1st.

Village residents — it's YOUR job to vote on the best lighting display in the Village. Voting will take place at the library and will be open from December 1-14. Winner will be announced on December 15th.

Last year, Small Town Bliss was the inaugural winner of the coveted "Major Award" Leg Lamp. Who will win this year? Businesses: get your thinking caps on and be ready to decorate and "WOW" the village residents, visitors and people passing through!

Antwerp Branch Library Hours are the following:

Monday & Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

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For more information, please email antwerpchamber@gmail.com

JPHS FESTIVAL OF TREES CONCLUDED SATURDAY



Display JPHS trees: A young visitor is mesmerized by an animated display at the John Paulding Historical Society Festival of Trees in Paulding. There's plenty for kids of all ages to see and do at the festival, open daily through Saturday.

The annual Festival of Trees at John Paulding Historical Society had a successful run with hundreds of visitors enjoying holiday decorations, live entertainment, meals and activities.

There were more than 70 decorated trees, nativity scenes and an incredible array of holiday decorations old and new in three buildings. Four large model train

layouts in Barn 1 and Barn 2 and a pedal tractor display.

Visitors had the opportunity to add an ornament to the Memory Tree, bid on more than 80 items in the silent auction, take a photo at the two photo booths and buy a raffle ticket for the OSU Raffle. Kids can try the Mouse Hunt. Don't forget to sign Christmas cards for U.S.

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NW OHIO COMMUNITIES RECEIVE \$107 MILLION IN FINANCING FROM OHIO EPA

Communities in Northwest Ohio are receiving approximately \$107 million in low-interest rate and principal

forgiveness funding from Ohio EPA to improve wastewater and drinking water infrastructure and make other water quality improvements. Funding infrastructure projects and improving water

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Community Calendar

MON & WED

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

November 15

- PC Library Board meeting, Conference Rm., 5:30pm

November 16

- WBESC Board meeting, Paulding, 5:30p

November 17

- NH Chamber Meet Me @ 5pm
- Buckeye Bash @ Willow Bend Country Club, VW, 5:30pm

November 18

- Coffee w/Craig Riedel @ Cabin Fever, Defiance, 9-11a

November 18-20

- Fiddler on the Roof Jr @ Hicksville MS

November 19

- Food Distribution @ Cecil Comm. Church, 12-3pm

November 20

- Ham & Turkey Dinner @ St. Louis Parish Hall, 11a-4p

November 21

- Christmas For Kids Live Drive @ West Bend News parking lot, 9-11am

November 26

- Vendor Event & Food Truck @ Grounded CC, Paulding, 9a-1pm
- Shop the Village, downtown Paulding
- Shop Small, downtown Antwerp



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OBITUARIES

PAYNE, OH:
Marlene Ann Tempel, 90, of Payne, Ohio, passed away Friday, November 4, 2022 at Vancrest of Payne. Arr by DOOLEY FUNERAL HOME, 5761 SR 500, PAYNE, OAKWOOD, OH.
Russell L. Agner, 82 of Oakwood, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by his loving family at 4:59 a.m. on Sunday, November 6, 2022. Arr by Heitmeyer Funeral Home, 610 Walnut St., Oakwood, OH.
PAYNE, OH:
Melvin H. Crawford, III, 34, of Payne, Ohio passed away Monday, November 7, 2022. Arr. by Dooley Funeral Home, 5761 SR 500, Payne, Ohio.

and crying out to God for food. This was during the great depression and many people were hungry. As we were praying, there was a knock at the door and there stood a lady with a big basket of food. You can imagine the joy of answered prayer so quickly.

Sometimes our faith is tried and we wait a little longer for our answer, but it surely will come. Just as Elijah, the prophet of God, was supernaturally fed by ravens twice a day, so will God take care of us, His children.

This is a time to trust in our God who cares for us. In Hebrew 4:16 we read, Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Amen

WHERE OUR HELP COMES FROM

By: Doris Applegate

There is no one Like Jesus our saviour,
 No one like Jesus Our Lord
 For he truly suffered
 And died for our needs
 There is no one Like Jesus our Lord.
 So come all you Needy and broken
 Come all who Need His great love
 Open your heart
 To his goodness
 And you will get Help from above.
 God lives with the Contrite and humble
 His mercies are New every day
 His blessings He gives without measure
 And leads us Along the way.

We live in a world where people are hurting and very much in need. The leadership of our country has made it almost unbearable for millions who live here.

If ever there was a time to look above and call on the name of the Lord, NOW is the time. It takes that humble soul to realize that their help must come from the Lord.

Once again I am reminded of the time when my sister and I knelt beside our mother who was praying

HOW TO SURVIVE A PANIC ATTACK WHEN IT STRIKES

By: Stan Popovich

A person can experience a panic attack when they least expect it. This can cause a great deal of fear and anxiety for the person.

Many people do not know what they should do when dealing with a panic attack.

As a result, here are eight easy steps a person can follow when a panic attack strikes unexpectedly.

1. Take a break: A panic attack can be very uncomfortable and can affect a person's thinking. The best thing to do when this happens is to take a break in order to calm down. You don't want to do anything when your not thinking clearly.

2. Take deep breaths: A person should take some deep breaths to help feel better and to get rid of some of the excessive fear and anxiety. There are many kinds of breathing exercises a person can learn to follow with the help of a mental health counselor. Taking some deep breaths can help a person relax right away.

3. Distract yourself: A person should try to distract themselves from the panic they are experiencing. A per-



It was Penguin choir practice on the stage at JPHS during Festival of Trees - not sure how much practice took place by these mischievous penguins!



Many business, private citizens, and organizations and clubs decorated trees for this annual Festival of Trees - West Bend News' tree is the middle tree pictured above!

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service men and women. For additional informa-

tion and updates, check the historical society's Facebook page at facebook.com/jphsmuseum.

son could get some fresh air, listen to some music, take a brisk walk, read the newspaper, or do something relaxing that will give them a fresh perspective on things.

4. Visualize a red stop sign: A person should visualize a red stop sign in their mind when they encounter a fearful thought. When the negative thought comes, a person should think of a red stop sign that serves as a reminder to stop focusing on that thought and to think of something else. A person can then try to think of something positive to replace the negative thought.

5. Get the facts of your situation: Many people feel helpless when they experience a panic attack for the first time. The fact is that you will be ok and that it takes a few minutes for the anxiety to go away. Talk to a counselor and get the facts of what a panic attack is and what you can do when a panic attack occurs.

6. Don't dwell on your thoughts: A person must not dwell or focus on their thoughts during a panic attack. The more a person tries to reason out their thoughts the longer a panic attack will last. Read some positive statements from your fa-

vorite self-help book to help overcome your negative thoughts during a panic attack.

7. Read some positive affirmations: Another technique that is very helpful is to have a small notebook of positive statements that makes you feel good. Whenever you come across an affirmation that makes you feel good, write it down in a small notebook that you can carry around with you in your pocket. Whenever you feel depressed, open up your small notebook and read those statement.

8. Get help: It is important to talk to a qualified professional in order to learn how to survive a panic attack. By talking to a professional, a person will be helping themselves in the long run because they will become better able to deal with any panic attacks that may occur in the future.

BIOGRAPHY

Stan Popovich is the author of the popular managing fear book, "A Layman's Guide to Managing Fear". For more information about Stan's book and to get some more free mental health advice, please visit Stan's website at <http://www.managingfear.com>

Scripture of the Week

"Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world."

— 1 John 2:15-16

MATT'S MISHAPS

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

—Matt



Front Porch

Do you relax outside on a front porch or on a backyard deck? In the past in many Midwest communities, life took place on the front porch. Front porches were not set back a great many feet from the road or sidewalk. It would have made it too difficult to chat with neighbors passing by or to watch what people were doing. I spent many of my growing up time watching what my neighbors were up to. We had a neighbor who was a police officer and he had an outdoor kennel for his barking and growling K-9, which scared all the kids. Another neighbor kept us occupied watching their two older sons. They had a little Yamaha Chappy motorbike with short, chubby tires and they would create ruts in the yard from circling the house so many times as they raced around.

Overseas we live in an apartment with windows that face out on the opposite side of the front door, so I guess the windows face the backyard, but we have no yard. Our apartment building is alongside a two-lane street that is a dead end. On the other side of the street is a high school playground area. Watching what happens in our overseas "backyard" is quite entertaining.

In our culture overseas, you should never say anything if someone is doing something they shouldn't, as they would vandalize the outside of your apartment and police do not respond to complaints.

We have had a frozen fish seller who would drain his smelly ice and slush from his refrigerated truck at the end of the day outside our windows. We have had high school dropouts selling drugs through the chain link fence to former classmates during their gym hour. We had a group of over a dozen teen boys who'd organize informal boxing matches outside our windows on the street. The teens only had one set of gloves, so one boxer punched right-handed and the other boxer punched left-handed. It was a bit comical.



Local pizza delivery boys use little 50cc motorbikes to get to customers. One delivery boy likes to park (hide) outside our windows on a backstreet to avoid they eyes' of his boss and catch up on social media.

Some months back I was talking to a local who was dreamily talking about what he would do if he ever went to America. I anticipated a typical answer like "walk on the beaches in Miami," "visit Hollywood," or "stroll along the busy streets of New York City." However, he responded by saying "sit on a big American front porch, drink coffee, and talk to neighbors as they pass by."

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

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**A QUAIN TITTLE TOWN
A Penny For Your
Thoughts**

By: Nancy Whitaker

If you like watching old television shows, then the TV Channel TVland reruns old shows everyday. One of my all time old favorites is The Andy Griffith Show. The program



airs from about 5 pm each day for a few hours almost every evening. When I look at Mayberry, the quaint little town in which The Andy Griffith Show was filmed, I think of how simple their lives looked back then.

You can watch episodes of Andy Griffith over and over and still laugh at each one, at least I do. When the Andy Griffith Show debuted in 1960, Andy just wanted a five year contract, but the show went on until 1968. The show always came on with Andy and his son, Opie, walking down a country lane to the whistling tune of "The Fishin' Hole." Griffith recorded the lyrics to the song and it can be viewed on YouTube.

Griffith plays the part of a single father, Andy Taylor, to son, Opie (Ron Howard). The cute little boy on the show has now grown up, lost most of his hair and is a Hollywood producer. In addition to being a father, Andy Taylor was also sheriff of the small 1800 population town of Mayberry.

If you have watched this old show, you will know the Taylor's had a housekeeper named Aunt Bee. Aunt Bee was played by Frances Bavier

and it is said that she and Griffith did not get along. That is amazing to me, because Aunt Bee appears to be a kind, sweet, caring Christian lady in the show. However, she resented her role as Aunt Bee, leaving at the end of the shows run. She held a grudge against Andy and in 1972, Opie and Andy went to pay her a visit at her real home in Siler City, N.C. and she refused to meet with them. In 1989, when stricken with cancer, she let Andy know she regretted not getting along with him. When I watch the show, I still imagine Aunt Bee baking a pie. Aunt Bee died on Dec. 6, 1989.

One favorite hangout in Mayberry was Floyd's Barber-shop. Floyd is usually pictured combing someone's hair and being a part of the men's gossip. Floyd suffered a severe stroke and died from the effects of a second stroke. He passed away in 1969 at the age of 63. To me, I still envision him cutting hair and chewing the fat with the guys in Mayberry.

We all know Barney Fife who was played by Don Knotts. It has always been said that Barney only carried one bullet in his back pocket and his citation book underneath his hat. That is true. Knotts went on to star in movies and was a well loved comedian. Don Knotts passed away Feb. 24, 2006, from complications of pneumonia due to lung cancer.

We can't forget Gomer and Goober Pyle. Gomer was a single man who appeared to be the only employee in Wally's Gas Station in Mayberry. Gomer was also a great singer and went on to play in different television shows. He died November 30, 2017.

Goober Pyle, another Mayberry resident was viewed as backward and not very bright. This was perhaps best seen on The Andy Griffith Show episode where Goober believed his new dog spoke English, which then filled his head with make-it-rich scenarios. In reality, the "talking dog" was a joke played on Goober by Opie and a friend

**FAIRVIEW FFA DAIRY CATTLE
JUDGING & LEARNING**



Althea Spangler at the dairy foods contest.

By: Elizabeth Bok

On Thursday, October 13, the Fairview FFA attended the District 1 Dairy Foods and Cattle Judging Contest.

The members represented the chapter very well in the contest. The Plant and Animal class had been studying dairy cattle and dairy foods. They learned about the history, how to judge, and the general knowledge of dairy food and cattle. The students worked on dairy cattle judging practice classes, to help their judging skills, and prepare for the contest.

The class also tested different cheeses, kinds of milk, and other dairy products, to learn the differences between each, and be able to identify each. At the dairy cattle contest, the members evaluated 2 classes of dairy cows. They also judged 2 classes of dairy heifers. Along with these, they placed a class of sires and dam pedigrees.

who hooked a walkie talkie to the dog's collar, giving voice to the shaggy beast. Goober also reprised his role as Goober on the show Hee Haw. He, too, passed away on May 6, 2012.

Otis Campbell, the town drunk, was a character who visited the local moonshine maker and got inebriated. He would just go to the Mayberry Jail, get the key and lock himself up for the night. Otis died Jan. 28, 1994 at age 77.

So many of the old shows are still around and reruns are watched over and over. It is believed that Mayberry was really based on a town called Mt. Airey, N.C. To me it is just



Madisyn Michael with baby dairy claves before the dairy cattle contest started.

To end the contest, the members completed a general dairy cattle knowledge test. At the dairy foods contest the members evaluated and identified different milk, cheese, and other dairy products. Along with this they also completed a dairy foods test. The chapter did very well in both contests.

At the dairy cattle contest, the team placed 2nd overall. As an individual Emma Zeedyk was 1st in the entire contest. At the dairy foods contest, the team placed 4th. Asia Brubaker finished 2nd and Althea Spangler finished 3rd overall individuals.

hard to think that most of these character are gone but not forgotten.

Yes, I wanted to move to Mayberry because those times seem so laid back, simple and relaxing. It would be a nice place to visit, but, I really don't want to live there without Andy, Barney, Aunt Bee, Opie, Floyd, Helen Crump, Otis and Goober and Gomer.

Do you watch Andy Griffith reruns? Have you ever visited Mt. Airey? Would you like to go back to the Mayberry days? Let me know and I'll give you a Penny for Your Thoughts.

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**MILITARY HISTORY IN
PAULDING COUNTY**



By: Mark Holtsberry

Tragic story of two young men from Broughton, Earnest Earl Tilley and Frank Halley Doster.

Earnest was born in Broughton, Ohio, April 21, 1896. The son of George H. and Bertha Tilley. The family was living in Latty until around 1915, before moving back to Broughton. When the United States was soon to be drawn into war in Europe, men had to resister for the draft. Earnest registered in Broughton, June 5, 1917. He was listed as having a medium and slender build, gray eyes and dark brown hair. Earnest was single and working as a common laborer for Otto Slatler in Broughton. Earnest was called to serve his country, June 25, 1918.

Earnest was sent to training camping in Ross County, Ohio. He trained with the 16th Company, 4th Training Battalion, 158th Depot Brigade. He served with this unit until July 15, 1918. He then was assigned to Company D. 334th Infantry until August 12, 1918 then reassigned to Company D. 2nd Development Battalion, 158th Depot Brigade until October 5, 1918, where he developed pneumonia and passed away, his father, George, was notified of his passing and Earnest was brought back to Paulding County, where he was buried in Pleasantview Cemetery Lot 85, Block 7, Grave 1.

Frank Halley Doster was born September 22, 1891 in

Oakwood, Ohio. The son and third child of Milton Cassius and Susana Doster.

This family was living in Oakwood, moved to Allen County, Indiana before settling in Broughton. Milton's work on the railroad kept the family moving around. On May 21, 1917, Frank joined Company B. 2nd Ohio National Guard out of Paulding. On June 5, 1917, Frank, along with his brother Alvie L., registered for the draft. Both brothers ended up serving in the same unit in Europe. He then served in Company B. until October 4, 1917. Then was assigned to 11th Company, 3rd Training Battalion, Camp Sheridan.

Frank was assigned to Company I, 145th Infantry, 37th Division, known as the Rainbow Division. On June 1, 1918, he was promoted to Private 1st Class. On June 15, 1918, he was sent to Hoboken, New Jersey, where he boarded the ship, Leviathan and shipped off to France.

Frank saw action in the Muese-Argonne, Ypres-Lys Defensive Sectors. On November 11, 1918, on the day the war was declared over, Frank was wounded and passed away the next day. His father, Milton, was notified of his death. Frank lies in the Flanders Field Cemetery number 1252, grave 18, row 4, block D. in Waregam, Belgium.

In 1929, the Federal Government was paying for the trip for mother's, wife's and daughter's to go to visit the graves of their loved ones. Mrs. Susana Doster of Rural Route 1, Box 24 of Broughton, chose not to go and see her son's grave.

To this day, the Belgium people maintain Frank's grave, along with the thousands of others who died defending the lives of the Belgium people.

Now for the rest of the story, the Tilley's and Doster's lived beside each other in the little town of Broughton, Ohio.

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NSCC ANNOUNCES THREE-YEAR SUPPORT PERSONNEL BARGAINING AGREEMENT



NSCC Board of Trustees Chair Lisa McClure and NSCC President Dr. Todd Hernandez

The Northwest State Community College Board of Trustees met in regular session on Friday, October 21 at the Archbold Campus. As part of the meeting, it was noted that negotiating teams for the College and the Support Staff bargaining unit of the Northwest State Community College Education Association entered into negotiations in August 2022 to review salary and wages for the current agreement. The result of those negotiations is an amended agreement for the three-year period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AGREEMENT

The amended agreement includes a 5% increase for all members of the support staff for FY '22-'23, increased vacation time and schedule, and extra benefits for eligible part-time employees. The 5% wage increase went into effect July 1, 2022.

EMERITUS STATUS

The College enacted an Emeritus policy in 2013 to recognize individuals that have made an outstanding contribution to the College and the community. After asking for input from faculty, staff and trustees, it was determined that Pamela Donaldson would be granted emeritus status (posthumously) by the Board of Trustees, effective October 21, 2022. Donaldson was a faculty member

in the Arts & Sciences division.

In other Board action:

- Approved the promotion of Jennifer Morris to Grants Accountant, Heather Hageman to Accounts Payable Associate, and Lisa Spiess to Senior Registrar Assistant.
- Approved the employment of Melissa Durham to Financial Aid Counselor, and Timothy Aldape as CDL Training Coordinator.
- Approved the transfer of Katrina Adams to Administrative Assistant-Foundation, Robert Kraus to Agency Manager-CTS, and Julie Curry to Administrative Assistant-Business & Public Services.
- Approved international travel for Marianna Doolittle and Suzanne Lammers to attend the American Mathematical Association Two-Year Colleges annual conference in Toronto, Canada.
- Approved policy 14-3-38 (Minors on Campus), which outlines what is required of faculty, staff, learners and volunteers who interact with minors or work in youth activities on college property.
- Approved policy 14-17-06 (Free Speech), working alongside Senate Bill 135 (Free Speech Act).
- Approved miscellaneous employment contracts, three resignations, three retirement notices and the non-continuance of three grant-funded positions.

principal forgiveness will save these communities more than \$18 million.

Reliable water infrastructure is critical to the quality of life for Ohio residents and for economic development, which is why my administration has put a great deal of focus on helping communities

with their water needs," said Governor DeWine. "With this support, more communities all over the state will make important system upgrades to ensure that drinking water is clean and that water infrastructure is dependable.

Statewide, Ohio EPA awarded approximately \$436.4 million in loans during the second quarter of 2022, including more than \$9.7 million in principal forgiveness. Combined, Ohio communities will save approximately \$71.9 million when compared to market-rate loans. The projects are improving Ohio's surface water quality and the reliability and quality of Ohio drinking water systems. This funding includes assistance to local health districts to help low-income property owners repair or replace failing household sewage treatment systems.

For the second quarter of 2022, the following Northwest Ohio projects are receiving funding:

- Wapakoneta is receiving \$82.7 million to expand and upgrade the wastewater treatment plant to eliminate sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs). The project also would reduce combined sewer overflows to less than four per year and increase treatment capacity.

- Northwestern Water and Sewer District in Bowling Green is receiving a \$7.9 million loan to replace the Ford Road pump station and reduce sanitary sewer overflow events within the tributary collection system.

- St. Marys is receiving \$7.8 million for wastewater treatment plant upgrades, including construction of sludge dewatering facilities to improve treatment and increase peak flow rates at the plant during storm events.

- Napoleon is receiving \$3.29 million to replace the VanHyning pumping station. The new pumping station will be constructed adjacent to the existing pumping station on the north side of East Riverview Avenue, just west of VanHyning Creek.

- Swanton is receiving \$1.9 million to make improvements to chemical feed systems at the drinking water treatment plant.

- Put-In-Bay is receiving \$505,800 to extend the sanitary sewer force main on Sybil Boulevard.

- Ayersville Water and Sewer District in Defiance County is receiving \$243,406 to install an aeration system in the elevated drinking water storage tank to reduce levels of total trihalomethanes, which are a byproduct of the disinfection process.

- Monroeville is receiving \$28,682 to design a project to improve water lines.

- The Metropolitan Park District of Toledo is receiving \$874,000 for the Crissey Road Wetland Preservation project. The project will protect and restore 30 acres featuring high quality Oak Openings forested wetlands and upland habitat. This project is adjacent to the Secor Metropark expansion project. The funding is from the Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program (WRRSP) which allows communities borrowing from the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund to sponsor a preservation or restoration project by redirecting a portion of the interest to be paid on the loan. This project is sponsored by Montgomery

HANDS OF HOPE PREGNANCY SERVICES HOSTS ANNUAL BANQUET TO CELEBRATE 10 YEARS!



Present board members who were around for pictures are Left to Right: Joe Manz, Doug Roop, Pam Dempsey, Candyce Hawk, Chuck Schroeder, Ann Walker, and Traci Koenig. Missing board members are Judy Robinette, Stacy McGarvey, and Tricia Osting. Missing from pictures also is Candi Elliott (Nurse Office Manager) and Erin Webb (teen advocate).

The Hands of Hope Annual Banquet turned out wonderful on Thursday, October 25th. Many attendees and great speakers to celebrate the Clinic's 10 years of service to Paulding County Ohio.

Acknowledgements to everyone who made an effort to attend, and each one who donated and sponsored the banquet and the clinic over the years.

The staff and board are very humbled by the generosity and dedication shown over the years. May you all be blessed!

County through interest on its Western Region sanitary sewer improvements project loan.

Additionally, 16 county governments or local health departments in the region are each receiving \$150,000 in principal forgiveness loans to repair or replace household sewage treatment systems. These are Ashland County, Crawford County General Health District, Defiance County General Health District, Erie County Health Department, Fulton County Health Department, Henry County, Huron County, Marion County Public Health, Ottawa County General Health District, Paulding County Health Department, Putnam County Health Department, Richland County, Sandusky County Health Department, Toledo-Lucas County Health Department, Williams County Health Department, and Wyandot County General Health District.

Ohio EPA's state revolving fund (SRF) loans are provided to communities to build and upgrade wastewater and drinking water infrastructure, upgrade home sewage treatment systems, better manage stormwater, address combined sewer overflows, and implement other water quality-related projects. Financial assistance helps support planning, design, and construction activities, and enhances the technical, managerial, and financial capacity of these systems. WPCLF loans make restoration and protection possible for some of Ohio's highest quality water bodies through the fund's Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program.



Left-Right: Doug Roop, (co founder and board president), Shirley Briggeman, (co founder and former executive director), current executive director Mindy Stoller, former executive director Jeanne LeMieux, and co founder Drew Gardner.



ANTWERP CONSERVATION CLUB

Antwerp Conservation Club

Event Schedule

NOV 13 – Trap Shoot: Registration @ 12:45pm, Shoot begins @ 1pm.

NOV 19 – NRL22 Rifle Event: Registration @ 9am, Match begins @ 10am

DEC 8 – Monthly meeting @ 7pm; we will be nominating officers at this meeting.

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

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PAULDING COUNTY WMEA RECYCLING

New Schedule For Large Villages

1st Weekend- Paulding , Fair Grounds

2nd Weekend- Grover Hill , VFW

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

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

New Schedule For Smaller Villages

3rd Wednesday of each month

Cecil 11:30-12:00 (Fire Station)


Junction 12:30-1:00 (Catholic Church)

Haviland/Scott 1:30-2:00 (SR 114 at Haviland Park)


Latty/Briceton 2:30-3:00 (Latty Park)

For Questions Call : 419-399-3630
or Visit : www.pauldingcountywmea.com

The Paulding County Veterans' Service Office



The Paulding County Veteran's Service Office is dedicated to aiding Paulding County veterans and their families in time of need.



There are two basic services the agency provides:

- 1 – EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – Provide short term financial assistance to eligible veterans and their families who demonstrate a need. This includes, but is not limited to, food, gas, mortgage/rent and assistance with utility payments.
- 2 – CLAIMS ASSISTANCE – Provide services for veterans and other claimants for help with VA claims for any federal, state, or local benefits.

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

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

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*— Gregg Gorman,
Paulding, OH*

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To Whom it May Concern:
The Antwerp High School Class of 1961 is presently still retaining a flower fund "for departed class members". It has been brought to the attention of several of the members

still in the area that perhaps the fund should be closed and donated to a worthy cause in the "Memory of the Class of 1961 of Antwerp High School".

Please forward your thoughts and suggestions to the person(s) now trying to manage this flower committee with minimal success without Facebook and etc. helps.

Many thanks to those classmates in the past who not only took care of the correspondence, ordered the flowers and even personally contributed to the flower fund when it was low.

Thanks for your suggestions for a worthy cause to donate the remaining money to: "In Memory of the Antwerp Class of 1961".

The Paulding CO. Library was one suggestion or something in Antwerp at the school that could have "Class of 1961: on as the donor of the remaining funds. Also, the Antwerp United Methodist Church is doing an "Antrium Project" with bricks that could have our class name cut into the bricks.

Thank you for your prompt suggestions. Your interest is very much appreciated in bringing closure to this very worthy class project.

Please write me at: Caroline Wells Longardner, Class of 1961 - Project, 7292 Rd 176, Antwerp, Ohio 45813 or call 419-258-2222.

OSU EXTENSION INCREASES KEYS TO HOMEOWNERSHIP

That's where Ohio State University Extension comes in.

OSU Extension educators specializing in healthy fi-



Susan Colbert and Amber Broadus stand outside Broadus' new home. Photo: Amber Broadus.

nances offer homeownership education and homebuyer counseling to assist Ohioans throughout the homebuying and homeownership process. Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

Already, some 2,200 people in Franklin County have attended classes offered by OSU Extension and have received a HUD-approved completion certificate, said Courtney Warman, an Extension program specialist that works with the homebuyer education program.

And an additional 497 homebuyers were served across Ohio through the Ohio Housing Finance Agency phone-based homebuyer counseling sessions, which, upon completion, allow low-to-moderate income homebuyers in Ohio to purchase homes, with the average home's appraised value being \$161,416.

The classes and subsequent counseling sessions allow consumers to ask questions and get answers about their home purchases, Warman said.

"We can provide information about budgeting, foreclosure prevention, home maintenance costs—all of the details that go beyond being approved for financing," she said. "So many people, whether first-time buyers or those selling and purchasing a new home, are entering an unfamiliar market.

"This education provides information about topics ranging from how to identify signs of predatory lending, to understanding how to work a mortgage payment into their budgets."

During the educational sessions, participants learn:

- how much they can afford to spend on a home.
- ways to fix or improve their credit scores before the

homebuying process.

- tips to choose the right professionals for their homebuying journey.
- how to succeed during the mortgage process.
- strategies to make the most of a home inspection.
- steps to prepare for the closing process.

"Another advantage is that once completing this course and having a conversation with one of our HUD-certified housing counselors, homebuyers will have confidence that they have the tools necessary to navigate any housing market," Warman said.

That was the case for Columbus-native Amber Broadus, who, thanks to homebuyer education and counseling offered by OSU Extension, was able to go from living in a low-income, subsidized apartment complex, to building and owning her own home in the Weinland Park neighborhood, directly east of Ohio State's Columbus campus.

Broadus' relationship with OSU Extension began when she met Susan Colbert, the former Franklin County Expansion and Engagement program director, who, at the time, was teaching a computer literacy class at the Godman Guild Association Community Center in the Weinland Park neighborhood.

Colbert helped Broadus enroll in multiple Extension programs, including the homebuyer education and counseling program.

"I've done so, so many things through OSU Extension," Broadus said. "I've taken computer literacy, financial literacy, homebuyer education classes, and a busi-

ness class where I learned how to write a business plan.

"Working with OSU Extension enhanced my leadership skills and helped make me successful."

As the homebuying market across Ohio and nationwide continues to see record sales, programs such as these help create more educated homebuyers, particularly as part of Extension's family and community stability efforts, said Pat Bebo, assistant director, family and consumer sciences, OSU Extension.

"Bringing unbiased, evidence-based education to Ohioans is at the heart of what OSU Extension does," Bebo said. "We hope by offering these classes, future homebuyers will feel confident that they have the information they need to make informed decisions about this large investment."

For more information about Extension's homebuyer education and homebuyer counseling, visit go.osu.edu/newhome.

DISTINGUISHED OHIO STATE PROFESSOR & LEADING SOIL SCIENTIST EARNS INDIA'S 4th HIGHEST AWARD FOR GROUNDBREAKING WORK

Distinguished University Professor Rattan Lal recently earned India's prestigious Padma Shri award for his innovative research and sustainable farming practices that address food insecurity and mitigate climate change. Padma Shri is India's fourth highest civilian honor and recognizes individuals for their distinguished service in any field.

Lal was recognized in the Science and Engineering category for pioneering a method of farming called soil sequestration, a technique that restores nutrients to the soil by trapping them in the ground. Soil sequestration

also prevents carbon dioxide from entering the atmosphere, which leads to reduced carbon emissions.

"Dr. Lal's work significantly impacts the future of the planet because it addresses two critical, global issues—food insecurity and climate change," said Cathann A. Kress, vice president for agricultural administration and dean of The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES). "In addition to his research, Dr. Lal has created a legacy by mentoring thousands of Ohio State students. Because of his dedication, the university is poised to influence policy and agricultural practices around the world for years to come."

In 2020, Lal was awarded the World Food Prize, the highest honor in the field of food and agriculture. In 2019, he was the first soil scientist to earn the Japan Prize for his outstanding achievements in science and technology, and most recently, he was presented the Mahatma Gandhi Award for Environmental Protection by Gandhi's grandson, Raj Mohan Gandhi.

Despite his many accolades, Lal attributes his success to Ohio State and small farmers.

"I would not have been able to do this work without Ohio State," Lal said. "This award belongs to them. It also belongs to the farmers who are implementing these practices. I tell them it's their award. I'm simply receiving it on their behalf."

Lal's only regret is that he was unable to travel to India to receive the award from the president of India, who traditionally presents it to honorees, because of COVID-19 restrictions. Lal officially received the award on Aug. 20 during the India Festival.

READER PICK-UP LOCATIONS

OHIO LOCATIONS

Antwerp: Antwerp Corner Cafe, Antwerp Pharmacy, H20, Antwerp Exchange Bank, Pop-N-Brew, Pit-Stop, Antwerp Manor, Library, Genesis House, G-Mart, Ties & Bows

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

Cecil: 127 Maramart

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

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

Paulding, Paulding County Hospital, Kwik Mart, Library

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

Sherwood: Post Office, Village Food Emporium, Sherwood Bank

Scott: Scott Post Office

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

INDIANA LOCATIONS

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

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

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

Hoagland: Mel's Town Market, Hoagland Pizza Pub

Milan Center: Milan Center Feed & Grain

Monroeville: Mel's Deli, Phillips 66, The Village of Heritage Assisted Living, Dollar General

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

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

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ARCHERS WIN THRILLER LAST WEEKEND!



Sophomore Kayden Winslow receives the pass from Altimus to gain yardage for Antwerp. More pictures at westbendnews.net



4th Quarter pass from Carson Altimus to Reid Lichty moves the ball closer to the goal scored in the last minute of the the quarter final playoff game against Delphos Jefferson on Friday night. More pictures at westbendnews.net

Carson Altimus ran in a two-point conversion with 49 seconds remaining in regulation to lift the Antwerp Archers to a thrilling come-from-behind 35-34 victory over visiting Delphos Jefferson in Division VII, Region 26 quarterfinal playoff football Friday night.

With the win, the blue and white improve to 12-0 on the season and advance to take on Gibsonburg at a site to be determined by the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

Trailing 34-27, the Archers took advantage of a Wildcat fumble in putting together an eight-play, 50-yard scoring drive for the win.

The drive included a trio of first downs and was capped by an 11-yard touchdown pass from Altimus to Landon

Brewer that got Antwerp within 34-33.

Altimus then was not to be denied on the two-point conversion as he fought through would-be-tacklers and got a little push from his teammates in finding the endzone to give Antwerp the victory.

The game was tied at 7-7 after one quarter and 13-13 at the intermission before Delphos Jefferson took a 20-19 advantage into the final period.

With the game tied at 27-27 midway through the final stanza, Delphos Jefferson took the lead on a 12-yard Trent Teman run for a 34-27 advantage that setup the Archer comeback.

Altimus finished the night with 158 rushing yards on 17

carries while completing 21 of 32 passes for 140 yards. Reid Lichty added 131 rushing yards on ten tries as Antwerp totaled 435 yards of offense overall.

Teman totaled 151 yards on 28 carries to lead the Wildcats followed by Andrew Miller with 128 yards on 23 attempts. Cole Hoersten recorded 50 yards over ten tries as well for Delphos Jefferson. Teman was also six of ten through the air for 67 yards.

7 REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD GET HELP FOR YOUR FEARS AND ANXIETIES

By: Stan Popovich

Getting professional help for dealing with your persistent fears and anxieties is the single most important step in your recovery. Many people are reluctant to get the assistance they need for various reasons.

Making excuses for not getting treatment for your fear related issues will not help the situation.

With this in mind, here are seven reasons why getting help for your mental health problems is so important.

1. You will get tips on handling your mental health issues: Getting professional help can lead to additional insights and suggestions to your stress and anxiety problems. A professional counselor can give you many ideas on how you can successfully manage your fears and anxieties. This is important in getting your life back on track.

2. Get access to different resources: Most counselors

and psychologists know of ways to get rid of your fears. They can recommend certain treatments that will improve your situation. The only way you can get access to these treatments is if you talk to a counselor. Ask your primary care physician if he or she knows anyone that can be of assistance.

3. You can't manage your anxieties all by yourself: Your fears, anxieties, and depression can be difficult to manage and more than likely you will need some direction. Many people think that they can overcome their mental health problems on their own. This is a mistake. A person should seek assistance to start the recovery process.

4. You will improve: As you work with a professional, you will improve on your skill sets in managing your fears. You will be able to overcome your anxieties over time which will benefit you later on in your life. Knowing how to boost your mental health will get your life back on track and will make you much happier.

5. You will get better a lot faster: Getting some guidance from a counselor will save you a lot of suffering in the long run. You will get the answers you are looking for which will help reduce your fears and anxieties. You will get better a lot faster by talking to a therapist and you will feel much better about yourself which is important when it comes to dealing with your mental health.

6. It is your life: Remember that you are the person who is suffering and not your friends and family. Don't let the opinions of your peers prevent you from getting the relief that you deserve. Maintaining your anxieties should be your number one priority. Always do what is best for you and do not get into the habit of trying to please everybody else.

7. You will not be alone: You will have people in your corner who will be able to help improve your mental health issues. You won't feel as alone when attempting to get rid of your fears. It is best to be with others who are supportive and who will understand your situation. This will help make things easier when it comes to your fears and anxieties.



Pictured Above is the Buckeye Park created in Payne, Ohio.

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pledged by Kiwanis of Paulding County, who, alongside the Village of Paulding is spearheading the project. The Kiwanis of Paulding County committed to raising the remaining \$25,000, making the total budget for the playground \$100,000.

\$25,000 -Paulding County Ag Society

The Paulding County Ag Society received \$25,000 for lighting improvements at the Paulding County Fair Grounds. This project is estimated to cost \$50,000.

\$14,500 -Paulding County Park District

The final project awarded was the Paulding County Park District which received \$14,500 to install a new floating pier and improve access to the Auglaize River. These funds will also be used to install swings overlooking the Maumee River near Cecil. This project is estimated to cost \$29,000

Paulding County Vision Board Recap:

Since the creation of the Vision Board in 2016 the Paulding County representatives have worked hard to develop committees to identify key areas of need and create strategic plans for those needs. In order to do this the Vision Board needed hard data. In 2019 the PCVB was able to complete a Housing Study that was funded separately by the Paulding Putnam Electric Cooperative. This study provided valuable insight into the needs of Paulding County and providing a guide post on which the Vision Board needed to focus on. Through the study the Vision Board identified four areas of focus: Transportation, Economic Development, Housing, and Quality of Life.

Transportation

In November of 2021 Paulding County created its first transportation committee called the Paulding County Coordinated Planning through Northwest Ohio Mobility, a division of Maumee Valley Planning Organization. This committee is comprised of 15 different representatives strategically chosen from organizations within Paulding County. Currently this committee just completed taking public input to see where the biggest needs in the county are.

Economic Development

The areas of need under economic development included: Increase employment growth and investment, Retain and support existing businesses and workforce, attract new businesses and workforce, enhance communications. Through our meetings, representatives are learning about different resources that are available and sharing information on grants or funding opportunities towards infrastructure and economic growth.

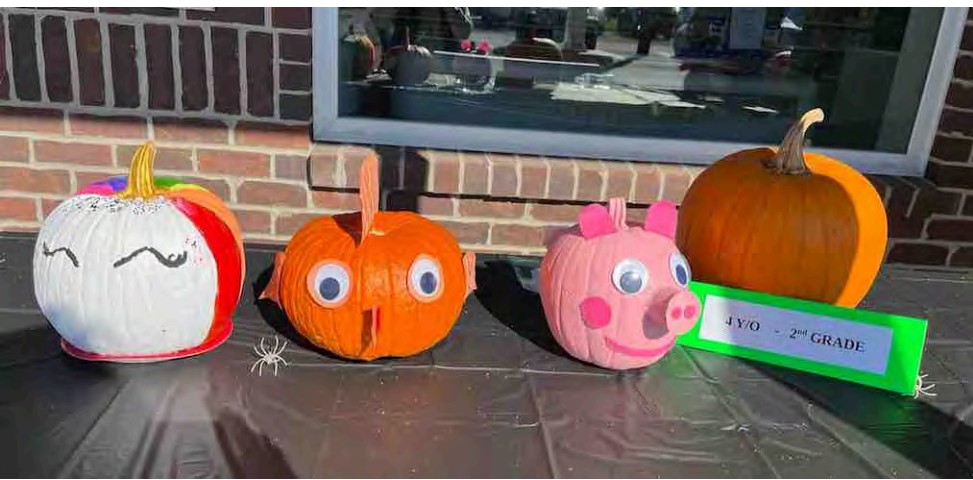
Housing

Through the study initially conducted by the Vision Board, it was apparent that housing is a growing need for our community. Much like other counties, this area is the most difficult as there are limited resources for housing and it relies heavily on solid infrastructure and development. Currently the Vision Board has focused more on infrastructure to ensure we have the right elements in place to begin addressing the housing needs.

Quality of Life

The Quality of Life committee's primary goals are to enhance recreational, cultural and essential amenities; support and enhance beautification efforts, address drug abuse issues, minimize

ALL AGE PUMPKIN CONTEST IN WOODBURN



Winners of Woodburn's 5th Annual All Age Decorated Pumpkin Contest are:
4year old - 2nd grade - 1st Place Delaney Yates, 2nd Place Madayla Wagner, 3rd Place Makayla Wolosyn



3rd Grade - 6th Grade - 1st Place Xander Wagner, 2nd Place Malakai Yates, 3rd Place Campbell Yanser



Ages above 12th Grade (4th attached picture) - 1st Place Clara Conroy, 2nd Place Johnny Hostetler



7th Grade -12th Grade (3rd attached picture) - Winner Tanner Martin. Contest sponsored by Woodburn Main Street

poverty. In 2019 the Vision Board received \$37,222 Capital Budget Grant dollars to support 4 different projects around the county to improve quality of

- life, including:
- \$20,500 -Village of Payne: for the creation of Buckeye Park
 - \$4,124 - Village of Broughton: Playground
 - \$6,860 - Melrose Park Renovation - Replacement of mulch and installation of security cameras
 - \$5,598 -Grover Hill: installation of New playground equipment at Welcome Park
- Also, in 2020, through a donation provided by ADP Renewables, the Vision Board provided \$22,000 in grants to the Villages in Paulding County to put towards beautification. Under this grant

process, these projects were completed:

- \$5,000 - Grover Hill - playground equipment at the Welcome Park
 - \$5,000 - Village of Broughton -creation of the pavilion
 - \$5,000 - Paulding Soccer Club - towards the new soccer complex
 - \$2,000 - Paulding Park District - picnic tables
 - \$1,000 - Village of Antwerp - creation of the River Kiosk
 - \$1,000 - Village of Payne - 4 large planters for downtown
 - \$1,000 - Village of Latty - towards the Village Hall Sign
 - \$1,000 - Village of Scott-towards the ball field
 - \$1,000 - Village of Melrose- Veterans Flags
- In summary the Paulding County Vision Board has been able to invest over \$148,000 into the county and are only just beginning. Already the committee is looking towards the next funding phases and the analyzing the most vital needs of the county. You can help by donating to the Paulding County Vision Board. Please make checks payable to the Paulding County Area Foundation and mail your donation to 101 E Perry St, Paulding, OH 45879.

IHSAA RELEASES BASEBALL ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2023

The Indiana High School Athletic Association released its high school baseball sectional assignments for the upcoming season recently as area squads learned of their sectional competition. Host sites for each of the sectionals will be released in the spring of 2023. In Class 4A, Sectional 5 will include Carroll, DeKalb, Fort Wayne North Side, Fort Wayne Northrop and Fort Wayne Snider while Sectional 6 features Columbia City, Fort Wayne South Side, Fort Wayne Wayne, Homestead, Huntington North and New Haven.

Class 3A, Sectional 21 will have the Woodlan Warriors as part of a seven-team sectional that also includes Angola, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Fort Wayne Concordia, Garrett, Heritage and Leo.

Jay County out of the ACAC is in Class 3A, Sectional 24, along with Centerville, Delta, New Castle and Yorktown.

A trio of the remaining ACAC teams are in Class 2A, Sectional 37 as Adams Central, Blackford, Bluffton, Eastbrook, Fort Wayne Bishop Luers and South Adams will battle it out to advance.

Also, Southern Wells from the ACAC is assigned to the Class 1A, Sectional 55, that also features Anderson Preparatory, Cowan, Daleville, Liberty Christian, Tri-Central and Wes-Del.

From the NE8, Bellmont and Norwell will take part in the Class 3A, Sectional 23, where they are joined by Maconaquah, Mississinewa, Oak Hill and Peru.

Lastly, East Noble out of the NE8 will play in Class 3A, Sectional 22, along with Fairfield, Lakeland, Northwood, Wawasee and West Noble.pr

SOFTBALL SQUADS LEARN SECTIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

High school softball teams in northeast Indiana learned of their sectional assignments for 2023 as the IHSAA released that information last week.

A trio of East Allen Schools squads will play in Class 3A, Sectional 22, as Heritage, Leo and Woodlan are all in this sectional. Join-

PAULDING HS OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Paulding High School selected their October Students of the Month and they are pictured above (l-r): Lucy Breier, Freshman; Ryan Cantu, Sophomore; Jamy Hunt, Junior; and Emily Mazariegos, Senior.

ing the three local schools are Angola, Fort Wayne Bishop Dwenger, Fort Wayne Concordia and Garrett.

Meanwhile, New Haven will take part in Class 4A, Sectional 6, along with Columbia City, Fort Wayne South Side, Fort Wayne Wayne, Homestead and Huntington North.

Also out of the NE8, East Noble will play in Class 3A, Sectional 21, where they are joined by Fairfield, Lakeland, Northwood, Wawasee and West Noble while Bellmont and Norwell are both in Class 3A, Sectional 23, along with Maconaquah, Marion, Oak Hill and Peru.

DeKalb will battle it out in Class 4A, Sectional 5, against the likes of Fort Wayne Carroll, Fort Wayne North Side, Fort Wayne Northrop and Fort Wayne Snider.

Three ACAC squads will be involved in Class 2A, Sec-

tional 36, where Adams Central, Bluffton and South Adams are joined by squads from Fort Wayne Bishop Luers, Manchester and Whitko.

Jay County is in Class 3A, Sectional 24, along with Centerville, Delta, Mississinewa, New Castle and Yorktown and Southern Wells takes part in Class 1A, Sectional 55, alongside Anderson Preparatory, Cowan, Daleville, Liberty Christian, Tri Central and Wes Del.



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THE LEFT TURN



Photo Credit: Charlie Orns, World of Outlaws 2022 Champion Brad Sweet #49 battling Kyle Larson at Attica Raceway Park.

By: Ron Burt

The World of Outlaw Sprints, Big Block Modifieds and Late Models wrapped up a busy weekend in Charlotte on the dirt track. When the weekend came to an end three champions raised their trophies as fireworks lit the sky and flames shot up around the awards podium where they stood together. Brad Sweet claimed his fourth straight World of Outlaws NOS Energy Drink Sprint Car Series title (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022). Matt Sheppard claimed his second Big Block Modified title and ninth overall (2010, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2021, 2022) and Dennis Erb Jr. earned his first career World of Outlaws CASE Construction Equipment Late Model Series championship and a check for \$125,000. Erb out of Carpenters, IL, had the series points title wrapped up before even going to Charlotte. He had a great season in the Outlaw Late Models. Before his win last weekend, Erb's best points finish was fourth - twice. This year, He ended the season with a season high four Series wins, 21 top 5's and 33 top 10s. At 50 years old, Erb became the 11th different driver in World of Outlaws CASE Late Model Series history to win a championship.

Erb shared the moment with his only crew member all season, his Crew Chief Heather Lyne. By claiming the title, she became the first fe-

male crew chief to win a national Late Model championship and a national motorsports championship in North America.

In my personal favorite class, the Big Block Modifieds, Matt Sheppard arrived at the track with his Championship mathematically locked up. He managed to do so after winning his third Super DIRT Week Big Block title during the event's historic 50th Running. The Waterloo, NY driver finished third during the first of three Features of World Finals, but then suffered mechanical issues the next two nights, rounding out the season with seven Series wins - more than 40 overall for his season - 13 top 5's and 15 top 10s. Sheppard got to take home the \$60,000 championship check.

World of Outlaw, Sprint car driver Brad Sweet, of Grass Valley, CA, and his Kasey Kahne Racing team had a tremendous season. He already had won three straight titles and this year entered the Championship weekend with a 16-point lead over David Gravel. He said this time he felt no pressure. He proved that by beating Gravel on all three nights of World Finals, finishing third the first two nights and then fifth on Saturday. He concluded the 2022 season with a 48-point lead over Gravel, five Series wins, 41 top 5's and 59 top 10s. That's a lot of racing!

Next week I will have the

starting dates for the World of Outlaws 2023 season and dates for some of our tri-state tracks. Until next week, keep your wheels down. Ron Out! ohioportsblitz@yahoo.com

PAULDING COUNTY COURT RECORDS

Criminal/Traffic Disposition

Sheena Tracy, Latty, OH; Disorderly conduct (2 counts), Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; Operator license forfeiture may be released once paid in full

Corey L. Limauro, Antwerp, OH; Domestic violence; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior; No contact with minor victims; No unlawful contact with remaining victim

Gregory S. Sherry, Melrose, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Patrick W. Bloomfield, Oakwood, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Tracy Lynn Hoepfner, Payne, OH; Confine of dog (2 counts); Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Jordan T. Harris, Cecil, OH; Disorderly conduct with persistence; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; No unlawful contact with victim; Complete online course; Maintain general good behavior

Alicia Gee, Oakwood, OH; Physical control; Guilty; ALS vacated; Complete 40 hours of community service by 4/28/23

Tarrah M. Bower, Jackson, MI; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Jason A. Porter, Cloverdale, OH; Hit/skip, Count A dismissed; Driving under suspension, Guilty, Defendant to pay fines and costs; Failure to control, Guilty, Defendant to pay fines and costs

Peter C. Mann, Fort Wayne, IN; Driving under non FRA suspension, Count A dismissed; Distracted driving, Count B dismissed; Left of center, Pled no contest, found guilty, Defendant to pay fines and costs, Show proof of insurance by 11/10/22

Cristian E. Gomez Ochoa, Chicago, IL; Marked lanes, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant; Distracted driving, Guilty, Case was waived by defendant

Zachary D. Hitchcock, Payne, OH; No operator license, Guilty, Defendant to pay fines and costs, Warrant and warrant block recalled; Left of center, Guilty, Defendant to pay fines; Seat belt/drive, Guilty, Defendant to pay all fines

Lilianna A. Egia, Defiance, OH; Possession of marijuana; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Elias Montez Jr., Grover Hill, OH; Wrongful entrustment; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs

Stefan S. Pop, West Bloomfield, MI; Distracted driving; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Mehmet Uzun, Carnegie, PA; Permit violation; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant
Shontel, S. Owens, Lima,

WT GROVER HILL ELEM. OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Grover Hill October Student of the Month are the following (front, l-r): Kenzie Manz, Jessa Elkins, Zoey Diaz, Jullian Nieto, Kanin May, Makenna Miller and Shannel Wright; (back, l-r): Brayden Sinn, Ximena Alburto-de Leon, Kyndra Grimes, Brynlee Maenle, Austin Stoller, Beckett Jay and Brenna Beining.

PAYNE ELEMENTARY OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Pictured here are (row 1, l-r) Gwen LaBoe, Demiriana Goings, Emersyn Showalter, Noah Lazoff, Ellie Burkley, Bentley Vance, Landon Sherry, Maylee Stoller, Jacob Roop, Kaylee Miller; (row 2, l-r) Lucas Ross, Witt Stoller, Jennifer Treece, Aubree Phlipot, Callen Stoller, Mailey Stoller, MaKenna Schilt, Krandon Crites. Not Pictured: Zoey Mobley

Payne Elementary is pleased to announce their October Students of the month. "Initiative" was the word of the month and these

students displayed that quality by doing the right thing without being told to do so.

Eight of these students also received a monthly

movie pass for their family to the "Van Wert Cinemas".

We appreciate the hard work the students put forth to achieve this award.

OH; Theft, Case dismissed per state, with prejudice, Costs paid by the defendant; Criminal trespassing, Case dismissed per state, with prejudice, Costs paid by defendant

Jennifer L. McMillan, Scott, OH; Driving under suspension; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Show proof of insurance by 11/10/22

Randi R. Hatlevig, Antwerp, OH; Theft; Guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Placed on standard probation; Secure a valid operator license; 60 hours community service; Risk assessment on-line classes; Become employed; Write a letter of apology; No contact with Dollar General in Antwerp; Maintain general good behavior

Lynette A. Shidler, Paulding, OH; Disorderly conduct; Pled no contest, found guilty; Defendant to pay all fines and costs; Maintain general good behavior

Daniel R. Akers, Grover Hill, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

David Madriz, Indianapolis, IN; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Stephanie L. Elliott-Bradbury, Antwerp, OH; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

Charles C. Clemons, Florence, KY; Seat belt/drive; Guilty; Case was waived by defendant

ODOT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The following construction projects are anticipated to affect highways in Defiance, Paulding, Putnam and Van Wert Counties the week of Nov. 14, 2022. All outlined work is weather permitting.

DEFIANCE COUNTY: U.S. 24 will have lane restrictions and ramp closures between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance for a pavement re-

pair project. Current and pending traffic impacts are detailed below.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

- U.S. 24 eastbound between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance, the right/driving lane is closed.

PAULDING COUNTY: U.S. 24 will have lane restrictions and ramp closures between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance for a pavement repair project. Current and pending traffic impacts are detailed below.

TRAFFIC IMPACT

- U.S. 24 eastbound between U.S. 127 and the city of Defiance, the right/driving lane is closed.

U.S. 24 westbound, approximately one mile east of the U.S. 127 interchange and the village of Cecil, the driving/right lane is closed for work to repair a slide. Visit the project page for more information about slide projects in Paulding County.

TRAFFIC UPDATE

Work is expected to be complete and the barrier wall removed mid-week.

U.S. 24 eastbound near County Road 176 will be restricted to one lane for pavement repairs.

U.S. 24 eastbound between the 6 and 7 mile-markers, near County Road 176 and County Road 180, will be restricted to the left/passing lane for erosion repairs.

State Route 66 between Road M on the Putnam County line and Road 104 on the northern edge of the village of Oakwood will have lane restrictions for a resurfacing project. The project includes work to construct curb ramps in the village of Oakwood.

State Route 613 between State Route 637 and Township Road 137 is open following a closure for a culvert replacement. Crews will be present for work off the roadway.

PUTNAM COUNTY: Putnam County has no planned work anticipated to impact.

VAN WERT COUNTY: U.S. 30 eastbound, just west of U.S. 127, over Town Creek and the railroad, will

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CHRISTMAS AT THE OLD FORT



Welcome the holidays with fun and festivities at the Old Fort! Enjoy learning how Christmas was celebrated during the 1700s and 1800s. Visit with the artisans and see their hand-crafted items. Pick up a sweet treat from the bake sale and check out the Old Fort merchandise. Warm up by the fire as we deck the halls. History and the holidays come to life at the Old Fort!

Christmas at The Old Fort is scheduled for Saturday, November 26, 2022, 11:00 a.m. Through 5:00 p.m.

Please note: The bridge on Spy Run Avenue is undergo-

ing construction and is often down to one lane. Expect traffic delays when visiting the Old Fort. For the utmost safety of our visitors, we strongly encourage you to park in Lawton Park to access the fort. Otherwise, please use extreme caution when crossing Spy Run Avenue.

The Old Fort is located at 1201 Spy Run Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN. This event is a freewill donation. Always check our website at oldfortwayne.org, [Facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne](https://www.facebook.com/HistoricFortWayne), or call (260)437-2836 for schedule updates and information.

have lane restrictions for bridge approach slab replacement. The maximum clear-ance width is approximately 10 feet. Work is expected to be complete on Friday, Nov. 11.

U.S. 30 westbound, over Dog Creek Road, approxi-mately one mile west of the Middle Point Wetzel Road in-terchange, will have lane re-strictions for bridge approach slab replacement. Work is ex-pected to be complete on Fri-day, Nov. 11.

U.S. 33, just southeast of the village of Willshire, the shoulders remain closed as part of a project to repair a culvert. Work is expected to

be complete on Friday, Nov. 11.

U.S. 224 ramp to U.S. 30 westbound will be restricted for pavement repair. Traffic will be maintained by flaggers.

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 UPDATES

- May have temporary traffic impacts for finish work.

DISTRICTWIDE LIGHT-ING UPGRADE PROJECT

U.S. 23, U.S. 30, State Route 15 -- will have tempo-rary lane or shoulder closures for highway lighting up-grades. High-pressure sodium fixtures (HPS) will be re-placed 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.

Know Before You Go!

For more detailed traffic information, and to get per-sonalized traffic alerts for your commute, download the OHGO app or visit [OHGO .com](http://OHGO.com).

GMC ANNOUNCES ALL ACADEMIC ATHLETES FOR FALL 2022

The Green Meadows Conference recently an-nounced the All Academic Athletes for the Fall of 2022.

To be eligible for this honor, the athlete must be a senior, participate and letter in a recognized sport or cheerleading and have a 3.5 GPA or better after 6 semesters.

ANTWERP:

Autumn Zuber, Shaylee Garrett, Katryna Fish, Malleigh Jewell, Madelyn O'Donnell, Aerial Snyder, Is-abelle Graham, Ross Lee, Parker Moore

AYERSVILLE:

Grace Meuleman, Tyson Schlachter, Cassidy Hench, Mallorie Kneeven, Luke Schroeder, Alyssa Burke, Owen Berner, Jenna Brown, Blake Hauenstein, Keira Brown

EDGERTON:

Quentin Blue, Elissa Bowen, Corey Everetts, Ash-lee Hug, Kady Picillo, Noelle Ritter, Taylor Smith, Isaiah Fry, Charlotte Blalock, Addison Cape, Warren Nichols, Sadie Walther, Brianna Wicker-ham, Cooper Everetts, Gabby Weaver, McKenna Warner, Cydney Degryse

FAIRVIEW:

Zoe Apple, Dylan Gebers, D'Andre Hastings, Kialyn Keegan, Adam Lashaway, Molly McGuire, Paige Ri-cica, Jeffery Smith, Lester Smith, Quinton Smith, Car-rie Zeedyk

HICKSVILLE:

Lynae Poling, Alaina Stuckey, Morgan Fogle, Ken-zie Schroeder, Tori Perna, Katie Chapman, Julia Garza, Rachel Woenker, Maddie Stairhime, Mallory Sarchet, Gabe Rodriguez, JR Men-doza, Nolan Methvin, Kelton Stone, Lindsay Bergman, Michael Villena, Zach Bell, Ella Clark

PAULDING:

Vincente Cantu, Carlea Kuckuck, Katie Beckman, Sheridan Matty, Cassie Weller

TINORA:

Maleah Schmunk, Jaxen Durfey, Shea McMaster, Drake Rittenhouse, Clara Westrick, Emily Harr, Gavin Eckert, Cole Sweinhagen, Ja-cob Guisinger, Steven Bohn Jr., Carter Bernal, Rylee Joost, Maggi Nagel, Logan McQuillin

WAYNE TRACE:

Kara Stoller, Laura Thor-nell, Sydnee Sinn, Liara Ba-hena, Anna Miller, Gracie Shepherd, Lane Morehead, Jared Pierce, Blake Stoller, Elizibeth Mohr, Elise Miller, Ezra Sinn, Macy Doster

HOW TO ENJOY HOLIDAY MEALS WITHOUT PACKING ON THE POUNDS

My kids brought home a large haul of Halloween candy that I'm trying to avoid snacking on. With the remaining fall and upcom-ing winter holidays coming, I'm wondering if you can offer any tips to help me avoid gaining weight but still enjoy the holidays?

Take heart - you aren't the only parent tempted to eat their kiddos' Halloween goodies. In fact, two-thirds of parents report that they do eat some of their chil-dren's Halloween candy haul, according to the Na-tional Confectioners Associ-ation,

With the remaining fall and winter holidays ap-proaching, many people are concerned about trying to stay healthy while also en-joying all the rich, delicious foods and traditions associ-ated with the many celebra-tions that are or will be soon occurring through the end of the year.

While the issue of main-taining your weight or avoiding weight gain over the holidays is something that many people focus on this time of year, there are ways to enjoy the tastes of the holidays without pack-ing on extra weight, says Jenny Lobb, a family and consumer sciences educator for Ohio State University Ex-tension. OSU Extension is the outreach arm of The Ohio State University Col-lege of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES).

Many people are looking for ways to either avoid temptation or make better choices that will allow them to maintain a healthy weight while they navigate all the indulgence of the season, she said

"I think the best piece of advice for this season is to create a daily routine and stick to it through the holi-days and beyond," she said, "not just for weight manage-ment, but to provide your body with the nourishment and energy it needs for opti-mal focus and performance each day."

With that in mind, Lobb offers the following tips that can help you enjoy the holi-days and still meet your food-related health goals.

- Use the U.S. Depart-ment of Agriculture's My-plate dietary guidelines as your guide to healthy eating. MyPlate encourages people to eat more fruits and veg-etables, lean protein, and whole grains, including ad-vocating that people make half of the food on their plate fruits and vegetables.

- Fruits, veggies, protein, and whole grains help con-tribute to a feeling of fullness while providing the nutri-ents our bodies need. Filling up on those foods first might help you eat less of the other, richer foods that you might encounter later.

- Celebrate Your Plate (celebrateyourplate.org) has easy, tasty recipes that fea-ture fruits and veggies that you might want to try.

- Plan ahead—whether you are packing a lunch or snacks—for your workday. Take snack breaks and a lunch break, taking time away from work or the

The West Bend News

Sudoku Puzzle

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Answers to "Sudoku puzzle on Page 11"

screen to prepare and eat healthy food, and to get reacquainted with home cooking.

- Pay attention to what you bring into your home, planning meals and doing grocery shopping so you have the ingredients to pre-pare those meals rather than filling up or mindlessly snacking on less healthy foods all day long.

- Keep an eye on your portions. In the words of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, "enjoy your foods, but eat less." You can still enjoy those special holi-day treats, but keep an eye on the portions and try not to overdo it. Filling up on

fruits and vegetables first might help you stick to smaller portions of the richer foods you choose to eat.

- Limit your liquid calo-ries. Lots of holiday drinks such as alcoholic beverages, eggnog, and festive coffee drinks contain more calories and sugar than some desserts. So, keep an eye on the beverages that you're choosing, try to fill up on water first, and then treat those richer drinks more like desserts or sweets.

Lastly, try to understand that not all your holiday eat-ing habits are going to be perfect, so cut yourself some slack and enjoy the season.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the County Commissioners of Paulding County, Ohio, will hold a public hearing to consider an annexation petition to annex an area of property into the Village of Haviland. The area proposed for annexation is located on the south side of the village, at the south ends of S. McKinley St. and S. Harrison St. and contains 73.56 acres of land contiguous to the Village of Haviland.

The hearing will be held on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 9:00 am at the Office of the Paulding County Commissioners located at 451 McDonald Pike, Ste. E, Paulding, Ohio.

The complete annexation petition is available for inspection at copying at the office of the Paulding County Commissioners at: 451 McDonald Pike, Ste. E, Paulding, Ohio, or at the law offices of Hyman & Hyman, Ltd., at: 123 N. Main St., Paulding, Ohio.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO

FREEDOM MORTGAGE

CORPORATION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

UNKNOWN ADMINISTRATOR, EXECUTOR OR FIDUCIARY, UNKNOWN HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, UNKNOWN SPOUSES, DEVISEES, LEGATEES, CREDITORS AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM L. FULK, ET AL.

DEFENDANTS,

Case No. CI-22-094

RASC# 22-020544

Judge Tiffany R. Beckman

TO: PAMELA BLOHM and JACK DOE, NAME UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY OF PAMELA BLOHM, you will take notice that on June 9, 2022, Plaintiff, filed a Complaint for foreclosure in the PAULDING County Court of Common Pleas, being Case No. CI 22 094, alleging that there is due to the Plaintiff the sum of \$91,169.80, plus interest at 4.2500% per annum from July 01, 2020, plus late charges and fees applicable to the terms of a Promissory Note secured by a Mortgage on the real property, which has a street address of 1029 EMERALD RD PAULDING, OH 45879-7809, being permanent parcel number Parcel Number: 23-51A-052-00.

Plaintiff further alleges that by reason of a default in payment of said Promissory Note, the conditions of said Mortgage have

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been broken and the same has become absolute.

Plaintiff prays that the Defendant named above be required to answer and assert any interest in said real property or be forever barred from asserting any interest therein, for foreclosure of said mortgage, marshalling of liens, and the sale of said real property, and that the proceeds of said sale be applied according to law.

Said Defendant is required to file an Answer on or before the twenty-eighth day following the last date of Publication.

Edward J. Delp

Brian R. Decker, 0100918 Austin S. Jackson, 0068516 Edward J. Delp, 0088641 Maria T. Williams, 0079972 Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid, Crane & Partners, PLLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 2400 Chamber Center Dr. Suite 220 Ft. Mitchell, KY 41017 Telephone: 470-321-7112 Facsimile: 833-310-1332 Email: ausdecker@raslg.com / bjackson@raslg.com / edelp@raslg.com / maria.williams@raslg.com

ON-LINE SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Ohio Revised Code, Section 2329.153

THE STATE OF OHIO, PAULDING COUNTY:

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

vs.

REX A. GRAY, JR., ET AL., Defendants,

Case No. CI 18 130.

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

7051 East Front Street, Paulding

Parcel Number: 22-015-001-00; 22-015-002-00; 22-015-003-00; and, 22-015-004-00

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

www.uslandrecords.com

Said premises appraised at Thirty Thousand and No/100 (\$30,000.00) 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 December 1, 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 December 15, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. On this date, there will be no minimum bid. However, the purchaser will be responsible for any costs, allowances, and taxes which the proceeds of the sale are insufficient to cover.

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

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

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

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

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

Sheriff Jason K. Landers
Paulding County, Ohio
www.pauldingohsheriff.com
Benjamin N. Hoen, Attorney for Plaintiff

HICKSVILLE SPLASH PAD CLOSER TO REALITY



A group of Hicksville Elementary students are ready to use the planned Splash Pad which is closer to reality with donations of \$100,000 from The Jim Schmidt Family of Dealerships (Jim & Karen Schmidt) and \$100,000 from Arc Solutions Incorporated (Dennis & Sheryl Vetter and Scott Vetter).

ROOTS EAT BACTERIA!

Do plant roots really eat bacteria? The answer is Yes (sort of!). In the last 5-10 years, our understanding of how plants acquire nutrients has changed dramatically.

With new stronger microscopes; Australian scientist and Dr. James White, Rutgers university have discovered that plant roots are taking in endophytic (translation: "within the plant") bacteria and acquiring nutrients from these microbes.

One study estimates that 47% of the atmospheric nitrogen (N) and perhaps as much as 70% of the plants N might be acquired from bacteria absorbed and living between plant cells and within plant cells. This newly discovered processed is called rhizophagy. We should not be too surprised. Farmers inoculate legumes (soybeans, peas) with Rhizobium bacteria which reside in plant nodules and fix N. Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi (AMF) also enter roots and live between plant cells. AMF are like root extenders, bringing back water and soil nutrients in exchange for plant sugar. Endophytic bacteria do the same thing and all three (Rhizobia, AMF, bacteria) use similar processes to get into the plant. Important note: This is a symbiotic relationship (mutually beneficial to both parties) and the plant is the one that initiates and controls this process.

There are three plants zones for nutrient acquisition. First, the bulk soil away from the plant roots hold many nutrients. AMF can extend 6-18 inches away from a root to access water and nutrients a root can not reach. Second, the rhizosphere right around the plant roots send out root exudates to communicate or signal certain microbes what the plants needs nutritionally. Plants feed the microbes and the microbes make nutrients plant available. The third zone is now endophytic microbes that live within the plant supplying nutrients through rhizophagy.

The rhizophagy cycle is complex and very tightly managed by plant roots to avoid cellular root damage. Bacteria cluster together and live in dense biofilms around the root cap (root tip). Biofilms are full of nutrients (plant root exudates) and provides protection from predators. These bacteria are making nutrients plant available, but the plant wants more because it wants to grow (think about teenagers and how much they need to eat to grow quickly). The plant signals certain bacteria to enter the thin-walled root cell membranes (meristem cells) close to the root cap. The bacteria use arginine (a plant amino acid root exudate) to make ethylene to gain root entry. Once inside the root, these bacteria lose their cell wall (think about tumbling around in a washing machine) but they are still alive. Some stay between cell walls, others enter the plant cell themselves, or move to other parts of the plant (stems, leaves, flowers, seed).

The stripped off cell wall of endophytic bacteria supplies a banquet for the plant. Carbohydrates (sugars), amino acids, plant growth hormones, and macro and micro nutrients all are released to the hungry plant for faster growth and higher yields. The wall-less bacteria thrive in the protected plant (lots of food, no predators, little stress) and they multiply extremely fast (every 20 minutes). As the microbial population expands, it gets crowded, so they start pushing outward forming a new root hair. Roots hairs can only form from endophytic bacteria! These bacteria crowd the root hair in such large numbers, they are expelled in waves back into the soil. Once in the soil, these bacteria fatten up with nutrients, grow a new cell wall, and start looking for the next ride into the plant. The

ANOTHER LARGE DONATION MADE FOR HICKSVILLE SPLASH PAD



Betty can be seen presenting the check with her great grandchildren left to right, in the front row: Nadia Collins, Abby Wiley, Britton Collins, Betty Guilford, Elizabeth Pierman, Beckett Collins, Libby McClurg, Abby McClurg. Back row left to right: Carter Wiley, Matilyn Pierman, Xavier Pierman, Brooke Squires, Taylor and Jack Warncke.

Betty Guilford recently presented the Hicksville Community Fund with a \$200,000 check for the Splash Pad project on behalf

of herself and her late husband Dennis Guilford. For more information about the Hicksville Splash Pad Project or donations,

please contact: Jim or Karen Schmidt, Dennis or Sheryl Vetter, Greg or Lisa Satterly or Kirk Collins.

whole process takes about 2 days.

A few bacteria do not survive this wild ride (possibly as many as 10%). Inside a bacteria cell, the cytoplasm is full of nutrients and intact phytohormones that greatly stimulate plant growth, which in the long run, is good for both healthy plants and healthy microbial populations long-term. Since bacteria divide often and produce by division, they really do not have an individual lifespan unless they die or are consumed by another organism.

There is no difference between plant nutrients derived from rhizophagy and those derived directly from the soil. The big difference, rhizophagy supplies the plant with easy-to-get nutrients when it is really hungry and want to grow and produce seeds. The intact plant growth hormones stimulate fast growth and increased crop yields. Also, the endophytic bacteria produce nitric oxide to protect themselves inside the plant. This nitric oxide is converted to nitrates which the plant can use directly and be converted into plant N to make amino acids, proteins, and enzymes. This new information could help farmers and gardeners raise higher yielding, nutrient dense crops with much less commercial fertilizer in the near future. Source: Jeff Lowenfels, Teaming with Bacteria, 2022.

James J. Hoorman
Hoorman Soil Health Services

streaming has made entertainment more accessible than ever before, it comes with the potential downside of spiraling into indecision.

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of holding more than three rounds. Dove hunting requires a shotgun that can hold no more than three rounds. The subject was issued a summons for hunting migratory birds with a gun capable of holding more than three rounds.

In September, State Wildlife Officer Jade Heizer, assigned to Fairfield County, and State Wildlife Investigator Kelsey Brockman were instructors at the 8th Annual Ohio Women's Outdoor Adventures (OWOA) retreat, hosted by the Ohio Division of Parks and Watercraft at Hueston Woods State Park. OWOA is a three-day event that enables women to learn new outdoor skills. Officers Heizer and Brockman provided instruction for safety and basic use of archery equipment, handguns, and rifles. Wildlife communications specialists Kelly Schott and Sarah Schott gave instruction on shotgun shooting. Several women who have participated in OWOA since the beginning praised the higher number of female instructors, stating that seeing female instructors made them believe they could successfully learn those skills, too.

Northwest Ohio - Wildlife District Two

During the 2021 white-tailed deer gun hunting season, State Wildlife Officer Ryan Kennedy, assigned to Hardin County, received a complaint concerning hunting without permission. Officer Kennedy observed two hunters dragging a deer off the complainant's property. Further investigation revealed the hunters did not have permission to enter the property. Officer Kennedy issued citations to both hunters for hunting without permission. They were found guilty, and each received a \$75 fine.

In late September, State Wildlife Officer Charles McMullen, assigned to Sandusky County, patrolled Pickerel Creek Wildlife Area. Officer McMullen noticed two older fishermen along a creek channel and stopped to conduct a compliance check. Both men had valid fishing licenses and

appeared eager to talk about their catfishing success that year. During the conversation, each angler hooked a catfish and Officer McMullen helped to net them. The men ended the conversation by expressing their gratitude, stating that game wardens must be good luck and Officer McMullen could check their licenses anytime.

Northeast Ohio - Wildlife District Three

State Wildlife Officer Nick Turner, assigned to Harrison County, recently received a call from a landowner reporting hunting without permission. Officer Turner visited the property and contacted the hunter, who reported having permission to hunt the property. An investigation revealed the hunter was on the property with a forged permission slip from his friend, who was also hunting without permission. The second person was charged and convicted for hunting without permission and aiding another in hunting without permission. The first hunter was unaware of the scam and was not charged.

While on patrol, State Wildlife Officer Aaron Brown, assigned to Wayne County, received a call from the Medina Raptor Center about an owl stuck in a chimney at a nearby residence. Officer Brown responded to the location and found a barred owl perched on the chimney flue. Officer Brown used his catch pole to capture one of the owl's feet. The bird was gently pulled past the flue and through the fireplace. The owl was given a brief check and the soot brushed from its body before being released outside unharmed.

Southeast Ohio - Wildlife District Four

In June 2022, State Wildlife Officer Matt VanCleve, assigned to Pike County, received information that several white-tailed deer had been game-checked illegally. Further investigation revealed that the deer had been checked under tenant/landowner status by family members who were not tenants or landowners. Officer

Sudoku solution from page 9

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

State Wildlife Officer Matt Roberts, assigned to Highland County, and Wildlife Officer Supervisor Dave Warner assisted a woman after she hit a deer with her vehicle. The woman was okay after striking the deer, and arrangements were made to pick up the vehicle the next day. The mature buck's head smashed the front passenger window and sprayed glass all over the inside of the vehicle. Deer are on the move during the fall rut. When driving in the fall, use extra caution and slow down, especially at dawn and dusk when deer are most active.

Southwest Ohio - Wildlife District Five

After receiving a complaint from a hunter about individuals illegally riding dirt bikes in Paint Creek Wildlife Area, State Wildlife Officer Matt Roberts, assigned to Highland County, searched for the riders. Officer Roberts set up surveillance and shortly thereafter contacted two adults riding on the wildlife area. Both riders received a summons.

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FIELD REPORTS FROM OHIO DIVISION OF WILDLIFE OFFICERS
Central Ohio - Wildlife District One
During an Ohio Division of Wildlife controlled deer hunt at a wildlife area, State Wildlife Officer Josh Elster, assigned to Pickaway County, contacted a subject sitting near a numbered stake. Officer Elster checked for the subject's hunting license and controlled hunting permit. The subject did not have a permit to hunt at that location. Officer Elster informed the subject that stake belonged to another permit holder, and he was not allowed to sit there. Officer Elster then found that the subject's gun was capable

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5 DAYS TILL ANTWERP CHAMBER SBS BINGO BEGINS!



Antwerp Corner Cafe has many food offerings for hungry shoppers Monday through Saturday. Stop in on November 26th while shopping Small Business Saturday!

The festivities of Small Business Saturday (SBS) will begin a little early in the Village of Antwerp. This year Antwerp Chamber in coordination with participating Chamber businesses are sponsoring Business Bingo! Pick up a Bingo board at Petals & Vines or West Bend News on Friday November 18th. This pre-SBS bingo board is a Cover All card. How it works is like this: Visit all of the businesses on the board and take a selfie with the elf or SBS sign, and then on Small Business Saturday (November 26th) turn your completed board in at the Welcome Center set up at the Antwerp VFW Post #5087 by 12Noon and be entered to win \$100 in Chamber Bucks!

If you are only planning to participate on SBS itself — you can still get in on some holiday fun! There will be a Straight Line Bingo Board available to pick up at the Welcome Center on November

26th (VFW building). Visit all the businesses in a line on this bingo board — don't forget your selfie with the Elf or SBS sign! Turn the Straight Line Bingo card in by 12Noon and be entered into a drawing for \$25 in Chamber Bucks!

And don't forget about the "Save Your Receipt" drawing. As you are doing your holiday shopping in Antwerp on SBS, come back to the Welcome Center before 12Noon and enter those receipts into one or both of the drawings. If you spend over \$50 at ONE Antwerp Chamber business, you can enter the drawing for \$100 in Chamber Bucks; OR if you spend \$25-\$49 in ANY Antwerp Chamber business, you can enter into the drawing for \$25 in Chamber Bucks.

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that allowed them to learn more about agriculture and FFA.

On October 25th, members departed Paulding HS and went to top golf where they had such a great time bonding with each other and showing off their golf skills.

On October 26th, the chapter did a tour of the Indianapolis 500 track. They were able to see the brick road as well as the Indy 500 museum during their tour and learn about the history of the racing industry. Then they attended the opening session of the FFA convention where Tamika Catchings was the keynote speaker. She delivered a very inspirational speech about her life challenges and how she was able to overcome those challenges and inspire others. Later that evening the chapter attended a concert where Lauren Alaina and Jimmy Allen performed. The rest of the week the FFA Chapter had time to go to the convention center for the expo and FFA mall to talk to various colleges and agricultural companies.

On Thursday, they went to the 2nd general session (3 Star Chapter). During Session 2 the Paulding FFA was recognized as a 3-Star National Chapter, a huge accomplishment for our chapter, this is the 2nd year the chapter has been Nationally recognized. On Friday, the chapter also got to go to the Indianapolis Zoo for an awesome visit. Then later that evening members attended the World's Toughest Rodeo finals and enjoyed the wonderful show.

On the last day of the National Convention, the members and advisors attended the American Degree ceremony, where they watched 4 Paulding FFA members receive their American FFA Degrees. Members were Kyle Harris, Colton Howell, Nolan Johannis, and Sydney Reineck that received the highest degree possible in FFA. The Paulding FFA Chapter is very proud of these four members and their accomplishments. The Paulding FFA members would like to say a special thanks to the Paulding FFA Alumni for their support to the Paulding FFA Chapter and its members.

NSCC CENTER FOR LIFELONG LEARNING PRESENTS "WHAT IS THE ABILITY CENTER & ASSISTANCE DOGS OF AMERICA?"

The NSCC Center for Lifelong Learning will host

speakers from the Ability Center in Toledo, Ohio with Assistance Dogs of America and Kristi Rotroff, Director of Library Services at Northwest State Community College who has experience in raising puppies for Leader Dogs for the Blind. The Ability Center advocates for people with disabilities and are catalysts for all they can achieve. One in four people have a disability that impacts the way they connect with the world around them. The Ability Center works as an advocate and thought leader, changing both attitudes and real world conditions for people with disabilities. They advocate, educate, partner, and provide services supporting people with disabilities to thrive within their community.

Kristi (zumFelde) Rotroff grew up in rural Wauseon and participated in Fulton County 4-H for thirteen years. In the mid-1980s, the family raised two puppies for a program that was a partnership between Ohio 4-H and Ohio Leader Dogs for the Blind. This project was very rewarding, and one of the puppies ended up living and working with a vision-impaired man for over ten years. More recently, Kristi was a puppy raiser for the Leader Dogs for the Blind organization in Rochester, Michigan.

Adults 50 and over are invited to attend a special program, presented by the NSCC Center for Lifelong Learning (CFL) at the Archbold Campus on Friday, November 18 in the Voinovich Auditorium, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is a \$14 charge per

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Picture from left to right are student council members Kayleigh Dunham, Vivi Myers, Audrey Stoller, and Dianne Cooper, Vice President of Public Relations of Cooper Farms along with Tanya Rickenberg JH principal.

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graders spent the day at Camp Clay in Van Wert. The sixth graders' field trip will be later in May. Paulding Junior High is so grateful to have such wonderful benefactors in the Coopers.

person to attend. A small continental breakfast will be served at 9:00 a.m., followed by speakers at 9:30 a.m. A lunch will also be served from noon until 1:00 p.m.

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PAULDING FFA RECEIVES AWARD AT 95th ANNUAL FFA NATIONAL CONVENTION



Here are the 12 Paulding FFA members who attended the 95th Annual National FFA Convention.

By: Paulding FFA Reporter, Caydence Rue

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